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Post Notes

PHS Pep Rally Friday at Antelope Arena

Post High School's Homecoming Pep Rally Friday will be held at the Post Antelope Arena beginning at 2:30 p.m.

Booster Club offering sausage wraps

The Post Athletic Booster Club will offer sausage wraps for sale prior to Friday's Homecoming game at Post Antelope Stadium. The club also has new caps and t-shirts for sale and raffle tickets for an Antelope team autographed football.

Free transportation to trailblazers

Transportation to the Trailblazers Center is provided by the Senior Citizen's Minivan by calling 495-4425. The center serves meals Monday-Friday. Everyone is welcome. A donation of \$3 is suggested for a meal for anyone 60 or over. For those under 60 the cost is \$5. A private room is available for a small fee for groups wanting to have meetings at the center. Also, the entire building can be rented on weekends for family reunions or other gatherings. For more information, call 495-2998. The center is located at 205 E. 10th Street.

Band to host homecoming brisket meal

The Pride of Post Band Boosters will be hosting a Homecoming Brisket Dinner before the Post Antelope football game against Floydada on September 22, from 5-7 p.m. at the Post ISD cafeteria. Tickets are \$5 each and may be purchased from any high school band member. Plates include brisket, sausage, potato salad, beans, and a dessert. Take out trays will be available. All proceeds will benefit the Post High School Band program. Call 495-3343 for more information.

Autographed Antelope football raffle

The Post Athletic Booster Club is offering raffle tickets for a chance to win an Antelope football at the Homecoming game, September 21. The football will be autographed by Post Antelope varsity players. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5. Contact any member of the Booster Club or they may be purchased prior to the game against Floydada at Antelope Stadium.

Calvary Baptist offers creation science series

Calvary Baptist has recently begun the film series, "Creation Science Evangelism." Dr. Kent Hovind systematically refutes the arguments that comprise evolution's purported foundation. He exposes it as a baseless philosophy. Please join us Sunday evenings at 6 p.m.

Open house at Calvary Baptist Church

Calvary Baptist Church will hold an open house for the community on Sunday, September 24. Calvary has recently completed the first phase of an extensive remodeling project. Jan Sisson will provide a concert during the morning service followed by a noon meal. Everyone is invited to come visit and see the changes that have been made at the church.

Youth selling homecoming mums

As a youth fundraiser Calvary Baptist will be selling homecoming mums this Saturday at United Supermarket from 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Members will continue the sale until September 21. Please call 495-2342, 495-3342 or 495-1018 for viewing and prices.

Gospel meeting set at Graham Chapel

Graham Chapel Church of Christ, 15th and Avenue S will host their Graham Chapel's Gospel Meeting on September 24-27, with guest speaker William Eudy, pulpit minister from the Southside Church of Christ in Mineral Wells. The theme is "Membership has its Privileges". Sunday classes begin at 10 a.m. with worship service following. Sunday evenings start at 5 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday services begin at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

Free Texas Tech Home Game Tickets

Post Athletic Booster Club member Cindee Reiter won two free tickets to Saturday's Texas Tech Red Raider home game. The drawing for the tickets was held at Monday night's regular meeting. Booster Club members attending the October 1 meeting will have a chance to win two tickets to the October 7 Texas Tech vs. Missouri game at AT&T Jones Stadium. The free tickets are courtesy of Post City Radio and The Post Dispatch through the generosity of the Texas Tech Athletic Department. The promotion will continue throughout the Red Raider season. Winners must be paid members of the Booster Club.

Last of "1st Edition" Ornaments

Post Women's Division is down to selling the last "lot of first edition" Centennial Ornaments. They can be purchased at Plum Crazy, 220 E. Main, or call 495-0888.

2005-2006 Annuals for sale at school

Post High School 2005-2006 High School Annuals are available for purchase at the high school. Cost is \$45. Contact Salli Bush to purchase one at 495-2770 or e-mail sbush@post.k12.tx.us.

Calvary Christian School fundraiser

Raffle tickets are being sold as a fundraiser for the Calvary Christian School. The winner will receive dinner for two (\$20 value) at The Alamo Restaurant. Tickets sell for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The drawing will be held October 14. You may purchase your tickets until October 12. For more information, please call Alicia Graves at 495-1029 or Judi Martin at 495-1018.

Fall Festival set at VFW

The Ladies Auxiliary VFW of Post 6797 will be holding a Fall Festival-Garage Sale on October 21 at the post on the Clairmont Highway. Spaces will be sold for \$10 and \$25, depending on the size. Tables will be furnished. If anyone is interested in having a garage sale or arts and crafts at this time call Ruth Walls at 495-4185 or Janet Ratliff at 495-2026.

Free GED classes

GED classes are set to begin September 26 at Post High School, Room 18 (enter building thru southwest entrance). The classes will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5-8 p.m. These classes are free to the public. For further information, please call (806) 495-2770, leave a name and phone number and you will be contacted by the GED instructor.

8th Annual Lord's Acre set October 21

Mark your calendar's now for the 8th Annual Lord's Acre, which will be held Saturday, October 21 at the Community Center. There will be a planning meeting on Tuesday, September 12 at 5:30 in the Fellowship Hall of the Methodist Church. If you would like to help plan this worthwhile event, please attend the meeting or call Mary Edwards at 629-4226 or Tonya Kirkpatrick at 629-4054.

Important dates for upcoming election

The General Election is right around the corner, here are some dates you might need to mark: October 10 - last day to register to vote for the General Election; October 23 - first day of early voting; October 31 - last day to apply for ballot by mail; November 3 - last day of early voting; November 7 - election day.



Contract work began last week to demolish two old buildings on Avenue I at the corner of 8th Street in preparation for City of Post plans for a parking lot. The buildings were the subject of condemnation proceedings in district court action.

Demolition may pave way for downtown parking lot

by Sheri Lewis

The demolition of a pair of abandoned buildings began last week, marking the first phase of a City of Post plan that could provide additional parking for the downtown area.

The city began demolition at the site, located one-half block to the south of Main Street at the intersection of 8th Street and Avenue I, after the property was condemned in a lawsuit in district court, said Ric Walton, city manager. Overdue taxes enabled the city to obtain a lien against the property.

Demolition should be completed in about a week to 10 days.

The municipality's investment in demolition could run more than \$20,000, Walton said, but city officials hope to petition other taxing entities with claims against the property to forgive the tax debt and transfer title to the City of Post.

Tentative plans call for the construction of a parking lot on the site, which is about 200 feet by 150 feet, or almost a quarter of a city block.

"When there's anything going on (downtown), there's no place to park," Walton said, adding that the demolition eliminated an "eyesore."

No formal plans for the parking lot have been devised; however, Walton said city officials could consider the option of lighting the lot to accommodate visitors to after-hours events conducted in the downtown area. The site also could provide increased parking for all of the downtown area, including a new museum.

Information concerning the new museum facility was not made available to The Post Dispatch.

Post U.I.L. Academic Booster Club formed

by Sheri Lewis

The recent successes of Post High School students competing in University Interscholastic League academic contests has prompted a handful of teachers and parents to organize the PHS UIL Academic Booster Club.

The purpose of the club is to do fundraising and show support for PHS students involved in UIL academic competitions.

"We have a lot of UIL kids," said Diann Windham, one of the parents assisting with the organization of the group, "and we want to help them compete as best as they possibly can."

Windham said competing in UIL academic contests—one-act play, debate, mathematics, current issues and events, science, spelling, computer science and journalism events, just to name a few—carries a multitude of benefits for participating students.

"We think it's very important," she said. "Participating in UIL academic contests helps students get into quality universities, gives students more self confidence and enriches their overall education."

Lisa Kirkpatrick, another parent helping the booster club get started, said UIL contests enable students, particularly those

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Hospital district board will consider tax rate

Members of the Garza County Hospital District board of directors will consider approving the tax rate for the upcoming fiscal year at a meeting set for 6:30 p.m. tonight (Sept. 21) in the Citizens Bank Community Room.

Also slated for consideration during the meeting is discussion and possible action regarding tentative plans for construction of a new district clinic building and the purchase of property.

Other items on the agenda include:

- The clinic report for the month of August.
- A review of the indigent care report.
- A report on the district's heating/air conditioning system.
- A review of the Garza Central Tax Appraisal District's plan for periodic reappraisal for 2007-2008.



The American Legion donates \$250 to Memorial Plaza

Participating in The American Legion special donation of \$250 to the Garza County Memorial Plaza Project on Monday, September 18 in front of the Garza County Courthouse are (left to right) Bo

Jackson, Lee Norman, Jack Ault (The American Legion Adjutant Post 270), Wyvonne Kennedy, Thressa Harp and Lewis Earl. Not pictured is Commander of The American Legion Post 270 Jack Alexander.

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Post Academic Booster Club

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in smaller schools like Post, to "get more in depth" with their academic studies. UIL academic contestants also are more competitive when it comes to vying for college scholarships.

The UIL Academic Booster

Club will operate much like booster clubs organized to support student athletes, Windham said. Plans call for the group to help purchase supplies and cover travel and other expenses related to out-of-town competitions.

