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Water main break leaves city dry

City employees respond to a broken 12" water main Tuesday at the corner of 8th street and north avenue M. Repairs to the line necessitated the shut down of water throughout Post City for more than eight hours. Water service was restored late Tuesday evening.

City suggests boiling water following service interruption

Following a main line break that caused water pressure to drop under 20 psi, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality instructed the City of Post to notify all water customers that water should be boiled prior to consumption.

"To ensure destruction of all harmful bacteria and other microbes, water for drinking, cookies and for making ice should be boiled for two minutes," reads the press release issued by the city late Tuesday afternoon. "In lieu of boiling, you may purchase bottled water or obtain water from other suitable sources."

According to the press release, the city will notify local residents when boiling water for consumption is no longer necessary.

Local residents were without water much of the day Tuesday after the water line break occurred at mid-morning.

The line break was located near the Allsup's on the Tahoka Highway.

City water crews worked all day to repair the break. As of late Tuesday, workers were attempting to "pressure up" the line in preparation to reinstate water service.

Anyone with questions regarding the notification to boil water for consumption should contact the city at 495-2811 or Johnny Torres at 620-4232.

Lively debate exposes question about county violation of state laws

by Wes Burnett

The Garza County Commissioners' Court meeting Monday morning included a challenge to the county's apparent violation of the law regarding payment of over-budgeted items.

After agenda items for the meeting were completed, Judge Giles W. Dalby asked Fred Howell if he had something he wanted to say. Howell responded by informing the court that he discovered the court and the county treasurer were in violation of the law for issuing payments for over-budget items in the Sheriff's Department.

Howell quoted the Texas Government Code, pointing out that the county must approve an emergency or a transfer of funds before making payments for over-budget items. "You must stay strictly within the limits of the budget," Howell said, "with the exception that the court must approve changes, or declare an emergency."

Howell also said that the law requires the treasurer to withhold payment for over-budget items until the commissioners' court takes action to either approve an emergency or transfer of funds.

Judge Dalby admitted that the court had not taken action according to the law, but defended the treasurer's action by saying that the court routinely handles over-budget items after the fact.

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Post Notes

Reno honored with farwell reception

A farewell reception honoring Ruth Reno will be held Sunday, July 16, from 2-4 p.m. in the fellowship hall of the First United Methodist Church. Mrs. Reno, a long-time resident of Post will be moving to Houston to be with her daughter and son-in-law. All friends are invited to come with well wishes. No gifts please, but cards will be appreciated.

Vacation bible school begins Monday

"Artic Edge" is the theme for this year's First Baptist Church vacation bible school, July 17-21. Registration will be held at 5 p.m. on Monday, July 17. Dinner at 5:30 p.m. VBS - completed K-4th and VBX - completed 5th & 6th (preteen only).

No meetings planned for PCM

Post City Merchants will be taking a summer break. There will be no meetings in July and August. Our next meeting will be held September 12th at CoCaRa's beginning at 6:30 p.m. For more information call Donna Degan - 495-0888.

Summer reading program at library

The 2006 Texas Reading Club begins Friday, July 7, at Post Public Library. The program is designed to encourage 2nd-5th grade children to maintain reading skills during the summer months. Throughout the month of July, we will also offer a "Read to Me" club for 4-6 year olds. Both age groups meet Tuesday and Friday mornings from 10-11 a.m. Call 990-2149 for more information.

Annual Rotary Club Dog Dip

The Rotary Club will have a vaccination and dog dip on Saturday, July 22 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. at Post Fire Department building on Avenue H. Rabies shot - \$8, dog dip - \$5.

Benefit for Sue Cash and Brad Moore

Caprock Spring Fellowship will sponsor a benefit for Sue Cash and Brad Moore on Friday, Saturday 21 at the Post Community Center from 6-8 p.m. The event will include hamburgers, chips, dessert and a time of praise.

Trailblazers offers hearing testing

Garza County Trailblazers will have Hearing Technologies of Lubbock here for another round to make sure we reached all seniors in the community that might benefit from a free amplified telephone. If you are a senior citizen and would be interested, we encourage you to come to the center on Friday, July 21st from 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. For any questions you may contact Mandi Criswell at 495-2998 or Donna Trammel at 795-0188.

Trailblazer bake sale

Garza County Trailblazers will offer a fundraising Bake Sale, July 22 starting at 9 a.m. at United Supermarket. The event is to assist the center.

Family history from Graham community needed

Family histories from the Graham Chapel Community, copies of pictures, and school memories are being collected by Jane Mason to be compiled into a book with copies to be sold. Please send your history to Jane Mason, Rt. 3, Box 14, Post, Texas 79356, by July 25th. Also would like to have items from the school for a collection to be presented to the Garza County Museum.

Family Harvest Church special services

Join us for special services with Evangelist Paul Fair on Saturday, July 29 at 6:30 p.m. Country gospel singing ministry will be provided by The Styler Family of Willow Tree Ministries, at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. on Sunday, July 30. Come join us at Family Harvest Church, 111 N. Ave. I.

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Souvenir magazine planned to mark Post City centennial

Work already is under way on a souvenir magazine to be published next year in connection with the city's 2007 centennial celebration.

The Post City Centennial Committee's Publication Subcommittee commissioned The Post Dispatch to handle the project, and work on the magazine began several weeks ago.

"We are greatly honored and privileged to have been selected to take on this important project in support of our centennial," The Post Dispatch publisher Wesley W. Burnett emphasizes.

Plans for the souvenir magazine call for a fresh editorial and photographic perspective on the past, present and future of Post

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A dramatic lightning storm hovered over and around Post City Tuesday evening and into Wednesday morning. Only small amounts of moisture were reported. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

Judy's Jabberin'

by Judy Ballentine Bush

Hello,
At this writing, there are several folks in the store discussing of course, no water!! Is it not just amazing how we take things for granted.

Of course I am glad I'm not a mom at home with several small children, or thank goodness, a teacher with a room full of children (yikes) or a mechanic (really dirty hands)

So see, there is always a silver lining; you just gotta look for it!

GET WELL SOON

To Mr. Jim Strawn, who suffered a heart attack Tuesday. Thank goodness he is doing much better today and hopefully will be home soon. Just wanted to let him know that he is in our hearts and prayers and we hope he takes care of himself.

RULES OF LIFE

(The following was given to me by Janet Duncan, I thought it pretty interesting)

Bill Gates recently gave a speech at a High School about 11 things they did not and will not learn in school. He talks about how feeling good; politically correct teachings created a generation of kids with no concept of reality and how this concept set them up for failure in the real world.

RULE 1: Life is not fair-get use to it!!!!!!

RULE 2: The world won't care about your self-esteem. The world will expect you to accomplish something before you feel good about yourself.

RULE 3: You will not make \$60,000 a year right out of high

school. You won't be a vice-president with a car phone until you earn both.

RULE 4: If you think your teacher is tough, wait till you get a boss.

RULE 5: Flipping burgers is not beneath your dignity. Your grandparents had a different word for burger flipping, they called it opportunity.

RULE 6: If you mess up it is not your parents' fault, so don't whine about your mistakes, learn from them.

RULE 7: Before you were born, your parents weren't as boring as they are now. They got that way from paying your bills, cleaning your clothes and listening to you talk about how cool you thought you were. So before you save the faint forest from the parasites of your parents' generation, try delousing the closet in your own room.

RULE 8: Your school may have done away with winners and losers, but life has not. In some schools, they have abolished failing grades and they will give you as many times as you want to get the right answer. This doesn't bear the slightest resemblance to anything in real life.

RULE 9: Life is not divided into semesters. You don't get summers off and very few employers are interested in helping you find yourself. Do that on your own time.

RULE 10: Television is not real life. In real life people actually

have to leave the coffee shop and go to jobs.

RULE 11: Be nice to nerds. Chances are you'll end up working for one!!!!!!

IF YOU AGREE-PASS IT ON IF YOU CAN READ THIS-THANK A TEACHER

IF YOU ARE READING IT IN ENGLISH-THANK A SOLDIER LACKING ALL RELIGION

A very zealous soul-winning young preacher recently came upon a farmer working in his field. Being concerned about the farmer's soul the preacher asked the man, "Are you laboring in the vineyard of the Lord my good man?" Not even looking at the preacher and continuing his work the farmer replied, "Naw, these are soybeans."

"You don't understand," said the preacher. "Are you a Christian?"

With the same amount of interest as his previous answer the farmer said, "Nope my name is Jones. You must be looking for Jim Christian. He lives a mile south of here."

The young determined preacher tried again asking the farmer, "Are you lost?"

"Naw! I've lived here all my life," answered the farmer. "Are you prepared for the resurrection?" the frustrated preacher asked. This caught the farmer's attention and he asked, "When's it gonna be?" Thinking he had accomplished something the young preacher replied, "It could be today, tomorrow, or the next day."

Taking a handkerchief from his back pocket and wiping his brow, the Farmer remarked, "Well, don't mention it to my wife. She don't get out much and she'll wanna go all three days."

TILL NEXT WEEK

Hope you all have a great week end. May God bless each of you. Remember to pray for rain. Please call in your news, I need it.

Judy



Nick Adkison and Carolyn Lewis

Carolyn Lewis, Nick Adkison set August 12 wedding date

Carolyn Elizabeth Lewis of Gail and Nick Adkison of Fort Worth have announced their engagement and approaching marriage.

The bride-elect, daughter of former Post residents Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lewis and granddaughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. Leo Roy Lewis and the late Mr. and Mrs. Julius Glenney, is a graduate of Texas Tech University in Lubbock. A resident of Carrollton, she is employed at Bankmark as an administrative assistant.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Adkison of Fort Worth. A graduate of Devry University, he is employed as a computer specialist with AAFES.

The wedding is set for 1:30 p.m. Aug. 12 in North Richland Hills.

The couple will make their home in Irving.



Coby Jones and Mandy Baker

Coby Jones, Mandy Baker announce wedding plans

Mr. and Mrs. Greg Jones have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their son, Coby, to Mandy Baker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hal Hansen of Amarillo.

The prospective bridegroom, a 2004 graduate of Post High School, is a pre-med major at Texas Tech University.

The bride-elect is a 2004 graduate of River Road High School of Amarillo and a student at South Plains College of Cosmetology. She is a candidate for August graduation.

An Oct. 14 wedding is planned in Happy.

Dalby said that the court would take corrective action.

In other matters, the court

• Approved members to the Garza County Variance Committee: Ronnie Dunn, Pct. 1; Anne Sims, Pct. 2; Arthur Kelly, Pct. 3; Tillie Duran, Pct. 4 and Joe Smith, County Judge.

• Authorized the county clerk to set a public hearing for imposing an archive fee; authorized a line item transfer in Precinct 2 for fuel adjustment.

• Approved a resolution with Bickerstaff, Heath, Pollan & Caroom, L.L.P. to reimburse expenditures regarding the proposed county lake emergency services building.

• Heard a budget request from Caprock Cultural Association's JoAnn Mock. The request is for \$34,000.

(Editor's Note: The entire DVD recorded meeting is broadcast on Post City Television, Cebridge Connections Channel 12 at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.)

