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## McEntire at Heritage House Saturday



Pake McEntire will be here in Post Saturday for a fund-raising concert.

Courtesy photo

### Country entertainer to perform at Garza County Recovery Center fund-raiser

Country music entertainer Pake McEntire is headed to Post.

McEntire is set to entertain guests Saturday at the Heritage House for a Garza County Recovery Community Center fund-raiser starting at 6:30 p.m. The fund-raiser will include a silent auction.

McEntire is no stranger to Post, having visited the town in the 1970s for steer ropings at the OS Ranch, and he also performed at those events with his sisters, Reba and Suzie. Pake's father, Clark McEntire, won the first OS Ranch Steer Roping back in 1971. Pake won the same event at the roping in 1972 and 1974.

More about Pake McEntire ...  
(Information from  
[www.pakemcentreshow.com](http://www.pakemcentreshow.com))

When Pake was just big enough to drag

a rope around, he began singing in the car going down the road rodeoing with his dad, Clark, and other cowboys, such as Hugh Posey. Singing like roping, just came naturally, and since he was grandson to John McEntire of whom he inherited some traits, Pake certainly wasn't bashful and loved the attention.

A little later in life while traveling in the back seat of the car going to rodeos, their mama, Jac, would teach all four of the McEntire kids, Alice, Pake, Reba and Susie, to sing three and four part harmony to keep them from fussin', fightin' and gettin' in trouble. Pake realized that harmony came natural to all the McEntire kids.

Later in high school, Jac, who was the secretary for Kiowa High School, got together with teacher, singer, guitar, and

fiddle player, Clark Rhyne, and approached the school's superintendent, Harold Toaz, about forming a school band. At that time, all three decided the school needed a country band class with the participating students receiving one credit. That was the beginning of the Kiowa Cowboy School Band of which six of the nine students are still making their living either totally or partially by playing and singing today. The class would play for country music events of all kinds for the school and the students would even borrow the instruments to go play gigs on weekends.

Clark Rhyne, who taught the class, wrote a song about Pake's Grand Pap, John McEntire, on November 19, 1970, and with Pake, Susie and Reba went to Oklahoma  
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## Court holds regular meeting

By Rosa Latimer  
Correspondent

The Commissioners Court of Garza County met Friday, October 10 in a regularly scheduled meeting. Minutes from the September 22, 2008 regular and special meeting were approved. Reports were approved and are on file at the Clerk's office. Precinct and countywide accounts payable were approved for September 23 through October 20, 2008.

General election matters that came before the court included an increase in the County Clerk's election budget. Because of the large number of write-in candidates (7 for President, 2 for County Attorney) ballots will be manually counted at the polling place. To ensure that this process is efficient, an increase in polling place workers is necessary.

The cost for this may total as much as \$1120.00. These extra election funds can be handled by way of a line item transfers and a budget amendment is not needed. Consideration of amending the list of workers for the General Election was tabled until the next Commissioners Court meeting.

A bid was presented to the court for property at 401 E. 13<sup>th</sup> Street in Post. County Attorney Acker explained that the bid amount will not cover the taxes owed on the property. The court voted unanimously to deny the bid.

Commissioner Valdez reported that the owner of property on Garza County Road 217 is not interested in granting an easement. Residents on CR 217 have expressed concern to the court  
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## Post Notes

### Flu Shots available at Trailblazers

Flu shots will be given at Trailblazers Senior Citizens Center Wednesday, October 22, from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m.

### Butler Memorial Riding in Post

The third annual Tom Butler Memorial Bronc Riding will be held on Saturday, October 18th at the Post Stampede Rodeo Arena. "Ridin' high bronc riding" will start at noon, preceded by a Calcutta Auction at 11 a.m. A dance featuring The Lone Star Troubadours will start at 8 p.m. Proceeds from the bronc riding go to the Tom Butler Memorial Scholarship & Foundation. Concession stand sponsored by the Post Ag Booster Club.

### Life Skills Class in Need of Kitchen Items

The Life Skills classes have begun cooking and we are trying to gather items to furnish our kitchen. If you have any old pots, pans, utensils, measuring cups, etc. that you would like to donate, we would really appreciate it! Please bring any donations that you have to Michelle Simmons or Stephanie Smith or drop by the elementary school office.

### VFW Dance

VFW Post 6797 will host a Country & Western Dance Saturday, October 25. The dance is BYOB from 8 pm - 11 pm and is \$10 per person or \$15 per couple. The dance is open to the public and all are encouraged to attend.

### Calvary Baptist host a Reception for new Pastor

The Pastor Search Committee of Calvary Baptist Church is hosting  
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## Acker continuing private practice in Post

By Rosa Latimer  
Correspondent

Post attorney Leslie Acker is not seeking re-election to the post of Garza County Attorney in the upcoming election; however, he plans to continue with his private practice in the community.

This decision provides a natural time for the long time Post resident to think back over a 30-year law career primarily spent serving in public office. Acker feels that he has been very fortunate through the years. "From the beginning I was lucky to have two very supportive parents. With juvenile cases now, we just don't often see that," Acker said. "Most of the time it is just the child and a mother. The father is out of the picture - either divorced and doesn't care or never was married and doesn't care."

When asked if there was anything in particular that has made a strong impression during his career, the County Attorney answered, "What I've enjoyed most is working with the juvenile court. Fortunately, we don't have that many in Garza County each year, maybe twenty. Sometimes we may put

a kid on probation and later modify it because of little things he has done wrong. It is important to try to do the right thing for those kids. We try to make an impression on them that this may be their last chance. In 3 or 4 years they could be going to prison."

Acker continued to explain that taking into account, with the parents, each case individually and evaluating the severity of why the juvenile is before the court, the decision made can have a positive affect on the kid. The attorney considers this a very rewarding part of his job.

"As an attorney working with juveniles you're not necessarily acting just as an attorney but you also act as a guardian," Acker explained. "You may actually have some sort of defense, but you don't use it because it might be in the best interest of the child to be adjudicated and put on probation. It is better for the kid to face this now than later as an adult."

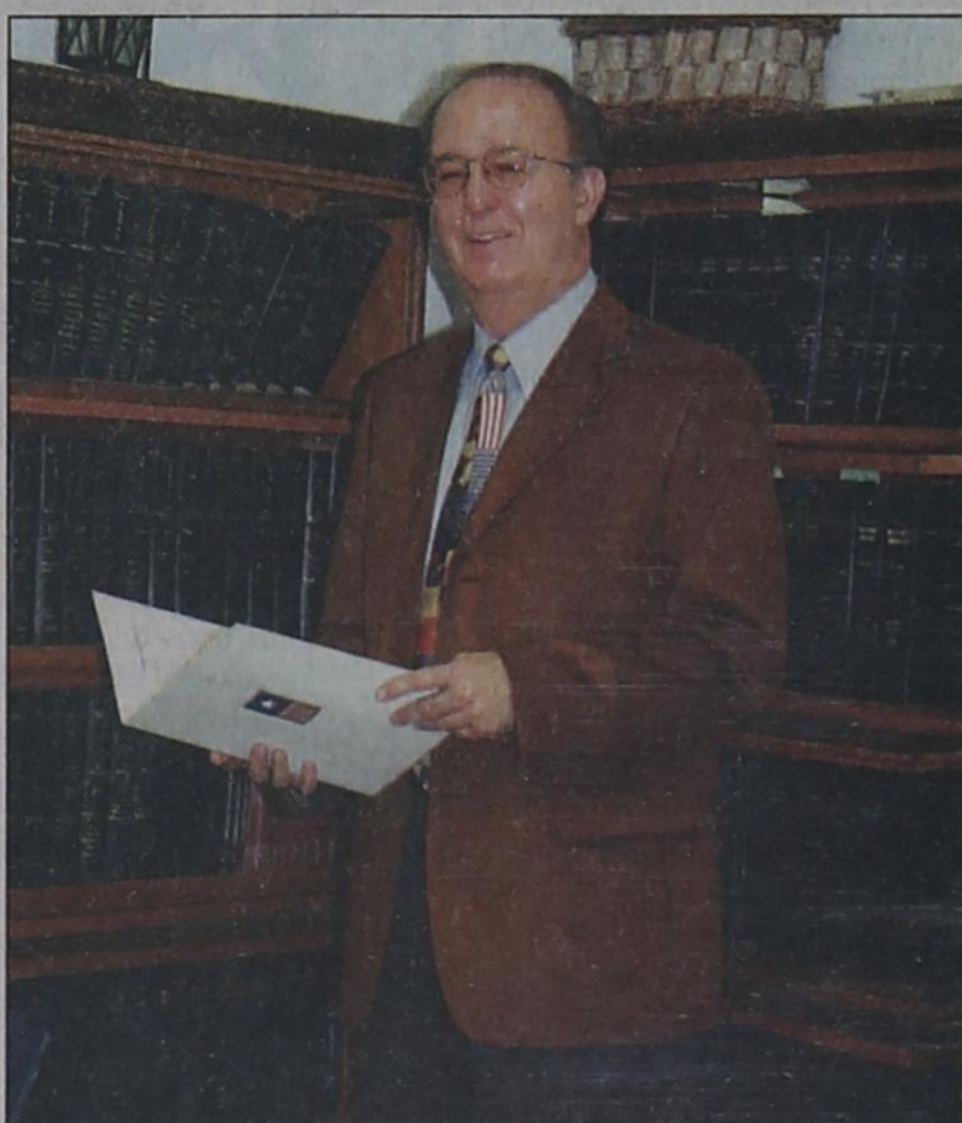
The two cases that have left the longest lasting impression on Acker involved juveniles. "I still think about those boys and wonder where they are now."

