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City Announces Enforcement of Garage Sale Ordinance

With warm weather approaching, the City of Post is reminding citizens of the ordinance regulating garage sales within the city limits. According to the city ordinance, "any person or persons intending to hold a garage sale shall make application for a permit with the zone administrator not less than five days prior to the sale."

According to Cynthia Williams, Code Administrator for the city, there is no charge

for the Garage Sale Permit. Once the permit is approved at City Hall, it must be openly displayed "during all hours of the sale, at the location, and in plain view." Failure to display the approved permit constitutes a misdemeanor offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.

Other city regulations regarding garage sales include a limit for the duration of a garage sale: "the sales shall not continue for

more than 48 consecutive hours and no more than one sale shall be conducted at the same address in any three-month period." In addition, only one sign shall be permitted for each sale.

"The sign shall pertain to the garage sale only and shall be located on the property where the sale is conducted and shall not be placed upon any public property. The sign
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UPCOMING EVENTS

COMMUNITY/ GOVERNMENT MEETINGS

All of these meetings are open to the public.

Garza County Commissioners Court

March 9
9 a.m.

Garza County Courthouse
300 W. Main

City of Post

City Council Meeting
March 10
6 p.m.

Council Chambers
City Hall
105 E. Main Street

Post ISD

School Board Meeting
March 10
7:30 p.m.

Administrative Board Room
501 S. Avenue K

NOTE: Video of last month's meeting at post.k12.tx.us - click on "Board of Trustees"

Garza County Health Care District

March 19
6:30 p.m.

Citizens Bank Meeting Room
210 N. Broadway

Garza County Commissioners Court

March 23
9 a.m.

Garza County Courthouse
300 W. Main

OTHER COMMUNITY EVENTS

Event info available at press time.

"Love Letters"

Garza Theatre

March 6 & 7
8 p.m.

495-4005 for reservations

"Judas the Lost Apostle"

Ragtown Gospel Theater

March 6 & 13
7:30 p.m.

877-RAGTOWN for reservations

"Judas the Lost Apostle"

Ragtown Gospel Theater

March 7 & 14
3 p.m.

877-RAGTOWN for reservations

"Love Letters"

Garza Theatre

March 8
2:30 p.m.

495-4005 for reservations

Post ISD GED Class

Post High School/Southwest

Entrance
Room 18

March 10
5-8 p.m.

Trailblazers Senior Citizens

Center Game Night

March 10
5:30 p.m.

205 E. 10th

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Garza County Residents Honored At Chamber Banquet

By Rosa Latimer
News Editor

Following this year's banquet theme of "showcasing the area's finest," Post and Garza County honored several of its outstanding citizens Saturday night at the Chamber banquet.

Approximately 150 attendees the annual event.

Drew Kirkpatrick made the presentation of Conservation Farmer of the Year to Ronnie Graves. Bill Long was inducted into the Garza County Cowboy Hall of Fame in honor of his long-time contribution to ranching in Garza County. Doug Flanigan of the Garza County

Fire Department recognized Fire Chief Les Looney as Garza County Volunteer Fireman and Dustin Merritt as Rookie Fireman of the Year.

Ragtown Gospel Theater was chosen 2008 Business of the Year by the Chamber members. Theater developers and owners, Glenn Polk and Chip Polk accepted the award, presented by Jim Plummer. Ragtown Gospel Theater is currently in its third season of presenting original Biblical dramas and Southern Gospel music. The brothers and their wives are involved in every facet of the business. Typically, Chip Polk writes each drama production and Glenn Polk di-

rects and acts. Chip also performs and coordinates the music portion of each production. Ragtown Gospel Theater is a charter silver member of the Post Area Chamber of Commerce.

Citizen of the Year for 2008 was Dr. Ben Edwards who is the primary care physician at the Garza County Health Clinic. Edwards joined the clinic staff in Post 3 years ago and has guided the health district through a growth that resulted in construction of a new clinic. "The personal interest that Dr. Edwards invests in his patients is a great

source of security and comfort, making him a natural choice for this award," said Rosa Latimer, Chamber President. Dr. Edwards graciously accepted the award by giving credit for his success to his staff and his family. "My citizen of the year is my wife, Jamie."

Recognizing that many involved citizens help sustain a successful, vibrant community Post Area Chamber of Commerce members also recognized other individuals for their leadership. Receiving recognition for leadership in Government and Education were Garza County Judge Lee Norman and Post ISD Superintendent Marlin Marcum. Business and Economic Development leadership awards were given to Curtis Hudman, owner of Hudman Furniture and Hud-

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2008 Citizen of the Year
Dr. Ben Edwards



The Bill Long Family accepts the award for Cowboy Hall of Fame inductee Bill Long.



Conservation Farmer of the Year - Ronnie Graves



Business of the Year-Ragtown Gospel Theater

Underage Drinking Program, Shattered Dreams, Next Week

By Rosa Latimer
News Editor

A two-day, school-based program, Shattered Dreams, will unfold in Post next week. The event, sponsored in part by the Post Parent Teacher Organization, is a comprehensive underage drinking and impaired driving prevention program. It involves the school administration and faculty, students, parents and approximately a dozen county and city organizations, including the Garza County Fire Department, EMS, Sheriff's Department, the County Attorney. Students from Post and Southland High Schools will participate.

Shattered Dreams promotes responsible decision-making among high school students by showing them how irresponsible choices can end all dreams. Beginning at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, March 10, the "grim reaper" will enter classrooms at Post High School and touch students on the shoulder. "These students will leave class and a counselor and uniformed officer will enter the classroom and read the student's obituary. Later students will hear a mock 911 call reporting a crash with a fatality," explained Brent Meyer, Garza County Sheriff's Deputy.

The mock automobile crash will be staged at 10:30 a.m. in front of the Arena at 4th Street and Avenue L. The community is invited to observe this event. "Some streets will be closed off," Meyer explained. "So we ask the public to be patient. This mock accident will be treated as if it were genuine. All emergency services will be used." Meyer also explained that this event is an opportunity for hands-on

training for emergency services. "This is a graphic lesson. A hard lesson."

The students and parents directly involved in the mock crash will participate in several activities following the mock crash including a visit to the morgue and trauma center in Lubbock. "Tuesday evening students and parents will attend retreats where the kids will hear about the dangers of drinking and driving. Parents will be given information to help them deal

with their children about this issue," Meyer said.

Wednesday, March 11 at 9:30 a.m. a mock memorial service for the students involved in the crash will be held at the Arena. The public is invited to this event which will include the video of the previous day's events.

Post students designed "Shattered Dreams" shirts to commemorate the event. These are available from the Parent Teacher Organization for \$10.

Dinner Theater Fundraiser Planned at Heritage House

The Heritage House, 109 No. Ave. N in Post, will present a dinner theater March 14 at 6 p.m. featuring a catered meal and performance of the play "Harvey Girls." Written by Rosa Latimer of Post, the play is directed by Jay Young, also of Post.

Following a wine and cheese reception and a steak dinner, the Heritage House will be transformed into a Harvey House bustling with activity and train passengers enjoying tasty meals served by efficient Harvey Girls. "The actors will move among the audience. The Heritage House dining room will be the stage," said Shawnette Hinkle, Heritage House Manager. Proceeds from the event will go to the Post High School Art Department.

The event, sponsored by the Caprock Cultural Association, will have limited seating. "We sent invitations a few weeks ago and we've had a great response," Hinkle explained. "However, we do have some seats still available." Tickets for the reception, dinner and play are \$45/per person.

"Harvey Girls" premiered at the Garza Theatre in Post in 2007 and played to a full house each of the 7 performances. Many of the original cast members will appear in the Heritage House production. Post residents who will appear in the play are: Jim Plummer, Leslie Acker, Jon Foster, Zoe Kirkpatrick, and Lauren Lynch.

The play, set in 1913, tells the story of a group of Harvey Girls who live and work in a Harvey House in a small Texas town. "I had two priorities when I wrote "Harvey Girls," said playwright Rosa Latimer. "First, I wanted to educate the audience about Harvey Girls and their contribution to the settling of the West. I also wanted to pay tribute to my grandmother who was a Harvey Girl."

There is limited seating for the dinner theater event and reservations are required by March 12. Call 495-4148 for more information or to make reservations.

Post Notes

VFW Post 6797 scheduled to meet March 9th

VFW Post 6797 Men and Ladies Auxiliary will meet Monday March 9th. The ladies will meet at 6:00 pm and the men will meet at 7:00 pm. All members are urged to attend the meetings.

Post Little League work day

Post Little League will have a workday at the Post Little League field on Saturday, March 7th from 8 unit noon. All parents and coaches bring your shovels and rakes.

Little League sign-ups

Post Little League will be having baseball signups on March 9th-12th from 3:30 - 5 pm at the Elementary Gym. The cost is \$50 for little league, \$40 for minor league and \$25 for T-ball, with a \$5 discount for each additional child.

Food Drive

Holy Cross Catholic Church will sponsor a food drive for the food pantry, March 1-15. Any church or organization who would like to help feed the hungry of Post, please call Reyes Pequeno, 778-2628.

Post ISD Dinner Theatre presented March 23

The Post High School's annual dinner theatre has been planned for March 23, 2009 at the Post ISD Cafeteria beginning at 6:30 pm. The meal will be catered. Tickets are \$12, tickets at the door for the performance only are \$4. Tickets are available from student or through the high school office.

Coaches Meeting

There will be a Little League coaches meeting on Tuesday, March 24th at the Methodist Church. The meeting will start at 6pm.

My Special Place benefit raffle tickets

My Special Place will be holding a benefit raffle for a Syaah Over/Under 12-Gauge Shotgun on March 23, 2009. Tickets are \$2.00 a piece or 6 for \$10.00 and can be picked up at 111 N Ave H. Call 495-3446 for more information.

