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District Attorney Shifts Protective Order Responsibilities to the County

By Rosa Latimer
 News Editor

Brian Kingston, recently elected District Attorney for the 106th Judicial District, which includes the counties of Garza, Lynn, Dawson, and Gaines Counties, has informed the County Attorneys of the four counties by letter dated July 30th, Kingston believes for several reasons that it is the responsibility of the respective county attorneys to prosecute protective orders for victims of family and dating violence. Until this time, this role has historically been fulfilled exclusively by the 106th Judicial District Attorney.

These protective orders are a remedy for victims of family and dating violence and when granted, typically prevent the alleged abuser from approaching the victim within a certain distance and from harassing the victim in the future. These orders are essential for the protection and welfare of those that have experienced family violence and fear for their safety, and have no place else to turn.

A letter from Kingston to Garza County Attorney Mike

Munk states that there are problems in the current process relating to timely, efficient service to those seeking a protective order. Kingston maintains that it would be more efficient "to track the Protective Order case and the Misdemeanor case at the same time if the same prosecuting attorney had both cases. This is often the case as those requesting a protective order often have a misdemeanor case pending in County Court rather than District Court." Munk disagrees, "Changes in the law taking effect this year have created many new types of assault family violence offenses that will be classified as felony offenses." Felony offenses are typically prosecuted by the District Attorney.

The District Attorney also

says in his letter that his office is "lacking in our ability to service those citizens that are requesting applications for protective orders." Kingston believes this is because the DA might be in a different county conducting a criminal docket when an applicant comes to his office to begin the process. The distance an employee of the District Attorney's office might have to travel to perform "due diligence" to file necessary paperwork potentially could take "an entire day." Kingston expects this situation would pose a safety issue "for the victim of family violence if they were not helped immediately." In some situations, "applicants requesting a protective order have to drive to Dawson County to retrieve the necessary application

[from the DA's office] and some, at times, have to drive back to Dawson County after filling out the applications."

County Attorney Munk explains in a response to Kingston that historically the DA's Victim's Advocate "was in the habit of providing victims with the required documentation and meeting with them personally to discuss their case." In Garza County "a full-time Victim's Advocate is employed who actually meets with the victims and prepares the necessary paperwork for transmission to the District Attorney's Office. In the past, victims outside Dawson County have never traveled to Lamesa to meet with a prosecutor to fill out an application." In addition, Munk says, "The infrastruc-

ture that has successfully served our district is still in place."

The County Attorney also called attention to District Attorney Kingston recent request to the Garza County Commissioners' Court for a budget increase "which includes a car allowance of \$200 per month per employee for assistants to the DA to travel to the various counties for official business." Munk maintains that in light of these changes, the District Attorney's office will be driving to the counties in the district less than in the past.

In explaining his reason for this change in responsibility, Kingston also states that the District Attorney's office is "in violation of Section 81.007 of the Family Code." He states that this

"particular section dictates that the County Attorney or the Criminal District Attorney shall be responsible for filing applications under that subchapter unless the district attorney (assumingly the Criminal District Attorney) has given notice of assuming responsibility to the County Attorney. Additionally, the prosecuting attorney responsible for filing those applications shall give notice of that responsibility to all law enforcement agencies in the jurisdiction of the prosecuting attorney." Kingston states in his letter that "We have surveyed the district and neither notice provision has been followed."

Garza County Attorney Mike Munk also disagrees with this last issue raised by Kingston saying

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Photo by Donny Windham

The Bold Gold hold strong during the Coahoma scrimmage last Saturday. Antelopes are from left: Clint Windham (2), Josh Rodriguez (55), M.J. Wynne (32), Tobe Palmer (54), Jacob Perez (7) and Luis Duran (21).

UPCOMING EVENTS

Community/Government Meetings

All of these meetings are open to the public.

Garza County Commissioners' Court

Regular Meeting

August 21
9 a.m.

Garza County Courthouse

300 W. Main

City of Post

City Council Meeting

August 20
5:30 p.m.

Council Chambers - City Hall

105 E. Main

OTHER COMMUNITY EVENTS

Back to School Health Fair

August 21

1 - 5 p.m.

201 E. Main

"The Baptist"

Ragtown Gospel Theater

August 21 - 7:30 p.m.

August 22 - 3:00 p.m.

877-RAGTOWN for reservations

"The Woman in Black"

Garza Theatre

August 21 & 22 - 7:30 p.m.

August 23 - 2:30 p.m.

495-4005 for reservations

Post Rotary Club Dog Dip

August 22

1 - 3 p.m.

Post Fire Station

8th St. & Avenue H

\$5/each dog

Meet the Lopes

August 24

7:30 p.m.

Jimmie Redman Memorial Stadium

New Visitors' Guides Available

The 2009 edition of the Post and Garza County Visitors' Guide is available this week.

You can pick up copies of these guides at The Post Dispatch office, 123 E. Main Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. to Noon, 1 to 5 p.m.

The Guides are free of charge for your personal use or to have in your place of business for customers.

In addition, the Post Area Chamber of Commerce places copies in Chamber brochure holders in the county throughout the year and a copy is included in newcomer "welcome" bags distributed by the City of Post and relocation packets mailed by the Chamber.

"With the help of the Chamber we distributed all 10,000 copies of the 2008 edition," said Jeff Blackmon, Associate Publisher. "This is a valuable tool to give visitors a good overview of what is available when they visit Post and Garza County."

This year's Guide cover features a photo of the Garza County Courthouse by Lubbock photographer David Johnson.

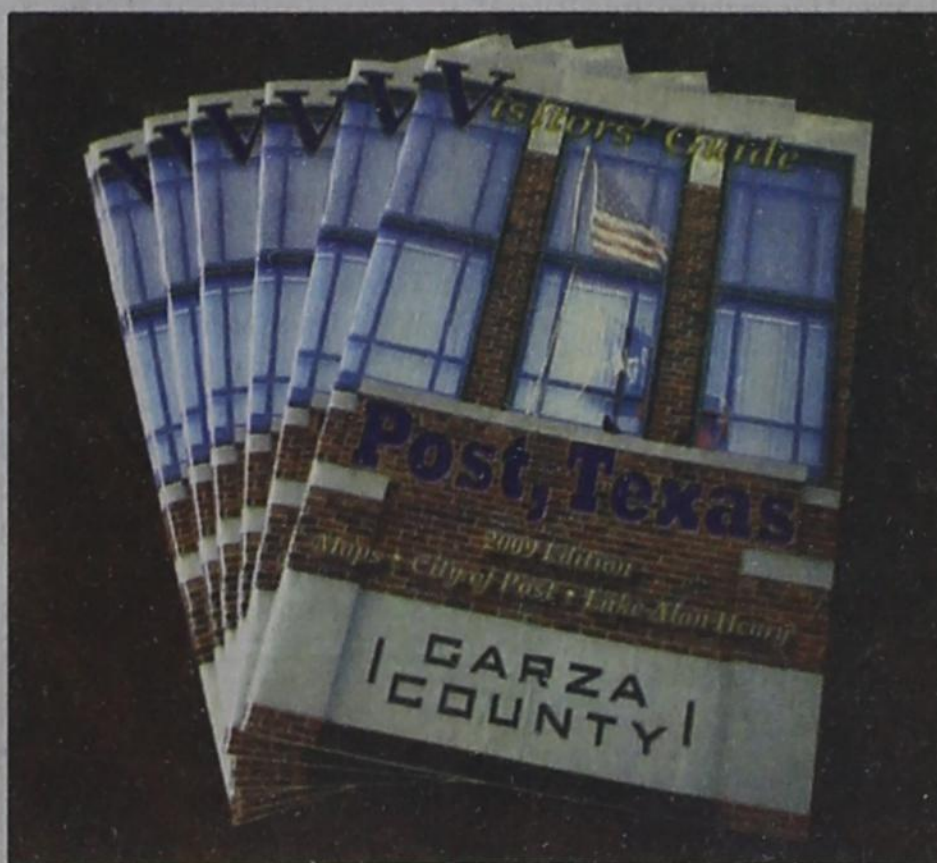
Inside, the 27 page, full color

publication includes a map of Post and Lake Alan Henry as well as accommodation and transportation information; a church directory; a list of historical markers in the city and county; a city services directory; a directory of city health and senior adult services; children/youth services and activities; and Garza County/Lake Alan Henry services directory.

Four sections: Celebrate the

Great Outdoors, Celebrate Our Heritage, Celebrate the Arts and Celebrate Our Good Life help visitors understand all there is to enjoy in Post and Garza County.

"This publication is a joint venture of Post City Celebrations, Inc. and The Post Dispatch," said Blackmon. "We appreciate the support of area businesses and organizations that make this guide possible."