Acker started first grade in Post when his parents, Leo & Lucille Acker, moved from Dallas. Leo, a C.P.A., moved here to work with Brown Brothers Oil Co.

Acker's career in law began after finishing his undergraduate studies and law school at the University of Texas in Austin. "Of course I was very fortunate to receive the education I did. My parents sacrificed to provide the opportunity," he said. "My whole experience at UT was an education. Besides going to class, I observed the whole range of society on campus at the time from the straight laced fraternity types to the hippies and protestors."

After graduating from law school, Acker was hired as an Assistant City Attorney in Midland and later worked as Assistant County Attorney for Midland County. After a number of years he took a position with a real estate title company. In 1995 when the title company sold, he faced a situation that required a change in his career path.

"Jan and I weighed all the possibilities of whether to stay in Midland, move to the  
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After serving 12 years as Garza County Attorney, Leslie C. Acker will retire at the end of the year.  
Photo by Rosa Latimer

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# Early voting starts Monday

Starting Monday, registered Garza County voters will have their chance to cast votes.

Monday is the start of early voting in Garza County, and for a complete list of voting locations see page 3 of this publication. Early voting lasts until Friday, Oct. 31. After that, those wanting to vote must do so on Tuesday, Nov. 4.

County voters are also advised to make sure to correctly write in the name of any write in candidates to make sure they are counted correctly.

In Garza County, three races are contested. For Garza County Attorney, write-in candidates Mike Munk and Arimy Gradine Beasley are vying for votes, and for Garza County Sheriff incumbent Cliff Laws (Democrat) is facing Phil Mathews (Republican) and Ted A. Brannon (Democrat). Running unopposed for Precinct 2 Constable is Eric Cravy (Democrat), 106th Judicial District Attorney Brian Kingston Precinct 1 Constable Daniel Yarbrow (Democrat), Garza County Tax Assessor/Collector Judy M. Bush (Democrat) and Precinct 1 Commissioner Gary McDaniel (Republican). This election will also feature voting for President/Vice President. Here is a list of other elections that will be on Garza County ballots.

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## McEntire ...

City and recorded their first record, "The Ballad of John McEntire." It sold seventeen copies just like that ---and then it tapered off.

After graduation in 1971, Pake ran steers in Atoka and Pittsburg Counties in Oklahoma, roped in a bunch of rodeos, and continued to play music. Pake recorded his first album "The Rodeo Man" in 1980 with the cover shot in the short go at the 1980 Pendleton Round Up Rodeo. After competing at the rodeos, Pake would walk through the grand stands pedaling his music to the crowd like a hot dog vender.

Another cassette followed with sister Susie in 1983, and in 1985, Pake landed a contract with RCA for two albums, "Too Old To Grow Up Now" and "My Whole World". The fourth CD came much later in 2003 with

"And They Danced". The title song was written by Pake's daughter, Autumn, and Ellen Tift. Today, Pake's singing and fiddle playing tours consist of traditional country sounds with lots of easy to understand country music.

### More about the Garza County Recovery Center

The recovery center was the idea of Glenda Baker in 1982 to provide citizens of Garza County and the surrounding areas a safe, comforting environment for the individuals and the families of those impacted by chemical dependency. Since that time, the staff has provided the following services:

- extensive screening and assessment interviews including medical, chemical and legal issues along with drug testing

**President/ Vice President:**  
John McCain/ Sarah Palin (R)  
Barack Obama/ Joe Biden (D)  
Bob Barr/ Wayne A. Root (L)

**U.S. Senator:**  
John Cornyn (R)  
Rick Noriega (D)  
Yvonne Adams Schick (L)

**U.S. Representative District 19**  
Randy Neugebauer (R)  
Dwight Fullingim (D)  
Richard "Chip" Peterson

**State Senator**  
Robert Duncan (R)  
MJ Smith (L)

**State Representative**  
Joe Heflin (D)  
Isaac M. Castro (R)

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• substance abuse counseling services, treatment placement and supportive outpatient services and aftercare for clients and their families

• referral to and coordination of services with other agencies such as Garza County Mental Health, Manage Care, Victim Assistance Program, Catholic Family Services, Medical Doctors, etc.

• educational seminars for employees at the Dalby Correctional Facility and seminars at Post ISD and local churches

• advocate for clients in court with substance abuse issues and domestic violence and anger management services

• substance abuse groups support with new groups being formed as needed. For more information about the recovery center call (806) 495-3173.

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action was taken. In other business Dr. Ben Edwards was appointed Garza County Health Officer and the 2009 Routine Maintenance Grant for the City of Post-Garza County Airport was approved. Before the meeting adjourned, twenty line item transfers were submitted and approved.

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of Post looks forward to his continued leadership in volunteer and community activities.

## Commissioners ...

about traffic and dust caused by trucks that travel this road to do business with A-Rock Materials. One option being considered is re-routing the traffic. No action was taken.

A letter to the City of Post concerning the laying of a new sewer line to accommodate the prison, the juvenile detention center and the new law enforcement center was

discussed. Judge Norman explained that the letter was sent to notify the city of a reduction in the amount of the monthly Impact Fee paid by Management and Training Corporation (MTC). The monthly payment has been reduced from \$13,657.90 to \$5990.60. With the reduced payment, the current balance of \$578,028 will be paid off in 10 years. No

## Acker ...

Hill Country or possibly move back to Post," Acker explained the options he and his wife explored. "I had been back to Post fairly often and after visiting with Preston Poole who was the County Attorney at the time, we decided to move to Post. And, once again, the timing was right for me." In fact, Poole had expressed a desire to leave the position of Garza County Attorney. He encouraged Acker to come back to Post, consider finishing Poole's term and then run for the office himself. Soon after this visit, the Ackers relocated to Post and Leslie set up his office in the same location on Main Street he still occupies.

Poole resigned the last day of 1995 and Leslie Acker was appointed as Garza County Attorney by the Commissioners Court. In 1996 he was a write-in candidate for the position and won. The attorney's familiar humor surfaced again as he explained, "I think I beat Donald Duck and Larry the Cable Guy."

A strong community supporter, Acker has served as president of the Post Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of Post Rotary Club and has served two terms as president of that organization. He has twice acted as moderator for the community Voter's Forum. Leslie and Jan attend the First Christian Church in Post where he holds the position of Chairman of the Church Board. Leslie was Chairman of the All School Centennial Reunion, a responsibility he is familiar with. He was president of his Senior Class at Post High School and joked, "Once you're president of a senior class, you're president of the class for the rest of your life. Whenever there is a reunion, they seem to call on me to help pull it together."

Acker's retirement as County Attorney is part of his long-term goals. "I made up my mind that when I reached 65, which I will in December, I would start slowing down. That's the reason I decided not to run for County Attorney

for another term." His motivation for this decision was "the fact that my dad never got to retire." Acker's father died at age 61 from cancer and didn't get to enjoy retirement. "I don't want that to happen to me. I also think it is probably time to let someone take over that can bring new enthusiasm to this position."

As Leslie Acker reflected on his life for this interview, he

clearly recognized a theme of "being at the right place at the right time." He admits that during important events of his life, he didn't realize how fortunate he was. "Looking back, I can see it more clearly and am grateful for the opportunities I had."

Certainly the residents of Garza County are fortunate to have Acker continue his private practice here and the community

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Early voting begins  
Monday, Oct. 20 and  
ends Friday, Oct. 31

Election Day is  
Tuesday, Nov. 4

Pd. Pol. Adv. by JOE HEFLIN CAMPAIGN  
GARY HARDIN, TREASURER

## Post Notes

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a reception for their new pastor, Jimmy Allen. The community, pastors, church members, and businesses are invited to come and meet Jimmy and his wife, Debe on Sunday, October 26th from 3 to 5 p.m. in the fellowship hall at Calvary Baptist Church, located at the corner of East 6th St. and South Avenue H. Refreshments will be served. For more information, contact: Olive Shaw at 495-2537 or Judi Martin at 990-1018.

### Bake sale to benefit Golden Plains

The residents of Golden Plains will be having a bake sale on Saturday, October 25 from 10 a.m. until ? at United Supermarket. Proceeds will benefit the Activity Department.

### Harvest Festival set October 31

Family Harvest Church's annual Harvest Festival will be held on Friday, October 31 from 6-8 p.m. at the old high school gym. Games, jumpers, cotton candy and prizes. Come fill up your candy bag! Everything is free and everyone is welcome.

### Cub and Boy Scout Popcorn Fundraiser

The members of Boy Scout Troop 316 and Cub Scout Pack 316 will be selling Popcorn for our annual Fundraiser. The funds raised go to support both the local Pack and Troop, along with the regional Scout Council. Locally, the funds help the Pack provide crafts and assists with Cub Scout Day Camp scholarships, and members of Boy Scout Troop 316 use the money for the cost to attend monthly campouts and summer camp. Sales will continue through the end of October. Please help support our local Scouting Program.

### Boy Scouts New Meeting day and Time

The Boy Scout Troop 316 is holding regular weekly meetings on a new day and time. Boys from grade 6 through 12 are welcome to join us on Sunday afternoons from 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm. Come join in the fun of camping and adventure. For more information, please call Scoutmaster Trevor Thuet at 495-3476.

### Dance scheduled November 1

Post Dance Club will be hosting a dance on Saturday, November 1, 2008 at the Post Community Center. Dance to the music of Rex Thomas and crew! Admission is \$10.00/ person at the door!

### "Agatha Christie Made Me Do It"

Garza Theatre proudly presents the hilarious comedy spoof, "Agatha Christie Made Me Do It", written by Eddie Cope and directed by Christy Morris. Performance dates beginning at 8 p.m.: October 24, 25, 31 and November 1, 7, 8. Sunday matinee will begin at 2:30 on November 9. Call the box office at 806-495-4005 for ticket prices and information. Visit us at www.garzatheatre.com.