ECA/EMT basic classes scheduled March 23

Interested in becoming an ECA or EMT and run with our Emergency Medical Service In Post? Western Texas College and Borden County EMS are starting an ECA/EMT basic class in Gail on Monday, March 23 at 6 PM at the school. The class will be held on Monday and Wednesday nights from 6pm-10pm. All the basic knowledge to become either a Emergency Care Attendant or Emergency Medical Technician-Basic will be taught. Financial assistance to attend the class is limited, but available. For more information contact Rodney Tidwell at 495-1813.

PHS Class of '98 Reunion

The Post High School Class of 1998 is looking for a few classmates to contact for our upcoming reunion. If you have information regarding the following please contact us at phs_class98@yahoo.com or call Macee at 719-260-8312.

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We are missing home and email addresses for the following people: Willie Bell, Slade Bevers, Danny Bilbo, Shad Bradford, Richard Cade, Trey Conner, Luke Cooper, Michelle Cotter, Bobbie Jo Davis, Joseph Delosreyes, Patricia Deluna, Micaela Eagle, Sarah Escobar, Johnny Espitia, Anthony Flores, Jodi Foreman, Creselda Garcia, Troy Gilbert, Homer Gomez, Anthony Gomez, Imelda Gonzales, Jerry Graham, David Graves, Chris Guerrero, Aaron Hanna, Jamie Hernandez, Sharlene Hymes, Ronda Jefferson, Clay Johnson, Chris Kagey, Erick Lopez, Amanda Martinez, Kayla Moore, Emillio Moreno, Bryan Navarro, Brandon Patschke, John Perez, Amanda Pierce, Javier Ramos, Katrina Reed, Brian Reidel, Christy Reiter, Leonard Rodela, Michael Sanchez, Brenda Simental, and Sam Woods.

Methodist Church planning celebration

Anyone who has any information regarding former pastors, members, or who may have a connection to the First United Methodist Church of Post, please contact either the church office at 495-2942 or JoAnn Miller at 748-3812. FUMC Post is planning a 100 year celebration for Labor Day weekend, 2009, and would like to include all who have or have had a special connection or memory of the church.

Garza County Tax Office needs update information

If you have recently changed your name or address, please contact The Garza County Tax A/C Office. We need to update your information so you will be able to vote in the upcoming city elections and Post ISD School board election.

Little League Tryouts scheduled March 28th

Post Little League baseball tryouts will be on Saturday, March 28th at 10 am at the Post Little League field. There will be makeup tryouts on March 30th at 5pm for those who did not make it to the tryouts on March 28th. Anyone who is interested in volunteering, please contact Terry Morris 474-8153 or Liza Taylor 778-5449.

PHS Class of '79 Reunion

The Post High School Class of 1979 is looking for contact information for all classmates that attended Post High School with this class. Please contact Danny Gunn at dgunn@idalouisd.net or call 806-201-1475.

Post Book Club Changes Meeting Date/Location

In March the Post Book Club will begin meeting the third Tuesday of each month at the Heritage House, 109 No. Avenue N. The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 19 at 6 p.m. The book selection is "The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society" by Annie Fiery Barrows and Mary Ann Fiery Shaffer. Set in London, 1946: "writer Juliet Ashton receives a letter from a stranger, a founding member of the Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society. And so begins a remarkable tale of Guernsey during the German occupation, and about a society as extraordinary as its name." For more information, call the Heritage House, 495-4148 or Ruby Lane Books, 495-2665.

Holy Cross Catholic church fish fry

Holy Cross Catholic Church will be having a fish fry every Friday during lent from 5-7 p.m. The cost is \$7 a plate and the plate includes fish, beans, potato salad, slaw, drink.

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Garza County cotton producer. Community Service/Leadership awards were given to Thresa Harp, past Chamber president; Ray Bagby, a board member of SPAG and the Garza Health Care District; and JoAnn Stelzer, who recently retired as director of Meals on Wheels after serving 5 years.

The Women's Division of the Post Area Chamber of Commerce decorated for the event and dinner music was provided by Aaron Rathbun and Jan Olson. The meal was catered by Chamber member PJ's Deli. Approximately 50 area businesses, organizations and individuals contributed items to the silent auction.

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man Funeral Home and Earl Chapman owner and operator of Rocker A.

Agriculture leaders honored at the banquet were Victor Ashley, who has worked for USDA 32 years, 28 years in Post and Ronald Thuett, a third generation

will be permitted for the duration of the sale only."

Garage sale permit applications and complaint forms for residents witnessing code violations are available at City Hall. All City of Post Code of Ordinances are available online at franklinlegal.net/post-flp.

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Each year on March 2, I am honored to recognize our history by reading Colonel Travis' letter on the floor of the United States Senate. The late Senator John G. Tower, who served in the Senate between 1961 and 1985, initiated this practice, and I am proud to carry on the tradition today. It is my hope that this ritual will last for generations to come, as our children and grandchildren carry on our state's legacy of freedom and patriotism.

Kay Bailey Hutchison is the senior U.S. Senator from Texas.

"Reading Rocks" at Post Library This Saturday

By Rosa Latimer
News Editor

The Post Public Library, 104 E. Main, will host a special event for elementary children and their parents Saturday, March 7, 2 to 4 p.m. "Reading Rocks in Post" will feature story time by three area authors who will share their

latest books.

Peg Davis will read *Napoleon and Marigold*, a whimsical tale of a rooster and a hen and the adventures they have living on a farm in West Texas. Michael Davis will read his book, *Bumperly Bumper Bee*, the story of a bee with poor eyesight and stripes that run down his back

instead of across his tail.

D. Weldon Brantley will read his mystery, *Ghost of Whitehall Hill*: "After being warned to avoid Whitehall Hill by older residents in a small Florida town, teen detectives Mickey, Danny and Charli toss caution to the wind, only to find themselves in the midst of a tragic secret which

has stalked two generations."

Post Rotary Club and Rotary International have purchased books from the authors to provide each family who participates in the reading fair with a free book to take home. For more information, call 495-2149.

Texas Independence Day Honors Our Tradition of Patriotism

By U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison

Nearly 173 years ago, two very different groups of Texas patriots led a double-barreled effort that would eventually secure Texas independence from Mexico and change the future of the United States.

On March 2, 1836, a convention of 54 men drafted and signed the Texas Declaration of Independence at a small settlement called Washington-on-the-Brazos. Among the signers were my great-great grandfather, Charles S. Taylor of Nacogdoches, and his friends Sam Houston and Thomas Rusk, who later became the first Senators to represent Texas. On behalf of all Texans, they declared, "We, therefore... do hereby resolve and declare... the people of Texas do now constitute a free, sovereign and independent republic."

During this time, 189 Texas soldiers were under siege at the Alamo in San Antonio by an estimated 6,000 Mexican troops

who were determined to extinguish this newly created republic. Under the valiant leadership of Colonel William Barret Travis, these Texans, outnumbered 10 to 1 by Mexican forces, fought courageously in the most famous battle of the Texas Revolution.

Though Colonel Travis and his soldiers were willing to lay down their lives in service to Texas and in pursuit of its freedom, they knew that without reinforcements they would not be able to withstand the much larger Mexican army. In a final letter to all Texans shortly before the fall of the Alamo, Colonel Travis wrote:

Fellow citizens and compatriots: I am besieged by a thousand or more of the Mexicans under Santa Anna. I have sustained a continual bombardment and cannonade for 24 hours and have not lost a man. The enemy has demanded a surrender at discretion, otherwise, the garrison is to be put to the sword, if the fort is taken. I have answered the demands with a cannon shot, and

our flag still waves proudly from the wall. I shall never surrender or retreat.

Then, I call on you in the name of liberty, of patriotism and of everything dear to the American character, to come to our aid, with all dispatch. The enemy is receiving reinforcements daily and will no doubt increase to three or four thousand in four or five days. If this call is neglected, I am determined to sustain myself as long as possible and die like a soldier who never forgets what is due to his own honor and that of his country: Victory or Death.

William Barret Travis, Lt. Col., Commander

The sacrifice of Colonel Travis and his men made General Sam Houston's subsequent victory at San Jacinto possible. As cries of "Remember the Alamo!" were delivered during the final battle of the Texas Revolution, General Houston and his soldiers won independence for Texas. The Texans leading the fight

against Mexico weren't alone in their sacrifice. The signers of the Texas Declaration, like their forefathers who signed the American Declaration of Independence in 1776, risked their own lives and those of their families when they put pen to paper. They were considered traitors to Mexico as they used their voices, professions, and positions of influence to wage a critical battle in Texas' struggle for independence.

My great-great grandfather's own loss was significant. While he was doing the work of the Republic, all four of his children (ages seven and younger) who remained back at home in Nacogdoches died during the runaway scrape, when the women and children in the Nacogdoches Territory fled toward Louisiana because they feared Indians and Mexican troops were headed their way. Our family story did not end there, however. Charles S. Taylor and his wife, my great-great-grandmother, went on to have nine more children who were blessed to lead lives of independence and opportunity in Texas.

It is important that every generation of Texans pause to remember these patriots: each soldier who gave his life at the Alamo and Goliad; the 54 men who met at Washington-on-the-Brazos, putting their lives in danger by signing that Declaration of Independence and becoming heroes for a cause; and every man, woman, and child who struggled to make Texas the marvelous place it is today. While few of these Texans could have predicted Texas' future prosperity and achievements, they all knew independence and freedom were worth any sacrifice.

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HUGE March Deals Going on NOW! Hurry in!

BlackBerry Pearl 8130 Now in Pink or Silver! Buy One Get One FREE for a Limited Time! Hurry In!!