Dramatic Mystery Opens at Garza

By Rosa Latimer
 News Editor

C. D. Adamson makes his directing debut at the Garza Theatre this weekend overseeing the production of "The Woman in Black" by Stephen Malatrat. With a cast of two: The Actor played by Jon Steele and Kipps played by Daniel Ballard, this classic ghost story promises a night of compelling entertainment.

Joined on stage by the Woman in Black, who is not identified, Steele and Ballard carry the story of a lawyer who hires an actor to tutor him in recounting to family and friends a story that has long troubled him.

The story involves events that transpired when

the lawyer attended the funeral of an elderly recluse. At the funeral, he caught sight of the woman in black, the mere mention of whom terrifies the locals, for "she is a specter who haunts the neighborhood where her illegitimate child was accidentally killed." Any one who sees the woman in black dies.

Based on a 1983 horror novel by Susan Hill, the menacing vision of the woman in black will haunt the stage of the Garza Theatre August 21, 22, 28 and 29 at 7:30 p.m. and August 23 and 30 matinees at 2:30 p.m.

Tickets are: \$12 Adults; \$8 Children 12 and under; \$10 for Seniors, Students and Military. Group rates are available. Call 806-495-4005 for reservations.



Save the Trees

Thanks for Speak Up! My suggestion is saving the antique trees lining the cemetery entrance. In my foggy memory I remember these were part of landscaping from west of the courthouse, through town to the cemetery. This would be a good opportunity for studies in antique preservation for FFA, 4-H or anyone who works with youth and has an interest in saving a part of our history. I can also visualize the community squad trimming trees on Hwy 207 just south of 15th. This is Railroad and TXDOT right of way, but permission could possibly still be obtained.

Great Sports Coverage

I think Jim Plummer's sports coverage is great...and the season hasn't even begun. I hope this continues.

Government Growth

Isn't government big enough? I'm talking about all levels even local. It's all too big for me. Every time government collects more tax revenue, the bigger it gets and the less freedom and cash we have. Get involved with the government group

of your choice and attend an upcoming budget meeting or talk to a board member. They gotta' listen to us, we elect them. Your input is more effective locally than with the state or federal governments. Request a copy of proposed budget from the county, city, or federal governments. Or, you may find it on the government body's website. Let's keep government growth under control or it will OVER control us all.

"Speak Up" is a way for readers to send their opinions to the Post Dispatch and have them published each week. No signature is required by the writer; writer identities will be kept anonymous and you can address any topic you want. "Speak Up" comments should not exceed 100 words and the Dispatch staff has the right to edit or refuse to print materials it deems to be inappropriate. Drop your Speak Up comments in the box in the front office of the newspaper or in the mail slot in the front door after hours. You can also email your comments to postcitydispatch@yahoo.com

Post Notes

Dog Dip Scheduled

The Post Rotary annual dog dip will be Saturday, August 22, 1-3 p.m. at the Post Fire Station, 8th Street & Avenue H. Dogs will be dipped to eliminate fleas and ticks for a cost of \$5 for each dog. A veterinarian will be available for rabies shots for an additional cost.

Second Annual Back to School Street Health Fair

The Back to School Health Fair is planned to take place on August 21, 2009 beginning at 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm. If your organization would like to participate please contact: Jamie Edwards 327-5312, Barbara Palmer 470-1295 or Community Organizer Reyes Pequeno 778-2628 for more information.

Garza County Democratic Party to meet

Yeller or blue, there's room for you! The Garza County Democratic Party will meet Saturday, August 22 at 10 a.m. in the Citizens Bank meeting room. Come and join in the positive change Yes we can!

Elementary Open House

Post Elementary School will hold its annual Title I Open House on Tuesday, August 25th from 6:00-7:00 p.m. All parents/guardians are welcome to come in and meet their child's teacher and see their classroom.

Men of Abiding Faith

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Opinions

The Public Option on the Table

By Robert Romano

The so-called public "option" - no less than a government takeover of the entire health care system - is apparently off the table. Senator Kent Conrad (D-ND), appearing on FOX News Sunday, said, "The fact of the matter is there are not the votes in the United States Senate for a public option. There never have been."

Not that it matters in the great scheme of things. Because the American people's adamant opposition to ObamaCare does not matter all that much to their representatives.

Besides expanding government's reach to control the lives of the American people, what matters most to Congressmen are their prospects for reelection. They desire nothing more.

And now the American people are learning that, at least in the Senate, they are not willing to lose their seats over this bill.

To put this revelation in perspective, despite having 58 Democrat Senators plus two Independent Senators that caucus with them, and 256 Representatives - more than enough to pass any bill they desire - Congressional Democrats allegedly cannot summon the votes in the Senate to enact their top agenda item: socialized

medicine. And why might that be?

The American people have made their voices loud and clear: They do not want a government takeover of their health care. They do not want rationing boards to eliminate "overhead" costs and cut out "unnecessary" tests and procedures that really means less quality care administered to America's seniors. They do not want the unsustainable debt the program would produce to be passed on to their children and their children's children.

However, while a prominent senator declaring the public "option" dead on arrival in the Senate is certainly good news for the American people, it should be taken with a grain of salt.

Congressional opposition to this proposal is contingent upon the continued opposition by the American people to a proposal that threatens no less than the quality of health care their families and friends receive.

And if the American people stop making phone calls, writing letters, and visiting with their Congressmen to express their opposition to the takeover, then representatives may start to believe that the coast is clear. That perhaps they can get away with it. And that is when they

can and will deliver the deathblow to the nation's health care system.

In the House, there are still 3 pieces of legislation, all of which still include the public "option." Meaning it is still very much on the table, at least in that chamber. After all, whether or not the plan can pass the Senate really has little to do with the legislation that the House will pass.

It also says nothing about what a final version of the bill will look like out of the conference committee, which is where the action always is. There, the House - represented by Nancy Pelosi - will have a full seat at the table. And there, the public "option" will very much be on the table.

In truth, there is no way Nancy Pelosi can get a health care bill out of the House that does not include the public "option," which Kaiser Health News reports will cost more than \$1.5 trillion.

Indeed, the inclusion of the public "option" is a deal breaker for the more radical members of the House. On CNN, Congresswoman Eddie Bernice Johnson said, "It would be very, very difficult, because without the public option, we'll have the same number of people

uninsured. If the insurance companies wanted to insure these people now, they'd be insured."

The fact is: the public "option" is the Democrat Party's proposal on the issue of health care. Without it, they would have to go back to scratch.

Certainly, Barack Obama is not ready to call it quits. In Colorado on Saturday, he said, "I think that we can craft a system in which you've got a public option that has to operate independently, not subsidized by taxpayers - it would be nonprofit... they would have to go on the market and get a market price for capital."

What this so-called not-for-profit "cooperative" would look like legislatively or if it will even be in the final bill remains to be seen. But even Barack Obama still says there will be a "public option."

All of which means that the public "option" is actually still on the table. They may call it something different. They may move a few boxes around. They may paint it pretty colors. But it will still be the same abominable government takeover of the entire health care system. And the American people will not like it.



The Paperboy

By Christopher Blackburn

A Lesson in Hypocrisy

Something has disgusted me over the past several weeks.

It is hard to believe that the voices of so many were dismissed as "un-American" by elected officials, particularly the Speaker of the House.

What is more un-American, protesting a war you feel is the wrong decision or protesting a health care reform bill?

What is more patriotic, protesting a war you feel is the wrong decision or protesting a health care reform bill?

The reality is, you are not un-American nor patriotic in either instance. That is the beauty of our freedom of speech. It guarantees you the right to say and express how you feel about a given topic or situation.

Freedom of speech can be hard to swallow at times. If you feel strongly about a topic, then naturally, the opposite view will upset you. But elected officials should be above name-calling. It makes them look petty and sad.

Nancy Pelosi, Speaker of the House and one of the biggest hypocrites walking the globe, called those protesting at recent town hall meetings "un-American," "Nazis" and "right-wing extremists."

Oh yes Madam Speaker, those grandmothers sure did look like "right-wing extremists." How terrifying!

Wouldn't it have sounded more professional if she would have said, "We welcome differences of opinion in this country. It leads to constructive dialogue which enables us to have the pulse of our respective constituents, thus, making us a better country."

Of course, if she were to say those words, would you believe them?

Here are some words Pelosi spoke following the presidential election:

"Last week, in a stunning display of democracy, the American people voted for change," said Pelosi. "Today, House Democrats have elected the leaders who will help take our nation in a New Direction. We will work together to lead the House of Representatives with a commitment to integrity, to civility, and to fiscal responsibility. This leadership team will create the most honest, most open, and most ethical Congress in history."

How wonderful it would have been had she really meant what she was saying back in November.

At times during the war, formerly known as the war on terror, it pained me to see so much hate in the streets of our country. In fact, many of the things said during that time made me sick.

However, I can appreciate the fact that people can assemble and voice their opinions and that right should be, and is, protected.