### Rotary International Exchange Program

The regional Rotary Club is sponsoring an exchange program with Israel and is looking for young professional non-Rotarians to participate. The exchange takes place May 10 through June 7, 2009. Applicants chosen to go will have all expenses paid and will live with Rotarians in a variety of cities in Israel. They will get to experience life in Israel up close and personal. The deadline for applications is December 12, 2008. For more info and to apply, contact Jim Plummer, Post Rotary President. 806-781-1911.

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## Oller selected to alumni hall of fame

Rich Oller, P.E., President of Oller Engineering, Inc. has been selected by his alma mater as an inductee into the Southern Illinois University Edwardsville (SIUE) Alumni Hall of Fame.

He is one of thirteen alumni that were inducted and honored as the inaugural class at a ceremony and dinner on Oct. 10.

Nominations were requested from alumni and friends of SIUE. Each School and/or College of the University selected inductees based on predetermined criteria including outstanding contributions to their profession, community involvement, and/or service to their alma mater. Rich was selected for his experience and his dedication to the profession of engineering. He is one of only two inductees from the School of Engineering.

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville has produced 80,000 graduates who have earned more than 90,000 degrees. While at SIUE, Rich was a scholarship athlete and was employed by the School of Engineering to manage their environmental laboratory.

Rich graduated from SIUE with a Bachelor of Science



**Rich Oller**

in Sanitation Technology before moving to Lubbock and graduating from Texas Tech with a Civil Engineering Masters Degree in Water Resources. He opened Oller Engineering, Inc. in 1989.

Rich was honored in 2007 by the school for his career in engineering and was featured in

the School of Engineering Dean's Annual Report. He is currently on the Dean's Advisory Board for the School of Engineering and a member of the Texas Tech Civil Engineering Academy.

Rich attributes his hard work and success in engineering to his professors, his staff and his clients.



Rusty Conner, a graduate of Post High School in 1976, was recently honored for his 30 years of service to Boeing as a design engineer. He is the son of Syd and Lil Conner of Post. Conner is also a graduate of Rice University. Pictured above are (from left) Frank Yandrasits, Conner and unit chief Mike Fram. Conner was valedictorian of his Post High School class.

## Slaton annual sausage fest this weekend

The Slaton St. Joseph 39th annual German sausage festival is set for Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. Kitten at 828-3379 or St. Joseph School at 828-6761. For more information call Pat

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## Local Man Prevails In Scuffle With Hoodlums

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## White River Weekly Report Oct. 13, 2008

Gauge Reading	Rainfall for 2004
2351.80	43.58"
Feet below spillway	Rainfall for 2005
20'8"	15.57"
Rise	Rainfall for 2006
0"	28.85"
Rainfall Past Week	Rainfall for 2007
.18"	24.19"
Rain to Date	
30.87"	

White River Lake has 2,830,993,488 billion gallons left available at the Intake or 27% capacity or 8,688 acre feet. Subtract 35,318,043 MG for evaporation this week in October that leaves 2,795,675,445 MG available as of today.

White River's daily average demand for 2007 was 1.26 million gallons per day for all White River Customers.

The Oil Company using water for mining has been stopped until the Lake level rises.

White River Municipal Water District is in Stage 1 of its Drought Contingency Plan.

Remember that the Water District is there for you if we can assist you in any way let us know.

Source: Mickey Rogers GM White River, general manager, WRMWD

## Official Court Records

Mary Raymundo  
Charge: Deadly Conduct  
Class A Misdemeanor  
Plea: No Contest  
Sentence: 12 months probation & 50 hours comm. Service  
Fine: \$800  
Court Cost: \$258.00

Devin Mackenize St. Ana  
Charge: Poss. of cont. substance  
Class B Misdemeanor  
Plea: No Contest  
Sentence: 6 months probation

James Grady Field  
Charge: Poss. of marijuana  
Class B Misdemeanor  
Plea: No Contest  
Sentence: 6 months probation  
Fine: \$400.00  
Court Costs: \$258.00  
Restitution: \$140.00

Fine: \$300  
Court Cost: \$258.00  
Restitution: \$140.00

Class B Misdemeanor  
Plea: No Contest  
Sentence: 6 months probation  
Fine: \$400.00  
Court Costs: \$258.00  
Restitution: \$140.00

## MIKE MUNK EMPHASIZES IMPORTANCE OF COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

It has been my pleasure traveling around the county, knocking on doors, and meeting many of you. It is my only regret that I may not have enough time to meet each and every resident of Garza County. Many of you know me from my time in your District Attorney's Office. Perhaps we have worked together at jury duty or at Grand Jury. In any case, it has been my privilege to work for the people of Garza County for the last 2 1/2 years. And as time winds down to Election Day, and the time for early voting approaches, I would ask each of you to consider the importance of the Office of County Attorney. Whether it comes to representing the State of Texas in a criminal matter, or providing the decision makers of Garza County with the sound and competent legal advice they need, I ask each of you to look at the qualifications of both candidates closely and ask yourselves, if you were being sued, or were the victim of a crime, or are just looking for important legal advice, wouldn't you look for the most experienced attorney to advise you? Why should your county settle for any less? I respectfully request



your vote for Garza County Attorney as a WRITE-IN candidate for the upcoming November 4th General Election. Thank you for your consideration. www.munk4garza.com.

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## NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the registered voters of the County of Garza, Texas:  
(a los votantes registrados del Condado de Garza, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., November 4, 2008, for voting in a general election to elect presidential electors, members of congress, members of the legislature, and state, district, county and precinct officers;

(Notifíquese, por las presentes, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 de la mañana a 7:00 de la tarde, el 4 de Noviembre de 2008, para votar en la Elección General para elegir electores presidenciales, a congresistas, los miembros de la legislatura, y del estado, distrito, condado y del precincto.)

### LOCATIONS OF POLLING PLACES (DIRECCIONES DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Precinct 1 (Precincto 1)	Presbyterian Church, 910 W. 10 <sup>th</sup> St., Post
Precinct 2 (Precincto 2)	Post Community Center, 113 W. Main St., Post
Precinct 3 (Precincto 3)	Citizens Bank, 210 N. Broadway, Post
Precinct 4 (Precincto 4)	Wells Fargo Bank, 216 W. Main St., Post
Precinct 5 (Precincto 5)	Southland School, 190 8 <sup>th</sup> Street, Southland
Precinct 6 (Precincto 6)	Lake Alan Henry Fire Station, 2699 FM 3519, Justiceburg

EARLY VOTING by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at:  
(La votacion adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de Lunes a Viernes en:

the Garza County Courthouse, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 300 W. Main St., Post, TX  
(el Palacio de justicia del Condado de Garza, primer Piso, 300 W. Main, Post, TX.)

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on October 20, 2008  
(entre las horas de 8:00 de la mañana y 5:00 principio de la tarde en el 20 de Octubre de 2008)

and ending on October 31, 2008 (y terminando el 31 de Octubre de 2008.)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:  
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a):

Early Voting Clerk  
Garza County Clerk's Office  
PO Box 366  
Post, TX 79356

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on  
**Tuesday, October 28, 2008.**  
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el **Martes, 28 de Octubre, 2008.**)

Issued this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2008.  
(Emitada este dia 10<sup>th</sup> de Octubre de 2008.)

FILED 10/16/08 3:10 P.M.  
JIM PLUMMER  
BY Lee Norman, Garza County Judge (Firma del Juez del Condado)  
CLERK OF COUNTY COURT,  
GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS

## ELECTION CORNER 2008

### Garza County November 4, 2008 General Election

Sample Ballots can be downloaded on-line at [www.GarzaCounty.net](http://www.GarzaCounty.net). Click on the VoTexas icon, click on Sample Ballots and then click on your Voting Precinct (Box) number.

Early Voting in person: Monday, October 20 through Friday, October 31, 2008 (weekdays) from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. at the Garza County Courthouse, 1<sup>st</sup> floor. Open during the lunch hour.

Ballots by Mail: Tuesday, October 28, 2008 (at 5:00 P.M.) is the deadline for the Clerk's office to accept regular applications for early voting ballots by mail. Applications must be submitted by mail, common or contract carrier, or fax (if the applicant is absent from the county and a fax machine is available in the office of the early voting clerk).

### Election Day Polling Places (Tuesday, November 4, 2008, 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM):

Pct. #	Name of Building	Address of Building City and Zip	Location
1	Presbyterian Church	910 W. 10th St. Post, Texas 79356	Fellowship Hall, Rear Door
2	Post Community Center	113 W. Main Post, Texas 79356	Carpeted Area, Main Street Door
3	Citizens Bank	210 N. Broadway Post, Texas 79356	Community Room
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# Opinions

## The Paperboy

By CHRISTOPHER BLACKBURN

This news with ACORN is terrible! You'd think with all of the technology used in this country, we could figure out a way to keep people from cheating.

ACORN members and workers violating voter registration laws should be in prison for years. And whomever is responsible for the idea of paying people per registration should be there as well.

With the Dallas Cowboys registered in Nevada and hundreds saying they've registered a minimum of 10 times, it is a slap in the face to every American!

I can't believe these cheaters get federal money. That's right, ACORN is using your tax dollars to commit voter fraud. Let your state and national elected officials know how you feel about this!

Great things are happening in Iraq and the media is not reporting on it. Why? One reason is because they are pulling out

of the country.

As a direct result of the stability of the country, major news organizations are now leaving the country.

"It (the war) remains important and it remains interesting," said Alissa J. Rubin, the New York Times' acting bureau chief in Baghdad. "But what's in front of us now is almost a static situation. There's not a clear narrative line. The stories are more complex."