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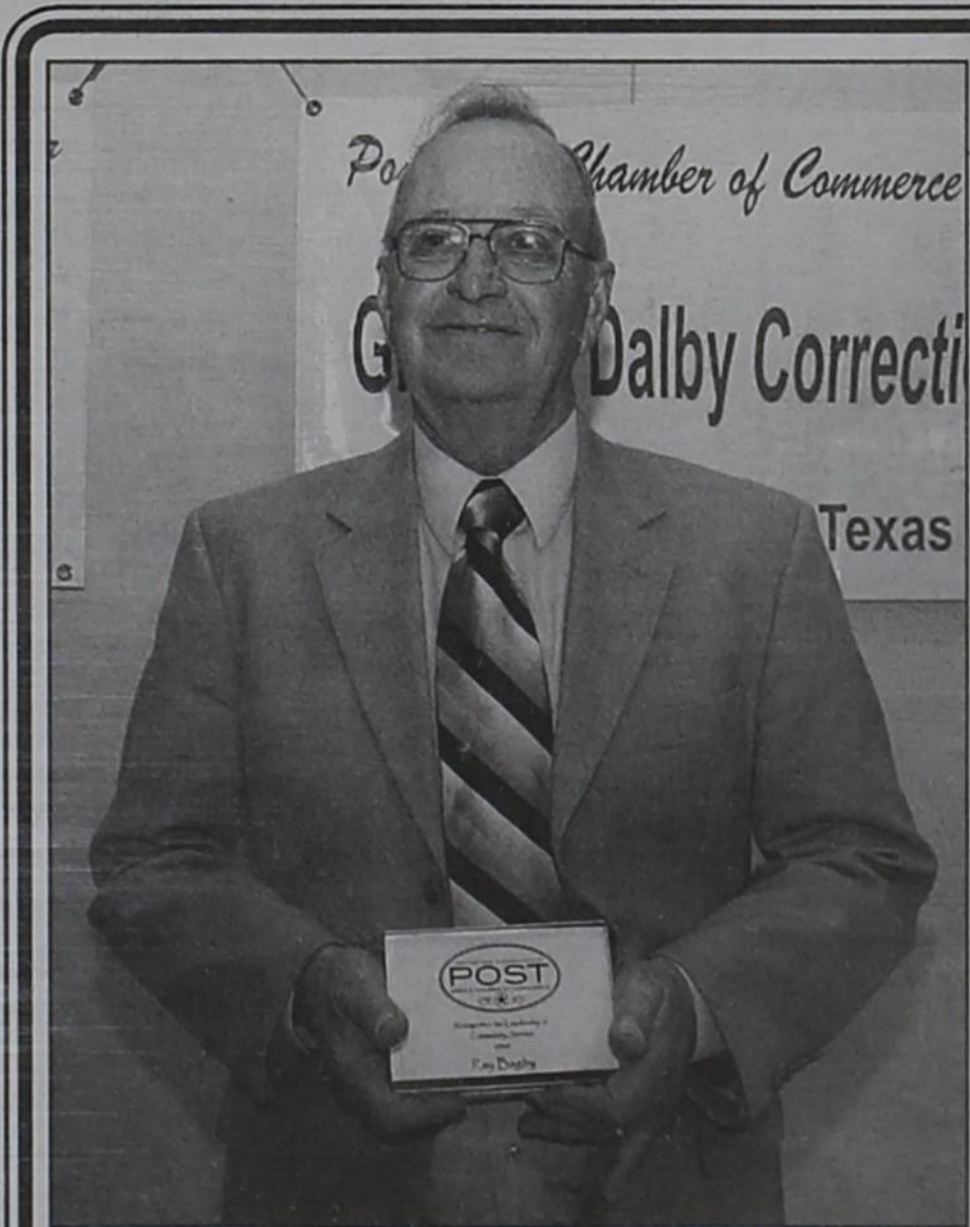
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Congratulations Ray Bagby



The Post Area Chamber of Commerce honored Ray Bagby for Leadership in Community Service. Bagby serves as a board member of SPAG and the Garza County Health Care District.



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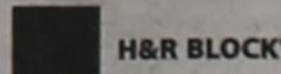
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Obituaries

Iris Joy Parker

A memorial service will be held for Iris Joy Parker at the First Presbyterian Church in Post, TX, March 8 at 2 pm.

Iris was born in Post, Texas on January 13, 1928, the daughter of J.E. and Joy Parker. In Post, Iris was the Founder and first President of the Art Guild, organist at the First Methodist Church from 1940 - 1945, choir director at the First Presbyterian Church, 1948 -1965; President for two terms of the United Presbyterian Women, and active in the Civil Rights Movement in the 1960's. Iris studied art and music at Texas Tech, Lubbock, TX, and Texas State College for Women, Denton, TX.

She was a contralto soprano, and as a young woman gave private recitals and sang at weddings and funerals. In addition

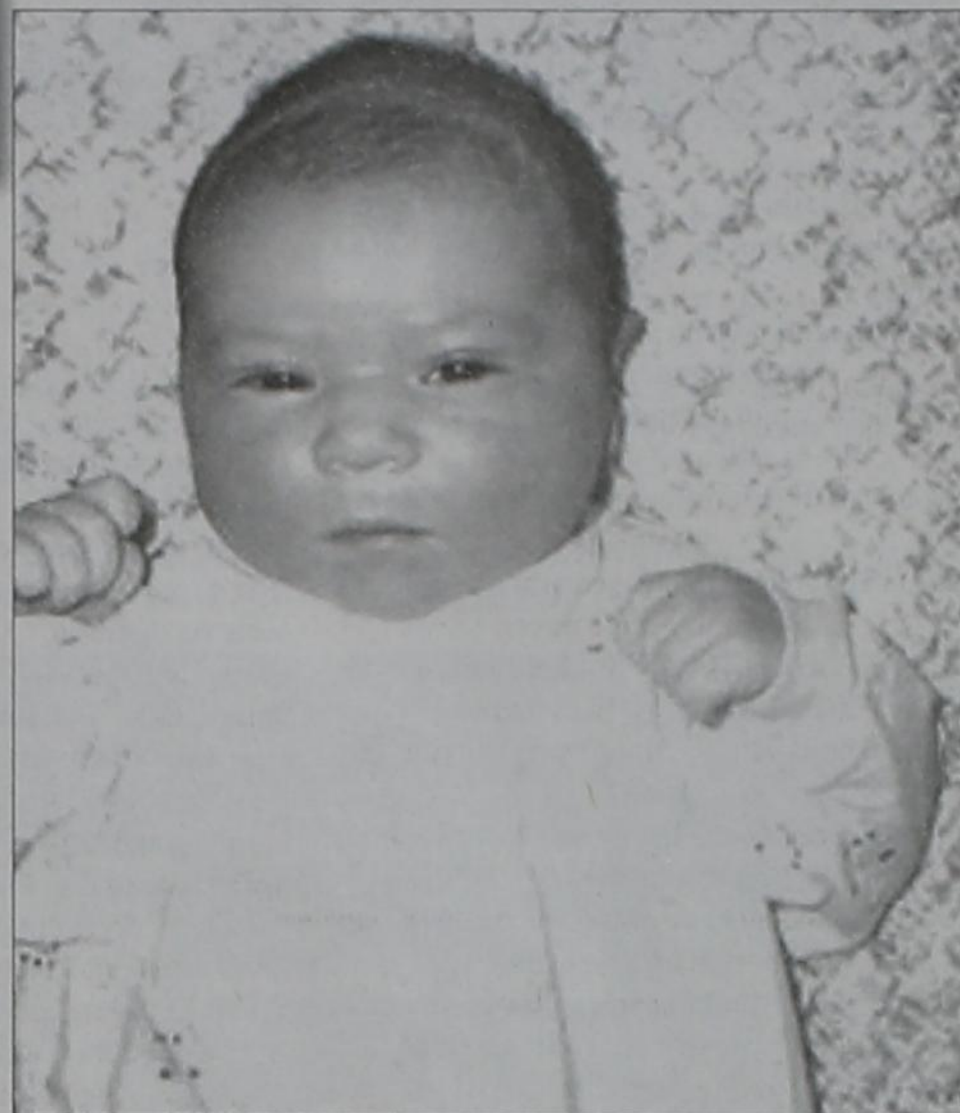
to the organ, Iris played the piano and acoustic bass.

She was married to Tom Power (1947) and Charles Hamilton (1970). She lived in Wyoming from 1967 -1987, where she enjoyed lake fishing, and designed, built, and decorated homes.

She is survived by her daughters, Cleo Sharplin of Frenchtown, NJ, Sky Power of N. Truro, and Roxi Power Hamilton of Santa Cruz, CA.; grandchildren, Ty Jennings of Houston, TX, Emma Joy Power-Perkins of Santa Cruz, CA.; her step brother, Holmes McLish of Denver, CO; and numerous nephews, nieces, and cousins in Texas.

For information regarding memorials contact: Hamilton@ucsc.edu.

