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Jail Facility Enters Into Contract With Scurry County

By Rosa Latimer
 News Editor

COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT MEETINGS

All of these meetings are open to the public.

Chamber of Commerce Voter's Forum

City and School Candidates
 Heritage House
 April 21
 7 p.m.

Garza County Commissioners Court

April 27
 9 a.m.
 Garza County Courthouse
 300 W. Main

OTHER COMMUNITY EVENTS

Event info available at press time.

High School District Track Meet

@ Denver City
 April 17

JV/Varsity Softball

Vs. Shallowater
 April 17
 5 p.m.

"Magdalene"

Ragtown Gospel Theater
 April 17
 7:30 p.m.
 877-RAGTOWN for reservations

Varsity Baseball

Vs. Slaton
 April 18
 Noon

"Magdalene"

Ragtown Gospel Theater
 April 18
 3:00 p.m.
 877-RAGTOWN for reservations

4H Club Meeting

Citizens Bank Meeting Room
 April 20
 6:30 p.m.

JV/Varsity Baseball

@ Littlefield
 April 21
 4:30 p.m.

JV/Varsity Softball

@ Slaton
 April 21
 5 p.m.

Post Book Club

Heritage House
 April 21
 6 p.m.

Trailblazers Senior Citizens Center Game Night

April 21
 5:30 p.m.
 205 E. 10th

Stitchin' Group

Heritage House
 April 21
 6 p.m.
 Call 495-4148 for information

Trailblazers Senior Citizens Center Game Night

April 23
 5:30 p.m.
 205 E. 10th

At a regular meeting of the Garza County Commissioners Court Monday Judge Norman reported that Scurry County has contracted for 20 beds with prisoners expected soon. The Judge also reported that the U.S. Marshall's service was in town to inspect the jail. This is the second step in the service's process before it can contract for beds at the facility.

Emergency Management Coordinator, Michael Isbell reported that new radios are in, programmed and are ready for installation for commissioners' vehicles this week. Isbell added that there are 200 cots and 480 blankets for emergency use stored at the new jail. The items were obtained at no cost to the county.

The Judge also reported on his legislative involvement concerning tax abatement issues for new industries and special districts in rural counties. He recently testified in Austin before the Tax Ways and Means Committee concerning the tax abatements.

County Treasurer Ruth Ann Young explained that the

current four year contract with Citizens Bank will expire June 1, 2009. She added that the law authorizes the commissioners' court to negotiate a renewal of the existing contract, if agreeable to both parties, for an additional two years. Attorney Munk concurred. The Commissioners voted to offer Citizens Bank the renewal of the current depository contract for two years.

Treasurer Young also explained that the two current computers are more than five years old. She added that her office has experienced severe computer problems since February. Young provided a quote from the treasurer's software provider HCSS for a price of \$4800 for two new computers. The Court approved the purchase of computers as presented and the line item transfer for the funds from the treasurer's part-time accounting line item.

Attorney Munk, at the previous meeting, explained that with the court's permission he terminated a three year service agreement with Westlaw. Since then he received a letter stating he cannot cancel the contract. At this meeting he informed the court that he notified Westlaw Services in writing that he will pay for services up to February 10, 2009

and not thereafter. Munk's presentation was for information purposes only. No action by the Court was required.

Regarding renovation plans for the old sheriff's office/county jail building, Judge Norman explained that he and Commissioner McDaniel accepted a quote from Tanner's Appliance, Heating & Air concerning the re-working of the air conditioning system. The total cost for the project is \$9,500. No action was taken.

Four line item transfers and one budget amendment were submitted to the Court for approval: budget amendment from Precinct 3 Commissioner Brannon's office for \$15,000 to be taken from his reserve account; line item transfer presented for the Sheriff's office for \$90.46; line item transfer presented for the extension service office for \$1114.50; line item transfer presented for the jailer's office for \$7864.10; line item transfer presented for the clerk's office for \$20.

The court also approved the minutes from the March 23 regular meeting. Precinct and countywide accounts payable for March 24, 2009 through April, 2009 were approved.

The next regular Commissioner's Court will meet April 27 at 9 p.m.



The Garza County Health Care District held a reception last week to honor three employees. With 60 years service between them, (from left) Charles "Chuck" Ratliff, 22 years; Shirley Taylor, 31 years; and Ronnie Parrish, 7 years were presented plaques during the event in honor of their long time service and dedication.

Courtesy Photo

Voter's Forum Scheduled

The Post Area Chamber of Commerce will host a non-partisan Voter's Forum for city and school board candidates Tuesday, April 21, 7 p.m. at the Heritage House, 109 No. Avenue N. Chamber member and former County Attorney Leslie Acker will serve as facilitator of the event. Each candidate will have a maximum ten minutes to speak to the audience and answer questions.

"The Chamber held a similar event last year that was very well attended," said Harry Record, Public Relations Director for the Chamber. "We encourage all voters to come and learn more about the candidates."

According to the Chamber office the following candidates have agreed to appear at the forum: Mayoral candidates Thressa Harp and T. K. Thompson; City Council Ward 1 Trena Woods; City Council Ward 2 Archie Gill and Dick Odom; School Board At-Large Alexa Collier and Fred Postell.

School Board candidate Mike Holly declined to participate in the forum. At press time City Council Ward 1 candidate Melba Cimental was undecided and the Chamber office had not received a response from School Board candidate Milton Williams.

Early voting begins April 27. City and School election day is May 9.

Ragtown Production Features Post Actors

By Rosa Latimer
 News Editor

Post actors Zoe Kirkpatrick and Christy Morris are part of the support cast for Ragtown Theater's production of "Magdalene." According to the theater's web site, other actors appearing in the Biblical drama written by Chip Polk and directed by Glenn Polk are: Amy Sever, Steve Sever, Jenny Stowe, and Casey Wheeler.

The web site describes the play as presenting "the women

who supported and served the early church, caught up in a current of intrigue and danger. Salome, sister of the Lord's mother and mother of James and John, along with Mary Magdalene, Joanna, and others who walked with Jesus are portrayed."

Performances begin this weekend with a Friday night performance at 7:30 and Saturday at 3 p.m. Tickets for this production are \$20 for adults, children and students half price and groups of 12 or more, \$15. Visit www.ragtown.com for more information.



Post elementary and middle school science fair students that went to regional in the science fair were (top row), Quincey Quintana, Audree Williams, Patti Lopez, Ashley Collazo, Jaycee Johnson, Katie Dunn, Daniela Alaniz, Kelsy Griffin, Jaime Marquez. Bottom row-Trey Havens, Sebastian Montoya, Brody Kelso, Blaze Smith. Wise girls with their cars are Paige Crispin, Casey Eller, Kelbie Oden, Evelin Alaniz, Rebecca Taylor, Katie Colvin, Kelsey Griffin, Kortnee McKee.

Health Clinic Discussing Possible Second Physician

The Post Dispatch was contacted by Ray Bagby, a member of the Board of Directors for the Garza County Health Care District, concerning a news story that appeared in the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal earlier this week.

The article was worded in a manner that left the impression that the Garza County Health Clinic would be seeking a doctor in the near future to replace Dr. Edwards. Bagby explained, "The correct message is that the Health Clinic will most likely be adding a second doctor to the staff during the next year. Dr. Ben Edwards has no plans to leave." The Avalanche-Journal printed a correction to the story; however, the correction was not as prominent as the original story.

The Garza County Health Care District completed construction on the new 4,776 sq. ft. Health Clinic earlier this year. At this time Edwards is the only primary care physician at the clinic.

Post Notes

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 p_h_s_class98@yahoo.com or call Macee at 719.260.8312. We are missing home and e-mail addresses for the following people: Shad Bradford, Trey Conner, Luke Cooper, Michelle Cotter, Bobbie Jo Davis, Micaela Eagle, Johnny Espitia, Jodi Foreman, Creselda Garcia, Homer Gomez, Anthony Gomez, Imelda Gonzales, Jerry Graham, Chris Guerrero, Aaron Hanna, Sharlene Hymes, Clay Johnson, Chris Kagey, Erik Lopez, Amanda Martinez, Kayla Moore, Bryan Navarro, Brandon, Patschke, John Perez, Javier Ramos, Katrina Reed, Christy Reiter, Leonard Rodela, Michael Sanchez, Brenda Simental, and Sam Woods.

Voter's Forum Scheduled April 21

Be an informed voter! Attend a Vote's Forum sponsored by the Post Area Chamber of Commerce at 7:00 pm Tuesday, April 21, at the Heritage House located at 109 N. Ave N. Candidates for city and school elections have been invited to attend this non-partisan event to present their platforms. All Post & Garza County residents are invited to attend this free event. Call 495-3461 for more information.

Stitchin' Club learns to knit

The Stitchin' Club will have a knitting instructor at the next few meetings to help members learn to knit. The club meets at the Heritage House, 109 No. Avenue N, every Tuesday at 6 p.m. There is no cost to be part of the group. Members provide their own supplies. Call 495-4148 for more information.

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@idalouisid.net or call 806-201-1475.

Golf Tournament Scheduled June 27

Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility's Women in Corrections organization is sponsoring a two-man scramble golf tournament to benefit the American Cancer Society. The golf tournament will be held Saturday, June 27 at Elm Grove golf course in Lubbock. Cost is \$100 per team to play and hole sponsorship are \$150. Prizes will be awarded for winning teams, closest to the pin contest winners (male and female) and longest drive contest winners (male and female). Contact Susan Little or Sara Machee (495-2175) at the Dalby Facility to sign up.

Post Book Club

The Post Book Club will meet Tuesday, April 21 at the Heritage House, 109 No. Ave N. The book selection is "Angels and Demons" by Dan Brown who is also the author of "The Da Vinci Code". For more information call the Heritage House, 495-4148 or Ruby Lane Books, 495-2665.

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Opinions



The Paperboy

By Christopher Blackburn

Thanks For The Theft!

I had a building burglarized last week. Thieves broke in and stole some valuable items and vandalized the place. Here's how I feel about it: It would be worth them breaking in, if I could catch them breaking in.

I wonder if we could get the laws changed where the victim can get five minutes alone with the perpetrator(s).

I guess that wouldn't fly. Our liberal friends would have a fit if we did that. Too bad. That would be five minutes well spent.

It's frustrating when people decide to hit you where it hurts. You go through a gambit of questions and feelings.

Luckily, we have a group of people capable of getting things done regardless of the situation! I'm sure proud of them!

So many times newspapers are regarded as the bad guy for printing the news.

I've put family and friends in print ... and not for scoring the game-winning touchdown either. I've even placed myself in the not-so-flattering limelight.