In other words, Americans aren't getting killed as much and we don't want to do stories on U.S. troops helping others and keeping the peace.

It's no wonder most Americans think there is media bias in this country.

Here's something for you parents: First-graders in San Francisco took a field trip to City Hall last Friday to celebrate the marriage of their lesbian teacher.

According to the San Francisco Chronicle,

the field trip was suggested by a parent at the Creative Arts Charter School. The school said the trip was academically relevant.

"It really is what we call a teachable moment," said Liz Jaroslow, the school's interim director. "I think I'm well within the parameters."

The students even tossed rose petals on their teacher and her wife as they left City Hall.

How sweet!

Note to teacher: please let me know before doing anything out of what I may consider normal.

Signed,  
Concerned Parent  
PS: Don't hesitate to call if you don't know what normal means.

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Thomas Jefferson once said, "Never put off till tomorrow what you can do today." Unfortunately, in the U.S. Congress, the business of the day is too often left unfinished. Throughout 2008, progress in the Senate was hindered by partisanship and counterproductive procedural moves to stall legislation. As a result, during the brief working session this fall, the Senate had a lengthy to-do list. While we were able to successfully complete business on a few important measures, much remains for us to address in the next Congress.

Throughout this Congress I pushed for passage of a broad tax relief bill that extends energy tax credits, patches the faulty alternative minimum tax (AMT), and renews expiring tax provisions for businesses and individuals.

We finally passed this measure in the closing hours before recess. It includes a two-year extension of the state and local sales tax deduction, which will save the average Texan \$520 in tax deductions when filing his or her 2008 income taxes. The bill also reauthorized the Secure Rural Schools program, which is

particularly important to many East Texas communities. This program ensures schools have additional funding by supporting counties with a higher proportion of federally owned land, which limits tax revenue. Finally, to aid with recovery efforts in the 29 Texas counties hit by Hurricane Ike, the bill provides \$600 million in targeted tax benefits to help communities rebuild their low income housing infrastructure.

Another key accomplishment was replenishing the federal Highway Trust Fund, which is the largest single source of funding for roads nationwide. Nearly \$8 billion in gas tax revenue had been transferred out of the trust fund to support various emergencies over previous years, leaving a shortfall for current projects and ongoing maintenance.

To ensure our roads are safe, Congress replenished the trust fund. However, this stop gap measure does not address the long-term solvency of the fund and the underlying reality that incoming gas tax revenues aren't keeping up with trust fund obligations.

Congress must resist raiding this fund in the future and instead ensure safeguards are

included in next year's Highway Reauthorization bill.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Reauthorization bill must also be a top priority next year. As Ranking Member on the Aviation Subcommittee, I fought efforts to weigh down good legislation with unrelated tax provisions. Ultimately, we were successful in passing a clean FAA extension through March without new taxes. The next Congress must adequately address the mounting challenges facing the commercial airline industry by passing a new FAA bill that will improve safety and passenger protections, while implementing air traffic modernization in manner that is fair to the entire aviation sector.

Finally, this fall, our financial crisis reached a flashpoint that threatened the sustainability of our credit markets and the economic security of every American family and business. We were originally presented with a deeply flawed proposal that extended broad authority for the Treasury Secretary to buy troubled financial instruments with no oversight, few taxpayer protections, and no potential upside for taxpayers

if there is a profit made on the resale of bad loans. After two weeks of bipartisan, bicameral negotiations, Congress passed a rescue package to stabilize our imperiled economy.

Though far from perfect, the final legislation contained significant taxpayer protections and oversight. Many opposed the rescue, but I heard from many small business owners and families that they were unable to get credit for payroll and inventory purchases. Credit dried up. Action had to be taken and even with that it will take months to completely recover.

As Texans, we have learned to take responsibility for our actions and being asked to pay for the mistakes of others is something many, including myself, find deeply troubling. Government officials encouraged lenient lending practices in the mortgage industry and some borrowers made imprudent decisions.

Many lawmakers resisted calls to reform Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac before it was too late. Congress must now make the massive overhaul of our banking regulatory system a top priority so our country is never put in this precarious spot again.

When the 111th Congress convenes in January, it should be the shared challenge of lawmakers - new and old - to craft, negotiate, and pass laws in a productive way.

We must break the cycle of short-term "fixes" that don't solve long-term problems.

**The 501**  
by Hanaba Munn Welch

New Mexico is supposed to be the Land of Enchantment. Whoever came up with that slogan probably wasn't thinking of that homogeneous flat stretch between Tatum and Roswell. Or maybe they were. Perspective is everything.

Consider field mice. The native grass stretching endlessly in all directions must be their version of an enchanted forest. The elements of danger are circling hawks and prowling coyotes. Or maybe I don't know what I'm talking about. Hawks have nowhere to perch. But I did see one coyote cross that highway yesterday as my husband and I drove west.

It seemed then the monotonous sort of road that could drive a person to enchanting drugs or, on the other hand, the kind of trip that can put a motorist into a mystic trance, no drugs required.

Not that I'd know about either sort of experience. But I've read some stuff.

The speed limit is 65 mph, ridiculously slow for such a

smooth flat highway - a 72-mile-long speed trap for Texans, as it were. No, I didn't get a ticket. I put the car on cruise control, forgot I was driving and listened to a book on a CD, traveling back in space and time to Italy in 1527 - Rome, to be exact. Rome was getting sacked.

My husband would have been driving, but he had laptop computer work - not easy with the sun hanging low in the sky and shining in his face. He hung his worksheets on the sun visor. I guess they're good for something after all, sun visors. Rarely do they block much sun.

Meanwhile, the main characters in my book, a courtesan and a dwarf, managed to swallow the family jewels and escape Rome to make their way to Venice.

Around us, things stayed mostly the same, but our horizons lost some of their flatness. At one point, I bade my husband look left where it seemed as if God had scribbled a line and colored it in, between earth and sky - a silhouette of overlapping tilted mesas. Neat. Straight ahead, a

pointy mountain loomed. All mountains are pointy, but this one looked especially pointy, maybe because it was alone.

The sky was like the land - mostly clear and free of flying saucers. A couple of early evening stars shone as the sun sank, slower than usual, behind the far edge of the earth. Next, a panoramic band of orange did battle with the blue above it, each color intensifying the other and playing some hard-to-describe tricks on my eyes. My college art teacher would have called it the simultaneous contrast phenomenon. The scientific name doesn't capture the magic.

Soon enough we were driving through New Mexico darkness toward a sparkling Roswell. At the same time, the courtesan and the dwarf were gliding toward Venice, also on a very dark night, seeing the faint twinkle of city lights on the lagoon "like the iridescence of mermaid hair caught by moonlight on the surface."

Mermaids? Why not? Next best thing to aliens.



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# In and Around Close City

by Traci Freeman

## Weather

We have had about two and a half inches of rain out and also a lot of fog on Tuesday. I went to town at lunch in a light rain and came back about 40 mph in the fog. Mike Aten got about 2 inches over at Grassland. Ronnie Graves reports he got 3 inches out north of town where he lives.

Tino and Linda Alaniz; David and Melinda Quintana; Benito and Guillermina Alaniz traveled to Hobbs over the weekend for some fun at the horse races and casino. Melinda tells me they all had a great time.

David and Dena Watson had visitors over the weekend. David's son, Zach his wife, Debra and their children; Ryver and David were here visiting from Abilene. While here they hosted a cookout.

Others enjoying the evening were Matt and Brandi Pleasant of Slaton; Danny and Susan Gonzales and Rob and I all of Close City.

Some of you may know Dewain Turner. He has been a landlord of Charles Morris' for a number of years. His daughter called the gin the other day and reported that they had put him into a nursing home. He and his wife, Clidie live in Corsicana.

Robert and Miranda McDonald and their children, Katherine and Sean were here last weekend visiting with Miranda's Dad, John Shults and her brother, Frank Shults. Miranda and her family live in Bedford.

All of us here in Ragtown want to send our sympathies out to Odie Kemp. Odie's sister, Margaret passed away last month. Our thoughts

and prayers are with her and her family. The former Odie Roberts grew up here in Ragtown.

## Visitors

Blace Stevens came by a couple of times to visit last week. The first time he came I was not here but the second time I was. Come see us anytime Blace. Ronnie Gradine stopped in on Monday afternoon. Chuck Morris came in on his day off, had a cup of coffee and visited a while.

Don't forget our Ragtown Folks in the nursing homes; Doug and Claudine Tipton, Ruby Carpenter in Post and Mary Ethridge and Carmen Abraham in Lubbock. Keep our troops in your daily prayers.

## Birthdays this week...

October 18th - Debbie Mason  
October 18th - Dennis Mason

October 19th - Aaron Lopez  
October 19th - Kim Norman  
October 21st - Laverne Aten  
October 22nd - Cruzbeth Hernandez  
October 23rd - Alicia Lopez  
**Anniversaries this week...**  
October 20th - Mike and Julie Aten  
October 20th - Daniel and Veronica Contreras  
October 21st - Clinton and Kimberly Yarbrow  
Hope all of you have a great week and remember ... come out and see us sometime!  
Be sure to call and let me know about any happenings going on, birthdays, anniversaries or any one that may be sick. If you don't tell me, I don't know to write about it. You can call me at the gin or email me at close.city.coop@pcca.com

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## Weekly Inspirations

### The Power of Prayer

By: Michael F. Taylor

In a very small country town, there dwelt two churches and one whiskey distillery. Now, the members of both churches believed that the presence of the distillery placed an unfavorable taint on the reputation of the very conservative community. Adding insult to injury, the owner of the distillery also claimed to be an atheist. After much discussion between members of the two churches, they came to the conclusion that the problem necessitated beginning a prayer vigil for the removal of the blemish upon their fair town.