Births

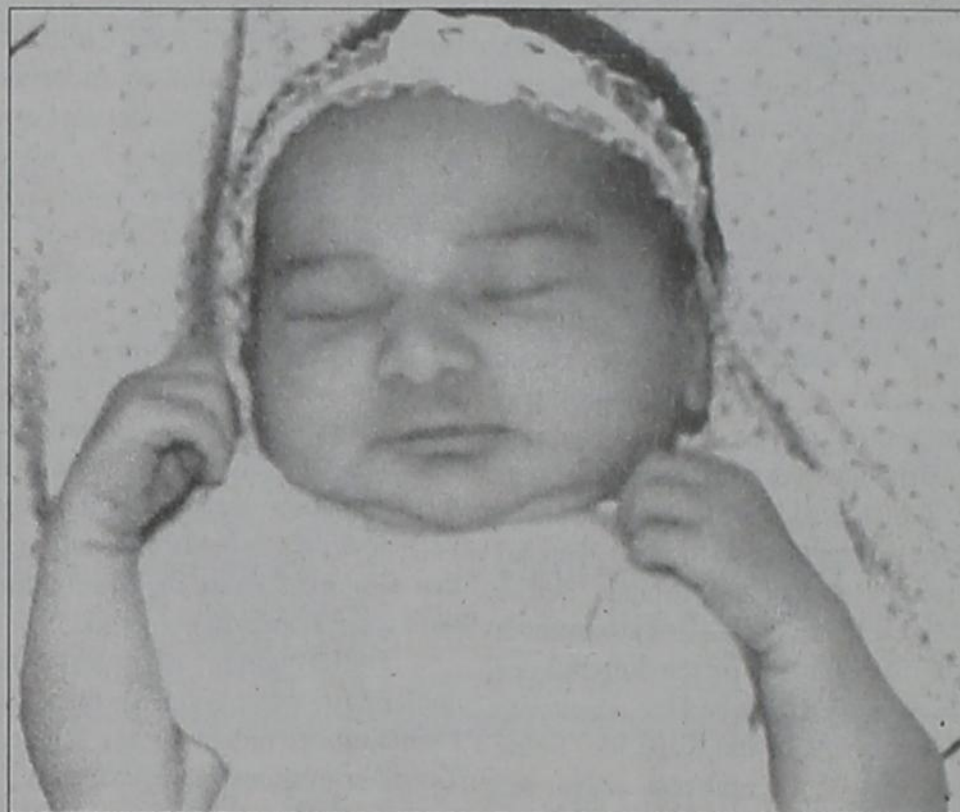


Clell and Ashley Knight of Great Falls, Montana, would like to announce the birth of their baby girl, Selma Elise Knight. Selma was born Thursday, February 26, 2009, at 5:47 PM. She weighed 9 lbs. 13 oz.

Grandparents are Janet and Clyde Kitten of Post, TX; Jenny and Brent Smith of Snyder, TX; and Jess Knight of South Dakota.

Great Grandparents are the late Lena Respondek of Slaton, TX; Mary and Riley Miller of Justiceburg, TX; and Edie Knight of South Dakota.

Ben and Jamie Edwards would like to announce the arrival of our new daughter Kassidy Kate Edwards. She was born on January 23rd, 2009 at 1:36 pm. She weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces and was 20 inches long. Her proud big brother and sister are Cade and Ellie Edwards. Maternal grandparents are Leck and Lisa Fuston of Turkey, TX and paternal grandparents are Tom and Daryl Edwards of Belton, TX.



Omaris Grace Abraham was born Feb. 19, 2009 at 2:14 p.m.. She weighed 6 lbs 15 oz and was 20 1/4 inc. long. Her parents are Abby Ayala and Solomon Abraham. Grandparents are Anita Ayala and the late Pat Ayala; Ollie and Irene Abraham.

Southland News

Congratulations to all of our participants at the San Angelo Stock Show:

Devin Blanton:

Duroc
3rd out of 23 in Gilt Show (A)
2nd out 15 in CTBR Texas Stars Gilts (B)

York

5th out of 19 in Gilt Show (A)
1st in class and Reserve Champion of CTBR Texas Star Gilts

Cross

7 out of 20 in Gilt Show (A)
4th out of 19 in CTBR (B)

Callie Odem:

Spot
1st out of 13 in Gilt Show

Cross

5th out of 18 in CBRT Show

Trevor Metcalf:

Cross
Participated in first show

Tanner Odem, Tucker Lee, Tyler Lee, Michael Estrada and Bianca Abraham all participated in the goat show which averaged 90 head per division.

Congratulations to Tucker Lee on being pulled the first go around with his goat, a tremendous accomplishment.

Devin Blanton York Barrow class placed 2nd in York division this is a tremendous accomplishment.

This was a great year for Southland. We took 13 animals to the show and sold 5 out of 13. Those are great odds for a major show.

Congratulations to our Little Dribblers teams that began competing this past Saturday.

1st/2nd grade Boys defeated Borden County 16-14

3rd/4th grade Boys lost 31-34 to Borden County

5th/6th grade Boys lost 11-18 to Borden County

5th/6th grade Girls lost 31-33 to Borden County

Great job to all of our kids and coaches for their showing in our first ever Little Dribblers games

Events for this Week:

HS Track on Friday at Spur beginning at 2:30

Events for next Week:

HS Boys Golf at Tahoka on Monday beginning at 8:30 am

School Board Meeting Monday night at 7:00 pm

Shattered Dreams Mock Crash site Tuesday in Post.

Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors will be leaving to go to Post in the morning but will be back for lunch. Student Retreat will be from 4:00 until 8:00 pm that evening.

Shattered Dreams school assembly on Wednesday for all High School Students.

Junior High Track at Klondike on Thursday

High School Track at Klondike on Friday

SPRING BREAK IS THE WEEK OF MARCH 16TH - 20TH

Last Weekend for "Love Letters" at the Garza Theatre

By Rosa Latimer

News Editor

There are three performances of "Love Letters" remaining at the Garza Theatre. The play, written by A.R. Gurney and directed by Christy Morris, tells the poignant story of childhood friends Andrew Ladd and Melissa Gardner whose lifelong correspondence begins with birthday party thank-you notes and summer camp postcards. Two Garza favorites, Jacqui Neal and Jon Steele portray the couple whose long-time relationship is shared with the audience in a unique way. "Love Letters," marks the beginning of the theater's 23rd

season. Final performances are: tonight and Saturday at 8:00 p.m. a matinee performance Sunday, March 8 at 2:30 p.m. The next production, "Moon Over Buffalo" directed by Mickie Klafka opens March 27.

Tickets are Adults \$12.00; Children (12 and under) \$8.00; Student Rate with student ID; Senior Rate (60 and above) and military discount with ID are \$10.00 per person. Group rates are also available.

For more information and to make reservations call the Garza Theatre box office, 806-495-4005 or visiting www.garzatheatre.com. The theater is located at 226 E. Main in Post.

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Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

Here are some wise words from Pres. Abraham Lincoln that still make sense today:

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- You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong.
- You cannot help little men by tearing down big men.
- You cannot help the wage earner by pulling down the wage payer.
- You cannot further the brotherhood of man by encouraging class hatred.
- You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich.
- You cannot establish sound security on borrowed money.
- You cannot keep out of trouble by spending more than you earn.
- You cannot build character and courage by taking away men's initiative and independence.
- You cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they could and should do for themselves.

**Thank you,
Zoe Kirkpatrick**

Dear Post Chamber of Commerce and fellow residents of Garza County,

I want to take this opportunity to publicly thank you for the "Citizen of the Year" award you presented me Saturday night. It is a great honor and privilege to receive such recognition. I run into many people every day that are doing many wonderful things, large and small, for this community who deserve this award and the recognition.

I am blessed to be able to get up every morning and come to work, doing what God has led me to do. There is no way I could do the work I do without the help and hard work of all of my staff, Sandy Pena, Linda Alaniz, Tricia Metsgar, Tanya Vernon, Callie Pope, and Vicki Gray along with my Physician Assistant, Angela Hannaway. These folks make the clinic work and I couldn't do anything without each and every one of

them. They deserve a lot of credit for all of the long hours and busy pace they keep up with a smile every day. So, next time you see one of them, give them a big hug and a thank you.

I would also like to take this opportunity to apologize for the wait times at the clinic and not being able to get everyone seen the same day you call. The new electronic medical record has taken some getting used to combined with an extremely busy flu season and just the simple fact that this is a very large practice and it all equals long wait times. We all appreciate your understanding and patience. Each one of us strives to work as hard as we can to keep patients flowing through the clinic at a reasonable speed but at some point the sheer volume of patients makes it impossible to see everyone. We are working hard on alleviating the problem and will strive to continue to offer quality care and quality time to each patient.

**Sincerely,
Ben Edwards, MD**

Texas Independence Day: From Tyrant Grip Now Free

By U.S. Sen. John Cornyn

Every year on March 2, Texans celebrate a holiday that is entirely and uniquely Texan: Texas Independence Day. The day marks the signing of the Texas Declaration of Independence at the Convention of 1836 at Washington-on-the-Brazos.

Unlike the deliberations that occur today in the U.S. Congress, the Texas Declaration of Independence was approved swiftly. The committee to draft the declaration was appointed on March 1, and the declaration was presented to the Convention and adopted the next day. Some accounts say that Sam Houston asked for the declaration to be signed on March 2 because it was his birthday. Before March 17, delegates had also written the Constitution of the Republic of Texas and established the ad-interim government of the Republic. Some say one of the real reasons for the Convention's swift action was not just a desire for efficiency, but a lack of adequate lodging.

Prior to hosting the Convention, the town of Washington served as a supply point because of its location next to the Brazos River and proximity to major roads. But it was only home to about 100 residents. To generate growth, local businessmen attracted the Convention of 1836 to Washington by offering a large assembly hall free of charge to the delegates. The hall accommodated the delegates for the Convention, but the town only had one inn at the time, so many delegates could not find lodging.

Even more pressing than the lack of lodging was the hot pursuit by Mexican President Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna and his army, who marched toward Washington after the Alamo fell on March 6.

History largely credits George Campbell Childress, a lawyer and native of Tennessee, with authoring the Texas Declaration of Independence. Childress moved to

Texas permanently in 1835, settling at Robertson's colony, which had been organized by his uncle, Sterling C. Robertson. Childress and Robertson were elected to represent Milam Municipality at the Convention of 1836. Childress called the Convention to order on March 1 and on the same day was appointed by Convention President Richard Ellis to serve with four other delegates on a committee to draft a declaration of independence. Childress was named the chairman and it is generally accepted that he wrote most of the declaration without help from the other committee members. Because the first draft of the declaration was submitted the very next day, some reports suggest that Childress came to Washington with a draft already prepared.