"We support our athletes, but it's just as important to emphasize students' academic skills," she said.

Membership in the organization will be open to individuals, families, businesses — "anyone interested in showing support," Windham said.

The organization's supporters are conducting a membership drive, and a fundraising letter

about the booster club will be distributed next week. Also scheduled is a pancake supper fundraiser scheduled to take place in the school cafeteria prior to the Oct. 20 Lopes football game against Slaton.

For more information about the club, contact Windham at 629-4458 or PHS teacher Salli Bush, the booster club's school sponsor, at 495-2770.

White River Lake Weekly Report

Sept. 18, 2006

Gauge reading: 2344.40
Feet below spillway: 28'1"
Rise - 8"
Rainfall (past week): .29"
Rain to-date: 18.23"
Rainfall 2004: 43.58"
Rainfall 2005: 15.57"

White River Lake has 1,291,999,215 billion gallons left available at the intake, or 13 percent capacity (3,965 acre feet). Subtract 156,408,480 MG for evaporation, leaving 1,135,590,735 MG available.

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

The well field developed for emergencies is producing 1.9 million gallons per day. The field has been running for a month, serving Ralls and Crosbyton.

Replacement of the ground storage tank on the Post line is under way and will be finished soon.

The water district has added two floating lake pumps 40 feet in front of the intake tower to provide better water quality (puts the district in 13 feet of water).

Source: Mickey Rogers, WRMWD general manager

Extension Service offers Octoberfest '06 at 4-H Conference Center

Experience Fall and nature at its best this year "Deep in the Heart of Texas". That's what folks 50 and over will be doing at the 4-H Conference Center on Lake Brownwood.

Sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension, Octoberfest '06 is offered for men and women alike to enjoy the wonderful activities offered during the week of October 23-27, 2006.

Opportunities include "hands-on" learning centers where one can learn seasonal crafts, gardening, candle making, ball room dancing, wood crafting, and many other exciting projects. Educational programs on topics such as horticulture, photography, nutrition, finances, and other

current interests are a popular highlight.

Fishing on Lake Brownwood adds popularity to your stay on our lighted boathouse. Or enjoy the beautiful fall foliage on our nature trail and take in some birding activities.

Lighted tennis courts, horseshoes, billiards, volleyball, shuffleboard, dominoes, and card or table games are all popular activities. Nightly entertainment is also a part of the program. Fun and educational tours are also an option for those who prefer this type of fun!

If you are 50 or older then "Octoberfest '06... Fall Frolics" is for you. Call the county Extension office today at 495-4400 for more information.

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

Post City Merchants making plans for fall, winter seasons

by Donna Degan

After taking the summer off, the Post City Merchants held their monthly meeting on Sept. 12 at Cocara's Tuesday night.

The meeting was called to order by president Donna Degan. Minutes were read and a financial report was given. Vice president Curtis Hudman gave a membership report.

PCM members present were Hudman Furniture, Cocara's, Texas

Treasures, LaPosta, McDonald's, Radio Shack and Plum Crazy.

Degan presented a proposal to Don Bond, head of the Hotel/Motel Tax Board, about getting a billboard set up on the outskirts of Post for "Sleep and Shop" in the downtown and Broadway areas.

Ideas for the holidays were discussed. The window display contest will be held again this year. All businesses are invited to participate. Your window will need to be in place by Dec. 1. A cash prize of \$150 will be awarded to the best and "most creative" display.

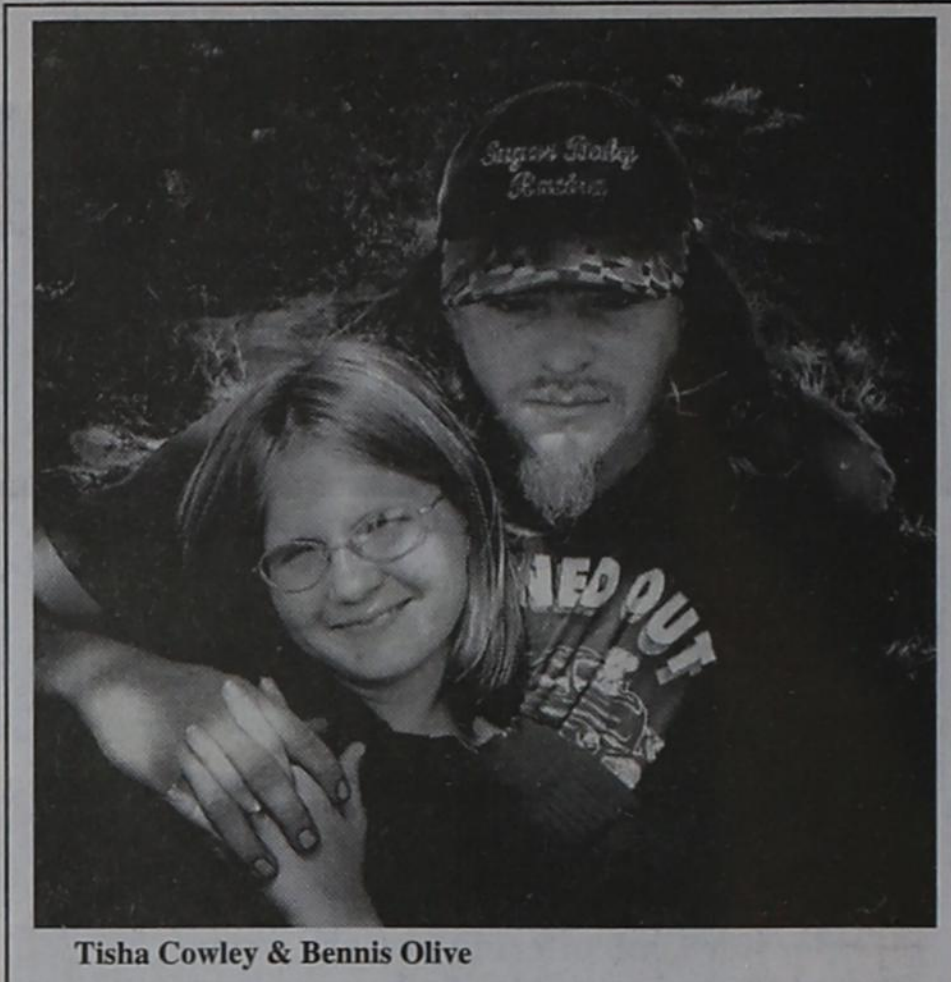
Also discussed was a "Fun After Five" event, as well as a "Santa Run."

PCM will sponsor a "Featured Business of the Month." Businesses will be drawn from all of the members of Post City Merchants. A banner will be placed at that business for a month and their photo will be in The Post Dispatch.

The "PCM \$500 Cash Giveaway" will be presenting customers with Post City Merchant Bucks. Details of this promotion will be available in The Post Dispatch at a later date.

Our next meeting will be held on the second Tuesday, Oct. 10, at 6:30 p.m. in Cocara's. We encourage all businesses to join our group.

For more information, call Donna Degan at 495-0888.



Tisha Cowley & Bennis Olive

Cowley to wed Olive on Oct. 7

Dillon Sean Cowley is pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of his mother, Tisha Anne Cowley, to Bennis Ray Olive in an Oct. 7, 2006, ceremony in Post.

The bride-elect, a 2002 graduate of Post High School, is the daughter of Debbie Cowley and the late Donnie Cowley. She is the granddaughter of Bobby and Laura Cowley of Nocona and Polly McCarty of Rogers, Ark., and Leroy and Pat Martin of Garfield, Ark.

She is employed by Pat Neff & Associates of Lubbock.

The prospective bridegroom, a 1996 graduate of Southland High School, is the son of Bennis Olive of Slaton and the late Mary Olive. He is the grandson of Joyce Carty of Idalou and the late Dawn and Billy W. Olive, and Vera and Leslie Seals of Post and the late John Burkes.

He works with the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation.

Craigs to celebrate 50 years of marriage

A reception celebrating Harold and Frances Craig's 50th wedding anniversary will be conducted Sept. 30 at the Post Community Center.

The event, which will be hosted by the couple's children, will run from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend. The couple respectfully requests no gifts.

Births



Kaleya Margie Ty'zjai Smith

Jordan Smith and Amber Martin are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Kaleya Margie Ty'zjai Smith, at 9:26 a.m. Sept. 6, 2006, at Covenant Lakeside Medical Center in Lubbock.

The infant weighed 6 pounds, 7.5 ounces and was 19 inches long at birth.

Paternal grandparents are Archie and Rosemary Brown of Post. Maternal grandparents are Alford and Pat Martin of Littlefield. The baby also has an aunt and uncle, Roosevelt and Ashley Brown, who reside in Post.



Riley James Halford

Ryan Halford is proud to announce the birth of his brother, Riley James, at 8:30 a.m. Sept. 5, 2006, at Covenant Lakeside in Lubbock.

The infant weighed 8 pounds, 14 ounces and was 21 1/2 inches long at birth.

Parents are Richard and Devin Halford of Post.

Grandparents are Ronnie and LaDonna Halford and Dennis and Jane Odom, all of Post. Great-grandmothers are Bennie Mae Halford and Faith Block, both of Snyder.