So, one stormy Saturday night, both congregations met and prayed for the Lord's intervention.

Throughout the prayer session a huge electrical storm brewed and low and behold, lightning struck the distillery, burning it to the ground by the next morning. When the two congregations saw what had occurred Sunday morning, the sermon was naturally on the Power of Prayer.

A few days later, insurance adjusters reviewed the damage to the distillery and promptly advised the owner that they would not cover the destroyed facility, calling it an Act of God. After hearing that the two churches had in fact prayed for the removal of his distillery, the owner decided to file a law suit against both congregations, claiming that they had conspired with God to destroy his business.

On the day of the trial, the attorney representing both congregations emphatically denied that either church had anything to do with the burning of the distillery. The presiding judge made this astute observation, there is one thing very perplexing about this case. The plaintiff - a self-proclaimed atheist - is sitting in my courtroom proclaiming the power of God and prayer. While the defendants members of the church are denying the power of that same God and prayer! What a tragic tale.

And yet how many times have we as Christians prayed that God would intervene in a problem or situation, and then when the answer comes, we simply chalk it up to something else. I am reminded of a church member who called a few hours before service to let the pastor know that she would be unable to attend due to a terrible headache. She then requested special pray from the congregation that evening. During the service, the entire church prayed for the relief of that dear lady. After the service, the pastor called to check on her condition. Her reply, I am much better, the aspirin finally took effect!

I have often observed in my life that when I pray for something such as patience, God doesn't just give me warm fuzzy feelings, but rather places me in the thick of things in order to practice the very patience I have asked for.

Jesus Christ was teaching His disciples one afternoon when one of them made this request of Him in Luke 11:1, and it came to pass, that, as He was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, one of His disciples said unto Him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples. KJV Jesus then responded in verses 2-4 in one of the most quoted prayers in the church today, when ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth. Give us day by day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. KJV Just a few short verses later, in Luke 11:9-10, Jesus also instructed them, So I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. KJV I believe that in these two passages Jesus Christ, the very Son of God, has given us a perfect example of how to pray and then assures us that the answer is in fact on the way.

God answers our prayers in many ways. Sometimes in the way we asked, but many times in ways that we could not see or understand.

So this week, my prayer for each of you is that as you seek God in prayer, believe and have faith that the answer awaits. And when the answer comes, give Him the Praise and the Glory.

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# Wildcats hand Post 34-0 loss

■ Post looks for second district win at home against Shallowater

After earning the title of state runner-up in Class 2A football in 2007, the Idalou Wildcats show no signs of slowing down.

The 10th-ranked Wildcats handed Post its third loss of the season winning 34-0 last week.

The Post Antelopes (3-3, 1-2) will look for their second win of the district season tonight as they host Shallowater at home starting at 7:30 p.m.

The Antelopes were held to just six first downs and 120 total yards against Idalou.

The Wildcats built a 20-0 lead at halftime and added two more scores in the third quarter for the 34-0 final.

Individual leaders for the Antelopes included quarterback Aaron James

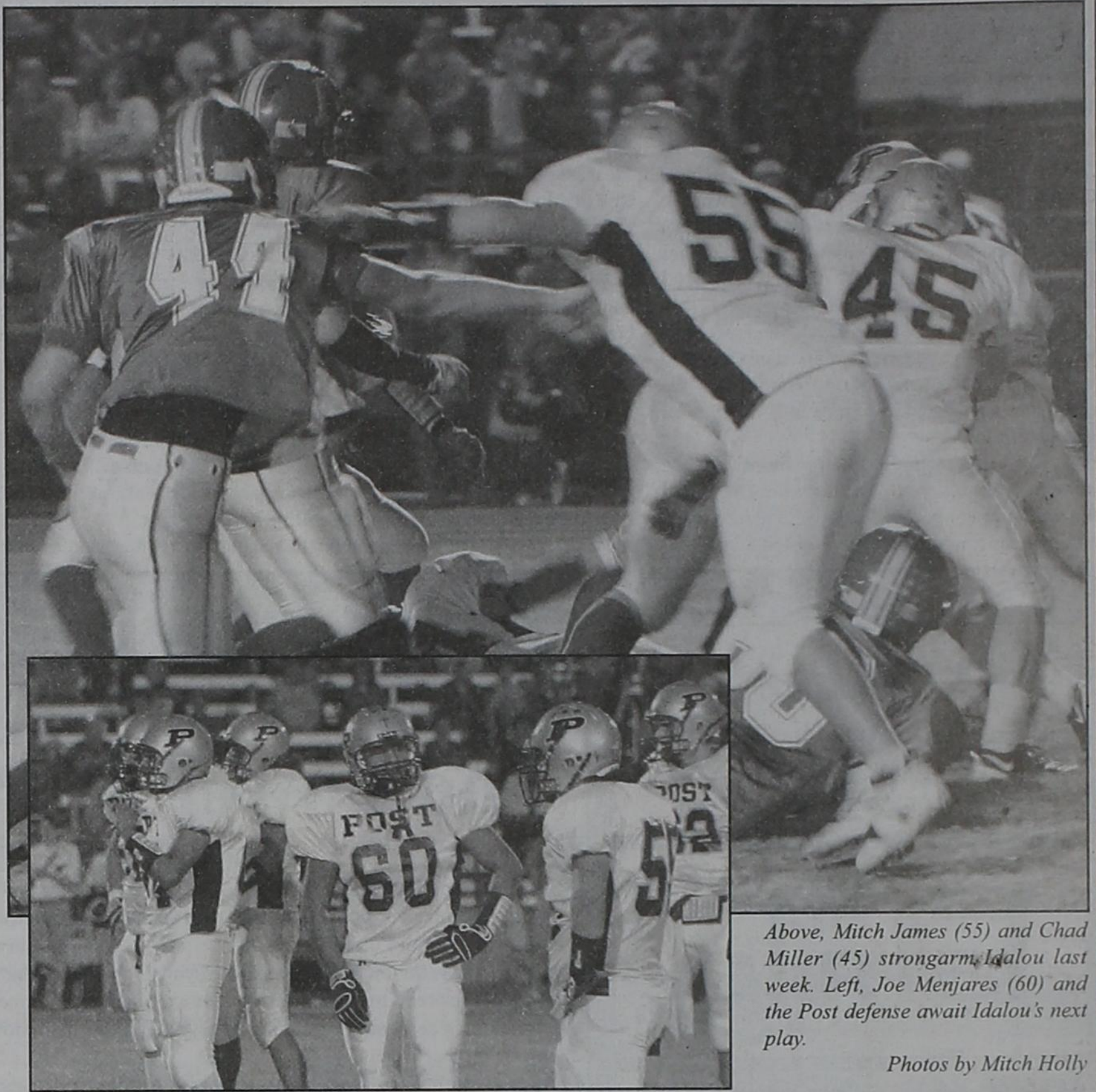
who completed six of 22 passes for 66 yards.

Giles Dalby added 30 rushing yards for Post on eight attempts. Clint Windham carried the ball two times for two yards. James added seven carries and 21 yards while Bubba Blevins had one attempt for one yard.

Blevins also had three catches for 38 yards. His longest catch was a 28-yard strike from James.

Windham added three catches for 23 yards while Ernie Saldivar had two catches for five yards.

After hosting Shallowater the Antelopes will go on the road for two games against Denver city (Oct. 24) and Slaton (Oct. 31). Post hosts Littlefield for the home finale Nov. 7.



Above, Mitch James (55) and Chad Miller (45) strongarm Idalou last week. Left, Joe Menjares (60) and the Post defense await Idalou's next play.