I remember growing up and seeing and hearing both pro life and pro choice groups going at it in front of clinics around the country. Both groups had one thing in common: freedom of speech.

Freedom of speech is a human right. Without it, we are oppressed.

Read the words of others:

"If the freedom of speech is taken away then dumb and silent we may be led, like sheep to the slaughter." - George Washington

"I disapprove of what you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it." - Voltaire

"The sound of tireless voices is the price we pay for the right to hear the music of our own opinions." - Adlai E. Stevenson

Speaker Pelosi can't have it both ways. Elected officials condemning Americans for exercising a basic right is both unprofessional and childish. I was going to say it was un-American, but we proved here that would be a mistake on my part.

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Letter to the Editor

Letter to the Editor:

About two weeks ago we were traveling to Ruidoso, New Mexico for vacation, when our vehicle started clattering as we approached the city of Post. We thought it might have been something wrong with the alternator. We pulled into the Post Tire and Lube and shop owner, Ted Thomas, told us it could be something more serious, after taking off the oil filter.

Being that the vehicle was still under warranty, we used their phone to call the dealer in Lubbock and at the same time arranged for a wrecker to pick up our vehicle. Not knowing if we could ride in the wrecker or how we were going to get to Lubbock, Ted offered his pickup for us to drive to Lubbock to get a rent-a-car and bring his pickup back to Post.

The wrecker truck driver allowed us to ride with him, so Ted's pickup was not needed. Before we left I went into the shop to pay Ted for the new oil filter and the time he had spent on our vehicle. He would not take any money since we were having such bad luck. He said that he might need a favor if he ever came to Graham.

He said he would pray for us as we went on our trip. What an outstanding young man!

We want to thank Ted for his generosity in helping us get on our way. If America had more men like Ted Thomas is would definitely be a better place to live.

Thanks,
Jon & Shelley Paclik
Graham, Texas

White River Water Report

08/18/09

Gauge Reading - 2348.25
Feet below spillway - 24.3"
Rise - 0"
Rainfall Past Week - 0"
Rain to Date - 7.41"
Rainfall for 2004 43.58"
Rainfall for 2005 15.57"
Rainfall for 2006 28.85"
Rainfall for 2007 24.19"
Rainfall for 2008 33.16"

DID YOU KNOW

White River Lake has 2,019,298,647 billion gallons left available at the Intake or 21% capacity or 6,1979 acre feet. Subtract 47,090,725 MG for evaporation this week in July that leaves 1,972,207,922 BG available as of today.

White River's daily average demand for 2008 was 1.23 million gallons per day for all White River Customers.

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

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

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

The Texas Water Development Board has issued an invitation to White River Municipal Water District for the loan they requested. The District has 90 days to accept or lose their ranking.

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

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Obituaries

Kathleen Burley

Services for Kathleen Burley, 73, of Gardendale were held at 2 PM Wednesday, August 19 in the Hudman Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Mike Taylor officiating. Burial in Terrace Cemetery was under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

She died Sunday, August 16, 2009 in Odessa. She was born May 6, 1936 in Sylacauga, Alabama to Earnest and Rosie Jane (Edwards) Butler. She married Gerald Burley on April 24, 1968 in New Mexico. He preceded her in death on January 8, 2002. She was a resident of Slaton for many years before moving to Gardendale.

Survivors include her mother: Jane Holeman of Odessa, 2 Daughters: Darlene Boyd of Houston and Kyran Moore of Post, 1 Son: Kerry Butler of Gardendale, 4 Brothers: Wayne Butler of Odessa, Edward Butler of Pleasant Farms, GTary Butler of Spring, and Kenny Butler of Duncan, Oklahoma, 1 Sister: Josie Ogles of Sycamore, Alabama, 19 grandchildren and 26 Great Grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by her father: Earnest Butler, 1 Daughter: Teresa Stokley, 1 Brother: Boodie Butler, 1 Sister: Vicki Beeman, 1 Grandson: Casey Boyd and 1 Great Grandson: Teddy Duckett

Anna Louise McBride

Services for Anna Louise McBride, 76, of Lubbock were held at 10 AM Wednesday, August 19 in the Hudman Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Grady Shytles officiating. Burial in Terrace Cemetery was under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home of Post.

She died Tuesday, August 18, 2009 in Lubbock. She was born November 30, 1932 in Twitty, Texas to Christopher Columbus and Elaine (Westmorland) Winters. She married James V. McBride on January 10, 1957 in Portales, NM. He preceded her in death on July 28, 2003.

She was a hairdresser in Chico for many years before moving to Lubbock.

Survivors include 1 Daughter: Tina Sims of Post and 1 Son: Curtis McBride of Lubbock, 5 Grandchildren and 3 Great Grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Tye Williamson, David James Sims, Christopher Sims, Gary Butner, Terry Vincent, Tommy Joe Fisher, Bruce Ford.

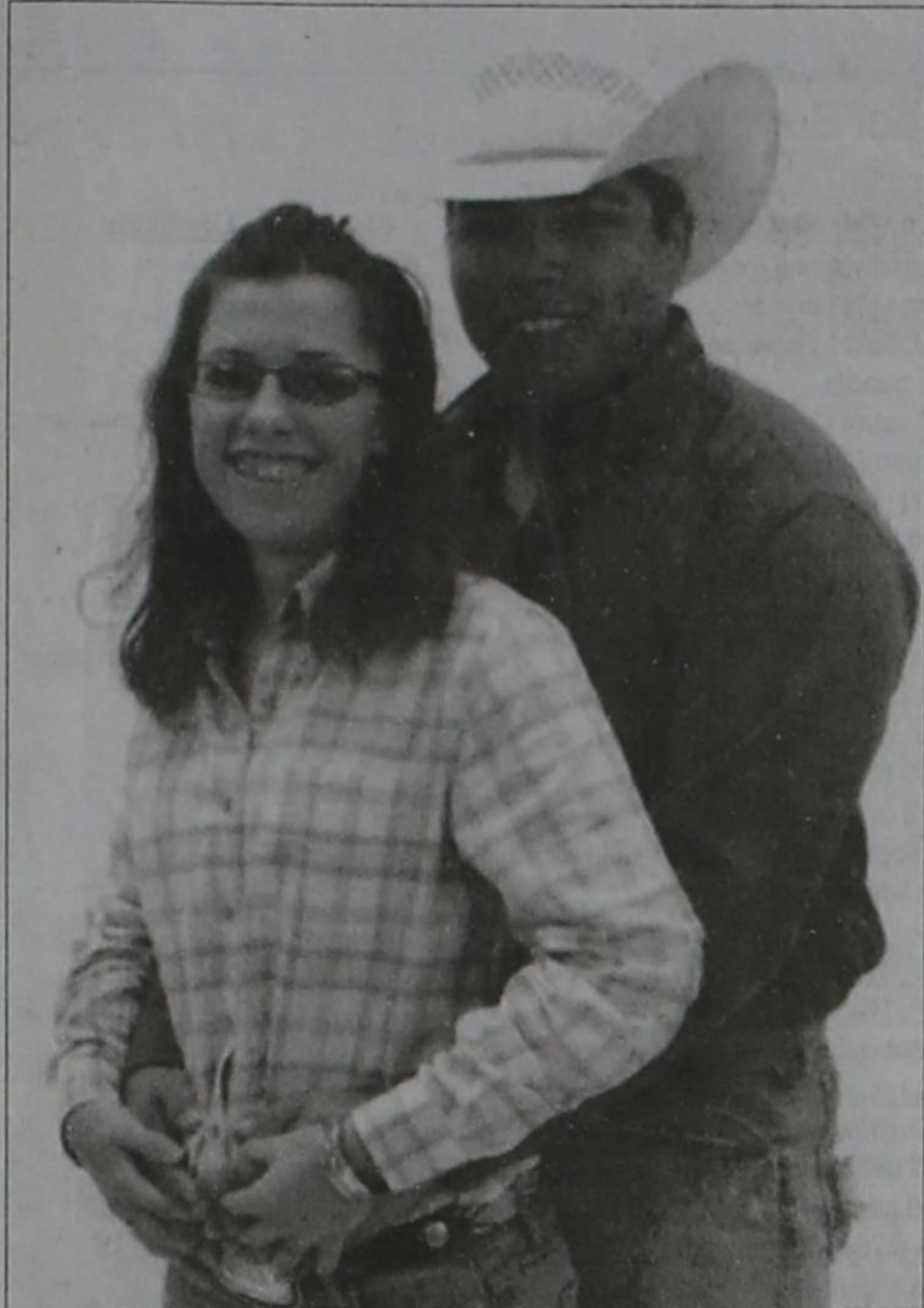
She was also preceded in death by a sister: Mary Alberta Fry in January 1996.