Post Notes

"Evil Doings at Queen Toot's Tomb"

Garza Theatre proudly presents the annual Harley Sadler Show - "Evil Doings at Queen Toot's Tomb". The production opens July 21 and continues weekends through August 6. For more information and tickets call the box office at 495-4005.

Fresh produce needed

Garza County Trailblazers is accepting any donations from persons with gardens needing to make room for more. Any extra fruits and veggies would be greatly appreciated at our center. For questions contact Mandi Criswell, Monday-Friday, 8 am-2 pm.

Registration at Christian School

Contact Nancy Gordon at 495-2603 or 495-3554 (First Baptist Church) for information to enroll your child in Pre-K3, Pre-K4, or Kindergarten for the 2006-2007 school year. Registration fee, social security no., birth certificate, and current immunization record are required at time of registration. Kindergarten begins Aug. 14. Pre-K begins Sept. 5th/6th. Class size is limited.

Church softball league planned

A pair of "community practices" will kick off the Church Co-Rec Softball League. Everyone interested in participating should plan to attend the practices-7 p.m. on Aug. 6 and Aug. 13 at the girls' softball field. Names will be dropped in a hat and teams drawn (couples will stay together). Games start Aug. 20 (Sunday and Wednesday night only), and the number of teams organized will determine the length of the season. Volunteer umpires and announcers also are needed. For more information, contact Kim Lott at 629-4340.

Trailblazers selling raffle tickets

Garza County Trailblazers are selling raffle tickets to help bring in more funds to support our center. 1st prize-\$100.00 grocery certificate from United in Post and 2nd prize-\$50 grocery certificate. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The drawing will be held at the center on Sept. 1st. For questions or to purchase tickets, call Betty Hill at 495-0237.

Post Book Club to meet

The Post Book Club will meet at Ruby Lane Books, 127 E. Main Saturday, July 15 at 1:00 pm Roberta Webb, author of "The Dark and Bloody Ground", will speak to the group and her book will be a future reading selection. The only cost to group members is the purchase of the book selection. Anyone who enjoys reading is encouraged to join. For more information call 495-0140.

County Court

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"You're putting all the blame on the treasurer," Dalby emphasized, "but the court is responsible." Dalby also said that it is near impossible to monitor every single line item in the budget.

"We've all done this," the Judge added, "there's just too many statutes to keep up with them all, we certainly don't do it intentionally."

County Treasurer Ruth Ann Young explained that the over-budget problem came up when Sheriff Laws had to suspend a deputy who was under investigation in another county. During that time other deputies had to put in overtime to cover the shifts. Young said that the unnamed deputy has since been relieved of duties.

Howell reminded the court that he was not asking for an explanation for the overtime expenses, "This is a matter of following the law when it comes to spending tax funds" he said (see Howell's explanation on Page 9).

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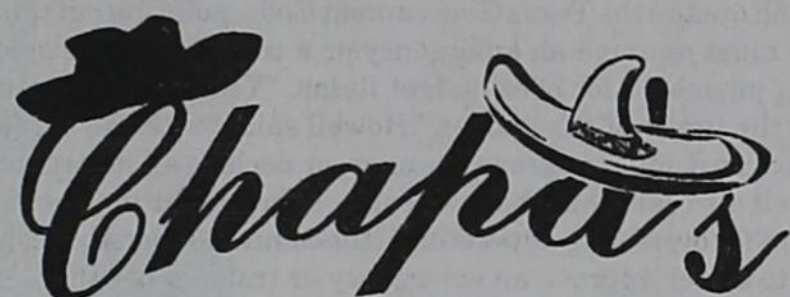
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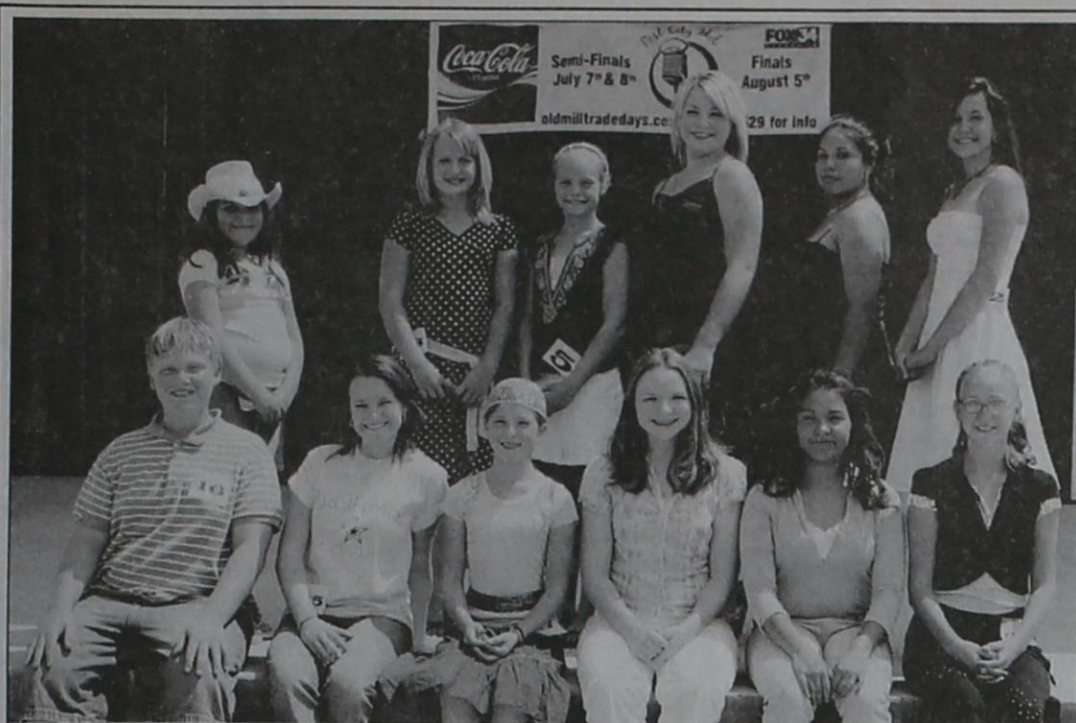
July 17-21

6 to 8:45 p.m.

Registration: 5 p.m., July 17

Dinner at 5:30 p.m.





Finalists in the youth division of Old Mill Trade Days' Post City Idol are (back row left to right) Chelsea Longoria, Taya Bishop, Analisa Jobe, Karleigh Porterfield, Adrianna Barboza, Mari Elyse Robles, (front row) Trey Daves, Lindsey Lane, Ashley Stephens, Jessica Quisenberry, Alyssa Guerra and Tristan Chancey. Finalists will compete in the final round Saturday, August 5 at Old Mill Trade Days.



Finalists in the adult division of Old Mill Trade Days' Post City Idol are (back row left to right) Katie Crump, Gentry Davidson, Ashley Basinger, Courtney Terral, Stephanie Gipson, Tiffany Gary, (front row) Sydney Wright, Byron Norwood, Jay Oden, Taner Terral and Mud Flap (c/o KLLL). Finalists will compete in the final round Saturday, August 5 at Old Mill Trade Days.



Arimy (Gradine) Beasley (center) receives her Doctoral degree of Jurisprudence on May 13, 2006 from Texas Tech University. Sharing in the special occasion are family members (back row left to right) Ronnie Gradine (father) and husband Dean Beasley, (front row) Vondi Gradine (sister), Arimy and Voda Beth Gradine (mother).

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Obituaries

Syble Workman

Services for Syble Workman, 80, of Lubbock, formerly of Post, were held at 2 p.m. Friday, July 7, 2006, in the Trinity Baptist Church with the Rev. Billie S. Smith officiating, assisted by the Rev. Cecil E. Foster of the Fluvanna Baptist Church. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Justice-Mason Funeral Home.



She died July 5 in Lubbock. Born Dec. 17, 1925, she married Norris Workman on Aug. 4, 1945, in Blum. The couple moved to Post in 1960. He died Aug. 11, 1982.

Survivors include two sons, Randy and Ann Workman of Wolf-ford and Gary Workman of Post; five daughters, Sherry and Billy Meurer of Lubbock, Donna and Buck Lemons of Fluvanna, Ila Workman and Tena Hughes, both of Lubbock, and Christie and Shorty Martin of Aspermont; one brother and sister-in-law, Douglass and Edna Hightower of Corsicana; 21 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers included Roger Daugherty, Cody Ferguson, Travis Martin, Boady Hand, Chad Williams, Rusty Workman, Harold Needham and Brandon English.

Honorary pallbearers included Bill Case and Rusty Browning. The family has suggested memorials be made to Meals on Wheels, 630 E. Oak, Post, TX 79356; Meals on Wheels, 2304 34th St., Lubbock, TX 79411; or the American Diabetes Association in Lubbock.

Frances Hoover

Services for Frances Lois Hoover of Post were conducted at 2 p.m. Friday, July 7, 2006, in the First Baptist Church with Bro. Kevin Blackburn of the Calvary Baptist Church of Post officiating.

She died July 4. Born Oct. 31, 1948, near Troup, she was the fifth of seven children in the McNeese household. She graduated from Bosworth High School in Missouri in 1967 and attended Tyler Junior College for two years. She served three terms in the U.S. Army from 1968 to 1979, at which time she left the service as a staff sergeant with an honorable discharge. She married Kenneth Hoover on Dec. 19, 1992, in Tyler. She worked for the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility for five years.

Survivors include her husband; four children, Kathy Hayes, Jeff Hoover, Joy Field and Nathan Hoover; five grandchildren; and five siblings, Jimmy McNeese, Shirley Blackstock, Danny McNeese, Johnny McNeese and Elaine Ratliff.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Ed McNeese; her mother, Jewel Broome McNeese; and her father, Edwin McNeese.

Opal York

Services for Opal York, 67, of Post will be at 2 p.m. Friday, July 14, 2006, in the Trinity Baptist Church with the Rev. Billie S. Smith officiating. Burial will follow in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

She died Tuesday, July 11, at her home. Born Oct. 11, 1938, in Tyler to Louis Colvin "Shorty" and Iris Guthrie Snow, the family moved to Post when Opal was young. She attended Post schools and married John Henry York on Aug. 23, 1967, in Post. He preceded her in death on June 25, 1989. She worked for many years for the Postex Cotton Mill, the Post Independent School District lunchroom and the Golden Plains Care Center. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include four sons, Gary and his wife Laura Eaton of Post, Ronnie and his wife Sandy Eaton of Post, Alfred and Barbara Mullings of Colorado Springs, Colo., and John York of Post; one brother, Larry Snow; three sisters, Joyce Stewart, Margie Anderson and Judy Snow; 14 grandchildren, Ronnie Jr., Gary L. and Russell Eaton, Michael Soto, Justin, Shane, Austin and Katelyn Mullings, Sadler Hair, Kendra Watson, Erica Martin, Eric and Nathan Segura and Jessica Levario; and seven great-grandchildren, Stone Eaton, Aracely Soto, Robert and Avery Segura, Amiah Martin and Dezire and Jezreel Levario. She is also survived by her special friend Dale Hair.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Annie Mullins, on July 25, 1989, and by her parents, Shorty Snow on June 1, 1983, and Iris Guthrie Snow on Jan. 23, 1947.