As far as I'm concerned, having your name published is a risk you incur when you decide to do something which might get your name in the newspaper. In other words, before knocking off the local Allsup's, you might consider the fact that your name may indeed, end up in the newspaper.

I suppose you can consider the publicity you receive a deterrent of sorts. It should also encourage law enforcement to release names and information so they get the credit they deserve for keeping us safe and sound.

As for the criminals which burglarized my building - I certainly hope I get to publish your names soon!

President Obama made a great call giving our U.S. Navy SEALs the okay to rescue Capt. Richard Phillips, who was taken hostage when his freighter ship, the Maersk Alabama, was hijacked by pirates off the coast of Somalia last week.

"I am very proud of the efforts of the U.S. military and the many other departments and agencies that worked tirelessly to resolve this situation," Obama said.

The SEALs, which everyone should know are weapons unto themselves, were the perfect solution to the problem.

Obama deserves credit for not only making the call, but letting would-be pirates know our stance on piracy and kidnapping.

The following is some feedback I received recently. It is regarding a recent column I wrote which had the word "puke" in it.

Mr. Blackburn,

I was agreeing with you all the way down the page. Couldn't have said it better myself. Nodding my head and sitting in the "amen" corner on everything you were saying and then you had to ruin it by saying "puke."

Why couldn't you have just said something like regurgitate (for polite society) or maybe up chuck, throw up, vomit (I always want to when I see that word) or toss your cookies or even hurl ... or one of my favorites that it was sick enough to "gag a maggot."

I really never even thought before writing the word "puke." I guess it's one of those things that is in the eye of the beholder. One man's puke is not another man's regurgitation.

I hope none of you are trying to enjoy a meal while reading this. If so, I apologize.

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Christopher Blackburn is the president of Blackburn Media Group, owner of this publication. Feel free to comment on The Paperboy at <http://thenewbastion.blogspot.com/>.

Now Let's Personalize Health Care

By Gary E. Applebaum, M.D.

A recently released national survey shows that many Americans want "personalized medicine" to be a top priority in President Obama's healthcare reform efforts.

Obama would do well to heed the survey's results. And he can best address voters' desire for more customized medical care by promoting an emerging healthcare model known as "medical homes."

The survey, conducted on behalf of the Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative, found that of the respondents open to having their opinions on the then-presidential candidates changed, 75 percent would increase their support for the next President's healthcare platform if it included creating and supporting patient-centered medical homes.

The medical homes model puts a single personal physician as the point of contact between a patient and the medical establishment. The physician coordinates all of the patient's care for the entirety of her life, with particular stress put on preventative medicine and the use of health information technology (HIT).

If enacted nationwide, the medical home model has the potential to create more personalized care for every patient and help prevent chronic illnesses.

Currently, patient care isn't well coordinated among doctors. Different physicians for a single patient often don't communicate with each other about ongoing treatments or drug prescriptions. And many physicians still rely on paper files to track patients' medical history.

The use of HIT in medical homes would make it significantly easier for care givers to access a patient's medical files and

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coordinate care. And HIT enables patients to receive certain medical services without having to go to the doctor's office.

HIT has been used to great success already. In Massachusetts and Washington, for example, hundreds of thousands of patients use the state-level HIT program to file drug prescriptions and get virtual check-ups.

When I was the medical director of the one of the largest geriatric group practices in the country, HIT allowed us to dramatically improve patient satisfaction with our quality of care. And it allowed the people in our care to become more aware of their health.

This year, a nationalized HIT system connecting labs, pharmacies, hospitals, doctors, and federal agencies is supposed to go live. What is needed now is the political will to ensure that even the least privileged have access to this technology.

The medical home model would also cut down on soaring health care costs by increasing the use of preventative care.

In 2006, 75 percent of national healthcare spending was on treatments for chronic illnesses. The most common chronic illnesses cost the United States more than \$1 trillion annually -- and that number is on the rise.

Small changes in patient lifestyle can ward off future medical catastrophes. Proven preventative medical steps include weight control, improved nutrition, increased exercise, smoking cessation, and early disease detection.

A study by the Milken Institute estimated that a national

preventative medicine program could decrease the number of chronic illness cases by 40 million, and that the resulting increases in labor productivity would add \$1 trillion to the economy by 2023.

The Tufts Health Plan shows how HIT can be successfully utilized by medical homes to bolster preventative healthcare.

Tufts' staff uses Web-based predictive software to target patients at risk of developing certain diseases. Nurse case managers then follow up with patients to see if they're encountering barriers - such as transportation problems or dietary challenges - that are hindering them from following through on the doctor's preventative medical program.

Other health technology monitors patients' heart rate so that doctors can intervene with non-invasive treatment before a heart attack or stroke occurs. In its first year of operation, this technology prevented 50 percent of patients from having a heart attack.

The medical home model is urgently needed today to ensure all Americans have access to the personalized health care they want. Fortunately, President Obama consistently voiced his support for patient-centered medicine during his campaign. Let's hope he lives up to his promises now in office.

Gary Applebaum, M.D., is a senior fellow at the Center for Medicine in the Public Interest. He is the former Executive Vice President and Chief Medical Officer of Erickson Retirement Communities.

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Post-Southland Water Expansion

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Sealed proposals addressed to the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Post will be received at City Hall, 105 E. Main Street, Post, Texas until **2:00 PM, Tuesday, May 5, 2009** for furnishing all necessary materials, machinery, equipment, superintendence and labor for the construction of Post-Southland Water Expansion for the City of Post, Texas, including other incidental items of work as called for in the specifications. All bid summaries shall be read aloud in the Council Chambers at City Hall on the date listed above.

The base bid includes all site work, excavation, grading and associated items of work relating to the construction of one (1) 500,000 gallon steel ground storage tank. The base bid also includes the installation of two (2) booster pumps including all necessary piping, valves and fittings, controls, and any other necessary items of work required to connect the booster pumps and ground storage tank to the existing system. The base bid also includes the drilling and construction of three (3) new wells and all other necessary items of work required to connect the wells to the ground storage tank.

Bidders must submit a Cashier's or Certified Check issued by a bank satisfactory to the Owner, or a Bid Bond from a reliable Surety company, payable without recourse to the order of the City of Post, Texas, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the largest possible bid submitted as a guaranty that the bidder will enter into a contract and execute bonds and guaranty in the forms provided within ten (10) days after notice of award of contract to him. Bids without the required Check or Bid Bond will not be considered.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond, and Payment Bond, each in the amount of the contract, written by a responsible Surety Company, authorized to do business in the State of Texas and satisfactory to the Owner.

All lump sum and unit prices must be stated in both script and figures. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating the prices in the bids, the Owner reserves the right to consider the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject the bid. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive formalities, and to accept the bid which seems most advantageous to the City's interest.

Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and to inform themselves regarding all local conditions under which the work is to be done.

Payment for the work performed on this project will be paid by the City of Post. Information for Bidders, proposal forms, plans and specifications are on file at the office of the City Manager, Post, Texas and Oller Engineering, Inc., 2517 74th Street, Lubbock, Texas, 79423, (806) 748-5700.

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235080	21' 8"	0"	22"	1' 20"
			Rainfall for 2004	43.88"
			Rainfall for 2005	14.57"
			Rainfall for 2006	28.83"
			Rainfall for 2007	24.19"
			Rainfall for 2008	33.16"

DID YOU KNOW
White River Lake has 2,502,796,807 billion gallons left available at the lake or 27% capacity or 7,957 acre feet. Subject to 30,412,760 MGD for evaporation this week in April that leaves 2,502,383,647 MGD available as of today.
White River's daily average demand for 2008 was 1.25 million gallons per day for all White River Customers.
The Oil Company using water for cooling systems stopped until the lake level rises.
White River Municipal Water District is on 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.
The Post Reservoir Permit that the Water District Owns has been renewed by the State of Texas for another 4 years, and the trade for the permit to the City of Lubbock for Water Rights for the District's Member Cities continues.
Mickey Rogers GM White River

Obituaries

Lola Mae Ledbetter



Services for Lola Mae Lofton Ledbetter were 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Graham Chapel Church of Christ with Homer Jones and David Peebles officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery. Arrangements were under the personal care of Dee and Janet Justice, Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Lola Mae went home to be with her Lord and Savior Sunday, April 12, 2009 at the Covenant Specialty Hospital in Lubbock.

Born January 16, 1928 in Garza County to Sam Daniel and Clara Emma (Dooley) Lofton. She was raised at Graham Chapel and started school there. She graduated Post High School and married Mack Ledbetter Aug. 22, 1946. Brother J.F. Maxey performed the ceremony on the side of a county road, near his home. Since that time they have lived and farmed in the Graham Chapel Community. Lola Mae served as a room mother for many years and taught Sunday school over 50 years. She was the organizer for nursing home parties and took care of her family members and others at the care center for over 50 years. Lola Mae was known for her gardening, making rolls, decorative cookies for every occasion and also her chocolate cinnamon rolls. She was always doing church activities and helping make cookies for the detention center kids.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Sam Daniel and Clara Emma Lofton; three brothers: Douglas Lofton, Alvin Lofton and K.J. Lofton; sister-in-law, Jessie 'Dink' Lofton and a nephew, Billie Joe Lofton. She was a life long member of the Graham Chapel Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband of 62 years: Mack Ledbetter of Post; one son: Bruce and wife Debbie Ledbetter of Post; two daughters: Carolyn Walter of Canton and Debbie and husband, Carl Bowles of Plainview; nine grandchildren: Clint Walter and John Walter both of Dallas; Chris Bowles of Irving; Cliff Walter of Amarillo; Chanda Solis of Lub-

bock; Meagan Ray of Plainview; LaRinda Ledbetter of Post; Lorye Roye of O'Donnell and Matthew Ledbetter of Lubbock; eleven great-grandchildren: Koby, Austin, Mateo and Gabriel Solis of Lubbock; Marcus Ray and Mackenzie Moreman of Plainview; Shawn Ledbetter of Post; Madison and Morgan Roye of O'Donnell; and Caleb and Katlynn Ledbetter of Lubbock. Lola Mae was also survived by special friends: sister-in-law, Francis Lofton of Edmond, Oklahoma; Matthew Jackson of Amarillo; nieces, Joyce Nelson and husband Troy of Post; DeEva Martin and husband Skip of San Jose, CA; Jean Little and husband Ray of Post; Ann Strouder of Oklahoma and Augustine Mata Vega and family. Grandsons will be Pallbearers.

Visitation was held Tuesday from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. The family suggests memorials to Graham Chapel Church of Christ, 1016 West 15th Post, TX 79356 or to Buckners Children Home, 129 Brentwood Avenue Lubbock, TX 79416.