The structure of the Texas Declaration was similar to the U.S. Declaration of Independence. It listed Texas' grievances against Mexico. It stated that the political connection between Texas and the Mexican

nation was officially over, and that Texas was a free and independent republic. It also laid out the functions of the new government. The original declaration, the Unanimous Declaration of Independence by the Delegates of the People of Texas, was signed by 59 delegates and five copies were sent to the towns of Bexar, Goliad, Nacogdoches, Brazoria, and San Felipe. Because there was not a printing press in Washington, the printer at San Felipe was ordered to print 1,000 copies in handbill form. The original copy was sent to the U.S. Department of State in Washington, D.C. It would not make its return to Texas until after June 1896.

Following the signing of the declaration, the delegates proceeded to write the constitution and elect leaders of the ad-interim government. As President, they chose David Gouverneur Burnet, who quickly moved the capital of the new state from Washington to Harrisburg to escape Santa Anna's

men. Burnet carried the declaration on horseback in his saddlebags to the new capital.

Weeks later on April 21, 1836, Texans achieved their independence when nearly 900 soldiers of the Texas Army took down the larger Mexican army in a surprise attack at the Battle of San Jacinto.

Today, we pay tribute to Texas' founding fathers and the thousands who took a stand to defend the land and liberties we cherish today. I am proud of our rich history of independence and success. And as our state song says, "God bless you Texas! And keep you brave and strong, That you may grow in power and worth, Thro' out the ages long."

Sen. Cornyn serves on the Finance, Judiciary and Budget Committees. He serves as the top Republican on the Judiciary Committee's Immigration, Refugees and Border Security subcommittee. He served previously as Texas Attorney General, Texas Supreme Court Justice, and Bexar County District Judge.

White River Weekly Report March 6, 2009

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2351.65	43.58"
Feet below spillway	Rainfall for 2005
20'9"	15.57"
Rise	Rainfall for 2006
0"	28.85"
Rainfall Past Week	Rainfall for 2007
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Rain to Date	Rainfall for 2008
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White River Municipal Water District is in Stage 1 of its Drought Contingency Plan.

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-Mickey Rogers-GM White River

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Russell Graves Outdoors

Save a Wild Turkey - Hunt One

By Russell A. Graves



Thinking back, it didn't seem that long ago although nearly six years has past since my brother and I anxiously awaited an eastern wild turkey to appear. For many places across the United States, seeing an eastern wild turkey probably isn't that unusual. However, on our patch of hardwoods in Northeast Texas, the turkey gobbling through the woods marks a new era for the species.

It seems that the wild turkey had come full circle. Long extirpated from its range by habitat changes and over hunting, the hardwood bottomlands hadn't echoed the booming sound of a tom turkey for decades - if ever at all. However, just a few years earlier, the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department in conjunction with private landowners and the National Wild Turkey Federation, released birds throughout the county in areas where the habitat was ripe for re-stocking. The turkeys responded in kind by quickly reproducing and expanding their range throughout parts of the county. So much so, just four short years after their release, my brother and I were hunting on the opening day of perhaps the first ever eastern wild turkey season in the county in which we were raised.

We celebrated the turkey's return by killing one.

Make no mistake about it: the hunter is the original conservationist and hunters have long been the primary cog in the wheel of wildlife management. Hunters, unlike some groups who consider themselves conservationists, have always adhered to a "put your money where your mouth is" mantra that benefits wildlife directly.

Case in point: the voluntary excise tax placed on sporting goods with the passage of the Pittman-Robertson Act in 1937. Since it's passage, the law has pumped over two billion dollars into state coffers for wildlife management and habitat restoration projects. The federal money is then leveraged and matched by states through funds raised by hunting license sales and various other taxes. The hunter funded money train is a tremendous force in conservation. In fact, the National Shooting Sports Foundation estimates that through license sales, taxes, and fees, hunters contribute \$3.5 million each day to wildlife conservation. While multitudes of wildlife species (not just game animals) benefit from the money and habitat restoration projects funded by hunters for the benefit of everyone who loves wildlife, the wild turkey has responded well to the management and restocking efforts.

Around 1930, turkeys were only found in 18 states and their numbers were estimated at a paltry 30,000 birds. Today, due to aggressive, hunter-funded trap and transplant and habitat management programs, wild turkeys are now found all over the United States where habitat is suitable and their numbers are reaching over seven million.

"Because of the tireless efforts of state and provincial wildlife management agencies, the National Wild Turkey Federation and thousands of volunteers, more than 195,000 wild turkeys have been transferred since the 1970s to restore turkey populations across the country," explains Dr. James Earl Kennamer, chief conservation officer for the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF). "Wild turkey populations have increased from 1.3 million birds in 1973 to nearly seven million birds across North America today. Studies show America's three million turkey hunters spend an estimated \$2 billion annually, much of it boosting local economies and benefiting conservation through license fees and Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration excise taxes."


Kennamer explains that turkey hunters haven't stopped working for the wild turkeys after sustainable populations were established. NWTF volunteers, he says, have continued to raise dollars for habitat improvement projects and land purchases. Since 1985 volunteers nationwide, with the help of corporate partners, pumped more than \$279 million into wild turkey restoration and research, habitat improvement, land purchases and outreach programs designed to introduce new hunters to the outdoors. Kennamer explains that new hunters in the woods are critical because new hunters purchase licenses, hunting gear, firearms and ammunition, which creates new excise tax dollars that perpetuate state wildlife agency funds.

So, in all, the facts speak for themselves. In order to maintain healthy turkey populations, hunt one.


Any questions or comments? Contact Russell at russell@russellgraves.com or visit his website at www.russellgraves.com

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The Paperboy

By Christopher Blackburn

On My Mind

I think the stock market (Dow Jones Industrial Average) will bottom out at 6,200.
I predict oil will trend upward through summer and gas prices will again shoot up to the \$3-\$4 per gallon range.
I believe there will be talk of a Texas secession if things get worse on the border and the downturn escalates.
It is my opinion that if the government is hellbent on spending trillions, then let's spend it going to the moon! What the heck?
If you can afford a car or a house, now is the time to buy.
I think if you are sitting around waiting for the for the government to give you money, you need to spend that time getting a job and before you know it, you won't need or want government money.
I'm pretty sure I'm smarter than many in our Congress and I sure don't think I'm smart enough to run for office. That thought scares me.
I believe it is important to know everything about your children. It's easy to see change when you are that aware.
I like Childress and her residents - especially the ones who are reading this.
I hope we get adequate moisture this spring.
I hate to run, but I need to drop some weight.
Seeing my boys on the big slide at Fair Park scares me to death.
Sometimes I wonder why my wife likes me. Other times I wonder how she can tolerate me.
I wish everyone of us would take the effort to let our elected officials know what we think about giving a company like AIG \$100 billion.
I love to hold and squeeze my boys every day because I know it won't last forever.
Sean Penn is not smart ... at all. He can act however.
I tell you this because today I was asked what I was thinking. That's about it for now.

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In and Around Close City

by Traci Freeman

Weather

Warm and Windy, that's all there is to say, seems like it cools down every time the weekend gets here though. We still need rain badly so keep that in your daily prayers. I'm sure everyone has noticed how pretty the sunsets have been. I took a picture Monday night looking out my back door that was just beautiful, go on the blog and check it out. Makes you realize West Texas is not just hot, dry and brown, it does have some beautiful scenery.

News

Ok.....all my complaining and chewing people out finally paid off, we got our speed limit signs. They are not as slow as I would have liked them to be but 55 is better than 70. So when you are driving thru Close City, obey the signs and slow down. Thanks to everyone



who signed the petition and to the others that worked in higher places to get this done, you know who you are.

Ronnie and Diane Graves spent some time with a couple of their grandchildren. Kyler and Karsen West spent Friday night with them, they are

the children of Mark and Angela West of Lubbock. Ronnie is one of our producers here.

Kaylyn Dean celebrated her birthday last week with a trip to Lubbock with her mom, Kerri. They got to Lubbock and met up with Krisha, Zach, baby Luca, Valerie and MawMaw. Kaylyn is the granddaughter of Ricky and Judy Bush of Levelland.

Visitors

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Weekly Inspirations

PUTTING THE WORLD BACK TOGETHER

By: Michael F. Taylor

Young Johnny was very excited to see his father Jonathan walk through the front door after a hard day at work. Jonathan was simply exhausted and wanted nothing more than to sit down in his Lazy Boy recliner, read the evening newspaper and mellow out. Unfortunately for Jonathan, little Johnny wasn't having any of it and began immediately pestering his father. Johnny would run behind the chair and meow, like a cat. When Father would chastise him, Johnny would quite down for a few moments and then crawl under his feet, barking like a dog. After about thirty minutes of this type of behavior, Jonathan believed that he had figured out a way to occupy little Johnny's time for a good long while. The newspaper he was reading contained a very large and in-depth picture of the world map. Jonathan began tearing the picture into thirty pieces and then instructed Johnny, "Here son, you go into your room and put the world back together." Feeling proud and confident that he would now have some free time and believing that he had also contributed to his son's education, Jonathan kicked his feet up and began reading his newspaper once again. Only to be confronted by little Johnny five minutes later!

"Johnny! What are you doing? I asked you to put the world back together," Jonathan declared exasperated. "Look Daddy, I put it all back together!" a proud Johnny exclaimed. With that, Johnny handed his father a taped together world map completely intact. "How did you possibly do that in five minutes, Johnny?" asked his father. "Well, you see on the back, there was a picture of a man. When I put the man back together, the world also came back together!" little Johnny proudly explained.

Did you know that God also sent one man to put the world back together again? And when we place our faith and our hope in Him, whatever is going on in our world that seems torn and shattered comes back to wholeness. Scripture instructs us "But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." Matthew 1:20-21 NIV. And in 1 Thessalonians 5:9-11, we are told, "For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing." NIV And one of my favorites, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God." 2 Corinthians 5:17-20 NIV

Your life and yes, the world can be put back together with the picture of one man, reconciling us to Him. His name is the name above all others and He is there for you today. God bless each of you this week and remember our ministry is a God given one of reconciliation.