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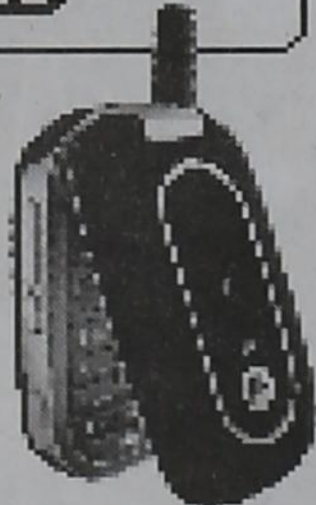
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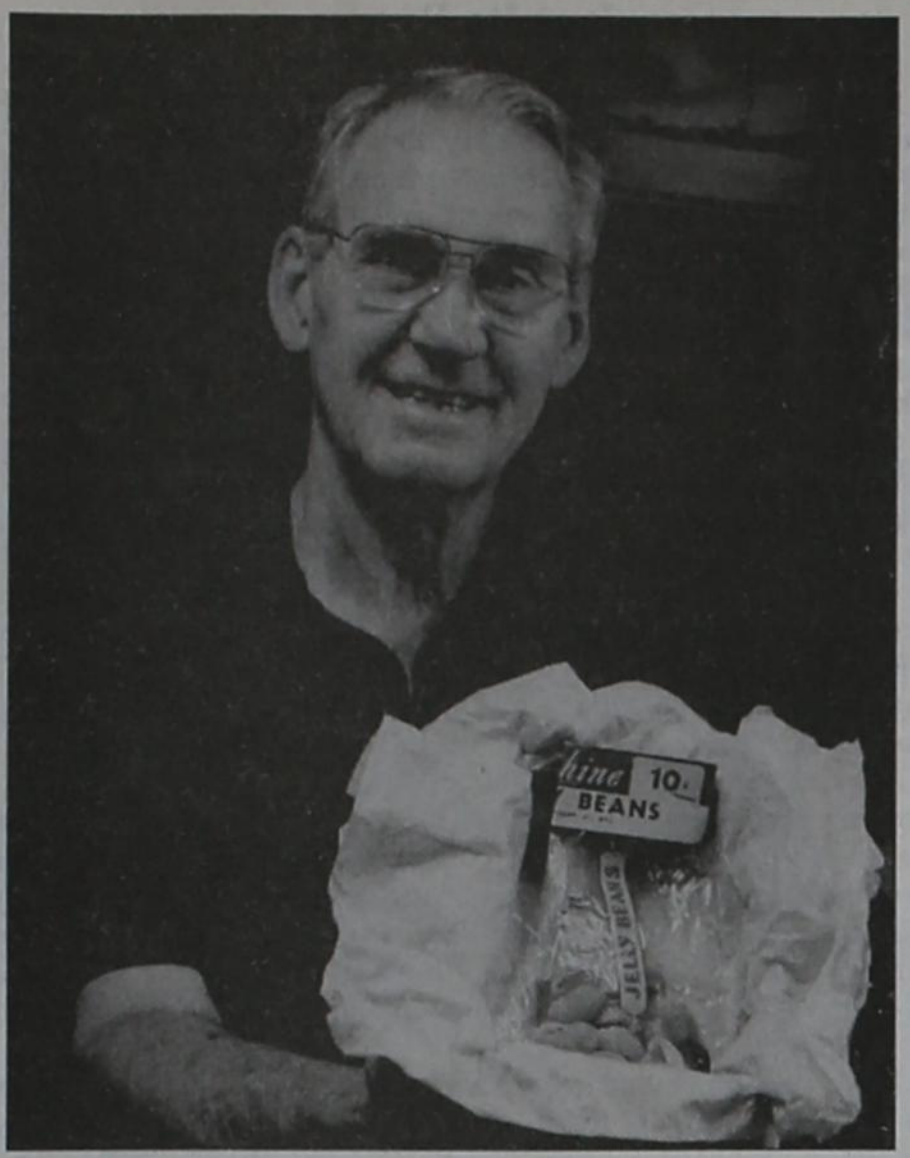
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"Bobby Cowdrey receives something sweet in the mail."

Jelly beans help make alumni reunion sweet

Bobby Cowdrey received something sweet in the mail last week.

The unexpected package contained more than 50 jelly beans and a note from Cowdrey's Post High School classmate, Carolyn Hudman (Polk). They were the same candies Cowdrey, a senior, had given the sophomore during a history class in the 1953-54 school year. Cowdrey had nicknamed Hudman 'Jelly Bean,' which at that time was the candy students frequently passed around during school.

Over the recent Labor Day weekend, when the PHS Class of 1956 gathered for its 50th class reunion, Hudman told fellow alumni that while looking through her keepsake box recently she had found the package of jelly beans Cowdrey had given her more than 50 years ago. The package of Sunshine-brand candy, which was marked '10 cents,' was still in fair shape, she said. During the reunion, Cowdrey gifted Hudman with a package of fresh jelly beans, this one bearing a price tag of \$1.

Hudman, who is married and now lives in Garden City, Kansas, decided to return the original jelly beans to her friend. The package containing the jelly beans also contained a note, which read as follows: "After much soul searching and your generous new gift, I felt I must return these old jelly beans to you. It was hard, but right is right! After all, what are friends for?"

Book Club Reviews "Journey by Land to the Roots of Religion"

The Post Book Club selection "Where God Was Born" by Bruce Feiler, was discussed at the group's meeting last Saturday. The author is described in reviews as "one American determined to find meaning in the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, and the war in Iraq and he does it in one of the most dangerous places on earth." The cover notes aptly describe the book as a combination of "adventures of a wartime chronicle, the excitement of an archaeological detective story, and the insight of personal spiritual exploration." Members of the book club found that both the Biblical accounts as well as "little-known details about the common roots of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam" were educational and inspirational.

"The information in Feiler's book is very relevant to the world we live in," explained Rosa Latimer, owner of Ruby Lane Books. "The author's way of intertwining historical and current events makes it easier to understand both. I've found that I view world news reports differently after reading this book."

The Book Club meets at Ruby Lane Books, 127 E. Main St., the third Saturday of each month at 11 am. Anyone interested in reading is invited to join the group and there is no membership cost, however, each member is responsible for obtaining a copy of the featured selection. The next selection is "First Mothers: The Women Who Shaped the Presidents" by Bonnie Angelo and the November selection is "The Red Tent," A NY Times bestseller by Anita Diamant. Copies are available at the book store. For more information about the Post Book Club, call 495-2665.

Extension Extras

4-H Food & Nutrition Project

Meetings continue through the month of October with the County Food Show scheduled for October 17 and the District Food Show scheduled for November 11. Food Project meetings will be in the High School Foods Lab at 3:45 every Monday.

Nutrition Quiz Bowl

Practice will be each Tuesday at 3:45 at the County Extension office until district competition November 11. Please call 495-4400 to sign up and for further information.

National 4-H Week

Poster Workshop 4-H'ers are meeting Tuesday, September 26, at 5:00 p.m. at the Extension office to make posters and locker tags for National 4-H Week which is October 1-7, 2006.

Health Fair

Texas Cooperative Extension in Garza County will be hosting a Health Fair Thursday, October 5, 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., at the Post Community Center. There will be free screenings for blood pressure and adult vision. Flu shots will be available to everyone at \$20.00 and Medicare will be accepted. Please call 495-4400 to reserve a time slot.

County 4-H Club

Meeting Members and anyone interested in joining 4-H are invited to attend the Golden Clover 4-H Club meeting Tuesday, October 10, 2006, at the Extension office at 6:30 p.m.

"Preparing For the Future"

Mr. Gene Theodori of College Station will be presenting a program focusing on economic development in small communities on September 26th. from 12:00 to 2:00 P.M. at the Crosbyton Library. If interested RSVP by September 22 to the Crosby County Extension office at (806) 675-2347. Cost is \$5 with lunch provided.

4-H'ers Participate in West Texas Fair

Garza County 4-H'ers made a good showing at the West Texas Fair in Abilene. There were 385 entries competing at the show. Exhibiting were: Skylar Jones - 1st Lt. Wt. Santa Gertrudis, 2nd Hvy. Wt. ABC; Pake Jones - 2nd Lt. Wt. Simbrah, 2nd. Mdl. Wt. Brangus; Jarrett Blevins - 3rd Hvy. Wt. Shorthorn, 6th Mdl. Wt. Limousin; Chelci Hair - 5th Mdl. Wt. Polled Hereford; Miranda Hair - 7th. Mdl. Wt. Charolais; Steven Hair - 5th Lt. Wt. Limousin, 7th Hvy. Wt. Chianina; Sydney Shipp - 4th Polled Hereford, 6th Mdl. Wt. Chianina; Ja D. Young - 5th. Hvy. Wt. Brangus. Congratulations to each of these youth. They will be exhibiting their cattle again at the South Plains Fair in Lubbock September 30.

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Local arrests total 23 in recent weeks

Almost two dozen arrests were made in Garza County in recent weeks, according to a report provided by the sheriff's department.