Windham, Jones Wedding Announced

Shauna Lynn Windham and Kirk Demond Jones announce their wedding on August 29, 2009 in Waco, TX. The bride, formerly of Post and the groom, formerly of Groesbeck both live in Mexia, TX.

The bride is the daughter of Danny and Lesa Windham, Abilene. She recently graduated from Navarro College and works as an LVN. The groom is the son of L.G. and Nona Jones, Groesbeck. He is employed at Mexia State School.



Bain, Guerrero Announce Engagement

Monico and Irene Guerrero are proud to announce the engagement of their son, M. J. Guerrero to Ashley Bain. Ashley is from Clovis, NM and M. J. lives in Post.



"Delete" is an action word that has come into its own as the Information Age has blossomed. Thank goodness. Otherwise we'd all be overwhelmed. I am anyway.

Not that the deletion process hasn't always been around, but back in the good old days, life didn't revolve around deleting stuff the way it does now - not for regular people. Deletion was what lawyers and other dictators did to paragraphs and phrases. Of course, it wasn't really the purveyors of verbiage themselves who did the deleting. They depended on minions with hair in buns and pencils over ears. Things went smoothly if said deletions happened during the stenographic process but became quite troublesome when anything already typed had to be erased or trashed and retyped.

Erasers were the worst, especially if carbon copies were involved. Shudder. The process could have been a business college course all its own. Maybe it was. Equipment ranged from different types of erasers, hard and soft, to brushes that whisked away eraser crumbs and shields that protected innocent letters. Onionskin paper came in different colors for multiple copies. Major deletions involved big wastebaskets and filing cabinet purges.

Granted, the hair-in-a-bun stereotype is an exaggeration, but I'm not dramatizing one bit the difficulties of erasures. Trust me. Seems like you could also buy eradication fluid, but I think maybe it was for ink used by draftsmen and cartoonists. I myself never invested in a bottle. It sounded too much like invisible ink or some other scam suitable for advertisement to 10-year-olds on the backs of cereal boxes. Poof. The words disappear.

Nowadays that's really what happens. All it takes is one mouse click or keystroke to delete a word or an entire electronic mail message or an image or lots of other things. I once made two or three ill-advised clicks (not that anyone was advising me but me) and inadvertently deleted a whole photo library. Lots of computer photos. So it's no wonder I'm cautious about deletions.

Maybe that's why I wanted to believe Google's Gmail promotion when they said I'd never have to delete another email if I signed up for one of their accounts. Apparently, the Google team was talking to normal people. I enrolled anyway. Now, a few short years later, they're talking straight to me:

"You are almost out of space for your Gmail account. You can view our tips on reducing your email storage or purchase additional storage."

It takes a super email hoarder to get a message like that. Call me super. Anyway, I vowed to change my ways and delete whatever it took to reclaim space. I tried. It was like shutting the gate after the cow had left for distant pastures. Messages disappeared, but my storage space didn't expand accordingly. Not at all.

A computer click on Google's tip on how to reduce email storage produced no tip. No kidding.

I paid \$20 for additional storage. That didn't work either.

Erasers and wastebaskets? Delete all those unkind things I said.

Postscript: Delete also what I said about the \$20 not buying extra storage. I tried it again, and it worked. Thank you Google for taking my money.

Post Lions Club Offers Flag Placement Service

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Hunters who are at least 17 years of age and have not completed the hunter education course can defer completion for one year. Hunters who opted for "deferral" last year must complete the hunter

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Area Hunter Education Classes Scheduled

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is encouraging hunters in need of certification to enroll soon as fall hunter education courses are filling up fast. As hunting seasons draw closer, demand for hunter education classes is expected to increase.

Anyone born after Sept. 1, 1971 is required to take the Hunter Education Training Course in order to hunt in Texas. The minimum age a hunter may be certified was lowered last year to 9, and experts have advice for people who want to take advantage of this relatively new provision.

"Though students may be certified at age 9, we still suggest they be accompanied by an adult guardian until the parent or guardian

Latimer Receives Master of Arts



Lara Latimer, daughter of Dr. James and Rosa Latimer-Bell of Post, received her Master of Arts from the University of Texas at Austin this month with a GPA of 3.95. This fall Lara will enter the Health Education Doctoral Program in the Department of Kinesiology and Health Education at UT.

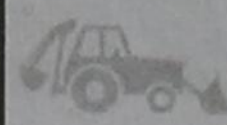
Latimer's research is in obesity treatment and prevention. For her Masters Thesis she focused on low-income women during postpartum. During her doctoral studies, Lara will concentrate on children and adolescents in a public school setting.

She has been employed as a Research Assistant with the University of Texas School of Nursing and will begin a new position as a Teaching Assistant and Research Assistant in the Department of Kinesiology and Health Education this month. As a result of her collaboration with others in the School of Nursing, Lara's first publication in a scientific journal, "Altered Perceptions of Personal Control About Retained Weight and Depressive Symptoms in Low-Income Postpartum Women," will be in this month's edition of Journal of Community Health Nursing.

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that because two of the county attorneys were in office during the term of the last DA and the other two worked for the last DA, "all county attorneys and all law enforcement agencies in the district have been on notice for many years that the 106th District Attorney is the prosecuting attorney for these protective orders."

"The safety of the citizens of my county is my primary concern," said the Garza County Attorney. Munk has informed Jayta Cravy, Garza County Victim Assistance Coordinator to direct any protective orders denied review by the District Attorney's Office to Mr. Munk's office, adding, "If for some reason traveling to Garza County to prosecute felony offenses becomes a problem, I would also like to offer my services to prosecute them."

The protective orders under discussion are permanent, two-year orders. According to the County Attorney's office all protective orders will be handled by that office including those with underlying felony charges. Garza County has submitted six such orders so far in 2009. Two were filed by the DA's office; two were withdrawn by the complainant and the District Attorney refused to file on two.

Mr. Munk has assured The Post Dispatch that the victims of these types of crimes have nothing to fear inasmuch as his office has been made immediately available for this essential public function. "Please call my office at 495-4440 or Ms. Cravy at 495-2479 and we will assist you in any way possible," he explained.

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2 Glue sticks	1 Sharp 5" Fiskar Safety Scissors	1 8 1/2 x 11 zipper bag	2 boxes of crayons
1 Child size blunt scissors	1 Plastic pencil box	24 #2 pencils	6 glue sticks
1 package 10 count markers	2 10 count thick markers	1 24 count Crayola crayons	2 packages of 6 count markers
1 Small bottle hand sanitizer	1 pink Bevel eraser	1 Sharp 5" Fiskar scissors	4 wipes refills
1 Box of wipes	3 200 count Kleenex	4 200 ct. wide rule notebook paper	1 gallon size ziplock bags
2 #2 regular size pencils (not fat)	6 small glue sticks	2 red pens	1 spiral notebook
1 backpack- handy but not mandatory	2 Prang watercolor act.set	1 4 oz. Elmer's glue	6 dry erase markers
	1 pkg. construction paper 9x12	6 100 ct. Kleenex	1 box mapping colors
	1 pkg. construction paper 12x18	5 pocket folders with brads	1 package of construction paper
FIRST GRADE	2 GermX hand sanitizer (8 oz.)	1 24 ct. Crayola map colored pencils	
12 #2 Pencils	1 pkg. dry erase markers	4 70 pg. spiral notebook wide rule	
1 Bottle of glue	1 baby or sanitizing wipes	2 100 ct. index cards	
2 boxes 24 count Crayola crayons	1 spiral notebook	1 pkg or box of wipes	
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6 red grading pencils w/erasers	1 box quart ziploc baggies	1 2" 3-ring binder	
6 plastic pocket folders	1 box gallon ziploc baggies		
1 pair of scissors			
1 pkg. pencil topper erasers	THIRD GRADE		
1 supply box	24 #2 Pencils (not mechanical)		
1 spiral notebooks	1 Pkg. pencil top erasers		
4 boxes kleenex	6 red grading pens		
6 dry erase markers	1 pencil pouch with zipper		
2 glue sticks	4 pkg. wide rule paper		
1 container disinfecting wipes (ie: Clorox)	3 spiral notebooks		
	6 folders with pockets		
SECOND GRADE	2 glue sticks		
1 12 ct. Crayola Map coloring pencils	2 Clorox wipes		
24 #2 pencils	1 scissors		
1 pink Bevel eraser	1 24 count Crayola crayons/colored pencils		
1 24 count Crayola crayons	4 boxes of Kleenex		
1 4 oz. bottle of glue	1 pkg. dry erase markers		
1 plastic school box	1 Ziploc bags		
4 100 ct. Kleenex	1 Index cards		
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The Church of Christ, located at 10th Street and Avenue M, will be holding its annual summer series of speakers beginning July 22 thru August 26th. - August 26th Rontrager. Please come and join us as we hear inspiring lessons on "Men of Abiding Faith". All meetings will begin at 7 p.m.