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Spring Sports

Post girls off to 9-1 start

The Post Lady Lopes won two more games last week to improve to 9-1 on the season.

Last Friday, the Lady Lopes hammered Muleshoe 15-1 behind five RBIs by Miranda Hair. Bethany Berry and Kelsey Overton added two RBIs, while Brooke Morris, Kari Dunn and Alex Miller each had one.

Sabrina Sanchez scored four runs off three singles and a double in the contest. Morris had one single and a double, and Dunn scored three runs in addition to hitting three singles and a double.

Hair scored three runs, and she hit a single, double and a triple. Berry had one single, and Overton scored two runs and hit a pair of singles and two doubles. Sydnee Jones had two singles and a run scored in the game and Miller added one single and one run scored.

Last Monday, the Lady Lopes took care of Abernathy 10-4. Overton led the team with four RBIs in the game.

Hair added a single, double and a homerun during the win.

At the plate, Miller had two singles; Jones had two singles; Sanchez added a single and a double; Overton had two singles and a triple; Morris had a single and a triple and Berry added two singles and a triple.

Next, the girls play in a Ralls tournament before playing at Abernathy Tuesday. The team starts district play Saturday, March 21 at home against Idalou.

Four Lady Lopes named All-District

Four Post Lady Lopes basketball players were named to the District 3-2A All-District list.

Junior Branda Stevens represented the Lady Lopes on the District 3-2A All-District First Team and Junior Cheyenne Miller was chosen for the Second Team. Senior Sabrina Sanchez and Junior Alex Miller earned Honorable Mention honors.

Schedule:

Saturday: Post @ Snyder Track Meet

Monday: Antelope Golfers

@ Tahoka; 9 a.m.

Wednesday: Lady Lope Golfers

@ Tahoka; 9 a.m.



The Post Lady Lopes are 9-1 after wins against Muleshoe and Abernathy. Above, Alex Miller takes a swing against Muleshoe. Miranda Hair (right) dives into second base. Below, right, the Lady Lopes huddle up for a meeting with coach Whitfill, and (below, right) an Abernathy runner slides home while Kelsey Overton applies the tag. Sabrina Sanchez (below) and Kari Dunn (bottom) both take bases against Muleshoe.

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Post High tennis team plays in Shallowater

Post High School Tennis players participated in the Shallowater Invitational Tournament Feb. 20 & Feb. 21. The following students represented Post High School: Amber Wilson, Madison Davis, Katelyn Elmore, Darlene Araiza, Shirley Araiza, Kambry Mason, Alexandra Rodriguez, Alissa Morrow, Leah Perez, Cheree Conner, Morgan Williams.

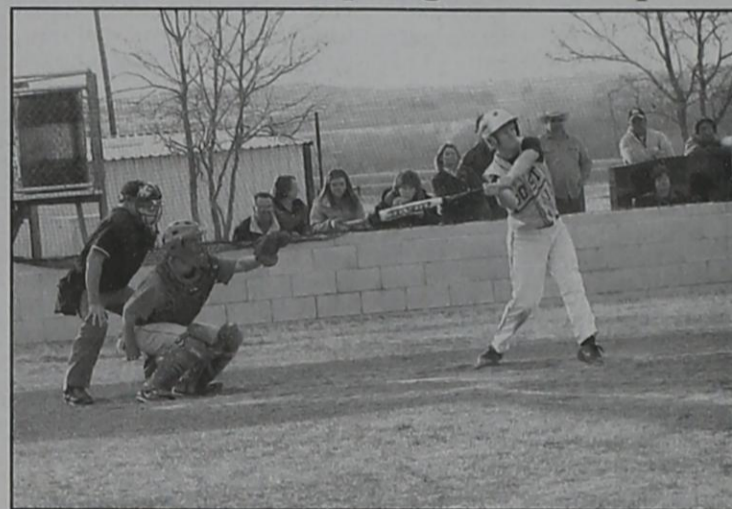
Post had a 3rd place finish in the B Division for the doubles team of Darlene Araiza and Alexandra Rodriguez.

Baseball Schedule:

Friday-Saturday: Post Lopes

@ Sweetwater Baseball Tournament

Tuesday: Post Lopes @ Idalou; 7 p.m.



The Post Lopes won the first ever Norm Cash Invitational winning all three of their contests last weekend. They beat Claude 8-0, Muleshoe 13-3 and Claude 20-1 for the Championship. Top, the team holds their trophy. Team members include (top row, from left) Coach Scott, Bubba Blevins, Clint Windham, Reed Williams, John Bocko, Jacob Perez, Coach Hardin, (second row, from left) Jesse Vera, Kevin Strube, Mitchell James, Aaron James, (bottom row, from left) Chess Postell, M.J. Wynn, Ernie Saldivar and Grant James. Above, Post pitcher Aaron James throws to Mitchell James to try to tag out a Claude runner. Left, Wynn attempts to steal home, and (above, right) Blevins bats against Claude.

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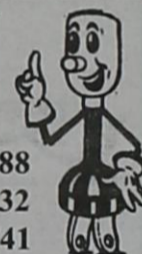
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March 10

Breakfast - Churros, sausage link, fruit, milk
Lunch - Stuffed baked potato, baby carrots w/ranch, fresh fruit cup, texas toast, milk

March 11

Breakfast - Malt-o-meal, toast, sausage, fruit, milk
Lunch - Oven crispy chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls, fancy gelatin, milk

March 12

Breakfast - Cowboy bread, sausage link, fruit, milk
Lunch - Nachos grande, lettuce & tomato, orange smiles, cornbread, milk

March 13

Breakfast - Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk
Lunch - Corn dog, oven fried potatoes, broccoli w/ranch, sparkly apple, rice crispy treat, milk

Southland ISD

March 9

Breakfast - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk
Lunch - Burrito, Spanish rice, tossed salad, fresh fruit choice, sugar cookie, milk

March 10

Breakfast - Biscuits, sausage,

gravy, juice, milk
Lunch - BBQ chicken, macaroni & cheese, tossed salad, chilled pears, cornbread, milk

March 11

Breakfast - Eggs, bacon, toast, juice, milk
Lunch - Steak fingers, mashed potatoes w/gravy, green beans, hot roll, frozen cherry bar, milk

March 12

Breakfast - Breakfast bar, yogurt, juice, milk
Lunch - Chicken Fajitas, broccoli & cheese, seasoned corn, French bread, stick, apricot fruit fluff, milk

March 13

Breakfast - Breakfast burrito, juice, milk
Lunch - Corn dog, tater tots, fruit rollups, milk

TRAILBLAZERS

March 9

BBQ chicken, corn, salad, black eyed peas, strawberry cake

March 10

Chicken spaghetti, spinach, salad, bread twist, banana pudding

March 11

Pork rind, sweet potato bites, green beans, biscuits, dry jello salad

March 12

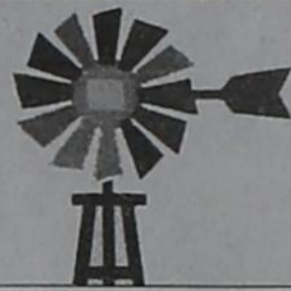
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March 13

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Yesteryears

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10 Years Ago March 4, 1999

Devin Odom was recognized for academic achievement for the 1988 fall semester at Western Texas College. Snyder Odom was named to the Merit List.

Tiana Maury Shiver of Houston and Michael P. Bonderer of Pacific Palisades were married Feb. 13, at 4 p.m. at the home of the bride's sister in Fort Worth. The bride is the daughter of Maury Shiver of Granbury and the late W. F. Shiver.

Post Elementary School science fair winners competing at the regional meet at Texas Tech were fourth grade students Steven Hair, first place and best of show; Drew Fumagalli, second place; fifth grade students Kenneth Garay, second place and first place Stace Norman.

Members attending the Xi Delta Rho chapter of Beta Sigma Phi's Easter party were Mary Edwards, Celia Mason, Jan Acker, Angie Babb, Dana Babb, Amy Morris, JoAnn Stelzer, Jody Whisenhunt and Shanda Kelso.

20 Years Ago March 5, 1989

Russ Bird's Simmental Steer was Breed Champion at the San Antonio Stock Show, winning the right to compete in the Show of Champions and then the sale, where Russ received \$3,100 in Premium Prize money.

The City of Post received a check in the amount of \$1,09.13 for fourth quarter 1988 for the two-percent local gross receipts tax levied on bingo.

Sophomore Crystal Clay and Senior Traci Tannehill were selected to the elite All-District girls basketball team.

William Eric Skinner, son of Buddy and Harriette Skinner of Justiceburg, joined the firm of Reuben M. Smith Associates, a Nashville, Tennessee, advertising public relations firm.

Even St. Valentine would have been impressed with the beautiful party Gladys Blair and Georgia Slough gave the Green Thumb Garden Club and their husbands at the Community Center.

30 Years Ago March 8, 1979

Tanya Bland was named high point youth for 4-H clubs during the fair held in conjunction with the stock show.

Drilling was expected to get underway this week in 1979 on the long delayed oil well on the courthouse lawn.

Despite cold, blustery north winds, the Post Antelope track squad finished seventh out of 14 teams in the Idalou Wildcat track meet in Idalou with a total of 33 points which came as a result of the mile relay team of Cliff Kirkpatrick, Alonza Luna, Johnny Williams and Bryan Compton finishing second with a time of 3:44.8.

Ray Diekemper of Lubbock was guest at the Post Rotary Club and showed slides of his trip to China.

Jackie Stelzer, Post singles player was the only Post entrant to win his way past the first round in the big Odessa Invitational Tennis Tournament in Odessa.

Perry Hill and Gerry Hill, Southland High School sophomores, were selected to the boys' All-District basketball team. Stacy Rush, senior, and Cynthia Wheeler, sophomore, were selected to the girls' All-District team.