Arrests included that of a 29-year-old male picked up for terroristic threats; a 19-year-old male, arrested for driving while intoxicated; a 28-year-old male, possession of marijuana and driving while license invalid; and a 27-year-old male, possession of a controlled substance and possession of a dangerous drug.

Other arrests included a 41-year-old male, bond forfeiture on possession of marijuana; a 48-year-old male, assault, parole violation; a 45-year-old male, DWI, parole violation; a 23-year-old male, commitment; a 19-year-old male, possession of a controlled substance and possession of marijuana; a 21-year-old male picked up on a Taylor County warrant; and a 37-year-old female arrested on a Dickens County warrant.

Also, a 19-year-old male, possession of marijuana; a 25-year-old male, DWI; a 32-year-old male, possession of a controlled substance; a 39-year-old male, DWI/second and driving while license invalid; a 40-year-old male, DWI, driving while li-

cense invalid; a 20-year-old male, DWI and evading arrest, and a 17-year-old male, public intoxication.

Rounding out the list of arrests were a 19-year-old male picked up on a Travis County warrant; a 41-year-old male arrested on a Garza County warrant; a 30-year-old male, driving while license invalid; a 31-year-old male, unlawful carrying a weapon; and

Official Court Records

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

Garza County Court Sept. 15

• Jimmy Roy Jarrett, charged with possession of marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor. Plea: no contest. Sentenced to no jail time. Fined \$500 and ordered to pay court costs of \$245 and \$140 in restitution.

• Justin Chance Payne, charged with possession of marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor. Plea: guilty. Sentenced to 30 days in the county jail. No fine. Ordered to pay court costs of \$303 and \$140 in restitution.

• Daniel Martin, charged with criminal mischief, a Class B misdemeanor. Plea: guilty. Sentenced to three days in the county jail. Ordered to pay court costs of \$245 and \$200 in restitution.

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_____ City of Post

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year by _____ 7.99 _____ percent

on 9/14/06 @ 7 pm and 9/19/06 @ 5 pm .

The _____ City Council

is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held

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at _____ City Hall 105 E Main Post Tx 79356 .

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We really miss your patient and caring ways, your gentle touch, and the warmth of your voice. Memories keep you very much alive in our hearts, and for now they are our only comfort.

You see your little family growing, but our family chain is broken. We know you have gone to be with our Lord, but one day we will all be together and then our family chain will once again be complete.

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 Regina, and your grandchildren: Julian and
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Obituaries

Pauline B. Mason

Services for Pauline B. Mason, 81, of Slaton were conducted at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 15, 2006, in Englund's Chapel. Burial followed in the Englewood Cemetery under the direction of Englund's Funeral Service of Slaton.

She died Sept. 13 surrounded by her family.

Born July 9, 1925, in Post, she graduated from Post High School in 1941. She married James M. Mason on Sept. 17, 1943, in Southland. She and her daughter, Mickey Cole, attended and graduated from Texas Tech in 1970. She taught in Post and Slaton for 13 years before retiring in 1984. A longtime member of the Slaton Church of Christ, she was active in the church. She was a member of the Slaton Classroom Teachers Association and the Ladies Auxiliary of Luther Powers American Legion Post #438. She was recognized as Slaton's Citizen of the Month in April 1993.

Survivors include her husband, James (Jim), and son, Mike Mason, both of Slaton; one daughter, Mickey Cole of Lubbock; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one sister, Imogene Basinger, in 1991 and a son-in-law, Terry Cole, in 2005.

The family has suggested memorials be made to NursCare Home Health and Hospice, 1312 Texas Ave., Lubbock, TX 79401.



Juanita Rivera

Mass for Juanita Rivera, 82, of Post was conducted at 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, 2006, with the Rev. Malcolm Neyland officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the personal care of the Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Rosary was said at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 15, at the Holy Cross Catholic Church.

She died Sept. 13.

Born March 7, 1924, in Guadalupe County to Pedro and Josefa Espinoza Cisneros, she and her family moved to Garza County and settled in the Canyon Valley area. She married Raymond Rivera on Dec. 20, 1947, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Lubbock. In 1957 they moved to Justiceburg where they farmed for Avery Moore. Following retirement, they moved to Post. She was a Catholic.

Survivors include her husband, Raymond, of Post; two sons, Tommy and Fernando, both of Post; seven daughters, Gloria Leyva of Fort Stockton, Connie Ramos of Rowlett, Hope Salas of Levelland, Flora Lopez of Abernathy, Linda Rivera of Post, Sister Alicia Rivera of Orange, Calif., and Julie Gonzales of Post; one brother, Reyes Cisneros of San Antonio; two sisters, Angie Morales of Post and Mercy Sanchez of Levelland; 19 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers included her grandchildren: Sandra Rivera, Javier Leyva, Juan Ramos, Raymond Garza, Marcos Lopez, Timothy Gonzales, Edward Ramos, Gabriel Leyva, Michael Salas and Miguel Lopez.



Elida Martinez

Mass for Elida Martinez, 70, of Post was said at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2006, in the Holy Cross Catholic Church with Father Malcolm Neyland officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home.

She died Sunday, Sept. 17, in Lubbock.

Born to Tomas and Maria Garza on Dec. 1, 1935, in Sinton, she married Billy Martinez on Oct. 29, 1957, in Post. She was a member of the Holy Cross Catholic Church.

Survivors include her husband, Billy Martinez of Post; one daughter, Gloria Miller and her husband, Joel, of Dover, Ohio; two sons, Billy (Boy) Martinez Jr. of Uhrichsville, Ohio, and Danny Martinez and his wife, Cecilia, of Post; three brothers, Tomas Garza of Tyler, Joe Garza of Arlington and Raul Garza of Brownsville; one sister, Bes VonHatten of Arlington; nine grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

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Nolan Williams

Services for Robert Nolan Williams were conducted at 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 17, 2006, at the Family Harvest Church with Karen Conner of the Cowboy Church of the America West officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home.

He died Saturday, Sept. 16, in the Golden Plains Care Center.

Born Feb. 12, 1936, in Post to W.B. (Bill) and Eva Williams, he was a Post High School graduate who played football at Sul Ross University. He retired from the oilfield.

Survivors include his daughter, Karen Conner and her husband, Tony, of Midland; two sons, Robbie Williams and his wife, Marta, of Post and Jeff Williams and his wife, Jami, of Post; one sister, Wanda Osborn of Post; three brothers, Roy Williams of Canadian, James Williams of Wellington and Billy Williams of Post; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.



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On God's Word

By Timothy W. Burnett

The church dynamics...1Corinthians 12 - 15

An important area of scripture pertaining to the church dynamics can be found in 1Corinthians chapters 12 through 15. Chapter 12 covers the spiritual matters and general relationship between believers in the church of God. Chapter 13 emphasizes the love of God in the church. Chapter 14 details two aspects of the believers' meeting which are speaking in tongues with interpretation and prophecy. Chapter 15 reemphasizes the right teaching concerning the gospel of Jesus Christ, as well as its affect on believers in the church of God.

There are lots of scripture in the Epistles and Acts that teach about the church dynamics, and most are covered quite well in the churches. Chapters 12-15 of 1Corinthians are chosen for this study because by and large, they are not fully covered in the churches today.

The purpose for this study will be to cover 1Corinthians 12-15 as fully as possible with the understanding that every single part of it is the truth and is applicable for the church of God today. I realize this will be a huge challenge for many of our readers, but I encourage them to shine the light of God's rightly divided word in their hearts.

All Christians desire to grow spiritually. Our spiritual growth will be directly related to our commitment to reading and studying the scripture and our willingness to believe them. It says in 1Corinthians 2:12-16, "Now we received not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God. That we might know the things that are freely given to us of God." We all want to know from experience the things that are freely given

to us from God.

It continues, "Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teaches, but which the Holy Ghost teaches comparing spiritual things with spiritual." The apostle Paul was given a great amount of revelation that was recorded as scripture addressed to the church of God. The Epistles are our instruction manual for growing spiritually and knowing what is freely given to us from God.

"But the natural man receives not the things of the spirit of God. For they are foolishness unto him. Neither can he know them because they are spiritually discerned." The natural man refers to those who are without the spirit of God. It is impossible for them to understand the spiritual things of life largely because they embrace the wisdom of man.

"But he that is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is judged of no man. For who has known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ." This is fantastic stuff! When people get filled with holy spirit and get born again, they have the mind of Christ in them. It is written in Colossians 1:27, "To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory."

God's word in 1Corinthians chapters 12-15 will help greatly toward understanding how to grow spiritually to the end that we are walking with the mind of Christ Jesus who is alive and in heaven.

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Red-Hot Torture

by Bill O'Reilly

Thanks to the New York Times, we now know the dreaded torture methods the sadistic CIA used on captured Al Qaeda big shots shortly after the 9/11 attack. I warn you: Reading this column any further will subject you to unvarnished brutality.

According to a front-page article in the Times on Sunday, Sept. 10, Pakistani authorities captured Abu Zubaydah, Al Qaeda's personnel director, a few months after the terror attack five years ago. Zubaydah, wounded in the confrontation, was turned over to American authorities and whisked away to Bangkok, Thailand, where FBI interrogators began questioning him.