Minnie Lee Tanner



Services for Minnie Lee Tanner, 91, of Menard were held at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Hudman Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Barry Tilley of Lubbock officiating, assisted by Tim Tanner. Burial in Terrace Cemetery was under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

She was born February 7, 1918 in Selma, Alabama to Thomas and Minnie (White) Ray. She married Julius E. (Dick) Tanner on November 23, 1938 in LaGrange, Georgia. He preceded her in death on February 25, 1986. She lived in Post for many years before moving to Menard. She was an active member of the First United Methodist Church, the Post Culture Club and the Eastern Star.

Survivors include two sons: Herman Tanner of Irving and Norman Tanner of Menard; one

sister: Pauline Traylor of LaGrange, Georgia; seven grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

A son, Richard Tanner on February 27, 1997, also preceded her in death.

Jimmy Kennedy

Services for Jimmy Kennedy of Kilgore, formerly of Post, were held at the Forrest Home Baptist Church, Kilgore, April 4, 2009 at 10 a.m.

Jimmy was born July 23, 1947 in Breckenridge to the late James and Lois Kennedy. Jimmy grew up in Post. He graduated from Post High School and graduated from Howard Payne University in Brownwood. He married the love of his life, Margie Joiner, formerly of Sundown on July 23, 1967 in Post. Jimmy was pastor of Church of the Way in Kilgore. He was a joy to be around and was dearly loved by many people. He loved to cook and was an avid fisherman.

Interment was in Overton City Cemetery. Survivors include his wife Margie Kennedy, one son and daughter-in-law, Jim and Stacy Kennedy of Kilgore; six grandchildren; two brothers, Randy and Jana Kennedy of Panhandle and Benny and Denise Kennedy of Holly, CO; one aunt, Willie McBride of Post and a host of cousins.

Memorials may be made to Second Chance Ministries, 510 Kings Way, Overton, TX 75684.

Benjamin "Ben" Gordon

Benjamin "Ben" Gordon passed away Easter Sunday April 12, 2009 in Odessa.

He was born June 17, 1935 in Fairfield, TX to J. M. Gordon and Lela Page Gordon. He married Jane Taylor on May 1, 1957 in Post.

Mr. Gordon lived in Odessa since 1963, where he owned his own welding and machine shop. He loved spending time with his family, and was a devoted Christian who reverently loved and feared the Lord. He enjoyed metal detecting and cooking. Three words that sum up his life are: successful, hard-working and loving.

He is survived by his wife, Jane Gordon; a sister, Nora Gordon; daughters: Rhonda Grimes and husband Michael Grimes and Gina Gordon; grandchildren: Ben Marts and wife Julie Marts, Mandy Marts, Stephanie Marts and Taylor Marts.

Visitation with the family was April 14 at Sunset Memorial Funeral Home.



A pigeon by any other name is a big dove. There's not a dime's worth of difference between the town birds and their country cousins. And they all coo.

Previously, I thought differently. Context ruled. A dove on the farm was a dove. If I saw a similar bird in town - whether perched in the courthouse window or flying over St. Mark's Square - it was a pigeon. No relation.

One of my memories of Venice involves a pigeon that flew over me in 1969 as I stood alongside the Grand Canal wearing my new red and white striped gondolier's shirt. Splat. Right on my shoulder. Not very dove-like.

Indeed, pigeon droppings are the main reason the substantial birds are considered nuisances in urban settings, although more for historic buildings than random human targets.

Speaking of terminology, pigeon excrement by any other name is guano. Bats don't have a corner on that market. I thought they did. Even seal dung is defined as guano. Who'd have thought it? Guano is hot stuff, whatever the source. For the same reason it makes excellent fertilizer it damages old buildings, especially masonry. Apparently it's the acid-based content of the guano versus the base-based content of mortar. If my high school chemistry explanation isn't right, it's something like that.

Back to pigeons and doves. They're the perfect birds to see our country through our current economic crisis.

For one thing, in the hawk vs. dove realm, they're politically correct.

Secondly, they're edible and

especially palatable if you call them by their French name, which is pigeon.

When I dined at Antoine's in New Orleans, circa 1971, pigeon was on the all-French menu. Someone ordered the pigeon. It arrived looking like a very small chicken. We all asked, "How's the pigeon?" He probably said it tasted like chicken. I don't remember. I wondered if it came from nearby Jackson Square, the New Orleans version of Piazza San Marco.

Anyway, if this country plunges into an economic depression to rival the last one, people who live on the land can eat dove and wild hogs - many already do anyway - and people who live in big cities will be able to dine on pigeon, or pigeon.

By the time all the city pigeons get eaten or flee to join country relatives, the economy will be turning around, and we'll be left with a legacy of survival stories, some involving pigeons and doves.

Meanwhile, as gun laws tighten and ammunition costs rise, how to kill the birds? Traps? Maybe. But aren't traps inhumane?

Not to worry. Considering mankind's predilection for guns, someone will figure out how to make homemade ones from plowshares or urban equivalents thereof, if it comes to that.

As for ammo, there's good news. If gunpowder has to be concocted at home, guano works as the main ingredient. Not to overlook vegans, guano can fertilize the most intensive organic garden.

In the end, everyone is likely to survive it all, even the pigeons. Especially the pigeons.

CLEAN UP POST EVENT PLANNED

The Post Area Chamber of Commerce and the City of Post are sponsoring a "Clean Up Post" event Saturday, May 2 and Sunday, May 3. Residents are encouraged to use this weekend to clean up trash, weeds, and other debris around their homes and on vacant lots.

Large items should be placed beside the dumpster in the alley. Early in the week of May 4-8 City trucks will make extra runs to pick up items not contained in dumpsters. The City will only pick up items stacked near the dumpster during this designated time.

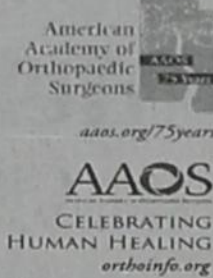
"Please do not stack items against the dumpster or block the dumpster in any way," explained City Manager Ric Walton. "This would prevent our trucks from making regular trash pick up."

Churches and other community groups are encouraged to use this weekend to help the elderly and disabled in our community clean up around their homes.

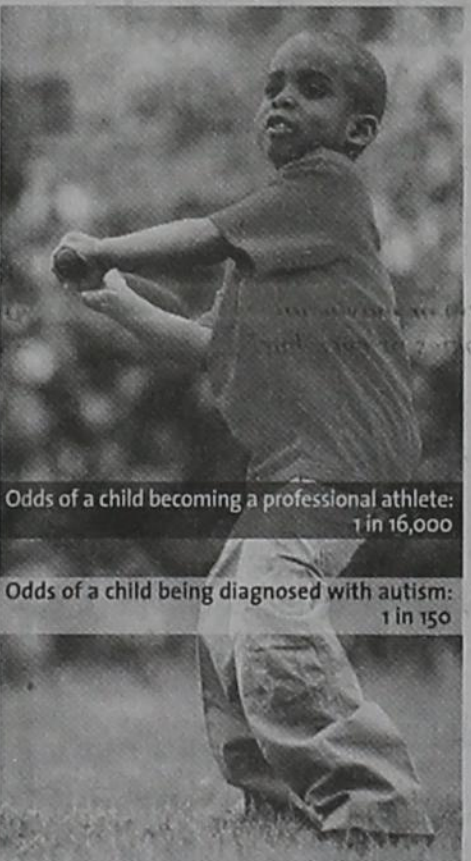
Contact the Chamber office, 495-3461, for more information.

A SHORT STORY ABOUT A HARD CURVE AND A HOME RUN.

Carol Truncala's story isn't just about how she prevailed through a severe childhood case of scoliosis, or curvature of the spine. It's about what she did when she grew up. She became a nurse—a decision inspired by the support and dedication she received from her own medical team during her long years of treatment and successful recovery. Carol Truncala's story leaves us with two of the most contagious messages we know: don't give up, and remember to give back. If Carol's story inspires just one more person to make a difference, then its telling here has been well worth while.



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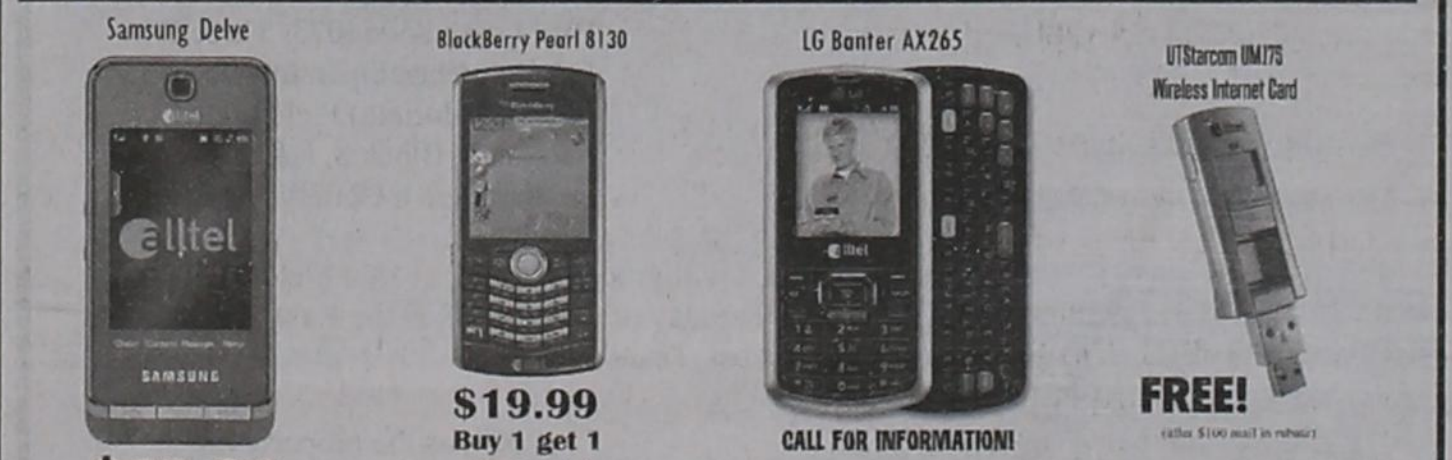
In the main lobby, the Admitting Department will be registering for outpatient and medical admissions only. It will be staffed from 7:00am - 6:00pm, Monday through Friday. For all emergencies, the new entrance will be open 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. Registration for outpatient services after normal hours of operation will take place in the Emergency Department.

Visiting hours for family and friends of patients will remain between the hours of 8:00am - 9:00pm, seven days a week. On weekends and after the hours of 9:00pm on weekdays, visitors will need to go to the Emergency Department to request a visitor's pass.