Carol Jean Chappell

Services for Carol Jean Chappell, 88, of Post were held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, July 7, 2006, in the Hudman Funeral Home with Phil Demetro of VistaCare officiating. Burial in the Hale Cemetery in Ruidoso Downs was at noon MST on Saturday, July 8. Hudman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

She died July 2 at Golden Plains Care Center. Born April 26, 1918, in Dallas, she married Emerson Chappell on Feb. 16, 1968, in Dallas. He preceded her in death on Nov. 4, 2005. Prior to moving to Post, she was a resident of Ruidoso Downs for 30 years.

Survivors include one daughter, Nancy Hodges of Waco; one brother, James C. Sublette of Post; three stepchildren, Sharron Denney of Mesquite, Dan Chappell of Longview and David Chappell of Midland; nine grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews, including Marie Yerman and Barbara Paul, both of Post.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Carolanne Pior.

Letters to the Editor

Letters must be signed by the writer. Editor reserves right to edit for brevity, grammar, libel and accuracy. Letters are published at the sole discretion of the editor.

EMS air support still available

As you well know, AeroCare from Lubbock has served our region for many years and continues to provide excellent care and air transport to patients who have been involved in major accidents or are experiencing a major illness. We also have Southwest MedEvac, stationed in Snyder (home based in Las Cruces, N.M.). Southwest MedEvac placed a helicopter in Snyder in June 2005.

Both companies are very well experienced with our service and provide very professional care to all patients who we feel would benefit from rapid air transport. We are very fortunate to have two air transport services in the area since we have such a large area to cover.

The rumor is that AeroCare will not fly or land in Garza County anymore. Well, this simply is not true.

We have a standing policy at our dispatch center that if a call is south or east of the city of Post that Southwest MedEvac should be contacted first; if they do not have a helicopter available, then call AeroCare. The same goes for anything north or west of the city of Post. Contact AeroCare first; if they are not available, call Southwest MedEvac. This way we can have an air transport team on scene within 20 to 30 minutes of the call.

Sometimes it is best to contact AeroCare and meet them in Southland. This is just part of getting the patient to definitive care as quickly as possible.

Both services, when contacted with a possible request for assistance, will auto launch due to the distance (meaning they will launch their helicopter with the understanding they may be cancelled).

Our job or desire is to provide excellent care to all who call 9-1-1 and need emergency medical or trauma assistance. Part of that job is to get the most critical patients to the hospital as soon as possible. That "golden hour" is a term all in EMS and trauma services are familiar with, which means get the trauma patient to the hospital within the first hour and there will be a better chance of a good outcome. With the air support and the working relationships we have with them, we are able to do this most of the time.

To squelch the rumors, we have two air support services in the area, and both are very professional. We have a great working rela-

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On God's Word

By Timothy W. Burnett

Isaac and Rebekah act on confidence and trust

The record of God introducing Isaac and Rebekah is one of confidence and trust.

Isaac was a grown man and could have found a wife in the wrong place. Instead he sat still and let God help him. Isaac would have understood the basic principle later annotated in Psalms 46:10, "Be still and know that I am God."

Isaac let himself marry a woman introduced to him by God. Although he came before Solomon's time, he no doubt knew that "house and riches are the inheritance of fathers, but a prudent wife is from the Lord" (Proverbs 19:14).

With meekness and humility toward God, Isaac waited until God gave him permission. As it is written, "Whosoever finds a wife finds a good thing, and obtains favor from the Lord" (Proverbs 18:22). Isaac trusted God to show him when he was truly ready, not according to the world's standards, but according to God's perfect timing and will.

In a display of confidence in God, Isaac married Rebekah. It appears that Isaac did not know her before, yet after his servant shared his story, Isaac took the believing action by marrying her. He had the authority to turn her away. Instead, he not only married her, but loved her from that time on because of his confidence in God.

Rebekah also had a meek and humble heart for God. The record does not reveal whether or not she was raised on the truth, but we do know that she had a heart for God's will. As Abraham's servant finished praying, Rebekah came to draw more water. She faithfully gave him some water and lovingly offered to give water to all of his camels. This is a big deal! It took several trips with the buckets to eventually water all of those camels.

This was an unsolicited act of kindness that the servant had just prayed about. Whether or not she was raised on God's word, she truly had a heart for God's will and the servant worshipped God with praise and thanksgiving (Genesis 24:16-21).

Sweet Rebekah...she could have hung around her father's home a little longer, but instead she meekly chose to immediately leave with the servant. This was not a temporary leave of absence. Similar to her father and brother, she was confident that it was from God (Genesis 24:50-58). There is no record that Rebekah ever met Isaac before. Yet she saw what God had done and took the believing action to leave with the servant without haste.

Rebekah must have been a little startled when the servant gave her the traditional wedding gifts and when she heard him pray to God about her and Isaac. There's no telling what went through her mind as she ran to her parents and told what happened by the water well. In time she saw more clearly what God was working in her life.

She took the step. Nobody forced her to do it. The servant did not use a hard sales pitch. Her parents were not real eager to see her leave. She could have easily talked them into letting her stay. With confidence in God, she put her self in the place where she could be married to the man that God was setting her up with. She was strong like the firmly rooted Elm.

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Superman and the culture war

by Bill O'Reilly

The culture war has tugged on Superman's cape, and it is not pretty. In the new film "Superman Returns," Daily Planet editor Perry White responds this way after being told the Man of Steel has come back after a five-year absence: "Does he still stand for truth, justice and all that stuff?" And all that stuff?

The original line in the television series and movie, of course, was "truth, justice and the American way." But no way the "American way" gets in the film. That's because Warner Brothers, the studio distributing the movie, doesn't want to tee off any foreign viewers with pro-U.S. sentiment. It's bad enough Superman was raised in the Midwest, we can't have the hero actually stand for the American way now, can we? Some jihadist in Pakistan might throw popcorn at the screen.

You don't need X-ray vision to know that things have changed drastically in America in the past five years. When Superman left to go visit the planet of his birthplace, the USA was not engaged in a terror war; the country was merrily drifting along hoping that rap music would follow Monica Lewinsky into obscurity.

But that was then. Now, America is a divided country. We are fighting a fierce war on terror overseas, and an intense culture war at home. No longer is the "American way" something to be proud of. Today, forces abroad and at home believe we are a deeply flawed nation that is a danger to the world.

According to a Pew Global Attitudes survey, almost 30 percent of Americans believe that America's presence in Iraq poses a greater danger to world peace than Iran's quest for a nuclear weapon. In Turkey, 65 percent of the people feel that way. This kind of muddled thinking reflects the sentiment of the anti-American press worldwide and here in the USA.

It is also the product of the rise of a well-funded and well-organized secular-progressive (S-P) movement in America.

The S-P philosophy would rattle even Superman. Led by moneymen George Soros and Peter Lewis, who have bought enormous Internet access, the secular-progressives are selling the theory that the USA needs radical change, a complete overhaul.

Think about it: Almost every day the S-P press bombards us with messages that America violates human rights, that it is bigoted against gays and other minorities, that the rich control everything and don't pay enough taxes, and that the rights of women are trampled if any restrictions are placed on abortion. And the S-P scribes are becoming increasingly emboldened. Writing in The New York Times, David Nasaw, a professor at the ultra-left City University of New York, made this comment about the charitable gifts of Bill Gates and Warren Buffett: "While we can only applaud the decision by Mr. Buffett and Mr. Gates to give away so much of their fortunes... is society served by permitting so much capital to be accumulated by so few?"

Fifty years ago, Professor Nasaw would have received an invitation to appear before the House Committee on Un-American Activities. Today, he is a lion in the secular-progressive movement, which seeks to have a large centralized government decide who can earn what.

That's not the American way Superman used to uphold. This is a brave new world that threatens even super heroes. The old ways of respect for the basic nobility of America, the capitalistic free enterprise system, and the Judeo-Christian philosophy of personal responsibility are all under siege by stealth forces more powerful than a locomotive.

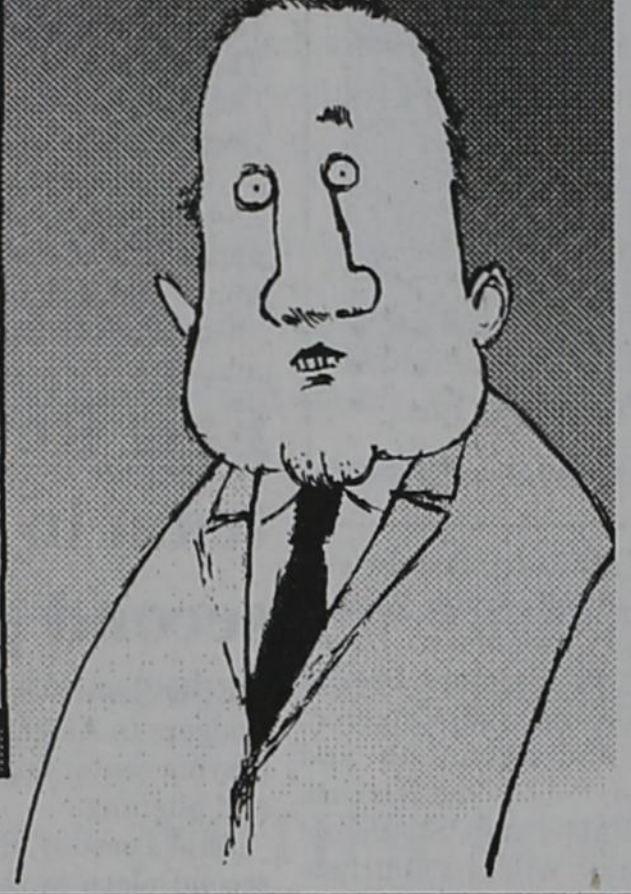
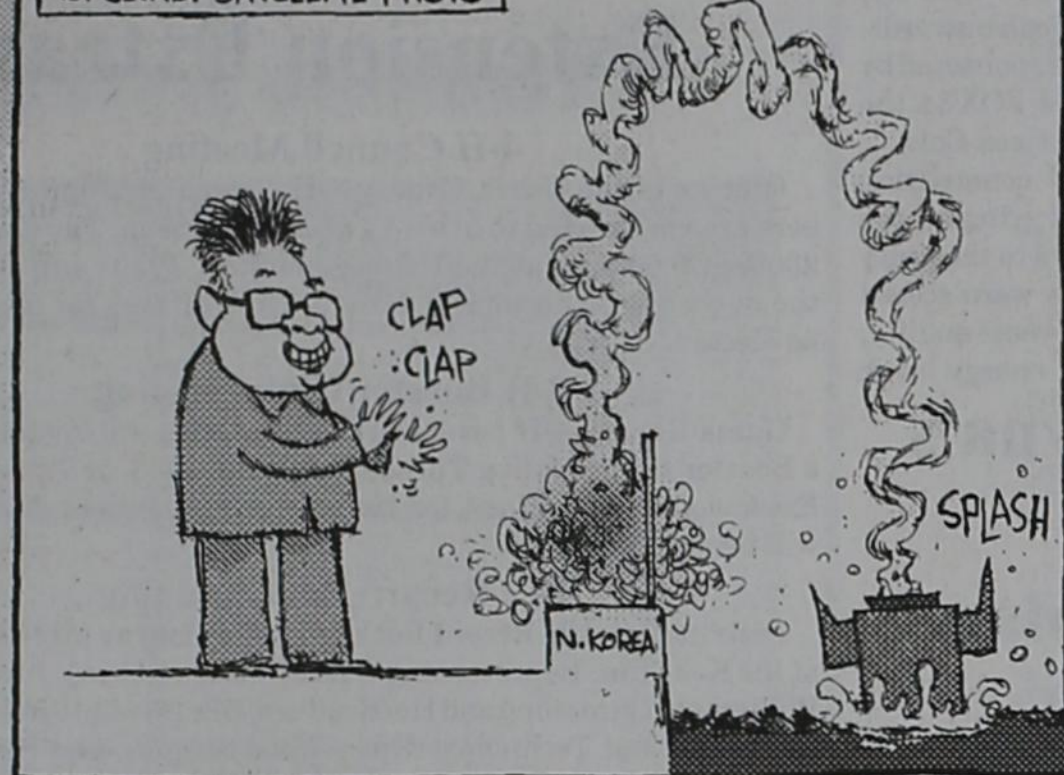
They can even exorcise a classic pro-American line from a movie about a traditional comic book hero. Please tell Perry White there is no justice in eliminating the American way. And that's the truth.