40 Years Ago March 6, 1969

George "Scotty" Samson, who nearly sixty years ago "turned" the first batch of concrete that went into the construction of Post's mill, this week announced his retirement as general maintenance superintendent at the plant.

The resignation of E. A. (Eddie Warren) as city manager and Carleton P. Webb as city attorney were submitted to the city council at its regular meeting.

Coach Kenneth Poole had 23 boys out for his golf team. Of the 23 golfers, 10 would be selected to represent Post High School.

Tim Prather placed second in calf roping with a time of 14 seconds at the Houston Livestock Show Rodeo. Others competing included Jack Kirkpatrick of Post and R. E. Josey, formerly of Post.

Army Sgt Joe Sanchez, son of Ben Sanchez of Post, receive his third award of the Purple Heart during ceremonies in Vietnam.

50 Years Ago March 5, 1959

Claud Collier, Jr. of Caprock Chevrolet presented the keys of a new pickup to Royce Hart, president of the Post chapter of Future Farmers of America. Use of the vehicle is the motor company's contribution to the FFA program.

Named as the six best actors by a group of judges in the one-act play competition were Melanie Thompson, Leta Stone, Scarlet Taylor, Leslie Acker, Curtis

Midway and Victor Hudman.

The Board of Trustees of Post Independent School District voted at their meeting to spend \$710,000 on a school plant expansion program and to raise tax valuations 10 percent to finance the program.

Bobby Beard's 175 points led the Post freshmen team's scoring in compiling a 12-4 record for the 1959-60 season, including two tournament championships.

The Justiceburg school lunchroom was the scene for a party honoring Dee Cecil Justice on his birthday.

60 Years Ago March 9, 1949

The Post Consolidated School Board's bids on two war surplus buildings were approved by the War Assets Administration and checks were mailed this week in 1949 for the structures which the board plan to move within 60 days from the South Plains Army Air Force Base near Lubbock.

Don El Dale received the Webelos Award, the highest honor in Cub Scouting, at a meeting of the Cub Scout Pack at City Hall.

Jimmy Puckett and A. J. McAllister were named as recruiting sergeants for the Junior Deputy Sheriff's Association which Sheriff E. M. Bass and Deputy Sheriff V. A. Lobban organized.

Carter Gene White showed the Grand Champion and Zoe Sims showed the Reserve Champion in the annual 4-H Calf show held here.

Tickets went on sale for \$2 per couple for the annual Post Firemen's Ball.

A capacity crowd attended Mrs. J. A. Stalling's Personality Class show and the movie "Bambi" at the Garza Theatre. Among the students performing were a group composed of Kay Gordon, Charlotte Taylor, Jane Francis, Lin Alyn Cox, Beverly Young and Jan Herring.

SUDOKU

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9	8	3	5	1	7	1	6	2
4	4	2	1	5	4	3	6	8

SUNMER

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ACROSS

- 1 TXism: "got a skunk by the _____" (trouble)
- 5 once a pharmacy name in TX
- 6 military branch of Abilene Dyess (abbr.)
- 7 TX-born Ron who was a base-stealing Atlanta Brave ('87-93)
- 8 TX-based "Pizza _____"
- 9 TXism: "_____ to a rattler" (wicked)
- 12 singer Hayes or physicist Newton
- 16 Van _____, TX
- 18 TX Swayze's home in CA: "Bizarro"
- 21 TXism: "more than you can shake a _____" (a lot)
- 22 "Texas Eagle" is an _____ train
- 23 TXism: "_____ horse of a different color"
- 28 TX Kenny Rogers' "Love Will _____ You Around"
- 29 drug addict
- 30 slide back the bar in a door
- 31 TXism: "talks _____ streak" (talks fast)
- 35 Fredericksburg Oktoberfest food: _____ kraut
- 36 TX coast destination for Spring Break
- 42 TX Comptroller of Public Accounts once had this title
- 44 TX Audie fought _____ jumpers in "Duel at Silver Creek"

- 46 TXism: "quit _____ the handle" (get to work)
- 48 rare eye inflammation disorder: "_____ Syndrome"
- 49 TX Stone who formed the "Family Stone"
- 50 TXism: "weak as _____ day kitten"
- 51 TXism: "dainty as _____ doily"

- 52 TXism: "_____ -suckin' dog"
- 53 "Texas Two-_____"
- 54 "Texas" is a musical _____ in Palo Duro Canyon
- 56 TXism: "he put on the feed bag"
- 57 horse doc
- 58 feminine suffix

DOWN

- 1 TXism: "_____ drive steak"
- 2 in TX, rape is called sexual _____
- 3 TXism: "_____ still for that" (against)
- 4 top-of-the-barn space
- 9 Beaumont FM
- 10 TX Larry McMurtry's essays on TX (4 wds.)

- 11 where Dallas Stars try to put the puck
- 12 TX Willie's dad
- 13 he supplied the TX Rangers with their first revolvers
- 14 picnic pests
- 15 first King Ranch land was bought for less than 2-cents an _____
- 17 private Fort Worth university (abbr.)
- 16 _____ broiled steak
- 20 neighbor across the Red River (abbr.)
- 23 this became TXU in 1998
- 24 init. of George H.'s "Stormin'" general
- 25 TXism: "blind as _____"
- 26 Alamo excursions

- 27 TX-born Chill Willis film: "City That Never _____"
- 32 TX Willie sang "Let It _____ Me"
- 33 a Chinese mile
- 34 TX country (abbr.)
- 36 TXism: "_____ to bed with a shovel" (bury)
- 37 opera solo
- 38 fender after a "fender bender"

- 39 these blooms can kill fish off the TX coast
- 40 civil rights org. with branches in TX
- 41 "wine and _____"
- 43 mom's complaint: "this room looks like a pig _____"
- 45 Streep of TX-filmed "Silkwood" (init.)
- 47 impractical fence? (2 wds.)
- 48 "house" south of the border
- 55 NY National League Astro opponent

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THE SCORPION SCOOP

VOL 117

TRUE OR FALSE?

- T F 1. Scorpions glow in the dark.
- T F 2. Scorpions have 8-12 eyes.
- T F 3. Most scorpions are no more harmful than a bee/wasp sting
- T F 4. Scorpions are insects.
- T F 5. Scorpions bite.
- T F 6. Scorpions only live in the desert.

Insects have 6 legs and 3 main body parts. Eight legged scorpions are arthropod arachnids, not insects, which mean they have an outer exoskeleton and only 2 main body parts: the cephalothorax contains the mouth, eyes, claws and legs and the abdomen which is divided into 12 segments.

MOST POISONOUS ANIMALS



DANGER

- Box Jellyfish (venom can stop the heart and eat away skin)
- Marbled cone snail (toxin causes lungs to quit working)
- Blue-ringed octopus (within minutes of the painless bite humans experience muscular weakness, then death)
- Death stalker scorpion (causes severe pain followed by coma, convulsions and death)
- Stonefish (contact with the fish's spines leads to pain, swelling, shock, and then death)
- Sydney Funnel Spider (poison from fangs can kill a human in 15 minutes)
- Inland Taipan (one snake bite has enough poison to kill 100 men)
- Poison Dart Frog (just touching the skin of this rainforest frog can kill a human)

NIGHT LIGHT

Scorpions are nocturnal and spend most of the day hidden under rocks, woodpiles or burrowed underground. Due to chemicals found in their outer shell scorpions actually glow in the dark when exposed to ultraviolet (UV) light.

QUIZ ANSWERS: 1-T, 2-T, 3-T, 4-F, 5-F, 6-F



Scorpions range in size from 1/2 inch to 8 inches in length. Their life span in 15 years. They may live in any climate but the most USA concentration is found in AZ, CA, NM and TX.

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Venom is stored in a sac under the curved spine.

Pectines (tiny comb like hairs on the underside) act as sensors to alert the scorpions when prey passes close by.

Pedipalps are used to grip and crush prey.

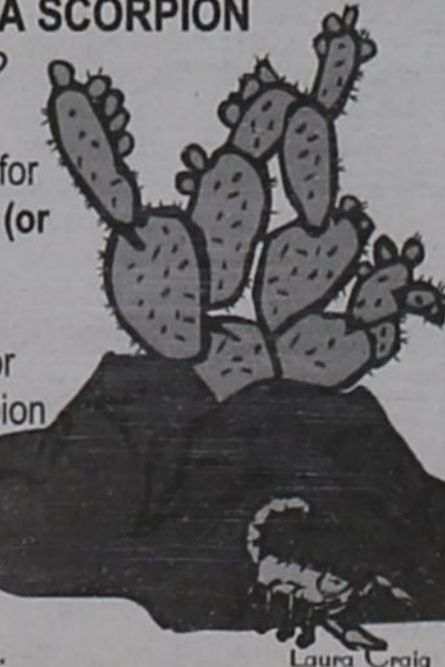
Scorpions can twist their hind part and stinger overhead for a full frontal attack.

Cephalothorax contains legs, mouth, 8-12 eyes & 2 claws.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU GET STUNG BY A SCORPION

Should you run for your life? Call 911?

Unless you are one of the rare people allergic to a scorpion sting (scorpions do not bite!), just reach for an icepack. Most scorpions are no more harmful (or painful) than a bee or wasp sting. Of the 1,300 scorpion species only about 25 have venom that is harmful to humans. If you happen to be in Arizona or New Mexico and are stung by the only deadly scorpion found in the US—the Arizona Bark Scorpion, go to any Emergency Room and get an anti-venom shot to counteract the poison. World wide there are 3 to 5,000 scorpion deaths each year. Most occur in Africa and South America.



Laura Croig

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 in to pick up a few caps and something cool to drink on Monday.
 Grant Bright and a friend of his came down last week, Grant is the nephew of Doug and Claudine Tipton, he comes in from Albuquerque often to check on them.