According to unnamed sources in the Times article, the FBI and CIA clashed over whether to use soft or tough questioning methods on the captured terrorist. Because it had jurisdiction, the CIA took over and the interrogation began. Agency interrogators stripped Zubaydah, put him in a freezing room and subjected him to Red Hot Chili Peppers. Not the vegetables, the rock group.

Apparently, the CIA sadists cranked up the volume on some Red Hot Chili Pepper recordings and Zubaydah broke. Wouldn't you?

Now, I am not making this up. The dreaded torture machine that is the Bush administration unleashed the Red Hot Chili Peppers on an Al Qaeda big shot. How could they?

According to the article, Zubaydah gave up a number of his fellow killers, including Khalid Shaikh Mohammed, the mastermind of 9/11. But come on, the ends do not justify the means. Using the Chili Peppers is beyond the pale.

Somewhere Attila the Hun is weeping with laughter. But this whole thing is deadly serious. Thanks to the American thugs at Abu Ghraib and the hysterical left-wing press, the entire world thinks the USA is a nation of brutes who torture for pleasure. Human rights groups can't condemn us fast enough for our terrible treatment of people captured on the battlefields of Afghanistan and Iraq. Guantanamo Bay is a gulag, Dick Cheney is Henrich Himmler. And the beat goes on.

But amidst all the hue and cry, there are few specifics. As far as I can determine, waterboarding, that is submerging a suspect in water, was used a couple of times but is now banned. Stress positions and sleep deprivation have been used in limited situations. And now we know the Peppers were in play.

Of course in reporting the interrogation story, the Times played up the conflict between the FBI and the CIA big but buried the lead. In the final two paragraphs of the lengthy report, the importance of the Chili Pepper story emerges. Times reporter David Johnston quotes yet another anonymous "government official" as saying: "the fact of the matter is that Abu Zubaydah was defiant and evasive until the approved procedures were used. He soon began to provide information on key Al Qaeda operators to help us find and capture those responsible for the 9/11 attacks."

That sounds like a good thing to me, but I do have some advice for the CIA the next time around: Use Ludacris and you'll get bin Laden.

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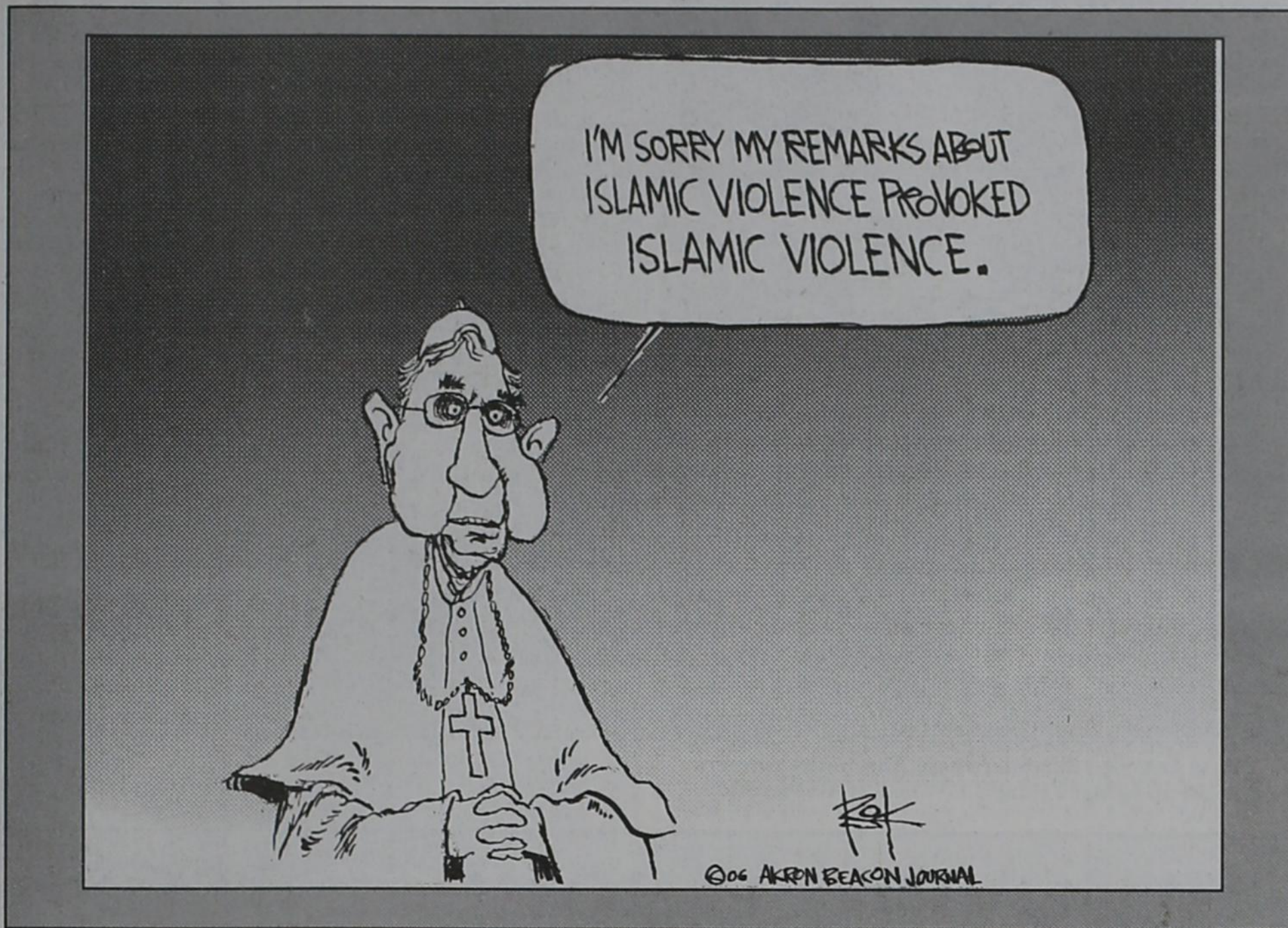
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And thereafter, what's prejudice?

by Walter E. Williams

A fortnight ago, my column made a stab at applying dispassionate analysis to come up with an operational definition for discrimination. Basically, discrimination is the act of choice, and choice is a necessary fact of life. Now let's turn to prejudice, keeping in mind that for sound thinking, one should avoid confusing one phenomenon with another.

Prejudice is a useful term that's often misused. Its Latin root is praedudicium, meaning "an opinion or judgment formed . . . without due examination." Thus, we might define prejudicial acts as decision-making on the basis of incomplete information.

In a world of costly information, people seek to economize on information costs. Imagine heading off to work, you open your front door, only to be greeted by a full-grown tiger. The uninteresting prediction is the average person would slam the door or otherwise seek safety.

Why they do so is more interesting. It's unlikely that person's decision is based on any detailed information held about that particular tiger. More likely his decision is based on tiger folklore or how he's seen other tigers behave. He prejudices, or stereotypes, that tiger.

If a person didn't pre-judge tigers, he would seek more information prior to his decision. He might attempt to pet the tiger, talk to him and seek safety only if the tiger responded in a menacing fashion. The average person wouldn't choose that path, surmising that the expected cost of getting more information about the tiger is greater than the expected benefit and concluding, "All I need to know is he's a tiger, and he's probably like the rest of them." By observing this person's behavior, there's no way one can say unambiguously whether the person likes or dislikes tigers.

In the late 1990s, the Washington, D.C., taxi commissioner warned cabbies against going into low income black neighborhoods and picking up "dangerous looking" passengers whom she described as young black males dressed a certain way. A few years ago, some St. Louis, Mo., pizza deliverers were complaining about delivering pizzas to black neighborhoods. Can one say anything unambiguous about cabbies' or pizza deliverers' likes or dislikes for blacks?

In the case of the taxi commissioner's warnings, the commissioner was black and so were most of the cabbies, and 75 to 85 percent of the

complaining pizza deliverers were black. Are they racists? What about Rev. Jesse Jackson who once admitted that he is often relieved when the youths he hears walking along the street behind him turn out to be white, not black? Is he a racist?

As in the tiger example, the cabbies, pizza deliverers and Jackson are pre-judging. They are using a cheaply observed physical characteristic as an information proxy for a more costly to observe characteristic. The cheap-to-observe characteristic that a person is tall, female, Asian, black or white can indicate some probability of some other more costly to observe characteristic. In the minds of cabbies, pizza deliverers and Rev. Jackson, race was associated with a higher probability of being assaulted.

No one says that all young black males, not even a majority, pose a threat, but people are assigning probabilities. Such an assignment differs little from a physician, knowing that incidences of cardiovascular diseases are 30 percent higher among blacks than whites and prostate cancer is twice as high, giving his black patients more careful screening for these two diseases. Like the cabbies, pizza deliverers and Rev. Jackson, the physician is engaging in what some have called racial profiling -- using race as an indicator of something else.

For analytical purposes, it's important to correctly identify behavior. Asserting that a particular behavior reflects racial likes and dislikes, which it could, when in fact it does not, is to mislead and confound whatever problem or issue one is addressing.

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Post Antelope defenders kept Abernathy runners bottled up in last Friday's 17-7 loss at Abernathy.