Graham Chapel Church of Christ located at 15th St. and Ave. S, is sponsoring a clothes closet with all sizes for men, women and children and a food pantry at the church. Anyone needing help with clothing or food, please contact Annette Riggs at 283-1142, Greg Massey at 778-4366 or Jane Mason at 495-2980. Benefit to help Martinez Family

Clay shootout in Slaton
 The Wayland Baptist University Pioneers basketball team is sponsoring a sporting clay shootout on August 22 at the Rustic Range in Slaton, beginning at 9 a.m. The entry fee is \$75 per person and includes a 50-target round and lunch. Prizes will be awarded to the top performers. Participants must supply their own gun and shells. Those interested may enter as individuals, or as a team of five. Proceeds will benefit the basketball program. For more information or to register contact coach Robert Davenport at 806-291-1147 or Chris Paddock at 806-291-1148.

Need School Supplies?
 South Plains Community Action Association will be assisting low-income households in your community. Backpacks filled with the basic school supplies will be provided for children in the upcoming school year. A one-page application will be completed and verification of income will be required to complete the process. If you are a recipient of Childcare Services, CHIP/Medicaid, Food Stamps, TANF, SS/SSI, or CEAP client; you must present proof of enrollment. If you are not receiving any of the services above, you may also qualify by presenting household monthly income for the past 30 days. Contact you local Neighborhood Center for applications. Carla Perez S. Highway 84 Post, Texas 79356 495-2329.

2009/2010 Football tickets on sale
 Post ISD is now selling football tickets for 2009-10 season. Reserved seat tickets will not be sold after August 26th. Please see Kay Postell at the Post ISD business office. Senior Citizens may also pick up a free pass for all athletic events.

American Legion scheduled to meet
 The American Legion's James C. Cole Post 270 will have their regular meeting on August 27, 2009 at 7:00 pm at the First Christian Church located at 812 W. 13th St.

Meet the Lopes
 Mark you calendars! Meet the Lopes will kick off the season for Post Antelopes Football. It is scheduled for Monday, August 24th, 7:30 p.m. at Jimmie Redman Memorial Stadium. Parents of the football players will need to bring homemade ice cream. Come support your cheerleaders, band and Post Antelope football team!

Coffee at Trailblazers
 All Post ISD School Retirees are invited to a 1st week of school informal coffee at The Trailblazers Building on Monday, August 24th from 9:00 - 10:30 am. Bring your coffee cups plus 25 cents and enjoy visiting with former co-workers.

Clothes and food available from church

Antelopes first Pep Rally
 The Antelopes first pep-rally will be on Friday, August 28 at 3:00 pm in the arena it is a community wide pep-rally to help kick off the season. Everyone is welcome

Flag Football registration
 It is time again to signup for Post Flag Football, signups will be held on Wednesday 26th, and Thursday 27th in the Elementary Gym from 4:00 - 5:30 pm. The cost is \$20. If you are interested in coaching or for more information contact Russell Benham at 781-6749

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In and Around Close City

by Traci Freeman

Weather

It has really clouded up a few days but no rain to speak of, just sun shine, I know the hot weather is suppose to be good for the cotton but I'm ready for some cooler weather. Our tomatoes have finally started to make, the guys sprayed for weeds around the office and like to have killed my okra, squash and one of my tomato plants, after that they went to blooming like crazy! Go figure.

News

The Ragtown/Garlynn School Reunion was held last weekend and from what I was told all 55 people who attended had a great time visiting and catching up with old friends. Some traveled along

way to attend; it is so nice to see that most people around here do not want our "history" to fade away, the group voted to have another reunion in 2 years. I think that is neat and I do want to thank everyone who has shown interest in keeping our community alive by supporting everything we have going on out here. I have had many phone calls of support, some from people I barely know offering help in anyway they can. Pulling together like that gets things accomplished!

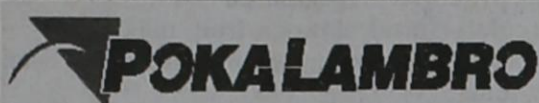
Don't forget about our cookbook we are currently working on; It will be full of nothing but "Ragtown" recipes. We need recipes from anyone having ties to the Close City Community. Any of

you who ever attended school or church out here or if you ever lived, farmed or just "hung out" in Close City, send us yours and your family's recipes, the more we have the better the book will be. We want these books to be ready for our Fall Festival we are planning in October, yes that is not much time so send them now. You can mail them to me at 1390 CR 125 Post, Texas 79356 or you can email them to me at close.city.coop@pcca.com Make sure all recipes have a name on them so that we can give them proper credit. We will be contacting many of you later on to help do some baking for the Festival, if you would like to help in anyway call me (Traci) @ 632-3611 or Nancy

@ 239-0838

Ronald and Nancy Thuett along with their children, Trevor, Jody, Dalton and Caelan Thuett and Kerry Thuett and her friend, Kevin traveled to Yellowstone for a family vacation. While there they stayed five days in The Old Faithful Inn. Ronald had been planning this trip for three years and evidently he did a great job, from what I hear they all had a wonderful time. Other stops they made along the way were; Jackson Hole, Mesa Verde National Park, Little Bighorn National

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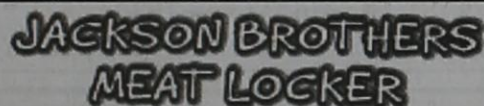
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Weekly Inspirations

HERE COMES THE BRIDE

By: Michael F. Taylor

It was a beautiful Saturday afternoon with the West Texas winds gently blowing off of the Caprock. The deep rich green of the church lawn contrasted with the light colored outside stucco walls of the church. I couldn't help but wax nostalgic as I walked up the steps and into the sanctuary of the venerated old building. It had been just about 21 years ago in which I myself had nervously walked into that very same sanctuary to say my wedding vows. The groom was smiling as I greeted him and the families were all decked out in their beautiful dresses and handsome tuxedos. There was electricity in the air of anticipation which made one happy to be a part of the celebration of new love.

The bride was arrayed in a pure white gown that simply made her enraptured face glow with an eager excitement and just a hint of nervousness. As I stood at the front of the sanctuary and watched her gracefully walk down the aisle, I couldn't help but smile with joy in knowing that as I performed this ceremony of marriage rites, I was fulfilling a God ordained task set before all ministers. I was so proud of the fact that she was a member of my own family and that she had found true love, but my joy extended even further than that. For, the marriage rites administered by preachers down throughout history, are a sacred charge which go much deeper than the outward. We are taught in Ephesians Chapter 5, "25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her 26 to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, 27 and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. 28 In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. 29 After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for it, just as Christ does the church— 30 for we are members of his body. 31 "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh." 32 This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church." NIV The Apostle Paul is assuring us here that Love is the key. That just as Jesus Christ loved us so much that He gave himself to save humanity from sin, husbands and wives are to give themselves to each other in love. And what is love? 1 Corinthians Chapter 13 instructs us, "4Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. 5It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 6Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. 7It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. 8Love never fails." NIV And just a few verses later, Paul tells us, "13And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love." NIV. Let me write those words once again. THE GREATEST OF THESE IS LOVE! This weekend, I was privileged to celebrate in two people's God ordained love. And I was honored to be a part. And even greater still, I am honored that God is willing to use a flawed vessel such as myself. Patricia and Barrett; may God always be the guiding light of your love. And for each of you reading, take God's word to heart and let it lead and direct all the love in your lives. God Bless!

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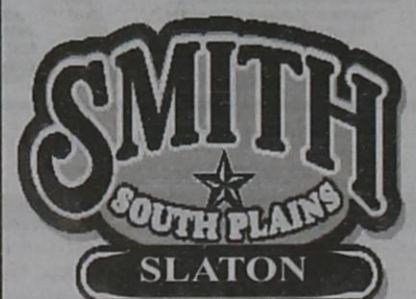


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Thanks to all,
Garza Co. Trailblazers

We would like to thank all of you for all the many acts of kindness shown to our families during this time. To John Bill Hedrick and Noel White, the music was just beautiful, and also to John Bill thank you for your comforting words and the stories about Pop. To the ladies that brought food we truly appreciate your thoughtfulness. We also appreciate those who shared special memories of Pop with us. God Bless you all.