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Southland News

Congratulations to all of our track kids and coaches who competed in the District Track Meet last weekend. The weather was horrible, but the kids all stuck it out and competed very hard.

Congratulations especially to Laken Johnson and Kelcee Lewis who qualified for area in the 400 Meter Run and to Jade Zeleznikar and McKinsey Cantrell for qualifying in the Shot Put. Good Luck Ladies!!!

Congratulations to Mr. Pigg who was chosen by the Math Department at Texas Tech as their Outstanding Math Teacher of the Year. We truly appreciate everything that he has done and congratulate him on this great honor.

Area Track meet will be held on Friday at Sundown. Girls Shot Put is at noon and the 400 Meters

is at 5:15.

NHS will be working at the Haven Animal Shelter on Saturday.

Events for Next Week:

FFA Spring Meeting will be on Monday April 20th.

NHS will hold a teacher car wash on Friday April 24th.

Upcoming Events of Interest:

TAKS testing will take place Tuesday, April 28th- Friday, May 1st

Prom will be Saturday, May 2nd

FFA end-of-the-year banquet will be held Thursday, May 7th
Pride Side Trip to San Antonio will be held Friday, May 8th.

Events for This Week:

Area Track meet will be held on Friday at Sundown. Girls Shot Put is at noon and the 400 Meters

Post Notes

(Continued from Page 1)

Quilt Show

The Cotton Trail Quilters of Terry County are accepting entries for their Third Annual Quilt Show April 23-25. Contemporary and antique quilts are being accepted at the Texas AgriLife Extension Service, 209 S. 5th St., Brownfield, Tx 79316. Each entry must be accompanied by an Entry Form. The form can be found at <http://www.terrycountyquilts.com>. Or, call 806-637-4060 to have an entry form mailed. There is no entry fee. There is not limit to the number of quilts that a individual can enter. The deadline to turn quilts in will be 5 p.m. April 20. The Quilt Show will be in the building on the corner of South 5th and West Tate streets in Brownfield from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. each day. There is not admission fee and no judging; the purpose of the show is to enjoy quilts, salute quilters and appreciate cotton.

Special account to help Clark family

A special account has been set up for Chris Clark who is needing financial assistance to help pay for medical and utility bills. His kidneys have stopped working and he is permanently on dialysis until a donor is found. He is unable to work at this time, for more information contact Suzie or Carol at Well Fargo.

Girls Scouts sell tickets for Mother's Day Baskets

Post Girls Scouts will be selling tickets for a chance on gift baskets for Mother's Day. Each basket will have a variety of assorted items from local merchants. The tickets will be \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The drawing will be held on May 2nd at the Girl Scout Banquet. To purchase tickets, contact any Post Girl Scout or call on of the leaders to have a girl come by: Leslie Solis 495-4592, Alicia Graves, 495-1029, Courtney Fontenot 239-0086, Jenny Francis 495-2146 or Carol Tobias 495-3057.

Special account at Wells Fargo

A special account has been set up at Wells Fargo for Justin and Holly Willson to help with funeral expenses for their daughter, the granddaughter of Cy and Charity and the great-granddaughter of the late Georgie Willson and Johnnie Willson. For more information contact Suzie or Carol at Wells Fargo Bank at 495-2804.

American Legion's scheduled to meet April 23

The American Legion's James C. Cole Post 270's regular monthly meeting will be held at the First Christian Church, 812 W. 13th St. on Thursday, April 23 2009.

Pre-Kindergarten Registration

Post ISD will be holding their annual pre-kindergarten pre-registration night on Thurs. April 23rd from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the Elementary Playground. If you have a child that is or will be turning

four years old on or before Sept, 1st of 2009, you are invited. All children this age are eligible. Bring your child and get acquainted with the Pre- K teachers, their assistants, and other Post Elementary staff members. Please remember to bring your child's birth certificate, social security card, immunization record, your driver's license and proof of residency (such as a utility bill). Cookies and punch will be provided. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

Pre-Jardin de la Infancia Matricula

Post ISD estara teniendo su prematriculation de pre-jardin de la infancia el Jueves, 23 de abril de 6:30-7:30 de la tarde. Si usted tiene a un niño/nina que es o estara girando de cuatro años en o antes de septiembre de 2009, usted esta invitado. Todos niños/ninas de esta edad tienen derecho. Traiga a su niño/nina y ses informado con su maestra s pre-k, sus ayudantas, y con otros Post empleados elementales. Recuerde por favor de traer el certificado de nacimiento de Su niño/nina, tarjeta de seguridad social, registro de inmunizacion, su permiso de conducir y la prueba de residencia (como una cuenta de la utilidad). Galleras y el refresco Seran proporcionados. Esperamos verlos alli!

Annual Job Fair Planned

The Post Area Chamber of Commerce in partnership with Workforce Solutions of the South Plains will host the 2nd annual Post and Garza County job fair from noon to 3 p.m., May 18th. The event will take place at the Chamber office, 131 E. Main Street.

Businesses will have the opportunity to recruit new employees and showcase themselves to the community. The Chamber will provide a booth (6 ft. table and 2 chairs) free to Chamber members; a \$25 fee will be charged to non-chamber members. Space is limited. Call the Chamber office to reserve your space: 495-3461.

Trade Day Vendors

The Post City Merchants and the Post Area Chamber of Commerce have joined together to sponsor "Old Mill Trade Day Downtown." The Trade Day event will take place the first Saturday each month, beginning, Saturday May 2. Vendors of all types, including non-profits, are invited to participate.

Vendors will pay a set up fee of \$25 for outdoor space, for more information or to reserve vendor space, call 495-0608 or 495-3461.

Musicians Needed for Trade Days

Local musicians are invited to be a part of Old Mill Trade Days Downtown, Saturday, May 2. Anyone wanting to provide musical entertainment on Main Street please contact the Post Area Chamber of Commerce, 495-3461 or Rockin' K Outfitter, 495-0608.

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Cause No.	Styling	Legal Description
99-08-05,541	Garza County, et al v. Anselmo Rodela, et al	1. South Half of Lot 7, South Half of Lot 8, and the South Half of the East 10' of Lot 6, Block 7, Original Town of Post, Garza County, Texas.
01-05-05,700	Garza County, et al v. Roberta Devereaux	2. Lots 5 and Lot 6, Block 66, Original Town of Post, Garza County, Texas.
08-01-06,271	Garza Central Appraisal District, et al v. David Vega	5. South Half of Lot 1, West 36' of the South Half of Lot 2, Block 31, Original Town of Post, Garza County, Texas.
08-01-06,272	Garza Central Appraisal District, et al v. Maymie Irene Taylor, Deceased	6. A .004911 Royalty Interest in the San Andres "A" T50 Lease 85060713, George R. Brown, Operator, Aycock and Thompson Survey, Garza County, Texas.
08-04-06,305	Garza Central Appraisal District, et al v. Beulah Belyeu	7. West 67.5' of Lot 1 and North 67.5' of Lot 2, Block 157, Original Town of Post, Garza County, Texas.
08-11-06,340	Garza County, et al v. David Ashcroft, et al	8. Rex Carey's .025000 Working Interest in the Beulah K Bird Lease 85064073, Three R Oil Co. Operator, Located in Post (Glorieta) Field out of Section 2, Block 8, H&GN Survey, Garza County, Texas. 9. David Ashcroft's .025000 Working Interest in the Beulah K. Bird Lease 85064073, Three R Oil Company, Operator. Located in Post (Glorieta) Field out of Section 2, Block 8, H&GN Survey, Garza County, Texas.

and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 1:00 o'clock p.m. on the 5th day of May, 2009, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the East door of the Courthouse of Garza County, in the City of Post, Texas.

Levied on the 6th day of April, 2009, as the property of

said defendants, to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, at 12 percent per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of each jurisdiction.

ALL BIDDERS MUST NOW DISPLAY PROOF OF COMPLIANCE WITH 34.015 OF XAS TAX CODE."

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Cliff Laws
SHERIFF, GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS

BY: _____ DEPUTY

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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the Registered Voters of City of Post, Texas.
(A los votantes registrados del City of Post, Texas.)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 9, 2009, for voting in a general election to elect Mayor and Councilmen Wards 1 & 2.

(Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales listadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 9 de Mayo de 2009 para votar en la Elección General para elegir Alcade y del Barrio 1 y 2.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES
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Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at
(La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en)

105 E Main Post, Texas (East Door)
(location) (sitio)

between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. beginning on April 27, 2009 (date)
(entre las 7:00 de la mañana y las 7:00 de la tarde empezando el Abril 27, 2009) (fecha)

and ending on May 5, 2009 (date) (y terminando el Mayo 5, 2009) (fecha)

Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to:
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Deana Watson
(Name of Early Voting Clerk)
(Nombre del Secretario(a) de la Votación Adelantada)

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(City) (Ciudad) (Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el)

April 1 - April 1, 2009
(date) (fecha)

Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows:
(La votación adelantada además se llevará a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera:)

Date (Fecha)	Hours (Horas)
<u>April 27 - April 27 2009</u>	<u>7:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.</u>
<u>May 4 - May 4 2009</u>	<u>7:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.</u>

Issued this the 11th day of February, 2009
(Emitióse este día de February, 2009)

Deana Watson
Signature of Presiding Officer (Oficial que Preside)

In and Around Close City

by Traci Freeman

Weather

We did get a little bit of rain over the weekend. Here at the gin we measured nearly a half-inch. Jim Ellis and Ronnie Dunn also reported half an inch. We are still needing moisture so keep those prayers coming. Our crops are not the only thing that suffer when we don't get the moisture we need. My sister lives in Bowie and they had to evacuate a lot of people as well as the schools because of the wildfires. One couple they go to church with lost everything they had, Salli said the fire came within two blocks of the elementary school before it was put out. So we need to keep rain in our daily prayers for not only us but everyone as well.

News

I forgot to wish everyone a happy Easter last week. I hope everyone enjoyed lots of family time. My Dad and

Mom went to Bowie to spend time with Salli Bess and her family, Trevah, Kale and Will also went. Me, Rob and the kids stayed home and enjoyed a pretty good meal and watched Lindsey and Bubba hunt eggs. Daniel had to work but we took him a plate of our Easter fixings.

Visiting with Lois Childs, Jim and Nedra Ellis over the Easter Holidays was Lois' nephew, Dennis Custer of Ft. Collins, Colorado. Dennis is the son of the late Gomer Custer who was born and attended school at Ragtown. Accompanying Dennis to Texas was his wife, Dianne and their daughter and granddaughter, Amber and Jordan Wigham of Greeley Colorado. Others stopping by to visit, eat and hunt eggs were; Tim and Connie Prather; Tad, Rhianna, T.J. and Emilee Ellis of Lubbock; Mandy, Joe, Raul, Abby and Ally Guerrero of Amarillo; Chuck Prather of Bluffdale and his daughter Haleigh of Clyde and Janet

Justice of Post.