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THERE ISN'T TIME FOR A MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEM TO WORK.

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The pretense of knowledge

A Minority View

by Walter E. Williams

One of the great contributions of Nobel Laureate economist Friedrich Hayek was to admonish us to recognize the insurmountable limits to human knowledge. Why? Not even the brightest minds, and surely not the U.S. Congress, can ever have the knowledge to shape an economic system entirely to our liking. To think we can represents the height of arrogance and a pretense of knowledge. The billions upon billions of interrelationships between an economic system's human and non-human elements defy human capacity to know.

Let's examine just a few pretenses of knowledge. Under Social Security law, Congress forces workers to set aside a portion of their earnings for retirement. Take a 25-year-old -- let's call her "Mary" -- who earns \$40,000 a year. Her Social Security tax is about \$2,500. Here's my question to you: Was having \$2,500 forcibly taken out of Mary's pay for retirement her best possible use of that money? Mary might have saved and invested several years to open a small business. She might have put it toward private schooling or music lessons for her child, or any number of things that might have made her, and possibly our nation, wealthier in the future.

How about Congress' mandate for more fuel-efficient cars? According to a National Research Council of the National Academies of Sciences 2002 report, delivered by Dr. Leonard Evans to the Washington-based Competitive Enterprise Institute, Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) standards have contributed to between 1,300 and 2,600 traffic deaths a year. Congress' mandate for higher gasoline mileage leads to the production of lighter, smaller and less crash-worthy cars, resulting in unnecessary deaths.

Through technological innovation and natural market forces, cars were already becoming more fuel efficient before CAFE standards were mandated. But more important, how does Congress know whether this loss of life is worth the amount of fuel saved? Do they even know or care about the tradeoff?

A major part of the knowledge problem that Congress faces, and, for that

matter, any of us, is what's seen and what's unseen. In the case of Social Security, what's seen are the beneficiaries with a monthly check. What's not seen are the outcomes that might have been had people not been taxed for Social Security.

According to the National Council for Capital Formation, Social Security lowers private saving and investment and, as a result, GDP is at least five percent lower than it otherwise would be. Moreover, had people been able to use the money for private retirement plans, they'd earn much more than the paltry sum Social Security pays out. The same principle applies to CAFE standards. What's seen are cars getting more miles per gallon.

What's unseen, or the connection not made, are the thousands of Americans killed as a result of the less crash-worthy cars produced as a result of congressional mandates.

Another example of the seen/unseen problem is the Bush administration's 2002 steel tariffs. The tariffs' seen beneficiaries were steel industry executives, stockholders and the approximately 1,700 steelworker jobs saved. According to the Consuming Industries Trade Action Association, higher steel prices, resulting from the tariffs, caused thousands of job losses in the steel-using industries.

Since companies that used steel had to pay higher prices, they became less competitive domestically and internationally. Each of us is faced with the knowledge and the seen and unseen problems. I believe that most Americans would see themselves in a much better position of determining what's in our own best interests than politicians, who are mostly concerned with re-election. At least I hope that's the case.

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Theodore Roosevelt Is No One to Emulate

by Sheldon Richman

We shouldn't be surprised that President George W. Bush's Svengali, Karl Rove, is an admirer of Theodore Roosevelt. TR is hot these days. He made the cover of Time magazine, heralding a series of hagiographic articles, including Rove's, that make him out to be the first modern American president. In Time's view, that means he saw the country's potential for big intrusive government at home and abroad -- the first Imperial New Dealer.

Time's writers see what they want to see in TR. They see a trustbuster who favored government regulation of the economy to tame the excesses of big business. In fact, he was a mercantilist, a believer in a government-business partnership, which bestows privileges on favored businesses at the expense of workers and consumers. The economic regulations he favored were all backed, and even written and promoted, by the corporate elite, who never supported laissez faire.

Historian Gabriel Kolko and others have shown that, as the nineteenth century closed, the American marketplace was vigorously competitive. The large older firms could not protect their market share from upstarts. When mergers failed to stabilize things, the corporate elite turned to government for protection. The result was the Progressive-era "reforms," which had the effect of tamping down competition and sheltering incumbents from challenge.

As for Roosevelt's trustbusting, with one exception he gave the interests of J.P. Morgan, who would later back his third-party presidential campaign, a pass, preferring to focus on the Rockefeller interests instead. More important, Roosevelt did nothing to end the source of the trusts' power: a variety of government interventions, the foremost of which were patents, subsidies such as railroad land grants, and the tariff. As was said back then, the tariff is the mother of trusts. Exactly so.

If government taxes the entry of low-priced, competitive imports into the American market, domestic companies can charge higher prices to consumers. Roosevelt's proposed "reforms" did not touch this system of cartel and privilege.

TR also championed the American Empire. He favored the military-industrial complex, a world-girdling navy, and the extension of American power to the Pacific. As assistant secretary of the Navy, he thrilled to the Spanish-American War and as President helped oversee the brutal suppression of resistance to the American occupation of the Philippines. He issued the Roosevelt Corollary to the Monroe Doctrine for Latin America. As he put it, if we want to keep the Europeans out, "sooner or later we must keep order ourselves." He loved war, believing that it made men, at least among those who were not slaughtered.

Most basically, Roosevelt was a nationalist and a collectivist, much more in the tradition of European fascists than the American liberal individualists. One cannot imagine a true individualist saying what TR said: "The first duty of an American citizen, then, is that he shall work in politics."

Rove quotes this approvingly in Time, adding, "A century after he served as President, he still has many things to teach us." He also quotes Roosevelt as saying, "We cannot avoid facing the fact that we occupy a new place among the people of the world.... Our flag is a proud flag, and it stands for liberty and civilization. Where it has once floated, there must be no return to tyranny." In

other words, to hell with the private plans of the American people; they must be forced to police the world.

So it's hardly news that Bush's chief advisor admires Roosevelt. So does another Republican champion of reducing the individual to fodder for national greatness, John McCain. As historian Arthur Ekirch wrote, "Roosevelt was a patrician reformer who frankly preferred the principles of Alexander Hamilton to those of Thomas Jefferson.... He had only the greatest scorn for the kind of middle-class individualism and liberalism that emphasized minding one's own business both at home and abroad."

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Federal Reserve Policy Destroys the Value of Your Savings

by U.S. Congressman Ron Paul

For years officials at the Federal Reserve Bank, including Chairman Bernanke himself, have assured us that inflation is under control and not a problem-- even as the price of housing, energy, medical care, school tuition, gold, and other commodities skyrockets.

The Treasury department parrots the Fed line that consumer prices, as measured by the consumer price index (CPI), are under control. But even many mainstream economists now admit that CPI grossly understates true inflation. The most glaring problem is that CPI excludes housing prices, instead tracking rents. Everyone knows the cost of purchasing a home has increased dramatically in the last ten years; in many regions housing prices have more than doubled in just five years. So price inflation certainly is alive and well when it comes to the largest purchase most Americans make.

When the Federal Reserve increases the supply of dollars in circulation, both paper and electronic, prices must rise eventually. What other result is possible? The supply of dollars has risen much faster than the supply of goods and services being chased by those dollars.

Fed policy makers have more than doubled the money supply in less than ten years. While Treasury printing presses can print unlimited dollars, there are natural limits to economic growth. This flood of newly minted US currency can only increase consumer prices in the long term.

Mr. Bernanke has stated quite candidly that he will use government printing presses to stimulate the economy as necessary. He is famous for joking that he would endorse dropping money from helicopters if needed to prevent an economic slowdown. This is nothing short of an express policy to destroy our

money by inflation. Every new dollar erodes the value of existing dollars based on simple supply and demand. Does anyone really believe the Treasury can make us rich simply by printing more money?

The coming dollar crisis is not likely to be "fixed" by politicians who are unwilling to make hard choices, admit mistakes, and spend less money. Demographic trends will place even greater demands on Congress to maintain benefits for millions of older Americans who are dependent on the federal government.

Faced with uncomfortable financial realities, Congress will seek to avoid the day of reckoning by the most expedient means available-- and the Federal Reserve undoubtedly will accommodate Washington by printing more dollars to pay the bills. The Fed is the enabler for the spending addicts in Congress, who would rather spend new fiat money than face the political consequences of raising taxes or borrowing more abroad.

The irony is that many of the Fed's biggest cheerleaders are the same supposed capitalists who denounced centralized economic planning when practiced by the former Soviet Union. Large banks and Wall Street firms love the Fed's easy money policy, because they profit at the front end from the resulting loan boom and artificially high equity prices.

It's the little guy who loses when the inflated dollars finally trickle down to him and erode his buying power. Someday Americans will understand that Federal Reserve bankers have no magic ability-- and certainly no legal or moral right-- to decide how much money should exist and what the cost of borrowing money should be.



Christopher Rivera sets to pass the football during the July 4th festivities at the Post-Garza Park. Also in the play is Zach Bush. (Staff photo by Jackie Miner)

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tionship with them. Both services are dedicated to provide excellent care just the same way we do at Post/Garza County EMS.

If you have any questions about our service or would like to talk to someone about getting involved with EMS, please give me a call and I can answer your questions and show you how you can get involved.

Rodney Tidwell
Paramedic / EMS
Administrator
Post/Garza County EMS

Special thanks for July 4th help

Special thanks go out to all who gave of their time and money to make the Fourth a very special day. We have a lot to be thankful for.

There is no one person who I can thank more than Rodney Tidwell. He had a vision to help kids and he carried it through.

With a lot of hard work, we are going to make the MAD DADS center a place where the kids want to come instead of getting into trouble. Rodney wants to give them a safe place, an alternative to the gangs and drugs. A choice that they can make for themselves. Everyone needs a chance, and we hope and pray they make the right one.