Turnovers plague 'Lopes in 17-7 loss at Abernathy

by Wes Burnett

A more than one hour lightning delay at last Friday's football game at Abernathy didn't help the Post Antelopes, as they gave up four fumbles and a pass interception in a 17-7 loss.

"We just couldn't overcome the turnovers," head coach Tim James observed, "after that first touchdown drive, the fumbles

just took the wind out of our sails."

The 'Lopes opened up the game with a confident, long drive to the end zone. The drive was highlighted by a long pass from quarterback Clint Windham to James Griffin, who was hauled down at the Abernathy five yard line. Wilson Cash got the call around his left end for the touchdown and the extra point kick put the 'Lopes out front 7-0.

A strong defensive effort forced Abernathy to punt, and the 'Lopes appeared to be on the way to another long, clock-eating drive, when the ball popped loose to the ground. Abernathy took advantage of the turnover and tied the score early in the second quarter.

The lightning and rain cut short the first half as officials called a game delay for safety reasons with approximately three minutes left in the half. After more than an hour, the lightning

"Our defense did a great job," coach James added, "but it just wasn't enough with the turnovers giving Abernathy good field position."

The third quarter was a defensive struggle, but early in the fourth quarter Abernathy took advantage of another turnover and scored its second touchdown. With eight minutes in the game, the 'Lopes gave up the ball again, and Abernathy managed a field goal to stretch the lead to 17-7.

Each time the 'Lopes had the football in the fourth quarter, they gave it up on fumbles and one pass interception.

The 'Lopes netted 176 yards total offense, while the defense held Abernathy to 136 yards and only 62 yards rushing.

"Abernathy had turnovers too," the coach added, "but unfortunately, they managed to keep the ball."

"We are concentrating on improving and getting better," the coach said. "Our players understand what they need to do, and I am confident they will give it everything they have."

The 'Lopes face a strong and speedy opponent Friday night for homecoming when the Floydada Whirlwinds come to town. Coach James reported that the Whirlwinds jumped quickly on top of highly rated Stratford last week for what many consider the upset of the week. "Floydada had 21-0 lead in the first quarter," the coach said.

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	JV @ Merkel	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 8	Varsity vs Merkel	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Middle School @ Abernathy	5 p.m.
	JV vs. Abernathy	6 p.m.
Sept. 15	Varsity @ Abernathy	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Middle School vs Floydada	5 p.m.
	JV @ Floydada	6 p.m.
Sept. 22*	Varsity vs Floydada	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	Middle School @ Littlefield	5 p.m.
	JV vs Littlefield	6 p.m.
Sept. 29	Varsity @ Littlefield	7:30 p.m.
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Oct. 12	Middle School @ Denver City	5 p.m.
	JV vs Denver City	6 p.m.
Oct. 13	Varsity @ Denver City	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Middle School vs Slaton	5 p.m.
	JV @ Slaton	6 p.m.
Oct. 20	Varsity vs. Slaton	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	Middle School @ Tahoka	5 p.m.
	JV vs Tahoka	6 p.m.
Oct. 27	Varsity @ Tahoka	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Middle School @ Roosevelt	5 p.m.
	JV vs Roosevelt	6 p.m.
Nov. 3	Varsity @ Roosevelt	7:30 p.m.
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	JV @ Idalou	6 p.m.
Nov. 10	Varsity vs Idalou	7:30 p.m.

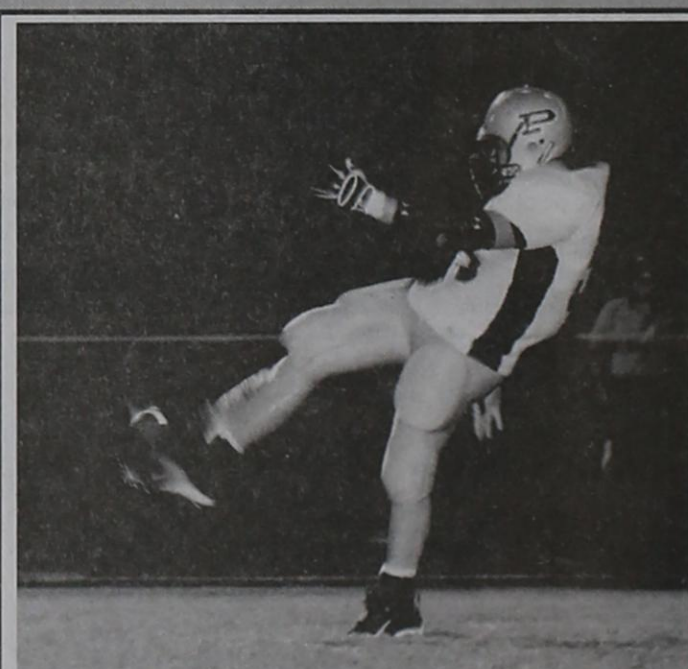
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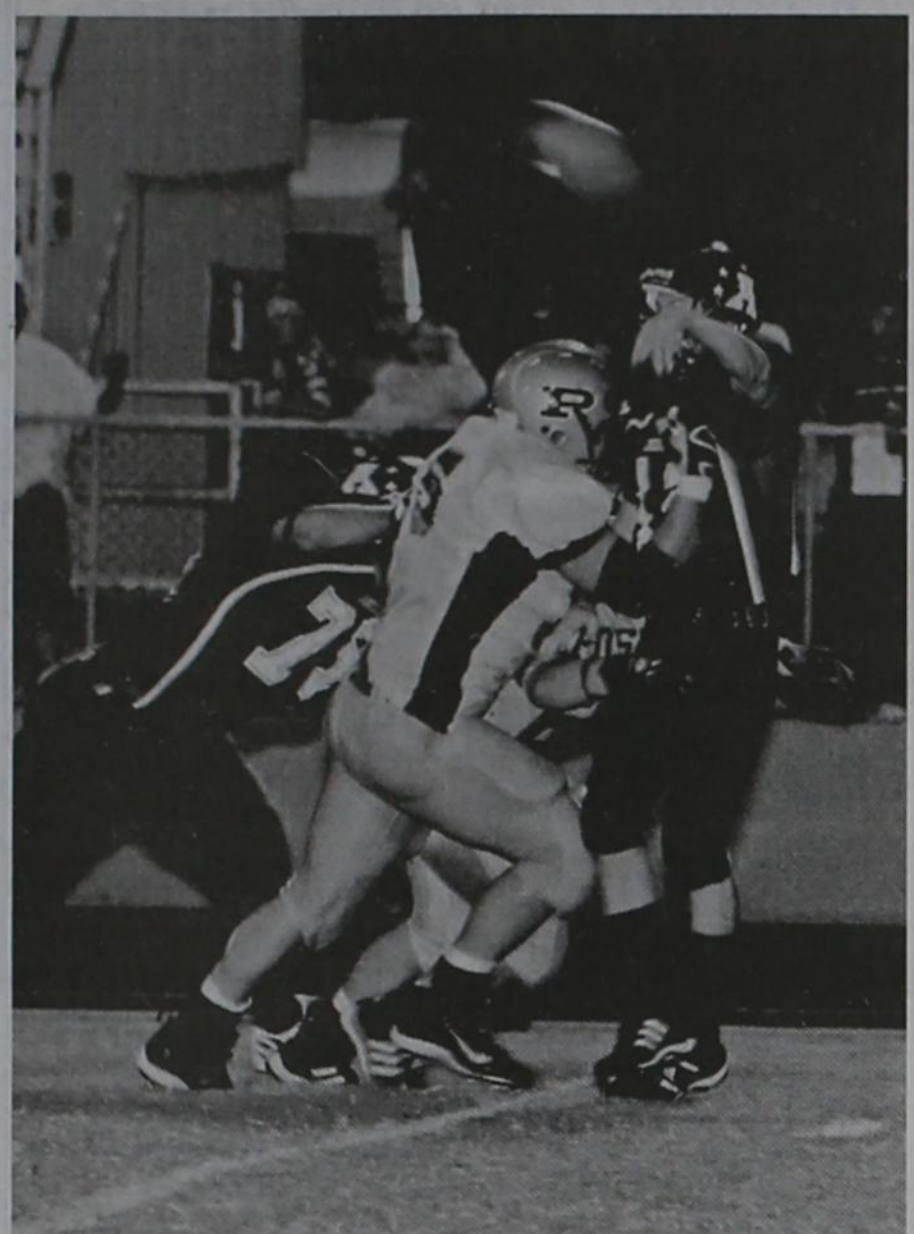
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The Whirlwinds are aggressive on defense, combined with a great passing game and a speedy running back.

The key Friday for the Antelopes is to eliminate turnovers.

Game time is 7:30 p.m. Those unable to attend may keep up with all the action through Post City Radio's (www.postcityradio.com and Suddenlink Channel 12) live play-by-play action.



Lopes senior Blake Nichols (55) wrestles down the Merkel quarterback.



James Griffin (8) holds onto the football at the end of a long pass from 'Lope quarterback Clint Wind-

ham at Abernathy last Friday. The pass play set up the lone Post Antelope touchdown from the five yard line.