I spoke with Nancy Kemp the other day and she tells me that Odie Kemp has moved to Lynnwood in Tahoka and is doing great. Odie grew up out here and attended school at Ragtown.

Visitors

Gene King stopped in for a cup of coffee. Fermin came by to entertain us some. Jana Underwood came in with her dad, Mack Terry for a break on Monday. Ya'll come out and have a cup of coffee one morning with us.

Get Wells

As always let remember those in the nursing home; Doug and Claudine Tipton and Carman Abraham. If I am missing anyone from this list please let me know.

Birthdays

April 17th - Garron Magby
 April 18th - Judy Ballentine Bush
 April 21st - Susan Gonzales
 April 21st - Ray Don Underwood
 April 22nd - Dalton Thuett
 April 22nd - Ronnie Gradine
 April 23rd - Jane Terry
 April 23rd - Kristi Morris
 Be sure and call and let me know about anything going on, birthdays or anniversaries. Call me at the gin or e-mail me at close.city.coop@pcca.com
 Keep our troops in your daily prayers and check out our blog at <http://closecitycoopgin.blogspot.com> don't forget to send me your recipe's so that I can post them on the blog.

Weekly Inspirations

WE DO NOT BATTLE ALONE

By: Michael F. Taylor

December 7th, 1941, "A day which shall live in Infamy" according to then President Franklin D. Roosevelt brought the United States of America into World War II when Japan began a surprise attack on the U.S. Fleet birthed at Pearl Harbor. Japan's emperor made the announcement of his surrender on August 15th, 1945. Most of you are probably familiar with these accounts. But did you know that the final surrender of the last Japanese soldier did not actually occur until March 10th, 1974. Lieutenant Hirro Onada was left on the Philippine island of Lubang in 1944 with three other soldiers. Lieutenant Onada was given explicit instructions to carry out his mission, even if Japan surrendered. All three of Onada's comrades were either killed or subsequently surrendered to Allied forces. But not Onada! Throughout the years, he ignored messages from public address loudspeakers announcing Japan's capitulation. He ignored leaflets that were dropped into the jungle asking him to surrender and return peacefully to his native land of Japan. In fact, it is reported that over half a million dollars was spent trying to locate Lieutenant Onada and convince him that the war was really over. It was not until 1974 that he finally turned over his sword only after being ordered to do so by his former commanding officer in the Imperial Japanese Army. Thus, ending his lonely 29 year private war! He then returned to Japan at the age of 52. When asked about the ordeal, he stated, "Nothing pleasant during my 29 years in the jungle."

Many people today, spend their lives fighting lonely battles because they have decided in their hearts to "endure it alone." How sad it seems to me when hurting people battle weakness, infirmity, addictions and spiritual discouragement in solitude when all the time the battle could be ended if they would but simply accept the reality that God sent His Son Jesus Christ to inform us that the battle is over. Christ won the conflict on the Cross of Calvary when He was resurrected from a borrowed tomb. His decree that "IT IS FINISHED" gives each of us the assurance that we don't have to fight our battles alone any longer. Jesus, following his ascension sent us a Comforter in the Holy Spirit. Look at what Luke tells us in Chapter 24:36-50: 36While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." 37They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. 38He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? 39Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have." 40When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. 41And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" 42They gave him a piece of broiled fish, 43and he took it and ate it in their presence. 44He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms." 45Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. 46He told them, "This is what is written: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, 47and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. 48You are witnesses of these things. 49I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." I can think of no more encouraging words for those who feel that they must continue the battle alone. Jesus tells us "PEACE BE WITH YOU"! And then He assures us, "I AM GOING TO SEND YOU WHAT MY FATHER HAS PROMISED; BUT STAY IN THE CITY UNTIL YOU HAVE BEEN CLOTHED WITH POWER FROM ON HIGH." And He Did! We now are no longer alone. It is truly finished. We may sometimes struggle, but the Holy Spirit dwells in our hearts and assures us of the victory. Thank God for His plan of salvation. May the Lord walk with you in victory this week!

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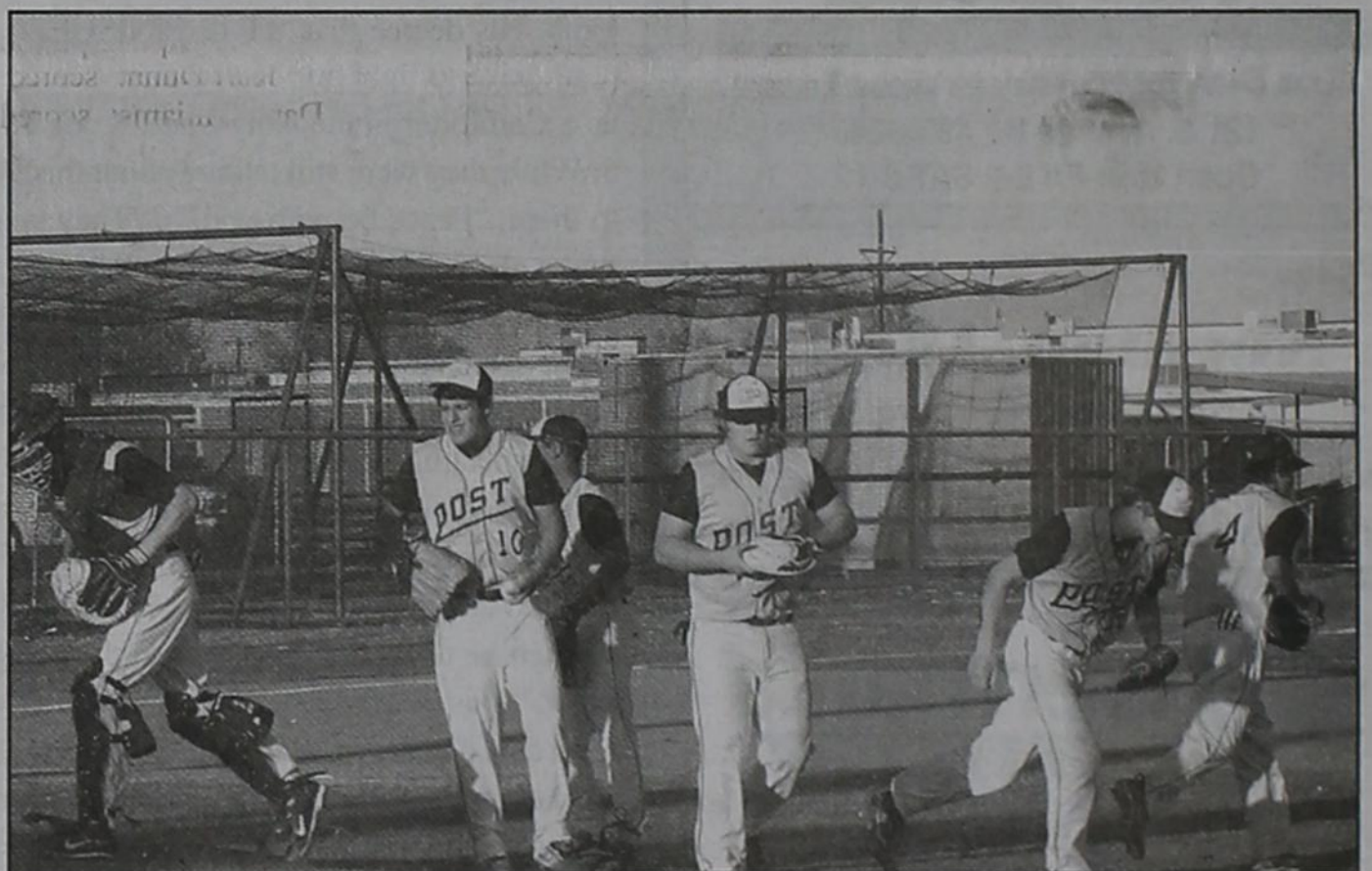
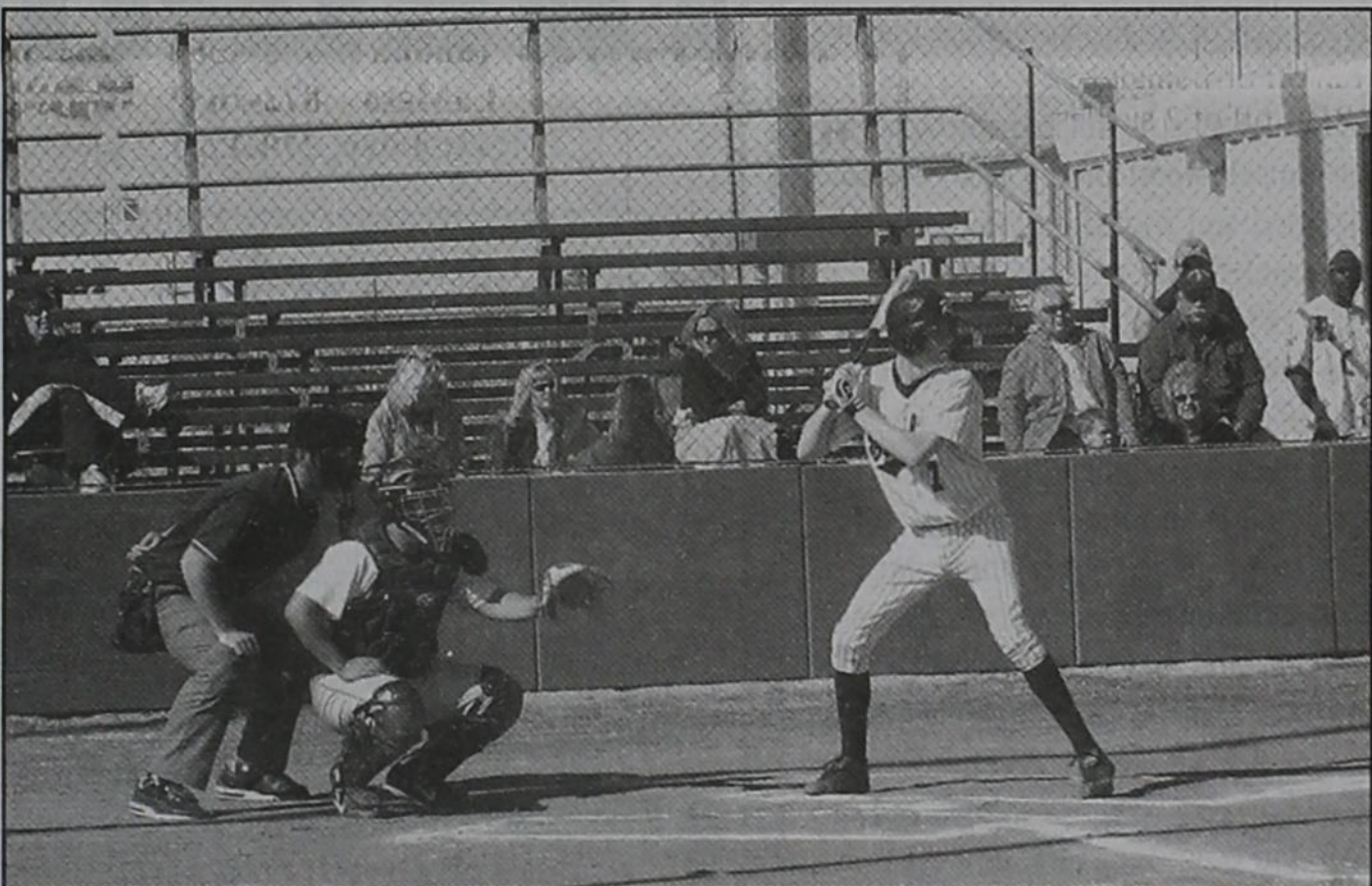
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Post High School hosted a track meet April 3-4 at Post High School. Competitors included (clockwise from above) Gabby Gomez, Matt Tanner, Tavish Soto, Blaine Osbourn and Jasmine Collazo. Below, Pake Jones receives a baton.