We had 14 booths, and guys, you had some fantastic food. I'm not telling how much I ate. Our obstacle course went over very well, and we had seven game booths and our train. These go over real well every year.

Here is a list of supporters for our little Fourth of July project. We appreciate each and every one of you very much:

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James Dawson won the 27-inch flat-screen television.

And last, but not least, to all the guys that put their daily tasks on hold to help make the best year ever. I thank you from the

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Thanks to Joann Foreman for the music. She did a really good job.

Thanks to the Fire Department for putting on a fantastic fireworks display. It was great and not my opinion only. We had a lot of comments from everyone. They loved it. Great job, guys.

Well, guys, you came to the rescue again. I asked and you delivered. This has been the best year yet. We had a great turnout, and everyone had a real good time. We had a park full of people showing support for the kids. How can you go wrong when you put kids first?

Diana Poe
Coordinator
MAD DADS Fourth of July

County Court pleadings

The following is cases are matters of public record; information was provided by the Garza County Sheriff's Department:

Garza County Court

May 22

- Erik Lee Harp, charged with driving while license suspended, a Class B misdemeanor. Plea: guilty. Sentenced to three days in the county jail, a \$200 fine and court costs of \$245.

May 30

- Caesar Ray Ortiz, charged with possession of marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor. Plea: true/revoking deferred adjudication. Sentenced to five days in the county jail, a \$1,000 fine, court costs of \$295 and \$140 in restitution.

June 26

- David Aguinaga Cruz, charged with driving while intoxicated, a Class B misdemeanor. Plea: guilty. Sentenced to 45 days in the county jail and court costs of \$360.

- Blue Wayne Edwards, charged with possession of marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor. Plea: guilty. Sentenced to six months probation, a \$300 fine, \$245 in court costs and \$140 in restitution.

- Derrick Lee Cummings, charged with driving while intoxicated, a Class B misdemeanor. Plea: no contest. Sentenced to 12 months probation, a \$400 fine and \$360 in court costs.

- Jack Washington, charged with driving while intoxicated, a Class B misdemeanor. Plea: guilty. Sentenced to 12 months probation, a \$400 fine and court costs of \$360.

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Working the MADD Dad's booth during the July 4th festivities in the Post-Garza County Park are Diana Poe and her daughter Dawna Hood of Van Alstyne. (Staff photo by Jackie Miner)

Post contestants chosen finalists for Post City Idol Contest

Jessica Quisenberry and Adrianna Barboza of Post are finalists in the Post City Idol Contest at Old Mill Trade Days in Post August 5. They will perform in the 15 years & younger age group which will begin at 10:00 am, immediately followed by final performances by the 16 years & older age group. The top contestant in each age group will receive \$100, a trophy and the opportunity to perform again at Trade Days and also at the Garza Theatre in Post. Second and third place winners in each age category will also receive awards. The Post City Idol is sponsored by Old Mill Trade Days, FOX 34, the Post Dispatch and Coca Cola.

The first-round competition had 59 contestants vying for the opportunity to move to the semi-finals. Performers were scored on stage presence; vocal quality; audience reaction; energy level;

and overall appearance. From 30 semi-finalists, 22 were chosen to perform August 5. Judges for the final competition are Bryan Hughes, meteorologist for FOX 34; performers Kenny Maines, Cathy Whitten and Glen Polk. Following the performances by contestants, Maines will perform on the Rainmaker Stage and winners will be announced at 2:00 pm.

The final event is part of the scheduled Old Mill Trade Days event, August 4-6, 9 am to 5

pm. Admission on Friday is \$1/Senior Adults over 65 are admitted free. On Saturday admission is \$2. There is no charge for children under ten and parking is free. There is no additional charge for the Post City Idol performances. Trade Days is expecting more than 130 vendors for the August event and will offer a Cash Giveaway to shoppers each day of the event. For more information call 806-495-3529.

Extension Extras

4-H Council Meeting

Officers of the Garza County 4-H Council and interested members are encouraged to attend a Council meeting Tuesday, July 25, 2006, at 6:00 p.m. at the Extension office. Plans will be made for the upcoming Achievement Banquet and officers for new year will be elected.

4-H Booster Club Meeting

Garza County 4-H parents and supporters are invited to attend a Booster Club meeting Tuesday, July 25, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. at the Extension office. Plans for the upcoming banquet and 4-H year will be discussed.

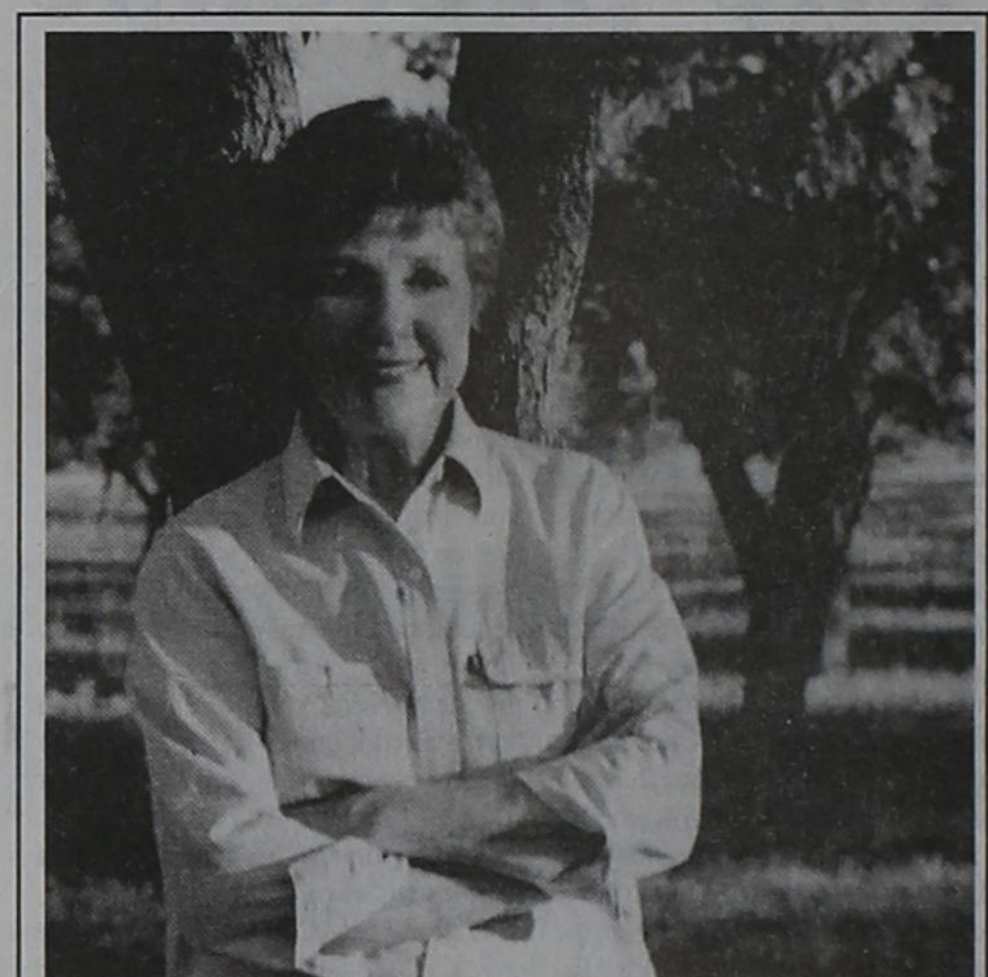
D-2 Record Book Judging

District Two 4-H Record Book judging is taking place in Lubbock at the Koko Inn. Representing Garza County 4-H are: Junior Audree Williams in Gardening and Horticulture; Intermediate Reed Williams in Science and Technology Open-Wood Science; and Senior Kevin Strube in Horse.

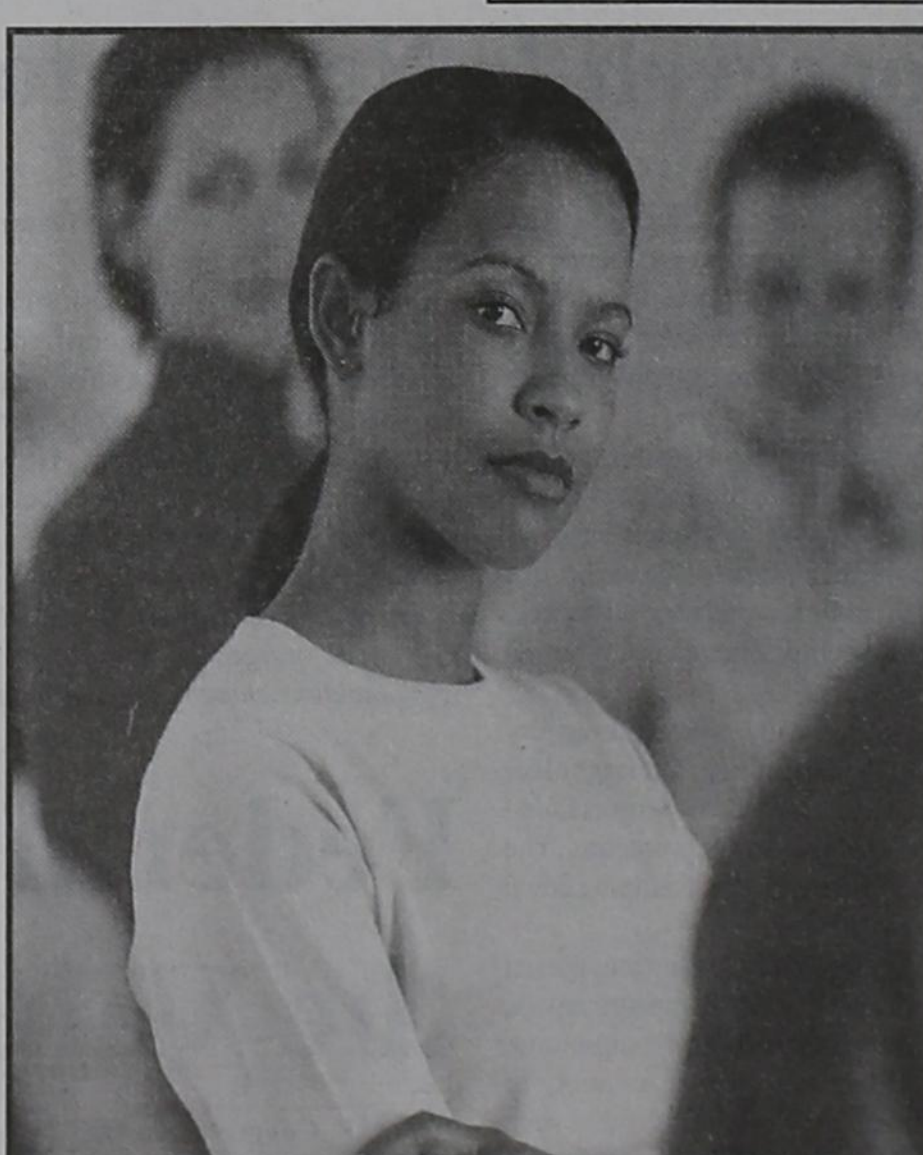
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Meet author Roberta Webb at Ruby Lane Books, 127 E. Main in Post Saturday, July 15 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Webb's first novel, *The Dark and Bloody Ground*, is a homage to Kentucky similar to the tribute *Lonesome Dove* paid to Texas. The book provides a sprawling, portrait of the reality of life in the mountains of Kentucky and Virginia. Webb grew up in Kentucky and based the fictional town in her novel on her own, real-life hometown of Jenkins.