Photos by Mitch Holly

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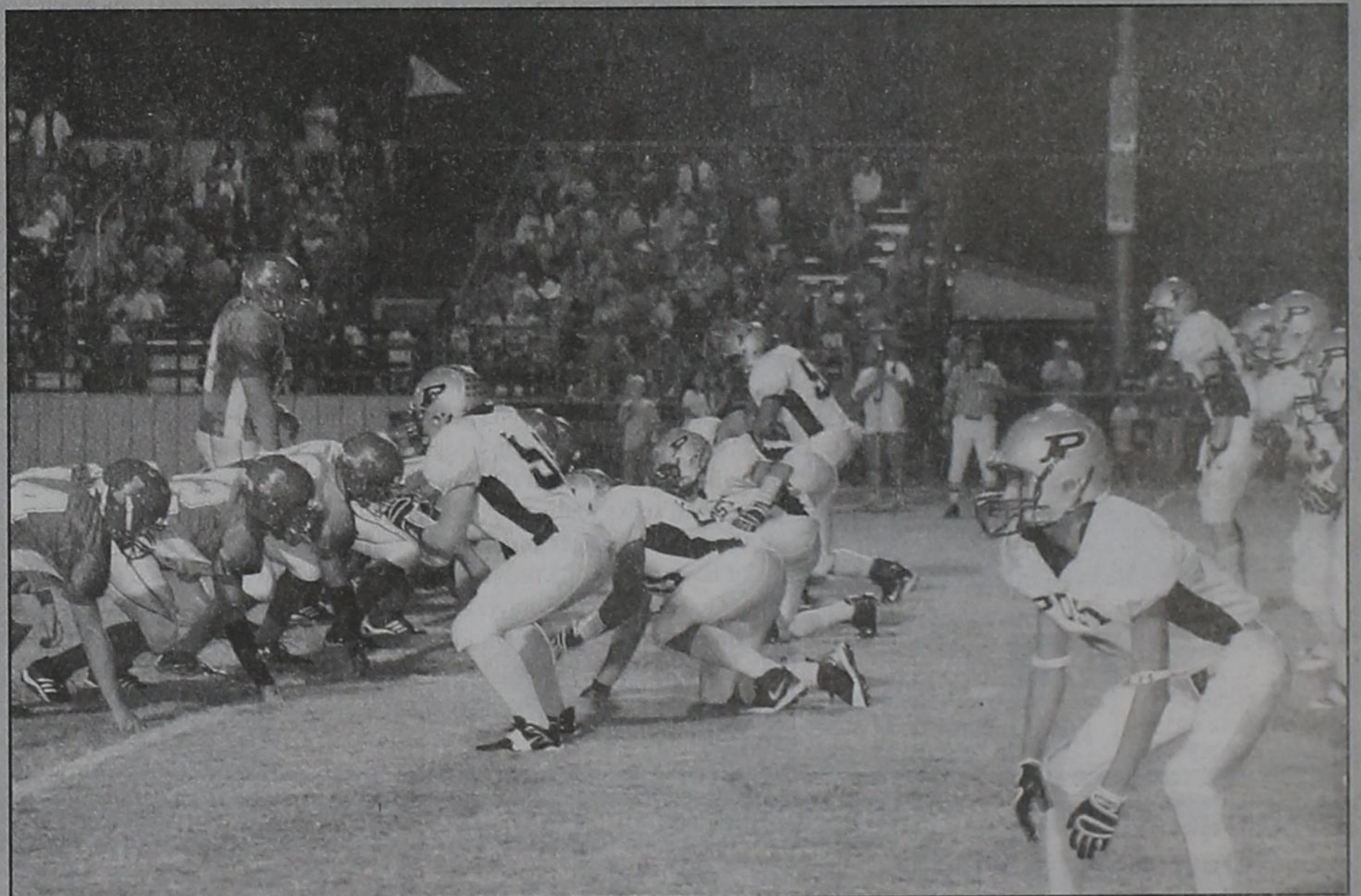
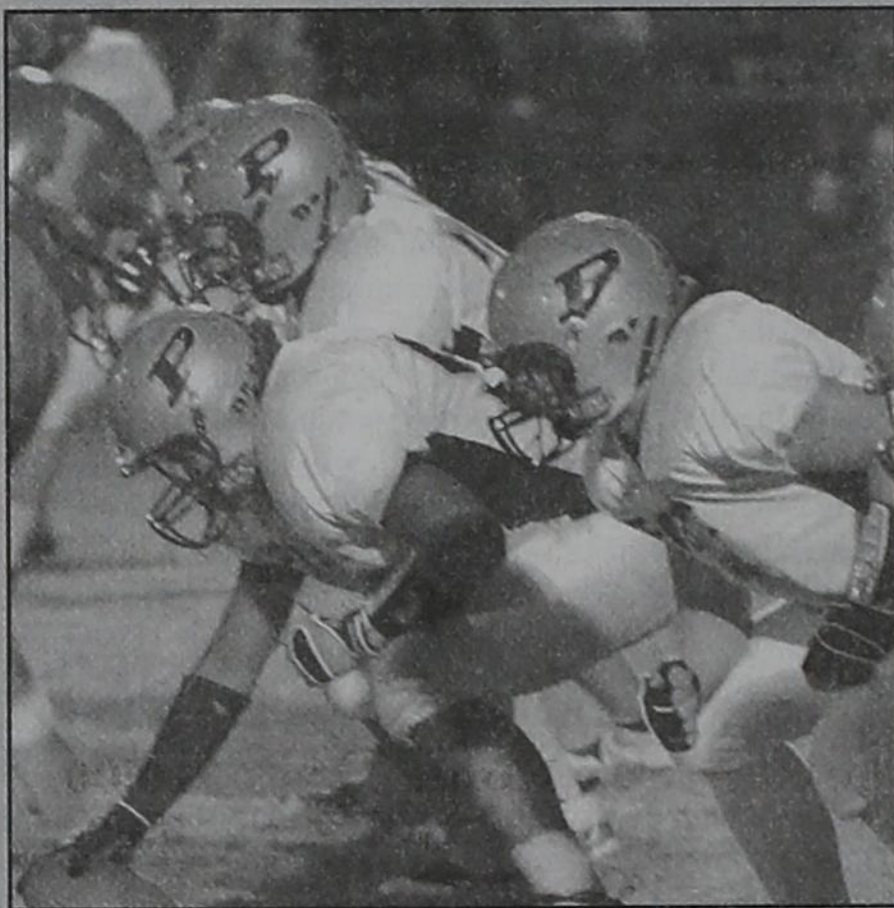
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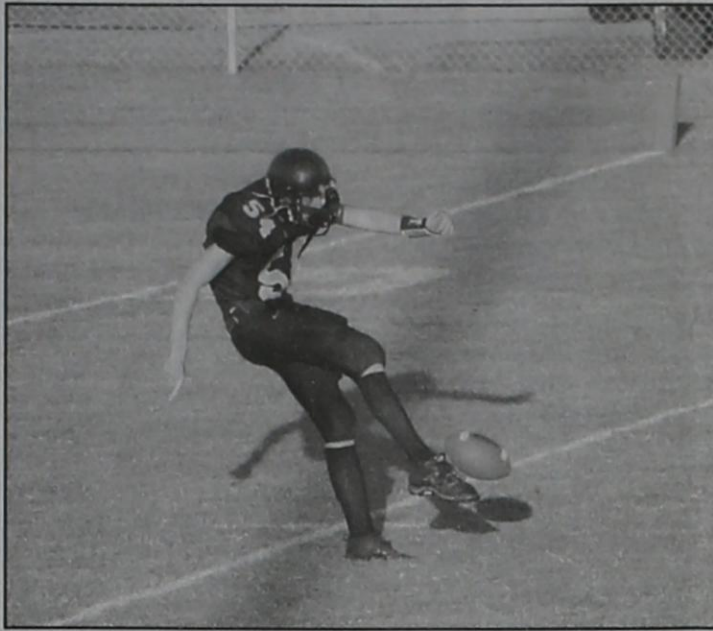


## Antelope JV falls 46-7 to Idalou

The Post Junior Varsity football team lost to Idalou Wildcats J.V. 46-7 Thursday night at Jimmie Redman Stadium.

The Antelope offense couldn't get much going with the exception of a 70 yard touch down reception by Bradley Benham from Jacob Perez. The antelope defense fought hard but couldn't corral the Idalou running game for most of the night.

There will not be a J.V. game next Thursday.



Reed Williams punts the ball for Post's JV squad in a 46-7 loss to Idalou.

Photos by Jerry Taylor



Above, Blake Davis (45) brings down an Idalou JV player last Thursday in Post. Below, Bradley Benham runs in for a score for Post.

Photos by Jerry Taylor

## Eighth grade Bold Gold report

Kaden Dean opened up the scoring for the Bold Gold with a 40yd touch down catch. Dalton Holly capped off the scoring with a 30yd catch from quarter back Aaron Macy, the two point

conversion was made by Vance Blair. The lopes fell short, but had a great team effort. The Jr. High will be playing Shallowater here Thurs. See you there!

## Seventh grade scores twice in loss

First quarter Darron Brown 30 yard run for a touchdown.

Fourth quarter Darron Brown 25 yard run for touchdown. Campbell Kirkpatrick had several

receptions and played very well on offense. Armando Martinez played very well on the offensive line and Jamie Zubia played well on the defensive line. Score 28-12 Idalou



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## Post Antelope Football Schedule

### Varsity

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 16	Coahoma (scrimmage)	Home	10:00
Aug. 22	Tahoka (scrimmage)	Away	6:00
Aug. 29	Sundown	Away	7:30
Sept. 5	Lamesa (Homecoming)	Home	7:30
Sept. 12	Open		
Sept. 19	Floydada	Home	7:30
Sept. 26	Lubbock Roosevelt*	Away	7:30
Oct. 3	Abernathy*	Home	7:30
Oct. 10	Idalou*	Away	7:30
Oct. 17	Shallowater*	Home	7:30
Oct. 24	Denver City*	Away	7:30
Oct. 31	Slaton*	Away	7:30
Nov. 7	Littlefield*	Home	7:30

\* District Games

### Junior Varsity

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 28	Sundown	Home	6:00
Sept. 4	Lamesa	Away	6:00
Sept. 11	Open		
Sept. 18	Floydada	Away	6:00
Sept. 25	Lubbock Roosevelt*	Home	6:00
Oct. 2	Abernathy *	Away	6:00
Oct. 9	Idalou*	Home	6:00
Oct. 16	Shallowater*	Away	6:00
Oct. 23	Denver City*	Home	6:00
Oct. 30	Slaton*	Home	6:00
Nov. 6	Littlefield*	Away	6:00

### 7th & 8th Grade

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Sept. 11	Open		
Sept. 18	Floydada	Home	5:00
Sept. 25	Lubbock Roosevelt*	Away	5:00
Oct. 2	Abernathy *	Home	5:00
Oct. 9	Idalou*	Away	5:00
Oct. 16	Shallowater*	Home	5:00
Oct. 23	Denver City*	Away	5:00
Oct. 30	Slaton*	Away	5:00
Nov. 6	Littlefield	Home	5:00

### Pee Wee

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Sept. 13	Ralls Crimson Tide	Away	11:45
Sept. 20	Tulia Gators	Home	11:00
Sept. 27	Idalou Bears	Home	10:00
Oct. 4	New Deal Lions	Away	2:00
Oct. 11	Crosbyton Huskies	Away	10:00

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#### Post ISD

October 20  
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October 21  
Breakfast - Muffins, sausage link, fruit, milk  
Lunch - Stuffed baked potato, baby carrots, fresh fruit cup, texas toast, milk

October 22  
Breakfast - Malt-o-Meal, sausage, toast, fruit, milk  
Lunch - Oven crispy chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot roll, fancy gelatin, milk