Photos by Jerry Taylor



Below, right Matthew Soto pitches on the mound for the JV Lopes. Above, left Dale Diaz catches for the JV squad. Above, right, Post varsity players leave the mound.

Photos by Dianne James

Lopes fall in district contests

The Post Lopes dropped a pair of games to Abernathy and Idalou last week. Monday, April 6 Abernathy beat Post 6-4 despite RBIs from Aaron James, Ernie Saldivar, Jesse Vera and MJ Wynn. Against Idalou, the Wildcats won 16-7. James had an RBI, Saldivar had two RBIs and Clint Windham added another. The Lopes are at Shallowater tonight at 7 p.m.

The Post Lopes also dropped a close one to Lubbock Roosevelt 7-6 Tuesday, April 7.

Last Friday, Shallowater got past Post 8-1. Clint Windham scored the only run for the Lopes. Mitchell James also had 2 hits in the loss.

Against Denver City Tuesday, the Lopes rebounded for a 5-3 home win. James led the way with a pair of hits and scored two runs. Saldivar had one hit and scored once as well as Mitchell James and Y. Jimenez.



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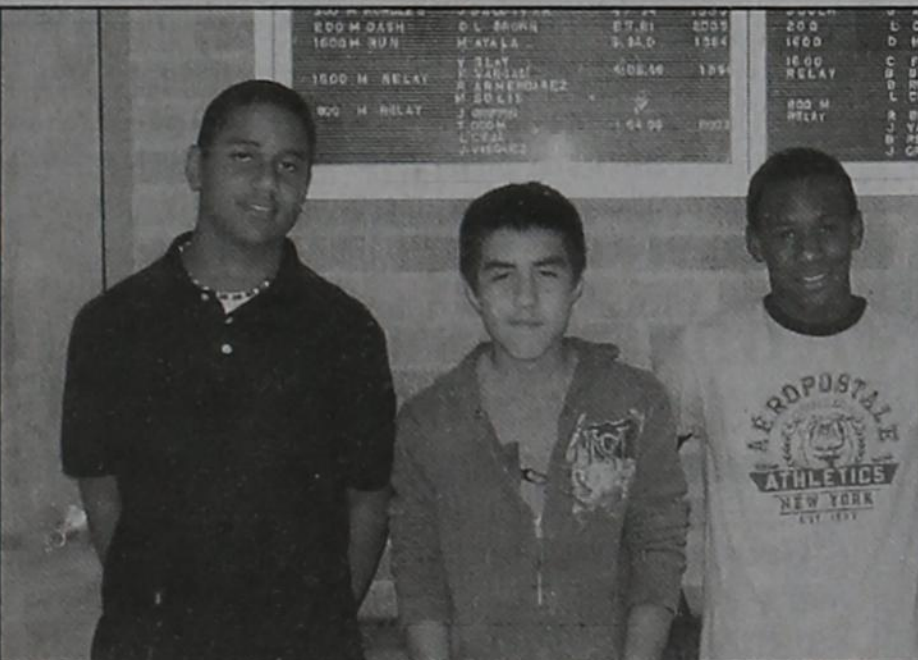
The Post Lady Lopes are 16-5 this season and 2-4 in district play after as of April 7. The girls hosted Denver City at noon Saturday and were at Roosevelt Tuesday.

Photos by Lance Dunn

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Miranda Solorazano set a new school record in the 300 Meter Hurdles last week. Sarah Kirkpatrick had the previous record set in 2002 with a time of 54 seconds. Miranda set the new record with a time of 53:49 seconds. Above, she is pictured with coach Billy Kelso. She also broke the 100 meter hurdle record time of 17.26 seconds. Her new record time is 17.09 seconds in this event.



Post middle school boys 7th grade track 800 meter relay team broke the old record on Monday at their district track meet at Roosevelt. Old record time-1min. 54.06 seconds set in 2003. The new record time was 1min. 49.90seconds by the following runners Isreal Jimenez, Phillip Gonzales, DJ Brown, and Campbell Kirkpatrick. DJ Brown also broke his own triple jump record with a new record jump of 35'8" at the same meet.

Varsity boys third in Roosevelt meet

Post Boys Results Roosevelt Track Meet Varsity Boys Team Point 3 rd	Long Jump Chase Greathouse 4 th	4 x 400 Relay Nick Rodriguez 2nd Reed Williams Matt Soto Henry Apolarin
100 m-Giles Dalby 6 th	Shot Clint Windham 2nd Mitch James 4th John Bocko 6th	Long Jump Matt Soto 4th Henry Apolarin 5th
400m- Yeuddy Jimenez 1 st ; Ernie Saldivar 6 th	Discus Mitch James 3rd Clint Windham 4th	Triple Jump Corbin McDonald 1st Matt Soto 4th Henry Apolarin 5th
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Lady Lope Softball Stats

Sat., Apr 4, 2009
Post 11, Slaton 12
Offense/Defense

Alex Miller: scored 1 run off of a single/ 3 put outs and 2 assists
Sydney Jones: had 1 assist at 3rd base
Sabrina Sanchez: scored 2 runs and 1 RBI off of 1 single and 1 double/7 put outs and 3 assists
Miranda Hair: scored 2 runs and 1 RBI off of 1 single and 1 triple/1 put out and 2 assists 5 strike outs and 3 walks at pitcher
Kelsey Overton: scored 1 run and 1 RBI off of 2 singles/2 put outs at catcher
Brooke Morris: 3 put outs and 2 assists at short stop
Kari Dunn: scored 2 runs off of 2 single
Danica Williams: scored 1 run off of 2 singles
Bethany Berry: scored 2 runs and 3 RBIs off of 2 singles and 2 in-the-park homeruns

Tues., Apr. 7, 2009
Post 7, Idalou 4
Offense/Defense:

Alex Miller: hit a single/1 put out and 2 assists at 2nd base
Sydney Jones: scored 1 run off of 1 double/ had 1 put out and 2 assists at 3rd base
Caitlin Cravy: scored 1 run off of 1 single
Sabrina Sanchez: scored 1 run and 1 RBI off of an in-the-park home run /10 put outs and 1 assist at first base
Miranda Hair: scored 1 run and 1 RBI off of 1 single/3 assists and 7 strike outs, no walks
Kelsey Overton: scored 1 RBI off of 1 single
Brooke Morris: scored 1 run and 1 RBI off of 2 singles and 1 triple/2 put outs at short stop
Kari Dunn: scored 1 run off of 1 single
Dani Williams: scored 2 RBIs off of 2 singles

Tennis team competes in Levelland

The Post High School tennis team competed in the SPCHEA tournament in Levelland on April 4th.
Katelyn Elmore, Darlene Araiza and Amber Wilson did an excellent job representing Post, by working hard and showing great sportsmanship under intense weather conditions. Katelyn narrowly lost in the first round of the A division. Darlene was defeated in the consolation finals of the B singles division. Amber won her first 2 matches before getting edged out in the B singles finals, however, her efforts were good enough for a second place medal.

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Junior high girls win district titles

Post Junior High Girls District 3-AA South Zone Champs 8th Grade Girls
Team total: Post 148 South Zone 8th Grade Girls District Champions

100 M Dash, Haily Berry, 3; Miley McKee, 5, Macie Merritt 6.

200 M Dash, Morgan Staggs, 4.

400 M Dash, Mariah Morales, 1, 1:04.06.

800 M Run, Fernanda Contreras, 2.

1600 M Run, Julie Boren, 2.

2400 M Run, Julie Boren, 5.

4x100 Relay, Post (Macie Merritt, Miley McKee, Mariah Morales, Haily Berry), 1, 56.83.

4x200 Relay, Post (Macie Merritt, Kelsey Isbell, Morgan Staggs, Miley McKee), 2.

4x400 Relay Post (Haily Berry, Fernanda Contreras, Mercedes Solarzono, Mariah Morales) 1, 4:37.

100 M Hurdles Mercedes Solarzono, 1, 17.89.

300 M Hurdles, Mercedes Solarzono, 1, 51.77.

Long Jump, Haily Berry, 3; Mariah Morales, 5.

Shot Put, Kristiana Perez, 4;



The Post Junior High seventh grade girls were all smiles after clinching a district title.

place; Ashley Collazo,6. Curtis, Sierra Isbell, Matti Smith, Taylor Osborn), 2.

100 M Hurdles, Miranda Solarzono, 1, 17.83; Bethany Curtis, 5.

Triple Jump, Haily Berry, 4.

7th Grade Girls
Team total: Post 160.5 South Zone 7th Grade Girls District Champions
100 M Dash, Jaycee Johnson, 2; Cheyenne Gill, 6.
200 M Dash, Jaycee Johnson, 1st place, 30.11.
400 M Dash, Taylor Osborn, 1st place, 1:07.58.
800 M Run, Rocio Montoya, 6.

300 M Hurdles, Miranda Solarzono, 1, 54.62.

Long Jump, Cheyenne Gill, 3; Jaycee Johnson, 5.

Shot Put, Taylor Graves, 5; Britt Steggs, 6.

Discus, Britt Steggs, 1, 66'-6"; Taylor Graves, 2; Sara Greer 3.