The families of - Harold "Pop" LaGayluah McReynolds Lois Childs

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Post will hold a public hearing Tuesday, September 22, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. at the Post City Hall. The City of Post is considering funding from the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB), Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) for the construction of water system improvements benefiting customers of the City of Post Municipal Water Service which will include the repair and rehabilitation of a 14" supply water line, consolidation of 3 pump stations and hydropneumatic tank, and replacement of transmission lines to Caprock WSC and Cedar Hills distribution system. The total cost of the project is projected to be \$2,300,000.00 funded by the above said TWDB DWSRF funds. Thus, it is not anticipated at this time that there will be any changes made to the current monthly bill, connection fee, taxes, surcharges, or other fees as in place on the date of this publication to a typical residential customer living in the City of Post. One of the purposes of this hearing is to discuss the potential environmental impacts of the project and alternatives to it. The City invites all interested citizens to attend the public hearing. A copy of the complete Environmental Information Document (EID) can be reviewed at the City of Post, City Managers Office located at 105 E Main Street, Post, TX 79356. Written comments and suggestions may be sent to Arbie Taylor, City Manager, 105 E Main Street, Post, Texas 79356. For directions to the public hearing, please call (806) 495-2811. Handicapped individuals wishing to attend this meeting should contact the City at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to arrange for assistance.

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Quatro Oil and Gas, Inc 700 Lamar St. Wichita Falls, TX 76301 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation, which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Glorieta Formation, Dorward "S" Lease, Well Number S-10. The proposed injection well is located 7 miles E of Justiceburg in the Dorward Field, in Garza County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2480 to 2525 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide

Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests 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 Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF AMANDO BARRERA CHAPA, Garza County, Texas

Notice to all persons is hereby given that the original letters of Testamentary upon the estate of AMANDO BARRERA CHAPA deceased, were issued to the undersigned on the 27 day of July 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. DATED: 7/27/09 SAN JUANITA CHAPA BLACKSTONE, Independent Administrator, Cause # 1899

NO. 1899 IN THE ESTATE OF BILLIE YVONNE COWDREY WINDHAM, DECEASED, IN THE COUNTY COURT OF GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that original Letter Testamentary upon the Estate of BILLIE YVONNE COWDREY WINDHAM, Deceased, were granted to DONALD RAY WINDHAM, SR. in the probate court of Garza County, Texas. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby requested to present same to DONALD RAY WINDHAM, SR. within the time prescribed by law at the following address:

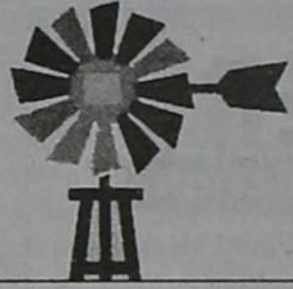
Donald Ray Windham, Sr. 601 W. 6th Post, Texas 79356

Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Wine and Beer Retailer's Off-Premise Permit by Jimmy Joe Moore dba MooseKnuckles Bar & Grill, to be located at 208 North Ave F, Garza County, Texas. Owner of said is Jimmy Joe Moore.

Menus

Post ISD

- August 24**
Breakfast- Pig-n-blanket, fruit, milk
Lunch- Pizza, salad, corn, peaches, milk
 - August 25**
Breakfast- Pop-tart, sausage link, fruit, milk
Lunch- Antelopes, ranch style beans, applesauce, milk
 - August 26**
Breakfast- Malt-o-meal, sausage, fruit, milk
Lunch- Fried chicken, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, jello, milk
 - August 27**
Breakfast- Egg omelet, toast, fruit, milk
Lunch- Lasagna, salad, peas, garlic bread, fruit, milk
 - August 28**
Breakfast- Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk
Lunch- Chicken burger, salad, baked beans, fruit, milk
- ### Trailblazers
- August 24**
BBQ chicken, baked beans, fried okra, biscuit, strawberry cake
 - August 25**
Beef stew, crackers, cornbread, pineapple cake
 - August 26**
Roast Beef, potatoes, carrots, roll, cobbler
 - August 27**
Baked ham, butter beans, turnip greens, cornbread, banana pudding
 - August 28**
Fried fish, beans, tater tots, cole slaw, fruit



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Yesteryears

Compiled by Donna Jones From The Post Dispatch

10 Years Ago August 19, 1999

A June 27 reception at the post Public Library honored the facility's benefactor, Virginia Storie, and her husband, the late Calvin Storie. A plaque was presented to Mrs. Storie. Preston Poole, library board president, provided a background on Mrs. Storie.

Fannie Ballentine enjoyed a reunion with her sister, Annie Mae Ready of Tallassee, Alabama. The two sisters hadn't seen each other in five years. Mrs. Ready will be 97 years old in September.

U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison visited Post last week, hosted by Giles C. McCrary at the OS Ranch Museum.

Timothy W. Burnett was awarded a Bachelor of Arts in Music degree at commencement exercises at TWU in Denton.

Twenty-three Rotarians and three guests enjoyed the humor of Bob Collier at the Post Rotary Club meeting. Collier highlighted the gathering by telling "traveling salesman stories" concerning the various salesmen who have called on Collier Drug Store through the years.

Victor Ashley of the Farm Service Agency presented an award for Farm Manager of the Year to Craig Simpson.

20 Years Ago August 22, 1989

A retirement and appreciation reception honoring R. Syd Conner was held at the Post Community Center with approximately 175 guests registering.

The two-percent local gross receipts tax on bingo earned the City of Post \$1,098.23 for the second quarter of 1989 and brought the total 1989 payments to date to \$3,305.

Keitha Beth White, 19-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Noel White, has been named as a recipient of one of the 1989 National Cutting Horse Association Cutters-In-Action Memorial Scholarships.

The Garza County Roping finals were held during the Post Stampede Rodeo with Jeff Williams earning the title of "All

Around Roper".

LaDonna Craig, bride-elect of Kevin Buschmann, was honored in Lubbock with a Trouseau Tea hosted by Elizabeth Roth, friend of the bride, and her mother.

Palmer Well Service held its annual Mickey and Minnie Couple Golf Tournament at Caprock Golf Course with 63 teams participating in the two-day event. The highlight of the tournament was a hole-in-one made by Barry Morris on the par three, number eight hole. The Women's Division of the Chamber of commerce sold tickets on a set of "Fox-Bat" golf clubs, which were won by David Woods. Jimmie and Jan Bartlett won first place in the tournament.

30 Years Ago August 23, 1979

When Post schools open at 8:30 a.m. Monday for the first day of the 1979-80 school year, middle school students are asked to assemble in the east stands of Antelope Stadium - providing it's not raining. That's a tip-off as to how far things are running behind on the big junior high school remodeling and expansion project.

County Judge Giles Dalby was named by the Garza County Commissioners' Court as the county's representative to the South Plains Community Action Board. Jack Alexander was appointed as alternate.

Jim Jackson was elected president of the Antelope Band

Booster Club.

Post ISD trustees have adopted a "dress code policy" after some heated discussion during a special meeting.

Garza Memorial Hospital is looking for a new administrator after accepting the resignation of current administrator Ed Zintgraff, who has accepted a position with Yoakum County Hospital in Denver City.

Bonnie and Morris Tyler's home, 701 N. Avenue O was winner of the Chamber of Commerce's "Yard of the Week."

40 Years Ago August 21, 1969

Melvina Stewart, Graham 4-H Club member, won first place with her mare, Beauty, in its class at the State 4-H Horse Show held at the Nolan County Coliseum in Sweetwater.

The 1969-70 school term will begin at 8:35 a.m., August 26 with enrollment expected by school officials to be slightly higher than last year's first-day enrollment of 1,200.

Two community eyesores went up in smoke when the Post Volunteer Fire Department, with the owners' permission, burned two abandoned houses in the northeast part of town.

Post police have a "skunk gun" on order. The 20-gauge shotgun will be carried on night patrol and policemen are instructed to "blast away and keep going" when they come upon a skunk.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hansford Hudman are the parents of

a daughter, Jennifer, born August 14 in Garza Memorial Hospital.

Jerry Bush was appointed chairman of the Post Jaycees' annual Labor Day rest stop project.

Patti Peel, Pam Petty, Judy Norman, Martha Miller and Rhonda Case, are, so far, the only contestants for the Post representatives to enter the White River Lake beauty contest.

50 Years Ago August 21, 1959

Eighth grade students will be back in the high school building this year for the first time since the junior high building was completed four years ago.

Funeral services for Jack Samson, a resident of Post since 1911 and the son of George "Scotty" Samson, were held at the First Presbyterian Church.

L. G. Thuet, Jr. was re-elected District 6 director of the Lyntegar Electric Cooperative at its annual membership meeting.

Wind, which accompanied a recent thunderstorm, snapped a roof support at Postex Mills, causing a 40 by 20 foot section of ceiling in the sewing room to fall in.

Twenty-seven candidates for this season's Post Antelope football squad reported to Coach Vernard Alexander and his assistants to begin drills for the grid campaign opening September 4.

Three from Post - Harold Lee Rogers, Ruby Ellen Lobban and Melvin Lewis Garner - are among the more than 450 candidates for degrees at Texas Tech.

Sidney Hart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Boy Hart, was improving at Garza memorial Hospital after he was butted in the chest by a calf he had roped and was attempting to throw.