Grace went to a membership meeting of her fellow electric co-op owners. Which meant the whole county was there.

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Arrest
sheriff

Almost 30 arrests recently by local law officials, according provided by the Garza County Sheriff's Department. Arrests include 48-year-old male, an Erath County 17-year-old female and male, both arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana; a 17-year-old male booked for a controlled substance; a 17-year-old male booked for a controlled substance; a 24-year-old male and a 24-year-old male for possession of a controlled substance.

Construction the elementary school (Staff photo by Tim)

Area youth participation Achievement Day are (back row left (front row) Kohl Audree Williams)

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Arrests reported by sheriff's department

Almost 30 arrests were made recently by local law enforcement officials, according to a report provided by the Garza County Sheriff's Department.

Arrests included that of a 48-year-old male picked up on an Erath County warrant; a 21-year-old female and a 28-year-old male, both arrested for possession of marijuana; a 22-year-old male booked for possession of a controlled substance; a 43-year-old male held for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; and a 24-year-old male arrested for possession of marijuana and possession of a controlled

substance.

Six men between the ages of 23 and 38 were picked up and held for the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Also picked up was a 31-year-old male, hold for Weld County; a 35-year-old male, hold for Tarrant County; two men, ages 18 and 23, arrested for deadly conduct; two men, ages 32 and 69, picked up for revocation of probation; two men, ages 25 and 32, arrested for possession of marijuana; a 44-year-old male, driving while intoxicated; a 25-year-old male, boating while intoxicated; a 22-year-old male,

possession of marijuana; and a 24-year-old male, theft by check.

Also, a 46-year-old male picked up on a Dallas County warrant; and two men, ages 21 and 35, arrested for possession of marijuana.

No timetable as to when the above arrests were made was provided in the report.

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BOIL WATER NOTIFICATION

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, you may contact City of Post Municipal Water Supply #085001 at (806) 495-2811, or Johnny Torres (806) 620-4232.

NOTIFICACION DE HERVIR EL AGUA

Debido a una rotura de la linea madre que causa la presion esta por debajo de 20 psi, la Comision de Calidad Ambiental de Texas (TCEQ por sus siglas en Ingles) ha pedido a su sistema de aguas que notifique a todos sus usuarios que hiervan el agua antes de que sea ingerida.

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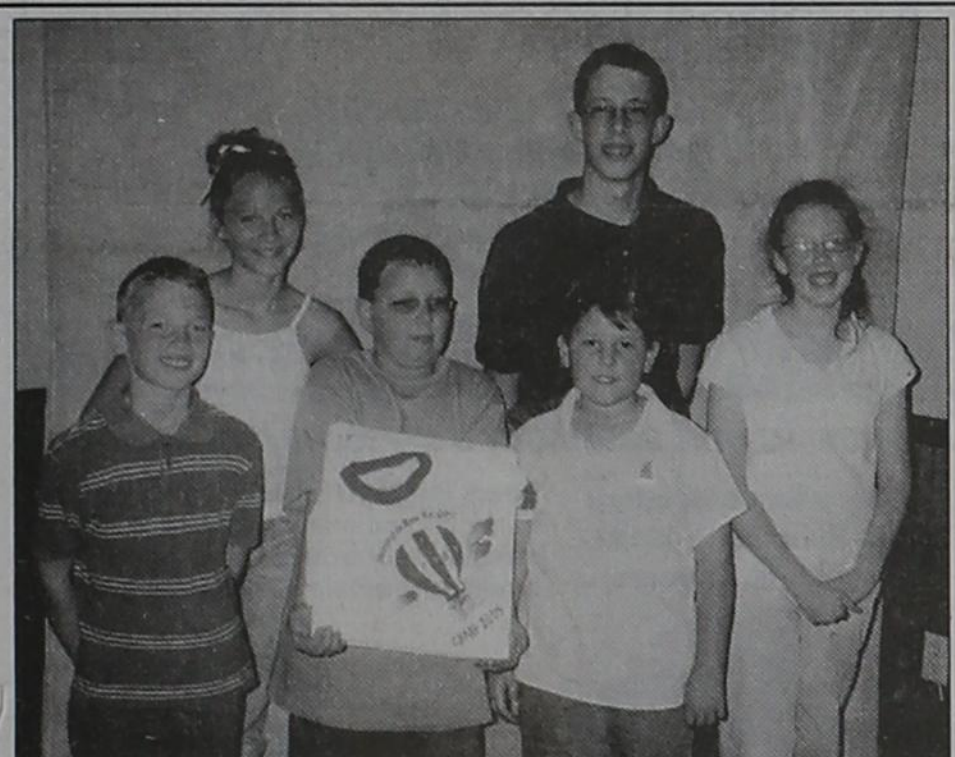
El agua debe hervise a una temperatura alta hasta que haga burbujas y luego continuar hirviendola por dos minutos. En lugar de agua hervida, puede comprarse agua embotellada, o puede obtenerla de otra fuente.

Las autoridades de su sistema de aguas les avisaran cuando ya no sea necesario hervir el agua.

Si tiene preguntas al respecto, comuniquese con el City of Post Municipal Water Supply #085001 at (806) 495-2811, or Johnny Torres at (806) 620-4232.



Construction on the new Post ISD cafeteria continues behind the elementary school.
(Staff photo by Tim Burnett)



Area youth participating in the SPJST District 4 Youth Achievement Day on Sunday, June 11 at The Center in Tahoka are (back row left to right) Kenzie Angeley and Reed Williams, (front row) Kohl Angeley, Carson Lehmann, Kaycee Lehmann and Audree Williams.

Local youths advance to state competitions

South Plains lodge and youth clubs were hosts for the 2006 SPJST District 4 Youth Achievement Day conducted at Tahoka's The Center on June 11.

Area youth and youth members from the SPJST Abilene youth club competed in various craft categories. A talent competition also was conducted. Youths who won first place in their respective age groups will advance to the State YAD in Temple on Aug. 5.

Kenzie and Kohl Angeley of Tahoka will compete in the individual talent competition for the 12-14 and 9-11 age groups, respectively.

Kaycee Lehmann of Tahoka and Audree Williams of Post will represent the 9-11 age group in crafts. Lehmann will compete in the handicraft and photography contests, while Williams will compete in the foods, needlework and sewing categories.

Carson Lehmann of Tahoka and Reed Williams of Post will represent the 12-14 age group in crafts. Carson Lehman will compete in photography, while Reed Williams will compete in the constructed item and hobby kit competitions.

Each of the youths also will take the youth club's first place poster and scrapbook they made to the State YAD.

Audree Williams and Reed Williams also were named merit point winners for the junior and senior age groups in the district.

Judges for the competitions included Vicki Ashbrook and Maxine Paris of Tahoka and Marcie Oden of Post. Talent judges were Suzanne Baker and Carrie Long of Tahoka.



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NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the CHOLLA PETROLEUM, INC., (RRC Operator No. 150683) has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 1282, Bk. <N/A>, BS&F/GALBRAITH, B J Survey, A-652, P.H.D. Field, GARZA County, being 7 miles NW direction from POST, Texas. The location and identity of the well is as follows:

FIELD: P.H.D.

Lease/Unit Name:	:	RICHARDSON UNIT NCT
Lease/Unit Well No.	:	21
Lease/Unit Acres	:	64.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	:	479.2
Nearest Well on Lease (ft)	:	660.0

Lease Lines	:	656.6 F S L,	479.2 F S L
Survey Lines	:	656.6 F S L,	479.0 F S L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

P.H.D. : OIL Special Rules 330/660, 20.0 acres
This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 4999 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant at (214)692-7052.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted without a hearing if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512) 463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission at (512)463-6848.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY..

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Garza County Public Facilities Corporation is seeking Statement of Qualifications and Proposals from qualified Offerors to provide all things necessary for the financing, design and construction of a 500-1000 bed addition to the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Center.

In order to be considered responsive all submissions are due and must be received, on behalf of the Garza County Public Facility Corporation, by 2:00 PM, July 24, 2006 at the Office of the County Clerk, Garza County Courthouse, Post, Texas 79356. For additional information please contact James M. Parkey, Corplan Corrections, LTD., 300 N. Gibbons Rd., Argyle, Texas 76226, (o) (940) 464-3058 (f) (940) 464-0089.

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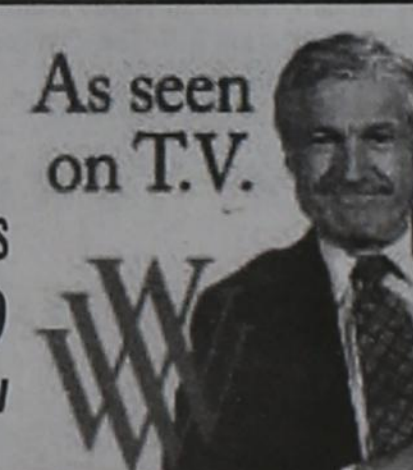
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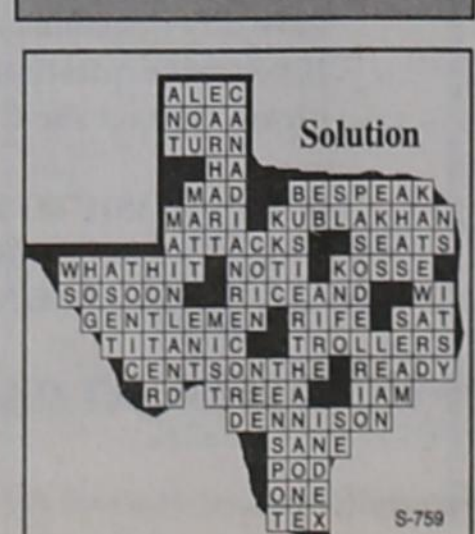
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10 Years Ago July 11, 1996

The most cash prize money ever offered for a steer roping anywhere - \$45,000 - will go to the winners of the sixth annual OS Ranch Steer Roping.

Bill Hudman, a junior at Texas Tech will be appearing for the second year in the summer production of "Texas" in Palo Duro State Park.

Mrs. Beulah K. Bird, one of Garza's oldest pioneers, will be celebrating her 93rd birthday on July 16th. Mrs. Bird came to Garza County in 1901 and still makes her home on her ranch east of Post. She moved here as the new bride to J. A. Bird at the age of 17.

Bob Macy has two fillies in a \$12,000 race in the Lassie Stakes at Santa Fe Downs. Macy's two starters are Even More So and Pollyammy. Even More So scored an eight length victory in her first race recently.

20 Years Ago July 9, 1986 June 18

Post High School graduates Adam Perez and Bruce Crenshaw have signed letters of intent to attend Sul Ross State University and join the Lobo football team for the 1986 season.