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An unidentified Post Antelope defender brings down Abernathy's quarterback as Call Windham (14) comes into assist. The Post Antelope defense kept the game within reach, but the offense struggled with five turnovers in the 17-7 loss.

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Southland Eagles hold heads high after New Home loss

by Patrick Martinez
On September 8, 2006 the Southland Eagles clashed heads against the New Home Leopards. The eagles were slow to start in the first quarter. The leopards started the game with a highly successful onside kick which gave the Leopards the first touchdown of the game. The Eagles fought back putting a touchdown on the board which Roman DeLuna ran for a forty-two yard return. The two point conversion was kicked by Joe Vela. Soon after, Tyler Odom intercepted a Leopard pass. Although the Eagle never scored again, Southland proved they had heart. The Eagles never quit. Deluna also ran a kick-off return for fifty-eight yard which put the Eagle on the five yard line. Defensively the Leopards ruled the game, limiting the Eagles to one completed pass to Javier Galindo for eleven yards. In solo tackles, Patrick Martinez led the team with four tackles, followed by Roman DeLuna with three. Eric Guerrero had one sack in the game.

The game was cut short by the six-man 45 rule. The final outcome of the game was Leopards 56 Eagles 8. (The Eagles play the Loop Longhorns on September 15 in Southland.

JV 'Lopes lose to Abernathy, 28-0

The Post High School junior varsity Antelopes were shut out 28-0 by the Abernathy junior varsity last week in a home game played at Antelope Stadium.

Abernathy struck first in the opening quarter and by halftime had a 12-0 lead. The Bold Gold could get no consistency going on offense and suffered their second loss of the season.

Leading the defensive charge for Post were Mitchell James with seven tackles; Jesse Vera with seven tackles and a quarterback hurry; and John Rodriguez with eight tackles, including two solos. Aaron James had one interception on the defensive side.

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Southland ISD
September 25 - Breakfast - Cereal, graham crackers, juice, milk.
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10 Years Ago September 19, 1996

One of the major attractions which attracted eager youth downtown for the Founder's Day Celebration included a gyroscope. A large round steel framed object which allows a person to rotate in a spiral or circular movements.

Glenn Polk, a former resident and graduate of Post High School directed the Garza Theatre production of "A Few Good Men". Polk graduated from Texas Tech with a degree in theater and has performed in numerous productions around the country.

Jayson Fry, the son of Arnold and Irene Fry and Holly Hardin, the daughter of Charles and Barbara Hardin both received Kraft General Foods Scholarships for the 1996-97 academic year at Texas Tech University.

It was not a pretty site for Post Antelope fans as the home team recorded its first loss in the 1996 season in a 31-14 game dropped to the Slaton Tigers.

20 Years Ago September 17, 1986

Keitha White was named Garza County Fair Queen at the County Fair. Angela Graves took runner-up and Tyra Alexander placed third. Other contestants were Kim Smith, Barbara Moat, Shellee Curry, Angie Holleman, Tina Pena, Teresa Gomez, Darby Gordon and Korren Payton.

Post High School graduates Tim Tannehill and Milton Williams have both made the news in college football. Tannehill was praised by new Texas Tech head coach David McWilliams for his clutch pass repceptions during Tech's win over Kansas State. Tannehill caught eight passes for 82 yards. At Angelo State University, Williams took his first play at a major college in stride as he pulled in a punt early in the contest at New Mexico

State University and dashed 62 yards to a touchdown.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Norman announced the birth of a daughter, Nikki Nicole, born September 4 at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

Post High School 1986-87 Cheerleaders were Alicia Pettyjohn, Tina Pena, Kerry Hart, Keitha White, Laura Crenshaw and LaDonna Scott.

30 Years Ago September 23, 1976

Charles and Bur McClain stopped by The Dispatch to purchase copies of the Garza County History, "Wagon Wheels" and to track down some of the family history. According to Bur McClain he was the first white child born in Garza County, on July 6, 1902, being born at home with an aunt, Mrs. Andy McClain acting as mid-wife for his mother. There were approximately 12 families living in Garza County at that time.

Steve White and Mark Short, seniors at PHS, accompanied by Silas Short, attended Senior Day at Texas A&M University in Bryan.

A bridal shower honoring Janet Childs, bride elect of Dee Justice, was held in the home of Tanya Rudd with Miss Judy Hientz serving as co-hostess.

Student Council officers were elected at Post High School for the year. Those officers were Hope Johnson, president; David Morrow, vice president; Dale Redman, secretary-treasurer, and Gloria Martinez, reporter.

40 Years Ago September 22, 1966

A crowd of more than 100 persons attended the roadside dedication of the Garza Point markers 15 miles south of Post on the highway to Gail. Frank "Chief" Runkles served as master of ceremonies.

Bobbie Compton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Compton, was selected

as one of the two twirlers of the Angelo College band.

One hundred and fifty guests registered at the reception honoring Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Lucas on their Golden Wedding anniversary at the Community Room.

The Rev. George L. Miller and wife, Marilyn, and their 13-month-old daughter, Anna Louise, have moved from Houston to Post, where he has assumed his new duties as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Edna Mae Owen, a 1945 graduate of Post High School, enrolled at Texas Tech to begin work on an elementary teaching degree.

50 Years Ago September 21, 1956

Five winners were named in the second Hospitality Days program sponsored by the Post Chamber of Commerce and 78 businesses. Merchandise certificates, each for \$20 were presented to Mrs. J. T. Whitener, Mrs. H. H. Huntley, Mrs. J. R. Mathis, Sam Lee and Alton Taylor.

Earl Rogers of Earl Rogers Feed Store said the 1956 grain crop is in full swing and reported the earliest in several years. It sold for between \$1.85 and \$2 a hundred.

Garza County youths showing steers grading "prime" at the Dawson County Fair in Lamesa included Carol Davis, Tommy Young, Donald Young and Jerry Thuet.

An estimated 2,705 cotton pullers from other parts of Texas and other states was used during the peak period of the cotton harvest in Garza County.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fluit, Delwin and Jacky and Jerry Bush visited in Slaton for a birthday dinner honoring

Mrs. Fluit's grandmother, Mrs. Agie James, on her 79th birthday.

60 Years Ago September 19, 1946

Probable starters for the Post Antelopes included Roy Williams, George Pierce, Billy Joe Lofton, Bud Everett, Neal Clary, Jimmy Smith, Hugh Ingram, Sonny McCrary, Stanley Benge, R. E. Josey and Junior Malouf.

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Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Hagood announced the approaching marriage of their daughter, Imogene, to Hershell Beavers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Beavers.

Ollie Weakley, Ray Smith and Oscar Bowen spent several days at Lake Cisco where they fished.

Senior class officers and sponsors were elected at Post High School.

Representing the class were President, Rufus Gerner; vice president, Sonny McCrary; secretary-treasurer, Alma Outlaw; reporter, Betty Kennedy; sponsors, Mrs. H. T. Carr; co-sponsor, Mr. V. F. Bingham; room mothers, Mrs. N. C. Outlaw, Mrs. L. P. Kennedy, Mrs. O. E. Fleming, Mrs. A. B. Casey.

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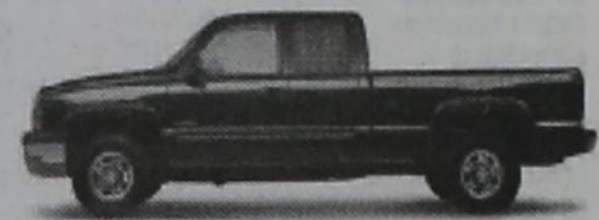
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CHEERING SECTION LEADERS — These five Post High School girls will lead the cheering this year at all football games and other athletic contests. Kneeling is Linda Davis, head cheerleader, who is a senior. Standing, left to right, are: Sharon Wood, freshman; Barbara Wheatley, senior; Barbara Shytle, sophomore, and Bettye Porterfield, junior.—(Staff Photo).

Fun-n-Facts for Brain-iacs!

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Ant Antics

The ants go marching one by one. Hurrah, hurrah!



Did you know that ants can lift 25xs their weight? That would be like you and me picking up a small car!