60 Years Ago August 24, 1949

J.C. Turner brought in Garza County's first bale of cotton, which was ginned at the Graham Co-op Gin.

The expansion of the city

sewer system, which was begun last fall has been virtually completed and the project will be accepted by the city in the near future, the water city sewer superintendent R.H. Tate announced.

The Saturday Garnolia school election, calling for an increase in the school tax from \$1 to \$1.50 carried by a vote of 15 to 5.

Things financial are looking up for the Garza County books. Tax receipts for the 1950 budget reached an all-time high, \$163,135 - an increase of \$2,085.56 over the receipts of 1949. And the budget expenditures for 1950 will be only \$128,742.50 as compared to \$136,148 for 1949.

Wilf Scarborough has taken over management of the Algert Coffee Shop.

Martha Braddock announced the opening September 1 of City Beauty Service, located in Williams Barber Shop.

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ACROSS

- song: "_____"
- Texas' aka "Blue Yodel No. 1"
- singer Guthrie at TX Willie's Farm Aid III
- offensive word for Jews
- "highs and _____"
- TXism: "plain as the ears _____ mule"
- TXism: "hard _____"
- "at any _____"
- TX Gene Tierney was born on the _____ of Nov. _____
- _____ Campo, TX
- TXism: "_____ high on the hog" (rich)
- Iowa Park h.s. class
- TX-born Joan Crawford film "Forsaking All _____"
- gas station event?
- TXism: "never in all _____ born days"
- early name: "El _____ Paso del _____ Norte"
- TXism: "not worth a red _____"
- harmonica: "mouth _____"
- TX sports once was seen on this via HSE (2 wds.)
- TX-born Annette O'_____ was Clark Kent's mother on "Smallville"
- this Craig won '84 Byron Nelson Golf Classic
- boot width
- TX-filmed "Pee _____ Big Adventure" ('85)
- heart test (abbr.)
- phrase of the 60s: "Women's _____"
- TX Chill Willis film: "The Wheeler _____" ('63)
- this Sandra was in TV film "Houston, We've Got a Problem"
- UT opponent on 10/10/09 (abbr.)
- TX grew more of this fruit in 1900 than today
- TX Cristi Conaway was the "Ice Princess" in '92 film "Batman"
- in Collin Co. on 75
- Cut _____ Shoot, TX
- TX poet Naomi Shihab _____
- women's patriotic org. (abbr.)
- Abilene is seat of this county
- in Parmer Co. on hwy. 60
- Columbus has a museum in the _____ tower"
- TX Perot
- TX band: "Asleep _____ the Wheel"
- "Texas Country Cellars" makes a _____ wine
- this Margie was 1st woman elected to TX Senate (26)
- TX Eddie Chiles was _____ big govt. was _____ too late"
- "Whir _____ gig" pilot was filmed at "The Studios" at Los Collinas"
- TXism: "caught between the Devil and the deep blue _____"
- TX Willie '79 film: "The _____ Horseman"
- remove the husks before eating these Mexican dishes
- TX criminal attorney "Racehorse"
- TXism: "it's root _____ hog _____ die"
- waitress reward
- d'oeuvre
- corrected writing
- film "Streets of Laredo" was a _____ of "The Texas Rangers"
- TXism: "he's a _____ hammer
- TXism: "he's a _____ bricks shy of a load"
- TXism: "it's root _____ hog _____ die"
- TXism: "a hard dog _____ the _____ porch" (good dog)
- noise made after drinking Dr. Pepper real fast
- TXism: "he's a _____ smith" has had many TX concerts
- Latin American airline
- exotic antelope
- TX singer Tucker

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CHOICE SEATING: Did you know where you sit in class can affect your grade? Research has shown, students that sit up front are more likely to get "A"s. Students in back are more likely to receive low grades. It's a no brainer. It is just easier to pay attention and stay focused when you are closest to the teacher. So, when you have a choice, choose to be an "A" student. See you in the front row!

BRAIN GAIN Breakfast Report

A recent Harvard study found students who eat breakfast score 40% higher on math grades than students who skip breakfast.

Another study found eating breakfast improves memory and learning ability by 20%.

Lighten Up

Using a highlighter can be the essential tool for better grades. A simple swipe of bright yellow improves concentration, comprehension and shortens time needed to study for tests. When you are highlighting you become an active participant in what you read. Instead of just skimming over the page you are now looking for the important parts. Your brain is engaged and your reading comprehension automatically improves. Reviewing what you have read is a snap since you already have identified the main ideas. Highlighting directions forces you to read carefully. We have all gotten an assignment back with a poor grade because we simply did not follow directions. So, highlight your way to better grades.

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Close City News...
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Park, and Buffalo Bill Cody Historical Museum. Knowing I collect rocks from all over the world they stopped in Pinedale, Wyoming and picked one up for me while overlooking the Green River at the site of where the mountain men had their rendezvous, which was a big event back in the 1830's. Thanks ya'll! Nancy also tells me that Kerry has moved to San Francisco where she has a job with Chem-Risk. Good luck Kerry.

I'm sure most of you are aware that Monday is the first day back to school so watch out for the kiddo's loading and unloading on the bus. If you see a stopped bus, be patient and please don't pass it, we want our kids to stay safe.

Visitors

We had cousins, Doug Flanagan and David Norman in last week visiting. Chuck came in Monday morning before him and Dylan headed off for one last round of golf before school starts. Tuesday afternoon Kristi brought Rylan in to visit a while, he just loves coming to look at all the pictures of tractors we have hanging on the wall.

Don't forget our "Ragtown" folks in the nursing homes; Doug and Claudine Tipton and Carmen Abraham in Post; Jewel White in Lubbock; Jean Tipton and Odie Kemp in Tahoka. If I need to add anyone to this list, please let me know.

Birthdays

August 25 - Airmy Gradine Beasley

August 25 - Mike Aten

August 26 - Laura Jean Carter

August 26 - Lee Norman

Everyone have a great weekend and remember.....

Keep our troops and rain in your daily prayers. Don't forget to check out our blog at <http://closecitycoopgin.blogspot.com>.

Hunters...

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education course to hunt legally this year.

Hunter education courses are conducted by certified volunteers all year across the state of Texas. Courses cost \$15 and students have two options: take the FREE classroom study portion on-line plus a one-day field component or take the traditional two-day course that averages 14 hours of instruction.

Courses cover: Hunting Rules and Regulations; Ethics and Responsibilities; Wildlife Conservation; Modern and Primitive

Sporting Arms and Ammunition; Safe Firearm Handling and Storage; Outdoor Survival and First Aid. Field and Live-Firing Exercises are often included in traditional courses. Field and Live-Firing Exercises are mandatory in Home Study testing.

Area courses scheduled

Online plus one-day field course will be offered in Abilene, August 29 beginning at 7:30 a.m. Call 325-625-2715 to enroll. Two field courses will be offered in Amarillo: August 29 at 1 p.m., 806-537-3144 and September 12 at 10 a.m., 806-537-3144.

Two-day classes will be offered in Lubbock, Sept. 5, 8 a.m.; Amarillo Sept. 11, 5 p.m.; Abilene, Sept. 12, 8:30 a.m.; Midland Sept. 4 and Sept. 14, 6 p.m.; Wichita Falls, Sept. 17 and Oct. 8, 5:30 p.m.

Area bow hunting & student bow hunting class is scheduled in Amarillo, Sept. 4, at 5:00 p.m.

Hunting Instructor classes will be offered in Lubbock, Dec. 15 at 8 a.m. and in Amarillo, Oct. 10 at 8 a.m.

Visit the Texas Parks and Wildlife web site for more information.



Also attending the reunion (from left) Laverne Furr Aten and Joanna Furr Morris. Joanna is the granddaughter of Walter McNabb who along with J.E. Winder bought our gin in Montague County and moved it to Close City in 1919 and it has been here every since.



Some of the crowd attending the reunion (from left) Gloria, Barbara, Jeanette and Fern. They are the daughters of the late Virgil and Lorene Blacklock

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By Jim Plummer
Sports Writer

Apparently the Bold Gold ran like antelopes and flexed defensive might in their outing against 2A opponent Coahoma. I don't know firsthand due to a prior obligation, so I'm relying on hearsay and statistics. It was the first battle of the pre-season for both teams.

A scrimmage is not conducted or scored like a regular game. Each team gets the same number of plays and the winner is determined by which team gets the ball across the goal line the most. Well I guess it is similar to a regular game. Anyway, Post got in the end zone four times and Coahoma once. So, it's safe to say that the Antelopes won the scrimmage.

According to Head Coach Chris Jones, "The offensive line blocked well. All 4 RBs (Giles Dalby, Ernie Saldivar, Chase Great-house and Easton Mathis) ran hard. Clint Windham executed the offense well for his first time back at QB. Aaron James and M.J. Wynne had a good day at the receiver position." He added "overall, we had no turnovers which was a big factor to our success." The offense was more productive on the ground than in the air, running the ball 65% of the possessions.