Lewis and Jane Mason were honored with a dinner party at the Chapparel Restaurant on their 25th wedding anniversary.

Shelley Walls and Eric Reece recently attended a choir camp in Weatherford, Ok. Reece captured first place in the high school portion of the camp talent show, with his rendition of "The Chair."

Those attending their 50th class reunion include Glendon Presson, Ralph Carpenter, Bob Dietrich, William Robinson, E. Lee Howard and Lewis "Sonny" Nance, David Sims, Vera Parsons Cox, Vera Carpenter Camedy, Dorothy Parker Thomas, Maxine Durrett Earl, Pauline Willis Tillman and Majorie Smith Hostler.

30 Years Ago July 8, 1976

Post's Bicentennial Fourth of July Celebration was by far quite a bit better than usual. There was lots of extras this year, including the selecting of Mrs. Doll Haire as "Mrs. Bicentennial" and Dan Lamb winning the beard growing contest with Jim Jackson the runnerup. Some of the musical talent for the afternoon included the Graham 4-H club's "The Country Five". Members are Bruce Sanderson, Steve White, Mark Short, Lisa Cowdrey and Amy Cowdrey.

Marinette Hays, Post's queen candidate at the district Babe Ruth tourney in Brownfield was escorted by Leslie Looney.

Bill Hughes was honored for 25 years of service as a loom fixer at Postex Plant.

Kurt Chapman and Raymie Holly won runnerup honors over the holiday weekend in Snyder's Players Tennis Tournament.

40 Years Ago July 14, 1966

A new 70-foot entrance to David Nichols Park, with its two lighted boys' baseball fields, has been completed at a cost of \$2,500. The Post Masonic Lodge contributed \$1,000 toward the project with another \$1,500 coming in labor and materials contributions.

The First National Bank will celebrate it's 57th charter anniversary this week. The bank was granted its national bank charter on July 20th, 1909.

The Post Dispatch is happy to welcome Mrs. O. H. Hoover back as a correspondent. Mrs. Hoover will be reporting the Grassland news.

Post 1966's Little League champion team members are Tony Conner, Carl Holder, Dale Walls, Regional Moore, Keith Wilks, Rusty Conner, Kevin Duren, Jimmy Bertram, Robert Mindiata, Jerry Saldivar, Gary Shepherd and Tony Rosas.

50 Years Ago July 12, 1956

Members selected to the all-district baseball team were Buddy Hays, third baseman; Alton Taylor, outfielder; Nolan Williams, catcher, and Felix Wiley, pitcher.

Dr. Harry A. Tubbs and Irby G. Metcalf were installed as president and secretary, respectively of the Post Rotary Club.

Fred W. Beavers, M. D. is announcing opening of his office in the Medical and Professional Building. Dr. Beavers and family are at home in the house formerly owned by Ollie and Kate Weakley.

Up and Down Mainstreet: If you want to thumb your nose at Friday 13th, join your friends at the Tower Theatre. If the no. 13 appears in your social security card you will be admitted free. Every 13th person will also be admitted free. The midnight show this week is "Killer is Loose."

Mr. and Mrs. J. Martin Basinger

are proud parents of a baby boy. He has been named J. Ray.

60 Years Ago July 11, 1946

Purchase of sixteen acres of land just outside the townsite on the Lubbock highway is being contemplated by stockholders of the Post Stampede, Inc.

Miss Doris Faye Kirkendoll became the bride of Harold W. Lucas, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Lucas of Post in a double ring ceremony in the home of Mrs. Homer McCrary. Mrs.

Letter to the Editor

County officials need to follow the law

In an effort to become familiar with the budgeting and reporting process in Garza County I contacted the county treasurer's office and asked that an appointment be scheduled for me to review the monthly budget versus actual reports for each department for the October, 2005 through May, 2006 time period.

My appointment was scheduled and I went to the treasurer's office and reviewed the reports on June 22, 2006. During my review I noted that the sheriff in his year-to-date expenditures had exceeded his overtime budget for the entire year in the month of March. The county treasurer subsequently confirmed that the sheriff has currently exceeded his budget by over \$14,000.

This did not seem right to me so I contacted a commissioner in Lubbock County and another in Scurry County and asked them about it. They both stated flatly that any time a budget maximum is reached on a line item the treasurer must not make any additional payments for that line item without action and approval by the commissioners court. They referred me to the Texas Local Government Code paragraph 111.010 which clearly states:

(b) After final approval of the budget, the commissioners court may spend county funds only in strict compliance with the budget, except in an emergency.

(c) The commissioners court may authorize an emergency expenditure as an amendment to the original budget only in a case of grave public necessity to meet an unusual and unforeseen condition that could not have been included in the original budget through the use of reasonably diligent thought and attention. If the court amends the original budget to meet an emergency, the court shall file a copy of its order amending the budget with the county clerk, and the clerk shall attach the copy to the original budget.

(d) The commissioners court by order may amend the budget to transfer an amount budgeted for one item to another budgeted item without authorizing an emergency expenditure.

I asked the commissioners how this was controlled and they stated that each department was expected to monitor their individual budgets to prevent excess expenditures but because the commissioners are required by law not to exceed the budget it is the responsibility of the County Auditor or County Treasurer in the absence of an auditor to notify the commissioners any time a budget maximum is reached and not make any additional payments for that item until the commissioners court authorizes an emergency amendment or a line item transfer. The Texas Local Government Code paragraph 113.041 states:

(d) If the treasurer doubts the legality or propriety of an order, decree, certificate, or warrant presented to the treasurer for payment, the treasurer may not make the payment. The treasurer shall report the matter to the commissioners court for the court's consideration and direction.

It seemed inconceivable to me that Garza County could have been making payments since March 2006 that were clearly in violation of the law.

I contacted Commissioner McDaniel, told him what I had found, and asked him if there had

Bake Robinson, jr., sister of the bride, was matron of honor. James Lucas, brother of the bridegroom, was best man.

A glorious fourth - without benefit of guns, foxholes, ships, and planes was enjoyed by a group of Garza county ex-servicemen. The trip was planned while all were overseas. "When we all get home, we'll all go fishing," they promised one another. Enjoying the fishing trip to Coleman were Gayle and Jerrald Bowen, Bill J. Davis, Roy Smith, Max and Clovis Tucker, Charles Wood and Lee Wayne Hardin.

Jason Justice, another ex-serviceman of this county, has gone into business for himself in Post. He purchased the Keeton Grocery out on North Broadway.

been an emergency amendment or a line item transfer for the sheriff's budget?

He said he did not think so but he would call the county treasurer and find out. He called me back later and told me no but the sheriff would be on the agenda for the July 10th meeting

I attended the meeting and although the sheriff was not there and not on the agenda I was asked by Judge Dalby if I had anything to bring before the court.

I advised the court what I had found and after some discussion I learned the following:

1. Judge Dalby told me that he and the Treasurer are the only ones that receive the actual versus budget expenditure report for each department every month.

2. The sheriff was unable to attend the meeting due to a doctor's appointment.

3. Nothing could be done at the current meeting to adjust the budget for the sheriff because it was not on the agenda.

I do not know why this is being handled this way but, based on my conversations with commissioners in other counties, I do know it is not right.

I believe the sheriff should have been contacted in December and told that if his department continued to spend money on overtime at the rate they were spending they would exceed the full year budget in about six months. This would give the sheriff three choices;

1. He could set up procedures to reduce spending on overtime.

2. He could ask the commissioners court to authorize a line item transfer within his budget.

3. He could ask the commissioners court to authorize an emergency expenditure as an amendment to the original budget.

The Garza County Budget consists of fifty-eight pages and about twenty of those have only one or two items on them. It does not seem unreasonable to ask that someone look at those forty pages each month to see if someone is spending more than they should. If they can do it in Scurry and Lubbock counties we should be not expect less in Garza County.

Fred Howell

Menus

TRAILBLAZERS

July 17 - Lasagna, zucchini, salad, garlic bread, banana pudding.

July 18 - Chicken fried steak w/gravy, baked potatoes, green beans, wheat rolls, fruit.

July 19 - Baked ham, blackeyed peas, brussel sprouts, cabbage salad, rolls, cobbler.

July 20 - Baked chicken, red beans, zucchini, salad, cornbread, peaches.

July 21 - Roast w/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, biscuits, coleslaw, brownies.

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Cotton trading continues on light side

Cotton Market Weekly

Cotton futures on the New York Board of Trade finished a week of light activity on the downside Thursday on speculative selling and spread activity. The combination of a holiday shortened week and a lack of fresh fundamental news left the cotton market searching for price direction.

"The market was still in the process of determining whether a base was being built or not," said one analyst. "However, it might take until next Wednesday's release of USDA's July Supply/Demand report before the market gets a real sense of price direction."

In the meantime, the market focused on weather conditions. Light precipitation and lower temperatures this week provided a respite to stressed cotton in many sections of the Cotton Belt. Rains on Tuesday stretched from California to Virginia, though most areas reported only trace amounts. Accumulations of almost one inch were reported in Southeast Arizona, South and East Texas, Eastern Louisiana, and Virginia. Widely scattered rainfall also was reported on the Texas High and Rolling Plains.

Equally important forecast highlights for the week included temperatures in the mid-eighties to low nineties over most of the Cotton Belt, allowing plants to recover from recent high temperatures. Temperatures in Western Arizona and southern parts of California's San Joaquin Valley, however, exceeded 100 degrees.

In other news, the International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC) reported on Monday 2006-07 world cotton consumption is expected to rise by three percent to 119.0 million bales while production is likely to remain steady at 114.0 million bales. The committee also expects world stocks to decline from 50.0 million bales in 2005-06 to 46.0 million in 2006-07. After analyzing the new figures, market fundamentals suggest that international cotton prices likely will increase in the coming marketing year, ICAC said.

As for 2005-06, world cotton exports are estimated at a record 43.0 million bales driven by Chinese cotton demand. U.S. exports are expected to reach a record 40 percent of all world exports at 16.9 million bales, ICAC reported. The committee does not expect the elimination of Step 2 payments after July 31, 2006, to significantly impact U.S.

exports in the 2006-07 season. Instead, 2006-07 U.S. exports are forecast to remain unchanged from the 2005-06 season.

Meanwhile, net export sales of U.S. cotton totaled 240,300 bales in the week ended June 29. The figure was three percent less than the previous week but 17 percent more than the four-week average. Major buyers included China, Turkey, Mexico, and Taiwan. Net sales for delivery in 2006-07 were mainly for Indonesia and Guatemala.

Export shipments of 394,500 bales were eight percent more than the previous week and seven percent more than the four-week average. Major destinations were China, Mexico, Turkey, and Indonesia.

On the spot cotton market, online trading by producers in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas in the week ended July 6 totaled 15,909 bales compared to the previous week when 26,391 bales were traded. Average prices received by producers in the most recent week ranged from 49.44 to 50.42 cents per pound compared to 49.82 to 50.29 cents per pound the previous week.