Triple Jump, Matti Smith, 1, 28'-8"; Jaycee Johnson, 3; Katie Dunn, 4

High Jump, Matti Smith, 5.

4x100 Relay, Post (Miranda Solarzono, Taylor Osborn, Bethany Curtis, Jayce Johnson), 1, 56.71.

4x200 Relay, Post (Katie Dunn, Jasmine Collazo, Sierra Isbell, Matti Smith), 2.

4x400 Relay, Post (Bethany

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We would like to thank Coach Compton for the support and concern he showed to Alan Alaniz and his family during his accident and ER stay.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

The George R. Brown Partnership, L.P., 4700 First City Tower 1001 Fannin St. Houston, TX 77002 has applied to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposed to inject fluid into the San Andres formation the Post-Montgomery Unit 1 lease, well number D-4. The proposed injection well is located 2 miles southeast from Post, TX in the Garza field, in Garza County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2700' to 2964' feet. (OA)

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Request for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

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Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or request for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792)

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Notice to all persons is hereby given that the original letters of Testamentary upon the estate of WINONA S. WARD deceased, were issued to the undersigned on the 13th day of April, 2009, in the proceeding indicated below my signature hereto, which is still pending, and that I now hold such letter. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered, in Garza County, are hereby required to present the same at the address below given, before suit upon same are barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such estate is closed and within the time required by law to her attorney Preston L. Poole, Jr., at P.O. Box 296, Post, Texas 79356.

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April 21

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April 22

Breakfast- Oatmeal, bacon, toast, fruit, milk

Lunch- Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, strawberry shortcake, milk

April 23

Breakfast- Donut, sausage link, fruit, milk

Lunch- Meat & bean chalupas, Spanish rice, salad, rosie apple-sauce, milk

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Yesteryears

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10 Years Ago April 9, 1999

The city administrator from Plains was tapped to serve as Post's new city manager when council members met at a scheduled meeting. David Lynn Brunson, 48, received the unanimous approval of the council as the person for the job.

Facing a \$1.4 shortfall for the 1999-2000 school year, trustees for the Post Independent School District voted to cut the professional staff by four.

Garza County Hospital District voters would choose from a field of seven candidates in the May election. Candidates included Carol Tobias, Bertha Fuentes, Charles Propst, Danny Guthrie and incumbents Jack Alexander, David Nichols and Zoe Kirkpatrick.

Post High School's Billy Crawford was the high point individual in the varsity boys track competition of the Seagraves track meet. Crawford took first place in shotput and third in discus, capturing 16 points and the top individual spot.

20 Years Ago April 12, 1989

Pleasant Home Baptist Church member, Lela Kelly, whose husband Arthur is pastor of the church, was honored by the New Zeal District Association for her work in raising funds for the association's scholarship fund. A dedicated worker in all her church's activities, Lela can always find work that needs to be done.

Post High School captured first place overall in district U.I.L. Literary and Academic competition at Denver City. First place finishers included Megan Bush, Keith Peel, Trevor Thuet, Dustin Ammons, Jana Hudman, Kim Wulfjen, Kevin Williams, Angela Tobias, Teresa Shults, Angela Graves, and Lupe Perez. Mr. and Mrs. Jess Hendrix of Post were honored on their 50th wedding anniversary with a dinner at Chaparral Steak House.

All-District basketball honors went to Post Antelope varsity players Darren Brown, Bill Rankin and Rance Sappington.

30 Years Ago April 12, 1979

Sheriff Jim Pippin jolted the city council at a joint meeting of the city council and the county commissioners' court in the Post Public Library when he proposed the city take over its own law enforcement again.

The Post area at long last has its own veterinarian. Larry D. Mills, DVM will open the Caprock Veterinary Hospital at 318 E. Main Street. School trustees set Saturday, May 5 as the date for the runoff election between Juanella Hays and Wanda Mitchell for place two on the school board.

Stephanie Palmer and Barrett Wayne Day were named Little Miss and Mr Post in the annual contest.

The Post Does placed fifth in the District 5AA girls' track meet in Seminole, with Donna Baumann, who placed second in the high jump, the only Post girl to qualify for the regionals.

40 Years Ago April 10, 1969

Outgoing Mayor John N. Hop-

kins administered the oath of office to new Mayor Giles C. McCrary and new city Councilmen Mike Mitchell, Lester Nichols and David Newby.

Vernon Scott, cashier of the First National Bank, tendered his resignation, effective May 1, to become president of the new Bank of Lancaster.

The Post City League All-Stars will play a Brownfield team in the high school gym there. Post's all-star squad includes Rex Prather, Jimmie Redman, Jack Kirkpatrick, James Dye, Johnny Kemp, Jimmy Bartlett, Gary Parnell, Bob Dyess, Jerry Hays and Charles Morris.

The ninth annual Caprock District Convention of Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, held in Plainview, was dedicated to Mrs. Tilman Jones, a life member and longtime federated club worker.

50 Years Ago April 9, 1959

By the margin of a single ballot, Post voters went on record this week as favoring establishment of a uni-

formed city police department and for levying the necessary taxes to pay for it. The final tally was 142 favoring the police force and 141 opposed.

Quannah Maxey and J. E. Birdwell were re-elected without opposition to new three-year terms as Post I.S.D trustees.

Agile rooftop burglars broke into Piggly Wiggly Supermarket and K&K Food mart, stealing about \$35 from cash registers at Piggly Wiggly and a pair of gloves at K&K.

The Little Theatre group of the First Methodist Church was hard at work on a play entitled, "January Thaw," first produced by the Golden Theatre in New York.

Mrs. Harley Wallace and Mrs. Elton Lee entertained with a double birthday party in Antelope Alley, honoring Charles Wallace and Belinda Lee on their birthdays.

60 Years Ago April 13, 1949

Traditional Easter Sunrise services for the combined congregations

Last Puzzle Solution

Classifieds Get Results!

Russell Graves Outdoors THE TRUTH ABOUT SNIPE

Though mostly known as a mythical animal featured in teenage pranks, snipes do exist — really.

By Russell A. Graves

I'm not too sure of the universal protocol, but the Northeast Texas version I learned goes something like this:

First, get a few friends together. The hunt seems to go better if you and the friends are in your teens and works swell if one of the friends has no idea of the nature of the impending "hunt."

Sacks are important. Most purists prefer burlap sacks while weekend snipe hunters will settle for paper or plastic. The key is finding a sack that will hold an unruly snipe when the action heats up.

Scouting is also important. You can go scout during the day to find a snipe hotspot or you can say you scouted. Either way it really doesn't matter in the end.

Location, location, location. I would always ask myself, "Can a snipe live here?" If the area is remote and dark, the answer is a resounding yes.

Pick a good night. Early summer evenings work well. Personally, I like a moonless night. Snipes seem to thrive in the darkness so the darker the better.

The set-up is crucial. I like picking a trail far from the truck. Remember the guy who had never heard of snipe hunting? He's the one who gets placed on the best trail which just happens to be farthest from the truck.

Once the inexperienced guy is in place, it is very important that you tell him that you are going to go up trail and scare some snipes back his way. Therefore, he must keep his senses alert and his sack open and held to the ground. As a distraction, some suggest having the hunter make a call that the snipe supposedly makes. The call can be any sound as long as it is silly and repeated often.

Then, disappear back to the truck for a while with the others in the party. Many snipe hunters disagree as to the amount of time the inexperienced hunter should be left alone. Me? I say it depends on the inexperience of the new hunter. It could be just a few minutes up to hours. The key is to make the new hunter feel as uncomfortable and abandoned as possible.

When you think the new hunter is sufficiently uncomfortable, retrieve him immediately and then spend the rest of the night teasing the new hunter with your other friends.

Try as I may, I cannot find the origins of the mythical snipe hunt although I do know that it is played all over the nation and even parts of Europe. The ritual has even found its way into popular culture as at least one network program, King of the Hill, featured a snipe hunt with Hank Hill and his son. Instead of snipes, the two ended up catching a whooping crane.

Believe it or not, real snipes do exist, and are found in plentiful enough numbers to warrant a hunting season here in Texas. In fact, real snipe hunters can pursue the bird (which is classified as a migratory game bird) from November through mid-February each year. A hunting license with state and federal migratory bird stamps are all that's required to hunt.

Although most of the legitimate snipe hunting is along the freshwater marshes of the coast and lower East Texas, snipes also exist over much of the state as they spend their winters in Texas.

The common snipe measures about 10 1/2 inches long and weighs about 4 1/2 ounces. It is most comfortable in shallow, freshwater marshy areas. The snipe's brown, black and white feathering makes for superb camouflage in brambles and low-growing grasses.

The snipe is a wading bird and eats a variety of insects, earthworms, small mollusks and some vegetable matter. Its bill is long and flexible and is capable of finding food by feel alone. Although I never knew what they were, when I was a kid, I saw snipe on a regular basis while slogging around flooded bottomlands. When startled, the birds would fly away in a zigzag pattern while emitting a high-pitched call. The thick brush they inhabit and their erratic flight makes snipe a challenging wingshooting target.

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Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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

ANSWER:



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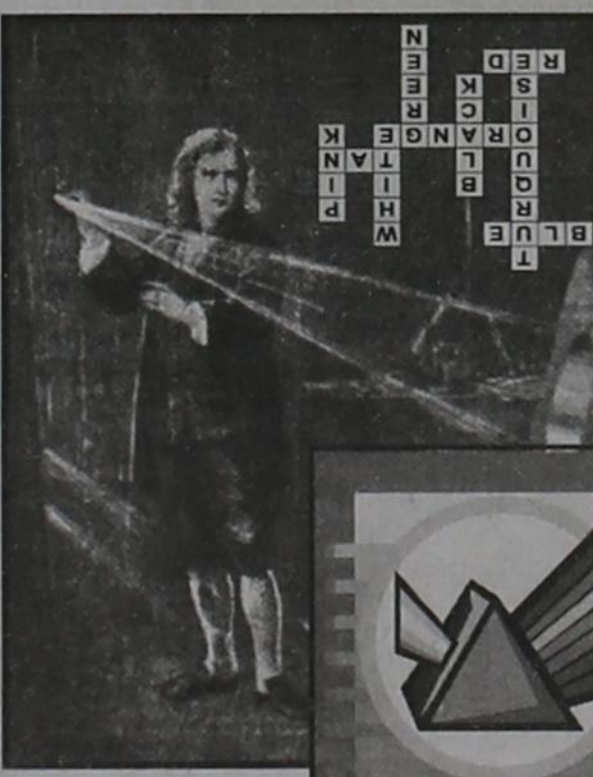
OVER THE RAINBOW

VOL 120 Laura Craig



Light + water = Rainbow

The arched pathway of colored light that follows a rainfall was named because of its resemblance to an archer's bow. Raindrops act like nature's tiny prism causing the white light of the sun to be refracted or bent, (just as a spoon appears bent in a glass of water). As the different colors travel through the raindrop prism, each move at a different speed causing the light to separate into 7 distinct bands of color.