An observer, who chose to remain anonymous, concurred with coach saying "the passes were crisp, the running was strong and the defense penetrated well with several quarterback sacks."

Defensive Coordinator, Jay Hellums "thought the defense played well, the kids got after it as a team. Although it went well, there is still

Lopes Dominate

a lot of room for improvement and we will continue to work every day to get better."

According to Antelope Booster Club President Donny Windham, about 75 dedicated fans made the heated trek to Coahoma last Saturday. What they witnessed was a dominating performance by the Bold Gold.

Sidelines

Today (Friday) the Lopes welcome the Tahoka Bulldogs. The scrimmage begins at 6:00 with the JV playing before the Varsity squads. This Monday, August 24th at 7:30 P.M. the booster club invites you to Meet the Lopes, the Lady Lope Cross Country team, the cheerleaders and enjoy ice cream, cookies and the Pride of Post Band. On Friday, August 28, the season kicks off as the Antelopes receive 7-1A powerhouse Sundown. All the events take place at Post's Jimmy Redman Memorial Stadium. See you at the festivities.

Unfortunately Antelope Profiles is postponed until next week's Dispatch. We weren't able to obtain pictures by press time.

Sundown preview: Last season the Lopes had a difficult time with the Roughnecks and lost the first game of the season. Sundown went undefeated in district play and finished the season as regional finalists. This year, Dave Campbell's Texas Football magazine picks Sundown to repeat as district champs with the help of a several key players including quarter back Jason Durham and All-State linebacker Jake Carter.

Middle School Cheerleaders Host National Day Camp

The Post Middle School Cheerleaders hosted and attended a National Cheerleaders Association Summer Day Camp August 3rd-5th at the Antelope Arena. This was the first time that a camp has been hosted here. A total of 5 Jr. High squads attended: Spur, Jayton, Lazbuddie, Crosbyton and Post. NCA sent 3 cheerleaders to instruct the squads in cheers, chants, dances and stunts.

Post Middle School cheer sponsor Jennifer Edwards was instrumental in bringing the camp to Post. "I felt there was a need for a camp in our area that would cater to small middle school squads," Edwards said. "I contacted NCA and set things in motion for the camp. It is my hope and NCA's to promote the camp to become an annual event in Post and attract even more

schools next year." The Post squad did an outstanding job and received the following awards:

Nationals Bid; S.P.O.T and Safety Award; Herkie Award for outstanding representation of team spirit and unity; Top Performance Squad; and the Spirit Stick Award. Four Post girls were All-American Team selections: Sara Greer, Jaycee Johnson, Sierra Isbell, and Dakota Greer. Jennifer Edwards received the Herkie Award for Coaches. This award is presented to the coach who realizes that team unity and learning are the most important aspects of camp.

"We received positive feedback from the school's involved, everyone commented on the facility and the friendliness of Post people," Edwards concluded.



Courtesy Photo Post Middle School Cheerleaders for 2009/2010 are from left: Sierra Isbell, Katie Dunn, Sara Greer, Chelby Morris, Matti Smith, Jaycee Johnson, Taylor Osborn and Dakota Greer.

PACC Hosts Hospitality Tour

Recently the Post Area Chamber of Commerce held its first "hospitality tour" of our community. A group of Chamber board members, City of Post representatives, and other community leaders boarded the Spartan bus driven by the always pleasant and efficient SanJuana Luera. The group toured Post stopping at Ragtown Gospel Theater for a short tour and at The Heritage House for refreshments. Other sites included on the bus tour were theaters, museums, historic buildings, the park, and Main Street. Chamber Board member Jim Plummer was the tour guide.

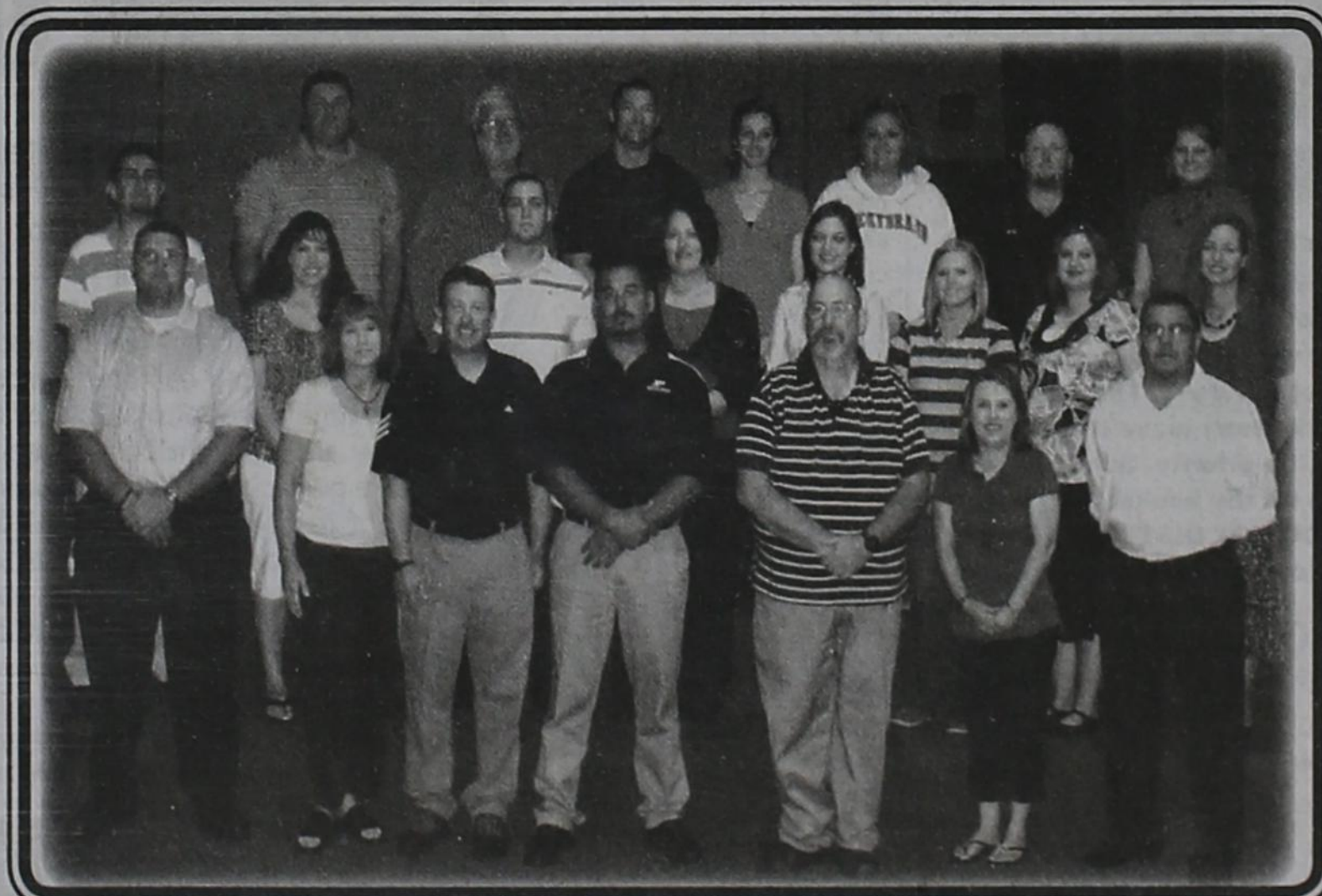
"We often forget the way our community appears to a visitor," said Janice Plummer, PACC Manager. "We hope to have more tours similar to this and use them as a reminder of the amenities of Post and Garza County."

The entire tour took about 2 hours and the unanimous response was very positive. The next Chamber Hospitality tour will be in the fall.



Chamber Board members, City of Post representatives and other community leaders enjoyed a bus tour of Post. Those participating were from left: Jay Young, Greg Tidmore, Marie Neff, Brad Mason, Cynthia Williams, Melba Cimental, Jim Plummer, Janice Plummer, Hildegard Marlin, SanJuana Luera, Lisa Kirkpatrick and Harry Records.

Welcome New Post ISD Teachers



Front Row: Billy Quinn, Leesa Pyles, Jerry Pyles, Don Hilger, John Anthony, Brooke Mathis, Julio Rodriguez. Middle Row: Richard Soliz, Stacie Quinn, Lee Edwards, Marci Conrad, Angelina Cashiola, Laura McDonald, Stacy Allen, J'Lynn Hodges. Back Row: Art Maestas, Barton Cox, Chris Lackey, Christa Lackey, Katie Voss, Toby Allen, Cheyenne White. Not Pictured: Candi Gomez, Abby Ayala, Kari Ann Coble, Kelly Hardin, David Lipps.



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