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Post City Television

Daily Program Guide

July 21 thru July 27

Friday, July 21

7 a.m. Post City Idol Contest (Youth Division)
10 a.m. This Week In Post City
3 p.m. Family Harvest Church
5 p.m. Post City Idol Contest (Adult Division)
7 p.m. This Week In Post City

Saturday, July 22

7 a.m. Post City Idol Contest (Youth Division)
9 a.m. This Week In Post City
3 p.m. Family Harvest Church
5 p.m. This Week In Post City
7 p.m. Post City Idol Contest (Adult Division)

Sunday, July 23

1 p.m. This Week In Post City
3 p.m. Family Harvest Church
5 p.m. This Week In Post City
8 p.m. Post City Idol Contest (Youth Division)
10 p.m. Post City Idol Contest (Adult Division)

Monday, July 24

7 a.m. Post City Idol Contest (Youth Division)
9 a.m. This Week In Post City
7 p.m. Post City Idol Contest (Adult Division)
1, 5 & 10 p.m. Post Church of Christ Sunday Services

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, July 25, 26 & 27

7 a.m. Post City Idol Contest (Youth Division)
9 a.m. Garza County Commissioners' Court
11 a.m. Post ISD Board of Trustees
1 p.m. Garza County Hospital District
3 p.m. Post City Council
7 p.m. Post City Idol Contest (Adult Division)

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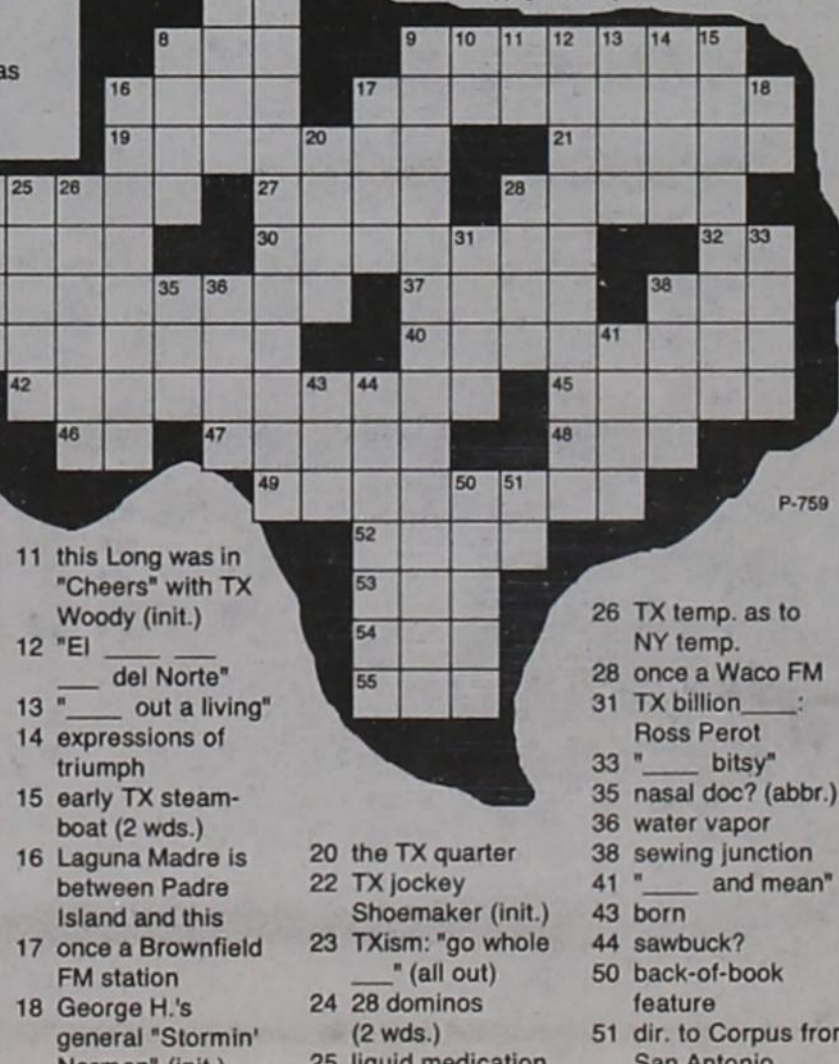
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Lake Alan Henry Special



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Break in temps helps fishermen

by Capt'n Mike

It's been hot but not that hot this week. The bass have responded to the break in temperature, with several caught in the 10# range. The catfishing has been real good, especially on trotline.

The crappie have been picky as usual, with night fishing proving to be the best.

There was a lot of boat traffic this past weekend, with most of it being skiers.

The lake is full and very beautiful, how lucky we are to have such a great lake in West Texas.

National Weather Service
July 10, 2006
Post:
Average high - 91.1
Average low - 68.5
Monthly average temp - 79.8
Normal temp - 81.8
Monthly total precip - 0.30"
Normal precip - 2.03"
Heat units since May 1 - 1259
Year-to-date precip - 8.71"
Lake Alan Henry:

Average high - 91.8
Average low - 69.8
Monthly average temp - 80.8
Normal temp - 81.9
Monthly total precip - .12"
Normal precip - 2"
Heat units since May 1 - 1258
Year-to-date precip - 10.98"
Source:
National Weather Service,
Lubbock

Living on the Edge of the Caprock

by Greg Jones, County Extension Agent

Golf Tournament to Support South Plains 4-H Activities

The South Plains 4-H program will host a one-day golf tournament at the Plainview Country Club. The tournament is open to anyone wishing to play golf. The format for the tournament will be a four-person scramble.

The entry fee is \$50 per person (\$200 per team). Individuals are welcome. Entries are due August 4. Entry fee covers the green fee, cart rental, mulligans, lunch, beverages, and all the fun you can have. Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th teams. The tournament will include individual prizes for closest to the pin, longest drive, and door prizes. The field is limited to 22 teams.

Lunch will be served beginning at 11:30 a.m. There will be a 1:00 p.m. shotgun start. Sign up at your County Extension Office or call the Pro Shop at the Plainview Country Club (806) 296-6148.

The golf tournament supports two important South Plains 4-H activities. The Bob Benson Memorial 4-H Scholarship Bob Benson was a longtime county agent in the South Plains 4-H, District 2, (Hale County). Bob lost his battle with cancer in August 1999, and a memorial educational scholarship was developed in Bob's name for South Plains 4-H members. Fifty percent of the proceeds will be used to fund the scholarship. Fifty percent of the proceeds will be used for The 4-H EXCELL Scholarship, a travel fund for South Plains 4-H members who have qualified for National 4-H activities. EXCELL stands for EXperience, Citizenship, and Examples for Lifetime Leadership.

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Help Prevent Highway Hazard: Get Enough Sleep Before Getting Behind the Wheel

by Nancy McDonald,

County Extension Agent Family & Consumer Affairs

Drinking and driving can be a lethal combination. But so can driving while drowsy. Drowsiness is one of the most dangerous distractions drivers can experience.

A recent study by Virginia Tech Transportation Institute and National Highway Traffic Safety Administration found 80 percent of crashes to be caused by distracted or drowsy driving. Drowsy driving accounted for over 20 percent of the crashes and near-crashes.

The new study also found that tired drivers are four to six times more likely to be involved in a crash or near-crash than are drivers who are not tired.

Time of day matters too. The afternoon hours between 1-5 p.m. and the early morning between midnight-6 a.m. seem to be the most dangerous time for drowsy driving.

While drowsing and driving don't mix for drivers of any age, young men seem to be the most likely to be afflicted.

Males ages 16 to 24 have a higher crash rate from all types of crashes. This age group is also more likely to be sleep-deprived due to combining busy schedules as students, and workers along with active social lives. It is also true that teenagers and young adults actually need more sleep than older people. But for drivers of any age, Research shows that getting less than six hours of sleep can be risky.

The National Safety Council listed symptoms of drowsy driving: eyes closing or going out of focus; excessive yawning; irritability or impatience; wandering thoughts; inability to remember driving the last few miles; and drifting between lanes or onto the road's shoulder.

If any of these symptoms show up, the safety council advised getting off the road into a safe, well-lit area and taking a nap.

To prevent drowsy driving in the first place, the safety council said:

- Begin the trip early in the day and don't drive between midnight and 6 a.m. if possible. - Stop every 100 miles or so (about every two hours) to get out of the car and walk around. - Share driving responsibilities, especially on long trips.

It is dangerous to mix even small amounts of alcohol with driving as low alcohol doses magnify the driver's drowsiness. Educating the public in general, and young men in specific, about the dangers of drowsy driving could go a long way toward preventing crashes. Adding more rumble strips on highways could help too.

Drowsiness is a serious distraction for drivers, but not the only one for a societal trend of multi-tasking while driving and a general lack of attention to the road. Using a cell phone, outside distractions, eating, sickness, modern vehicle gadgets, and even adjusting the radio or CD player are other dangerous driving distractions. According to a 2003 study by Great Britain's Transport Research Laboratory talking on either a hand-held cell phone or a hands-free setup creates a driver about as attentive as one who's at the legal limit of alcohol consumption.

The average driver makes 400 observations and 40 decisions every 2 miles they drive. One of the best preventive measures you can take is to always wear your safety belt. For your safety and the safety of others who share the road, always make driving your number one priority when you are behind the wheel. Stay awake, stay alert - stay alive!

For more information visit the safety council's Web site at <http://www.nsc.org/> or the Texas town safety distracted driver toolkit at <http://txtownsafety.tamu.edu/>. More information on safety issues can be found at Extension's Family and Consumer Sciences Web site at <http://fcs.tamu.edu/>. Click on the link to Safety.

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Source: Bev Kellner, Texas Cooperative Extension's Passenger Safety program, and Terri Miller, Extension's Safe Communities Project Director.

Post City Centennial Magazine

(Continued from Page 1)

and Garza County - businesses, churches, civic organizations, government, schools and agriculture, just to name a handful of the topics to be addressed. Also included will be the full schedule of centennial-related activities planned as part of the June 2007 celebration.

"The Centennial Publications Subcommittee challenged us to produce a magazine to match the quality of Texas Highways' and other well known publications," Burnett added, "and we accept this task with much enthusiasm."

"This magazine will take a new approach to recording our heritage," Burnett explained, "not rehashing established and well known facts, but bringing our history up to date and introducing plans and dreams for the future."

The full-color publication will run up to 80 pages in size and will be distributed in mid-May prior to the beginning of centennial activities.

The centennial magazine will be totally funded by advertising. "We will provide 3,000 copies of the magazine to the Centennial Committee, which will offer the souvenir publication for sale to assist in its funding needs," Burnett said.

"We encourage area businesses to plan their 2007 budgets to include advertising in the Post City Centennial Magazine," Burnett added. "Our staff is available to assist in planning and assisting our advertisers by creating attractive and colorful advertisements."

The early deadline for advertising is February 1, 2007; advertisers who reserve space early and pre-pay by that date will be granted a 10 percent discount on their magazine ad. The final advertising deadline is March 1.

For more information about the publication and its advertising opportunities, contact The Post Dispatch at 495-2816.

"This is by far the most important and greatest publishing challenge in my 40 years of publishing experiences," Burnett said, "we solicit your support as we work toward the celebration of Garza County's and Post City's 100th birthday."

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