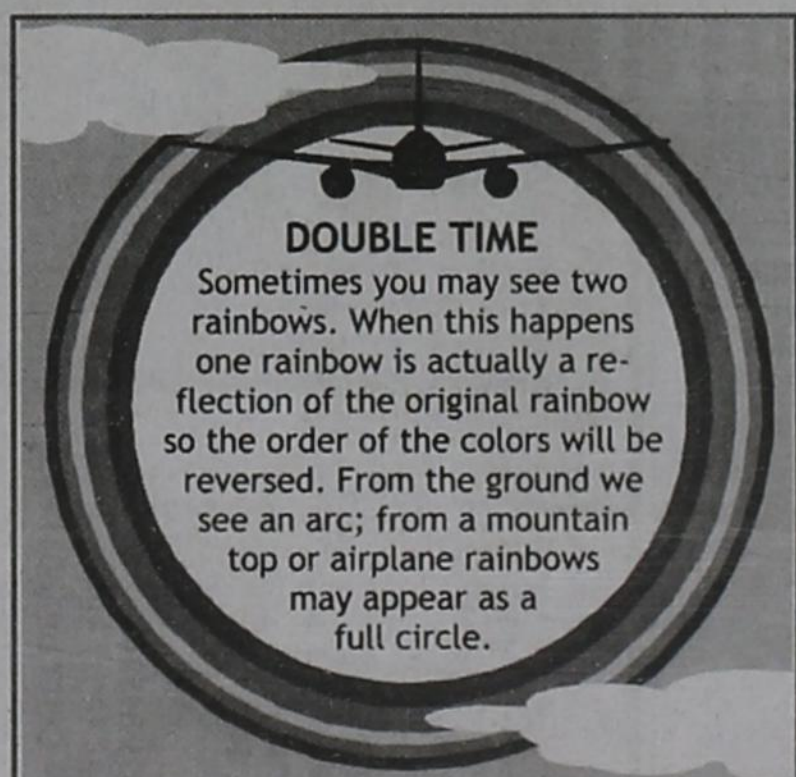
Isaac Newton is often associated with defining gravity via a falling apple. But in 1666 Newton also became the first person to realize white light is really a combination of all the colors of the rainbow. Newton used a prism to separate the red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet bands of light then he used a second prism to redirect the light once again into white light.

Mythology Connection

In many myths the rainbow is a connecting bridge between Heaven and Earth. In Greek mythology, the goddess of the rainbow was the messenger, Iris. The Vikings believed the rainbow connected the earth kingdom to the sky kingdom. In Siberian literature, the storm gods use the rainbow to shoot arrows of lightning. Today the rainbow is often used to symbolize diversity and unity between the religions and races of the world.

SIMPLE SCIENCE

You can create a rainbow in your backyard; all you need is a sunny day and a garden hose. Stand with your back to the sun and spray. Instant rainbow!



DOUBLE TIME

Sometimes you may see two rainbows. When this happens one rainbow is actually a reflection of the original rainbow so the order of the colors will be reversed. From the ground we see an arc; from a mountain top or airplane rainbows may appear as a full circle.

COLOR WORD ASSOCIATION

Crossword puzzle grid with clues:

DOWN

- Indian jewelry favorite
- Surrender
- Pigs and baby girls
- Ebony, jet
- Shamrocks & jealousy

ACROSS

- Clear ___ sky
- Khakis and sun lovers
- Opposite of an apple
- When the account does not balance

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This week in Post City

By Rosa Latimer

At the Post Dispatch we receive many emails every week from organizations or individuals who write columns on a wide variety of subjects: finances, recipes... actually just about any subject you could name. Since we're a smaller newspaper and most weeks we have lots of local news to cover, this information isn't usually of use to us.

Last week the title of one of these emailed columns caught my eye: Who Will Write the Story of Your Life? The article was a reminder that we need to record our personal and family history for future generations. This is good advice. Advice I haven't taken seriously...yet.

This week a friend of ours, Dr. Gary Schwantz, had a book signing event in Lubbock for his book, "Get To or Got To?" Gary's book explores the difference in a person's attitude about life: Do you "get to" do things each day or do you feel you've "got

to" do these things, that life is drudgery?

While reading the first few pages of the book, the title of the email column came to mind and I realized there was deeper meaning to the question, "Who will write the story of your life?"

I began to consider whether I am "writing" the story of my life, whether I'm engaging in life and making decisions that propel me to the next challenge, experience or blessing. Or, is someone else writing the story of my life? Do I react to the lives of those around me, living my life "willy nilly" with no definite plan to fulfill my dreams, reach my goals?

Keep that thought, if you will, while we examine the term "willy nilly." When I was a child I thought this was a very funny phrase and usually envisioned two little boys when I heard it. I guess I thought one was named Willy and the other Nilly! Regardless of the reason, that phrase has always been sort of

special to me.

Actually, "willy nilly" means: whether desired or not; without order or plan. So, now my rambling comes together: Who is "writing" the story of your life? Are you living without order or a plan? Do you "get to" live your life or do you feel you've "got to" just survive each day?

Taking more control of your life often doesn't require a major change. It may simply mean taking time for yourself or doing something to simplify your life and allow for more time with your family. Or perhaps you can spend a little time literally writing the story of your life - recording your history and the history of your family for those who will come after you. Whichever you choose, remember: the choice is yours. In many ways you can make your life the life you desire. You get to write the story of your life!

That's it for this week in Post City!

Harp Announces Bid for Mayor



By Thressa Harp

I am personally requesting your vote for Mayor of Post. I look forward to visiting with each of you about questions or concerns you may have.

It has been a privilege to serve Post for over 26 years in many different areas. I have served on the boards of Post Housing Authority, City of Post

Redistricting Committee, Post Main Street Committee, City of Post Parks and Recreation, City of Post Hotel/Motel Tax Committee, and as President of the Chamber of Commerce for several years. I currently serve as a director for Post Community Housing, Post City Celebrations Inc., Post Area Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Post Merchants Association and serve on Jimmie Redman Scholarship Committee. I was privileged to be your Chairman for the 2007 Centennial Celebration and helped see the Centennial Brick Project to completion.

It would be an honor and privilege to serve you as the Mayor of Post and tackle the ever increasing challenge of meeting the requirements of our state and

federal government regulations on the limited funds of a small town of 3708 people. We need to keep Post the symbol of progression, pride, and a great quality of life.

There are several things I feel I have to offer as Mayor. The first is a business perspective in regard to budgets, bidding, and the appropriation of funds, a good overall knowledge of the important issues in Post, and lastly a deep love for Post and its residents. I have a great desire for Post and its residents to prosper.

I have visited with many of you already but look forward to seeing you all at the Voter's Forum at 7:00 pm on April 21st at the Heritage House. Thank you for all you contribute to our community as a citizen of Post.

Graham Ole Opry Event Entertains Large Crowd

A large crowd was entertained at the Graham Ole Opry recently at the Graham Community Center.

The evening began with Jane Mason singing accompanied by Neil White on the guitar. They ended with a duet of "Down the Road" and "Daddy's Dreams."

Next on the program was Jerry Bradley and the Brownfield Bunch with a variety of songs from "Mockingbird Hill" to gospel music. Avery Wright of Seminole entertained the crowd with two gospel songs. She was followed by the Graves Brothers of Floydada with Heston playing the fiddle and Braden on the bass, accompanied by their mom, Melinda Graves, on the guitar.

Bill Harp played the harmonica and sang several songs that delighted the crowd. Concluding the evening, Morris Tyler, Aaron Rathbun, Ronnie Raben and Noel White performed several vocals featuring Tyler and Raben on electric guitars, Rathbun on the base and White on an acoustic guitar.

Brownies, lemonade, coffee and water were sold in the concession stand. Donations were taken to help fund center improvements. New cushions for the chairs have recently been purchased.

The next opry is scheduled for Saturday, June 27, 7 to 10 p.m.

Leading Ladies Program

Wells Fargo Bank, NA has brought its Leading Ladies Program to Post. The inaugural luncheon was this past December at The Heritage House. The luncheons are held quarterly and provide a social atmosphere and a special topic of discussion. The second luncheon was held Wednesday, April 8 and featured Dottie McLaughlin as the guest speaker. Mrs. McLaughlin manages the Oil, Gas & Mineral Management group for Wells Fargo in Midland, Texas and she discussed the trends in this industry as well as how Wells Fargo helps their clients manage these assets. A great time was had by all.



(from left) Jan Bradley, Erika McNeely, Dottie McLaughlin, Carol Short, Cara Freeman, Jaclyn Vasquez and Shawna Larson recently attended the Wells Fargo Leading Ladies luncheon in Post.



Ronnie Dunn (second from left) recently received a certificate of appreciation for his nine years of service to the Garza-Borden County FSA Committee. Also shown with Mr. Dunn are current members of the committee: (l-r) Brian Briley; Jerry Thuett; and Ronnie Graves.

Thanks for reading
The
Post Dispatch

GRAND JURY INDICTMENTS

The following were indicted by the Garza County Grand Jury on March 3:

Kenneth James Hair, 2 or more DWI, 3rd Degree Felony Enhanced, \$50,000 bond and interlock.

Michael Anthony Harper, possession of controlled substance, State Jail Felony, \$50,000 bond.

Russell W. Sartor, 2 or more DWI, 3rd Degree Felony, \$25,000

bond and interlock.

Max Colin Myers, possession of controlled substance, 2nd Degree Felony, \$50,000 bond.

Irvin Price, aggravated assault, 2nd Degree Felony, \$100,000 bond.

Rebecca Guzman, prohibited possession of food stamps, 3rd Degree Felony, \$25,000 bond.

Timothy Soto, forgery, State Jail Felony, \$15,000 bond.

EXTENSION EXTRAS

Congratulations! Job Well Done!

To all participants of the 4-H Fashion Show, Fashion Design Competition, and Rabbit "Egg"stravaganza.

County Roundup & Club Meeting

Garza County Roundup and club meeting has been rescheduled for Monday, April 20, 6:30 pm at Citizens Bank Room.

2009-2010 Texas 4-H/FFA Steer Validation

Deadline for ordering tags is Friday, April 17, and the cost for each tag is \$10.00.

Horse Validations
Certification forms are due Tuesday, April 28 in the Extension office (forms available at the office). Fee is \$10.00 per horse.

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