Get Wells
 All of us in Ragtown send a big get well out to Jack Moore. Jack is in the hospital in Lubbock and we want him and his family to know that we have them in our prayers. Jack is married to Rolanna who is the granddaughter of the late Ray and Dovie Young.

Birthdays
 March 9th - Rylan Morris
 March 9th - Cody Nowlin
 March 10th - Patty Lopez
 Don't forget our Ragtown Folks in the nursing homes; Doug and Claudine Tipton in Post and Carmen Abraham in Lubbock. Keep our troops in your daily prayers and check out our blog at <http://closecitycoopin.blogspot.com> don't forget to send me your recipes so that I can post them on the blog.

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Shattered Dreams
 Post High School
 March 10 & 11

Post ISD GED Class
 Post High School/Southwest Entrance
 Room 18
 March 12
 5-8 p.m.

Trailblazers Senior Citizens Center Game Night
 March 12
 5:30 p.m.
 205 E. 10th

Stitchin' Group
 Heritage House
 March 12
 6 p.m.

Call 495-4148 for information

Post ISD Early Release
 March 13
 1:30 p.m.

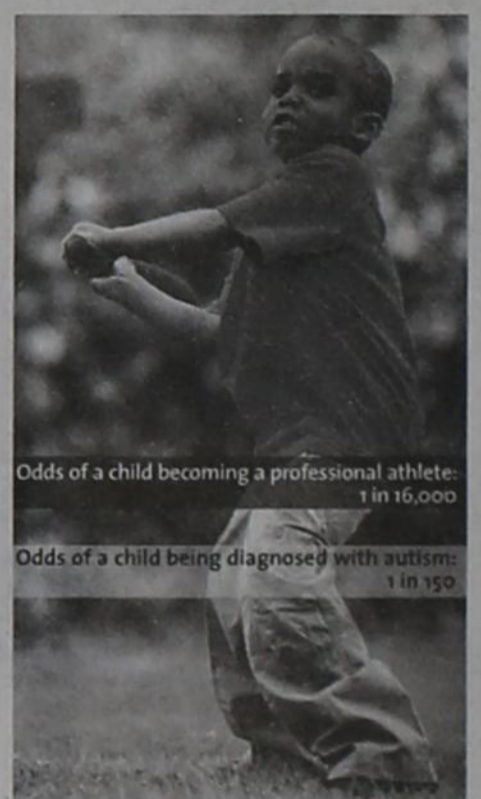
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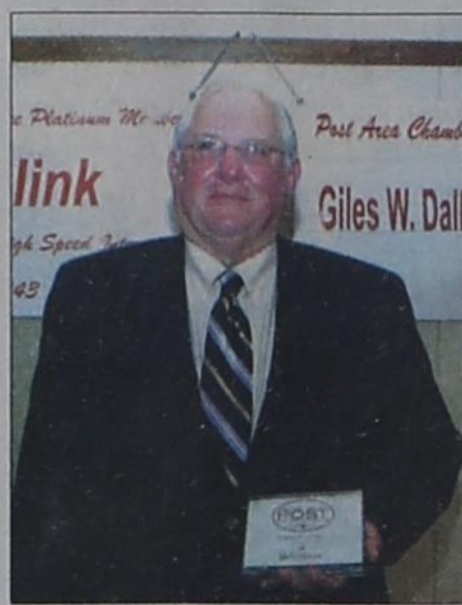


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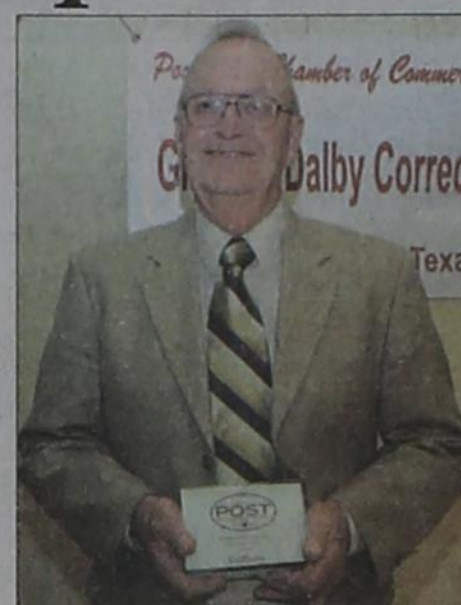
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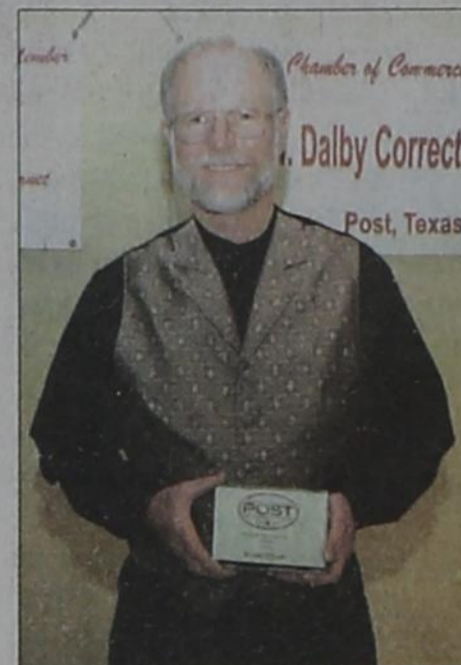
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Volunteer Fireman and Rookie Fireman of the Year
Fire Chief Les Looney and Dustin Merritt



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REMINDER

To all City of Post Residents: With Spring fast approaching and summer right around the corner, everyone needs to be aware of City ordinances. Listed below are a few ordinances that need to be addressed. City of Post Code of Ordinances available at franklinlegal.net/post-flp.

Complaint forms available at City Hall for residence witnessing code violations.

If you have any questions regarding the City Ordinances please feel free to contact Cynthia Williams at 806-495-2811.

Thank You in advance for your cooperation.

Sec. 13.03.012 Placing waste on street, alley or sidewalk

It shall be unlawful for any person to place or dispose of any kitchen garbage, dry kitchen refuse, trash or rubbish in or upon any street, alley or sidewalk within the city. Every owner or operator of any premises shall keep the alleys, streets and sidewalks abutting on the premises free and clear of all garbage, trash and rubbish. (2002 Code, sec. 51.09(A))

Sec. 13.03.009 Disposal of bulky materials, construction debris and other special waste

(a) Every owner, operator or occupant of any premises, store, factory, or business shall dispose of all trees over four feet in length, tree trunks, automobile bodies, abandoned automobiles, tires, industrial waste, and the like. Arrangements for this special service may be made with the city's garbage department if personnel and equipment are available for the service. Charges for the special service shall be on a cost basis.

(b) Every owner or occupant of any premises shall dispose of any dirt, grass, trash and the like resulting from yard work or lot leveling contracted for or performed by the owner or occupant. The disposal shall be made at the city landfill site consistent with provisions of this article and other ordinances of the city.

(c) The general contractor on a construction job shall remove and properly dispose of all scrap lumber and trash resulting from construction inside the city limits. Scrap lumber and trash shall be disposed of at the city sanitary landfill site or some other site consistent with provisions of this article and all ordinances of the city. If there is no general contractor, then the owner of the property shall dispose of the scrap lumber, trash, and the like according to provisions of this article.

(2002 Code, sec. 51.07(A)-(C))

Sec. 14.02.111 8 A-B-C Garage Sales

(8) Garage sales; the sale of items normally accumulated by a household may be sold from premises designated as R-1 upon compliance with the following conditions:

(A) Any person or persons intending to hold a garage sale shall make application for a permit with the zone administrator not less than five days prior to the sale. The permit shall be displayed openly during all hours of the sale, at the location, and in plain view. Failure to display the permit shall constitute a misdemeanor offense.

(B) Garage sales shall be permitted provided the sales shall not continue for more than 48 consecutive hours and no more than one sale shall be conducted at the same address in any three-month period.

(C) Only one unlighted sign not exceeding 12 square feet in area shall be permitted for each sale. The sign shall pertain to the garage sale only and shall be located on the property where the sale is conducted and shall not be placed upon any public property. The sign will be permitted for the duration of the sale only.

(2002 Code, sec. 152.035)

Sec. 1.01.009 General penalty for violations of code; continuing violations

(a) Whenever in this code or in any ordinance of the city an act is prohibited or is made or declared to be unlawful or an offense or a misdemeanor or whenever in this code or such ordinance the doing of any act is required or the failure to do any act is declared to be unlawful, and no specific penalty is provided therefor, the violation of any such provision of this code or any such ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

(b) A fine or penalty for the violation of a rule, ordinance or police regulation that governs fire safety, zoning or public health and sanitation, including the dumping of refuse, may not exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00).

(c) Unless otherwise specifically stated in this code, any violation of this code or of any ordinance that is punishable by a fine that does not exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) does not require a culpable mental state, and a culpable mental state is hereby not required to prove any such offense. Unless otherwise specifically stated in this code, any violation of this code or of any ordinance that is punishable by a fine that exceeds five hundred dollars (\$500.00) shall require a culpable mental state.

(d) No penalty shall be greater or less than the penalty provided for the same or a similar offense under the laws of the state.

(e) Unless otherwise stated in this code or in any ordinance, each day any violation of this code or of any ordinance shall continue shall constitute a separate offense.

(f) In the event that any such violation is designated as a nuisance under the provisions of this code, such nuisance may be summarily abated by the city. In addition to the penalty prescribed above, the city may pursue other remedies such as abatement of nuisances, injunctive relief and revocation of licenses or permits.

(Ordinance adopting Code)

State law references—Penalties for violations, V.T.C.A., Local Government Code, sec. 54.001; penalty for class C misdemeanor, V.T.C.A., Penal Code, sec. 12.23; requirement of culpability, V.T.C.A., Penal Code, sec. 6.02.

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