October 23  
Breakfast - Pop tarts, sausage link, fruit, milk  
Lunch - Nachos grande, lettuce, tomatoes, orange smiles, cornbread, milk

October 24  
Breakfast - Cereal, graham crackers, fruit, juice, milk  
Lunch- Corn dog, oven fried

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October 20  
Breakfast - Pancakes, sausage links, milk, juice  
Lunch - Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, & pickles, tater tots, baby carrots w/ ranch, chocolate pudding cup, milk

October 21  
Breakfast - Sausage & potato burrito, milk, juice  
Lunch - Golden fish strips, macaroni & cheese, tossed salad, fresh fruit choice, hot roll, milk

October 22  
Breakfast - Biscuits, bacon, milk, juice  
Lunch - Carne Guisada, refried beans, seasoned corn, orange smiles, flour tortillas, milk

October 23  
Breakfast - Muffins, fruit, milk, juice  
Lunch - Chicken and noodles, green beans, fruited gelatin, texas toast, frozen yogurt, milk  
October 24  
Breakfast - Pop tarts, yogurt, milk, juice  
Lunch - BBQ on a bun, baked chips, pickle spears, corn cobbett, pineapple tidbits, milk

#### TRAILBLAZERS

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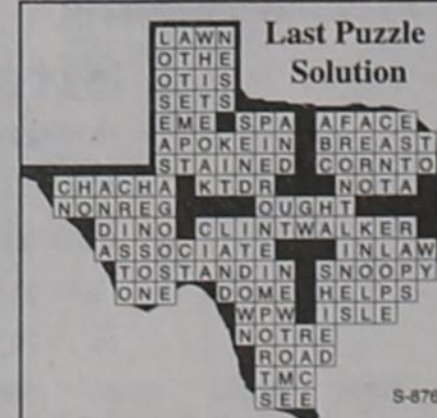
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# Yesteryears

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## 10 Years Ago October 15, 1998

Jose Alvidrez was welcomed by Sonic franchise owners Larry Harlin, Chris Winters and Jim Chaney. Alvidrez is owner-operator at the Post Sonic.

Rusty and Melanie Morris are proud to announce the birth of their son, Russell Dillard. Russ was born September 27, 1998 at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

Crystal Dawn Price of Lubbock and William Kyle Osborn of Post were married October 8, at a 7 p.m. ceremony held in the Lubbock home of Keith and Kelly Rogers, sister of the bride.

Services for Pee Wee Pierce, 77, of Post were held October 1, 1998, at the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Darryl Smith officiating. She moved to Post in 1946. She was one of the founders of the Post Public

Library and served as the first librarian, a position she held until her retirement in 1986.

## 20 Years Ago October 19, 1988

Rene Craig was crowned as 1988 Harvest Queen during County Fair and Founders Day activities. Robin Dean was named first runner-up and Amber Crenshaw as second runner-up.

Southwestern Public Service contract maintenance crews were busy at work replacing underground wiring in the downtown area. Although the work created minor inconveniences, the newly protected wiring will ensure uninterrupted service.

Charles Hardin, president of First National Bank of Post, announced the promotion of Debbie Tyler Jones to the position of Assistant Cashier.

Dina Merrill paid a special visit to the Garza Theatre when

director Will McCrary provided a personal tour of the theatre. Ms. Merrill is the granddaughter of C. W. Post.

## 30 Years Ago October 18, 1978

Cindy Terry was elected president of the Post High School Drama Club. Other officers elected were vice president, Leanna Davis; secretary-treasurer, Larisa Shiver; reporter, Jay Young; and student council representative, Tim Tatum.

Announcement was made that Rick's Venture Foods, an independent super market, expected to hold its grand opening soon at the former Piggly Wiggly location, 125 West 8th street.

The Chapel Hill United Methodist Church of Oklahoma City, Okla., was the scene of the wedding ceremony of Nancy Ann Muchmore and Roy Syd Conner, Jr. (Rusty) on October 14.

Cliff Kirkpatrick had the finest game of his high school career at Slaton as he gained 147 yards in 19 carries and scored two touchdowns.

Nancy Strawn Pendley, a 1970 graduate of Post High school,

received her nurses cap in a ceremony in the First United Methodist Church in Lubbock.

## 40 Years Ago October 16, 1968

Presidents of their respective classes at Post High School for the 1968-69 school year were Karen Hundley, senior; Steve Newby, junior class; Bobby Hodges, sophomore, and Edreann Isaacs, freshman.

The Post Day Care Center opened at its facilities in the First Methodist Church with 14 children enrolled, according to the supervisor, Mrs. Jewell Graham.

Kenneth Sledge resigned as administrator of Garza Memorial Hospital, to accept a similar position with a new hospital soon to be opened at Eldorado, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Reed were complemented with a housewarming at their new home in Justiceburg. Hostesses were Mmes. Riley Miller, John Boren, Donnie Cole, Tommy Forrest, Carlos Bass, Tom Middleton, Delwin Fluitt, Jack Morrison and Imon Newman.

## 50 Years Ago October 16, 1958

Royce Hart, president of the Future Farmers of America chapter at Post High School, visited Kansas City, Mo., this week in 1958 representing the local chapter at the national FFA convention.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pace formed the setting for a box supper for members of the Matroni Micere Club and their husbands. Attending were: Mr. and Mrs. George Hester, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hays, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Mell Moon, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sharp, Mr. and Mrs. Royce Josey and hosts.

J. B. Potts was appointed as chairman of the Garza County chapter of the National Foundation and Harold Lucas as March of Dimes chairman.

Mrs. Mary Miller, Ben and Jennifer spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Harris of Odessa. They also visited her sister and family of Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dillard.

## 60 Years Ago October 14, 1948

Post Folks at Work: Working at the new Stromber-Carlson Switchboard in the local Southwestern Associated Telephone office are Jewell Parsons, Theda Jo Bilberry and Virginia Sturdivant.

Voters of the Justiceburg and Leforest Common School Districts voted at their respective schools in favor of consolidation.

Bill Holly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Holly, received painful injuries to his legs in a hunting accident in a pasture, south of Post.

Mrs. Morris Huff, the former Miss Dorrace Propst, was honored with a miscellaneous bridal shower in the home of Mrs. O. H. Hoover.

Miss Doris Marie Turner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Turner, became the bride of Billy Weldon Crump, son of William Crump of Lubbock.

# Obituaries

## John Thad "Johnny" Palmer

John Thad "Johnny" Palmer, 78, of Olney, Texas passed away on October 12, 2008 in the place he loved the best—his home, surrounded by his loving family. The funeral service will be at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 15, 2008 in the sanctuary of the First Baptist Church of Olney with the Rev. Len Johnson and Harvey McQueen officiating. His daughter, Babe Portwood, will give the eulogy. Interment will follow at the Megargel Cemetery under the direction of Lunn Funeral Home of Olney.



Johnny was the first-born son of Tobe and Ida Belle (Gleghorn) Palmer; he was born January 26, 1930 in Markley, Texas. When he was three years old, the family moved to Megargel, Texas where his father worked in the oilfield. August 25, 1951, Johnny married Frances Howe; their three children are Scott, Babe, and Mike. In 1988, Frances preceded him in death. Johnny and Anita Smith were married January 1, 1997.

Even before starting school, Johnny's ambition was to work in the oilfield and own a drilling rig. As a young boy, he built toy rigs out of scraps of metal and old tires and earned his first salary by tailing rods for a penny a rod. Working in the oilfield has been his life. When Johnny was 16 years old, he left home to work in the oilfields of west Texas and Louisiana

with his older brothers. He returned to Megargel in 1950 to work for the start-up oil company, Megargel Drilling Company. After working for Megargel Drilling Company for 23 years, Johnny and Bill Hughes

partnered to start their own successful independent oil company, Hughes & Palmer, Inc. In 1988, each partner began operating his own oil business. Until his

death, Johnny continued to oversee the daily operations of his company, John Palmer LLC. He loved going to the office everyday and enjoyed the excitement of drilling for oil.

A true philanthropist, he gave selflessly of his time and assets. Johnny served on the boards for his town, Megargel, and also North Texas Community Action. He was instrumental in erecting the Archer County War Memorial in Archer City and historical markers at Megargel. Being an avid American patriot, he put flagpoles at many cemeteries, towns, and residences.

Johnny was a collector of many things—friends, land, old "stuff", antique cars, and oilfield equipment, but his most important collection was his loving family. As a devoted son, brother, husband, father, and grandfather, he always enjoyed family gatherings. His poker buddies fondly remember the weekly poker games he sponsored for many decades. He will always

be remembered as a compassionate, caring, generous, thoughtful man. Everywhere he went people made an extra effort to greet their treasured friend—Johnny Palmer.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Ida Belle Palmer; father, Tobe Palmer; wife, Frances Palmer; sister, Irene Lovern; brothers, D.T. Palmer, Otis Palmer, and Roy Palmer. Survivors include his wife, Anita Palmer of Olney; sons, Scott Palmer and wife Gayle of Olney, and Mike Palmer and wife Lori of Megargel; daughter, Babe Portwood and husband Harley of Round Timber, Texas; brothers, Deb Palmer of Bunger, Monk Palmer of Post, Bob Palmer of Lubbock, and Joe Dozier of Weatherford who was like a brother; nine grandchildren, Julie Lane, Jeff Palmer, John Palmer, Jodi Palmer, P.J. Chelf, Sydney Palmer, Sunday McAdams, Sommer Portwood, and Skye Portwood; four great grandchildren, Kade and Layton McAdams and Cooper and Luke Lane, and numerous nieces and nephews. In 2009, two additional great grandchildren are to be born. A visitation for family and friends will be held Tuesday evening from 6 to 7 p.m. at Lunn Funeral Home in Olney.