Thousands of ants live together, all under the rule of one queen ant. The workers (females) and males communicate with each other by using their antennae and a keen sense of smell. Ants make their homes in old logs and underground. The largest of these underground homes can be over 4 meters deep. Each home contains rooms for nurseries (where they tend to their young), chambers for burying their dead and even a room where ants filled with honey (bottle or honey pot

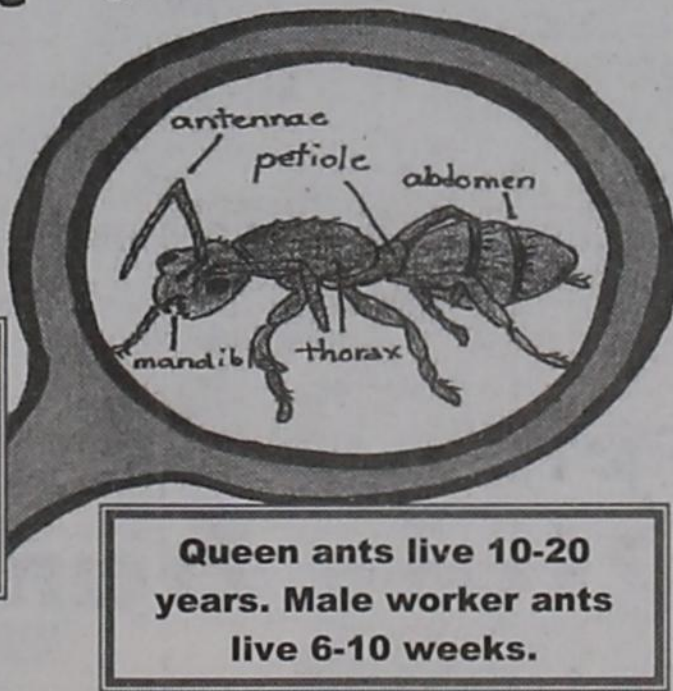
ants) hang from the ceiling so their ant mates can drink. But, don't think it is all peace and harmony. Ants will fight to the death to protect the anthill. To prevent intruders soldier ants will use their large heads to block the entrance to the mound. Ants may look harmless but they have 3 secret weapons: biting with their strong jaws (mandible) spraying their enemies with poisonous fluid (formic acid) or using the tiny stinger located at the base tip of their abdomen. So, the next time you see an "ant go marching by" stop and take a minute to watch and wonder at the amazing ant!

F-"ant"-astic Facts:

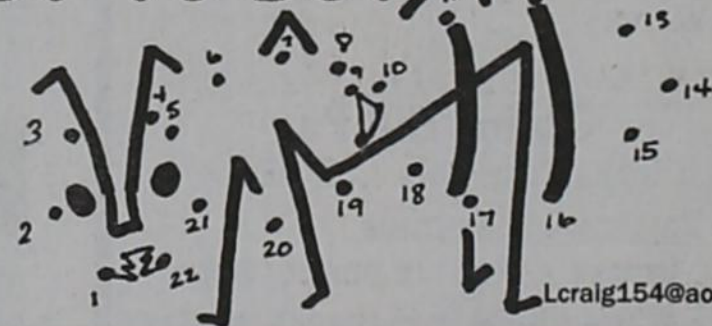
An Ant's blood is white.

Ants are omnivorous; they eat both plants & animals.

Queen ants live 10-20 years. Male worker ants live 6-10 weeks.



DOT-TO-DOT



WORD WONDERS

FIND THE MISSING LETTERS AMONG THE ANTS!

- A two-year old's outburst: ant ant ant
- It grows: ant ant
- What a reindeer has: ant ant ant
- An opposite: ant ant ant
- A camping light: ant ant ant
- What a dog does on a hot day: ant ant

1.tantrum, 2.plant, 3.antler, 4.antonym, 5.lantern, 6.pant Laura Craig

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 Sept. 19, 2006
 Post:
 Average high - 80.4
 Average low - 62.1
 Monthly average temp - 71.2
 Normal temp - 73.3
 Monthly total precip - 6.65"
 Normal precip - 3.07"
 Heat units since May 1 - 2679
 Year-to-date precip - 18.06"
Lake Alan Henry:
 Average high - 80.8
 Average low - 61.9
 Monthly average temp - 71.4
 Normal temp - 73.4
 Monthly total precip - 4.87"
 Normal precip - 3.1"
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ACROSS

- 1 This Alan was in "Singing" with TK Chill with
- 5 song "Taste When"
- 6 CBS TV station
- 7 sports network
- 8 "Film State Park"
- 9 TXClear "your bottom dollar"
- 12 band "Van"
- 17 This TX Shiny was 70 Miles America
- 19 TXClear "tobacco in court"
- 21 Bill, Dolphins, Jets & Patriots
- 22 "the century" (2000)
- 25 the "P" in USPS
- 26 Lament of TX-based "Boom Town"
- 29 TXClear "we are"
- 30 "Taste: It's Like Other Country"
- 31 TX hero Murphy
- 35 TXClear "smart as a tree full of"
- 38 album of TX group ZZ Top (2 wds.)
- 42 Mellow has bills or these (2 wds.)
- 44 new film for TX Ben Mendelsohn
- 46 TXClear "top ladder" (verb)
- 48 out restless
- 49 hot tub
- 50 Fall election run by Ikechika a shoe
- 51 TXClear "you're buying cuts for" (verb)
- 52 TXClear "It's a tough to host"
- 53 "Aby"
- 54 TXClear "It's High"
- 55 TXClear "eat" (verb)
- 57 Dallas Store has guns (abbr.)
- 15 Jackson Co. east this thing was in "Hillman, Texas"
- 16 TX Bank Opens "Hill"
- 20 This Eddie was married to TX Reynolds (init.)
- 25 former governor "Ferguson"
- 26 TX actor Owen of "You, Me & Dupree" (init.)
- 28 small retail store Austin's historic "Moonlight"
- 27 This Tomary played for TX Buddy Holly
- 32 Cougar Univ.
- 33 TXClear "right boys" (police)
- 34 TX B.L. song "So Lonesome I Could Cry"
- 35 TXClear "many iron in the fire"
- 37 roller
- 38 go in
- 39 TXClear "the sculptor" (verb)
- 40 "I" has the desk of Allen Poe
- 41 TXClear "tomato" (verb)
- 43 Gable of 25-acre film (init.)
- 45 TX actor Rip (init.)
- 47 TXClear "so many you sculpt" (verb)
- 48 TX Buddy Holly's "Hot" (verb)
- 55 Dallas "Gallerie"

DOWN

- 1 TXClear "its"
- 2 TXClear "gave him his"
- 3 newspaper in Post, TX
- 4 Martin of "Taste Across the River"
- 9 Cowboy radio announcer Sham
- 10 TXClear "ducks on a pond"
- 11 verb (verb)
- 12 south Tom Landry always wore one
- 13 TXClear "dainty as"
- 14 "Tahiti" aid

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.

Taking issue with county payments for overbudget items

During this past week a friend of mine asked me, "What was all of that in the paper about you and the Commissioners Court?" As I tried to explain it to him I realized the best way to describe what happened at the Commissioners Court was an ambush. The following is a brief description of what happened:

In June I reviewed the Actual Vs Budget spending reports for each department in Garza County, and discovered the sheriff's department had exceeded its full year budget for overtime within six months, and that the County had continued to write illegal checks for over-

time payments.

On Wednesday, July 5th at 12:06 PM I talked to Commissioner McDaniel and advised him that the sheriff's department had exceeded their full year budget by more than \$10,000 and asked if there had been any adjustments to the sheriff's budget? He said he did not think so but he would call and find out.

Commissioner McDaniel called me back at 2:23 PM and advised me he had talked to Mrs. Young. He learned that the sheriff's department was more than \$14,000 over its budget for overtime and that the sheriff

would be at the Commissioners Court meeting on Monday, July 10th.

I attended the July 10th meeting expecting that the sheriff, or someone he designated, would be at the meeting to request that a line item transfer be made in his budget to cover the excess spending for overtime. The entire meeting was completed and nothing was said about the sheriff's budget.

After the meeting was completed Judge Dalby asked if anyone had anything else and no one responded. He then asked "does anyone have anything else to bring before the court" and again no one responded. Normally, at this time, Judge Dalby would say the meeting is adjourned. However, Judge Dalby does not give up easily so he said "Mr. Howell do you have anything to bring to the attention of the court?" I should have ignored the taunt but I have never been one who found it easy to back down so I responded.

During the next thirty minutes I controlled my temper while I tried to point out the law, defend myself and responded to comments by Judge Dalby, Mrs. Young and Mrs. Nelson. The following is a summary of some of the items covered:

1. I read paragraph 111.010 of the local government code that requires commissioners only spend funds in compliance with the budget and paragraph 113.041 that requires the treasurer not make any payments that are in violation of this law. I stated that when the budget maximum was reached the treasurer should have stopped making payments and requested action by the court. Some of Judge Dalby's comments were; "We have all had the same problem." "We all go over." "Laws are violated by all of us." "You only brought this up to try to blame the treasurer."

2. Mrs. Young stated that "in mid April an officer was suspended and that caused a lot of overtime." I later looked at my notes and discovered that the sheriff's department had used up 53% of the budget in the first three months and were at 102% at the end of six months so April, the seventh month of the budget year, did not cause the problem.

3. Mrs. Nelson stated "she believed the agenda was already posted and the deadline had passed before this situation came to light." There was over forty hours between 2:23 PM Wednesday when Commissioner McDaniel told me the sheriff would be at the meeting and the deadline to post the agenda. According to The Open Meetings Act that would have been Friday morning at 9:00 AM. I do not know why this was not on the agenda but it should have been.

I look back at this and it is obvious that there was plenty of time to add this item to the agenda. This was a simple line item transfer and it should have taken five minutes. I also know that this line item transfer was accomplished in the next meeting. Line item transfers are now a standard part of the Commissioner's Court agenda and the commissioners now receive a report detailing department expenditures at each meeting.

If anyone has any questions about the accuracy of anything I have said they can buy a copy of the video of the July 10th Commissioners Court meeting from The Post Dispatch and check it for themselves.

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