For those desiring, the family suggests that memorial contributions be given to the Archer County War Memorial, P.O. Box 721, Archer City, Texas 76351, or the Olney Hamilton Hospital Foundation, P.O. Box 158, Olney, Texas 76374.

Condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.lunnfuneralhome.com](http://www.lunnfuneralhome.com).

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- TXism: "pardner"
- wife's mama, e.g.
- TXism: "has" the same place twice to cast a shadow (thin)
- noisy
- TX Reynolds film: "Say For Me"
- top of the capitol
- TXism: "lends a hand"

## The Original

## TEXAS CROSSWORD

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DOWN

- TXism for "limber"
- TXism: "try my hand at"
- in Gregg Co. on 80
- Untouchable Elliot
- Doris & Rock film: "Me No Flowers"
- TX-based exotic merchandise store
- Texas A M
- old network of TX "Dandy Don"
- where all the action is in war (2 wds.)
- Houston has large space industry
- TXism: "cut the mustard"
- TXism: "como" (How are you?)
- TXism: "the whole and caboodle"
- TX rancher & actor Norris (init.)
- Santa's word
- TXism: "just two whoops holler away"
- El Paso mountain: Sierra de Rey
- this Tex created Disney's Chip & Dale
- Bevo's school sniper site: 2nd TX gov. (init.)
- sneak away to "commit matrimony"
- TX "Bulldog" Clyde who's in pro football Hall of Fame (init.)
- another cowboy state (abbr.)
- Davis & Osmond's "You're Still"
- started, as with a nervous horse
- TX legal eagle: "horse Haynes"

# Fun-n-Facts for Brain-iacs!

## Brain Boost!

THE NOT JUST FOR KIDS PAGE

## VOL 29 TORNADO TERROR

Laura Craig

With winds more powerful than a hurricane, a tornado and destruction. Each day storms form around the world. number of these will turn into (covering 100 sq. miles, with rain lasting 3hrs that are the feeding ground for **May** and **June** are considered but **twisters** can occur whenever Gulf of Mexico collides with cold from Canada. Winds, blowing things, cause an updraft of spinning **mesocyclone**. One half of all mesocyclones. Fortunately, most tornados shingles and tree limbs. of all will be as the and

the strongest will cause terror 30,000, thunder- Only a small supercell storms and large hail), tornados. April, warm air from the air pushing down different direc- air called a clones become only tear off Only 3% tornados classified -deadly dangerous F4 or F5.

The name tornado comes from the Latin word: **tornare** which means to turn.

The Midwest United States is generally considered tornado alley. Although all 50 states have reported twisters, more strike TX, OK, KS, NE, IA, and MO than anywhere else in the world. Since 1880 Kansas has reported more F5 tornados than any other state.

The best defense for tornado safety is a battery powered NOAA weather radio.

In 1971 meteorologist Fujita and Pearson developed the Fujita Tornado Intensity & Damage scale:

SCALE	WINDS	DAMAGE EXPECTED
FO	<73mph	Light
F1	73 - 112	Moderate
F2	113 - 157	Considerable
F3	158 - 206	Severe
F4	207 - 260	Devastating
F5	261 - 318	Incredible

- ACROSS
- Midwest USA
  - Another name for tornados
  - State with the most F5s
  - Tomado's name before it touches down

**TORNADO CROSSWORD**

Look for answers in the underlined words.

## CHICKEN, PICKLES AND OTHER ODDITIES

Tornadoes have been known to do some mighty strange things. Like the chickens sucked up by a tornado, only to be returned safely—minus all their feathers! Or the jar of pickles reportedly picked up by a twister, landing a few houses down, unopened and unbroken! In 1931 a passenger train was picked up and carried 80 feet. Only one of the 117 people on board died during the unscheduled ride.

- Tornados move along the ground at 20-50 mph. They usually last under 15 minutes but can last hours.
- Tornados usually travel 2-15 miles before dying out.
- 100 people a year will die from tornados.
- Most tornados occur between 3:00 and 7:00 PM.
- A funnel cloud is not called a tornado until it touches ground.
- The inside of the funnel is called the **vortex**.
- The color of a tornado is determined by the debris, dust and earth it picks up.
- Each year in the USA 800 - 1000 tornados touch down.

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### Hardin wins golf title

Post resident Barbara Hardin claimed another Senior Women's West Texas Championship. Hardin won the match play championship title in 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2007. She beat out Terry Dukes for the championship 6-and-5.

### Herring Plaza Hair Salon Now Open

Post Area Chamber Of Commerce recently welcomed owners of the Herring Plaza Hair Salon, Sue and Jack Trammell with a ribbon cutting ceremony. The new salon employs two operators, Alisha Reiter and Lacey White, with room for one more.

(Left to right), Thressa Harp, Rosa Latimer-Bell, Lacey White, Jim & Janice Plummer, Sue & Jack Trammell, Candy Gomez and Alisha Reiter.



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### Extension Extras

**Nutrition Quiz Bowl**  
Wednesdays after school at the Extension office. For more information call the Extension office or Marcie Oden at 781-3247. Registration for Quiz Bowl competition begins October 20.

For more information contact the Extension office at 495-4400.

**Food & Nutrition**  
Mondays at the Post High School Food Lab. Sessions are at 4:00 and 5:15. For more information call the Extension office or Jaquita Blevins at 495-2517. County Food Show October 27.

**Sheep & Goat Validation**  
Monday, October 27, Show Barn, 4pm - 6pm - all county / state sheep and goats.

**Consumer Decision Making**  
First Consumer Decision Making practice session scheduled for Saturday, November 8, 9am-12pm, Extension office.

**Bunnies in Costume**  
November 1st, 4:00, there will be a rabbit costume contest. Call Barb Palmer for more information at 470-1295.

**4-H Club Meeting**  
The next meeting of the Garza County 4-H Club will be November 11, 6:30 pm, at the Show Barn. Dr. Brillhart will present a program on Veterinary Science. Dinner will be provided, meeting after.

**District Food Show**  
scheduled for November 15 at Levelland High School. More information to come.

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

## A NEW DIRECTION

### Elect Phil Mathews for Sheriff of Garza County



My goals for a New Direction in Garza County:

- Answer ALL citizens' calls fairly and impartially.
- Show strong leadership within the Sheriff's department.
- Develop trust between citizens and the Sheriff's Department.
- Maintain the Garza County Jail in the most efficient manner and in the best interest of the taxpayers.
- Maintain a good, strong working relationship with the local and surrounding area law enforcement agencies.
- Educate the Sheriff's Deputies so that they may maintain the highest quality of standards.

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 • Children: Lance Mathews - Detective, Bryan Police Department, Bryan, Texas • Dustin Mathews - Sergeant Investigator, Motor Vehicle Theft, Texas Dept. of Public Safety • Josh Harrison - United States Army, station in FT. Huachuca, Arizona • Travis Mathews - United States Navy, current service in Balad, Iraq with he 101st Airborne, US Army

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### Golden Plains News

Well we started out the month of September by getting ready for our trip to the Fair. We decided to make some "Banana Bread" to enter.

Well we worked and mixed and sampled every batch we mad until we had the final product. Then came to day for the fair, so Joel, LaDonna, Fredda, Leamond, and Doris loaded up in the van and we arrived at the fair. When we arrived all we could do was smell he aroma of all the good foods. We were all craving the foot long corn dogs, and that's what we started out with! We did not finish thee. We had cheese on a stick, funnel cake, roasted corn on the cob, and home made lemonade to wash it all down. We went to see all the animals they had there. We even watched as they milked the cow and boy how that brought back memories, except we did not have the machines that they had. We went to the petting zoo where we held some chicks. Then came the time to head on over to the exhibits to see if we won a ribbon. Well, there was on ribbon, but we all agreed that we had the best "Banana Bread" on the South Plains. Around 2:30 pm we had all decided we would call in a day and we headed back home. We sure had a great time that day at the fair.

This month Charlene Bishop had one exciting day. She was honored at the Post High School homecoming pep rally as being a Post High School Cheerleader for 1956. Charlene went out on the court and cheered the "Two Bits" cheer with other cheerleaders and the fans. Charlene sure was grinning from ear to ear that day.

That sure does not end there. Jewell Parrish was honored with an award for being the oldest member still around in Graham Church of Christ 100<sup>th</sup> year celebration. It was held at the

church and a medal was served. Now that's what I would call a great accomplishment.

We sure are excited about the M&M kids from Gail coming back now that school has started again. They sing us songs and play a few games of BINGO with us. Some of the kids even went from room to room just visiting with us. I even spotted two girls playing a game of checkers with Mickey and Robert. I hear the girls beat them.

We sure have had a lot of fun around here, we just can't wait until next month to see what is going to take place.

Happy Birthday wishes go out to: Charlene, Lonelle, Barbara, Eddie, Dempsey, Katie, and Peggy.

Stay tuned to hear what is going to take place here a Golden Plains care center next month. Remember, don't forget to visit our web site at [www.goldenplainscare.com](http://www.goldenplainscare.com) each month for an update.

If you would like to try our Banana Bread recipe here it is:

- Banana Nut Bread
- ½ Cup butter
- 1 Cup sugar
- 2 eggs, Beaten
- 3 bananas, mashed
- 2 cups flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- ½ cup chopped pecans

Cream butter and sugar in a mixer bowl until light and fluffy. Add eggs and bananas, mixing well. Sift flour and baking soda together. Stir into creamed mixture. Fold in pecans. Pour into greased and floured bunt pan or tow loaf pans.

Bake at 350 degrees for 40 minutes or until bread tests done. May use 5 mashed bananas and 1 teaspoon vanilla extract and substitute 2 cups of chopped walnuts for pecans. Yelld: 14 servings.

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