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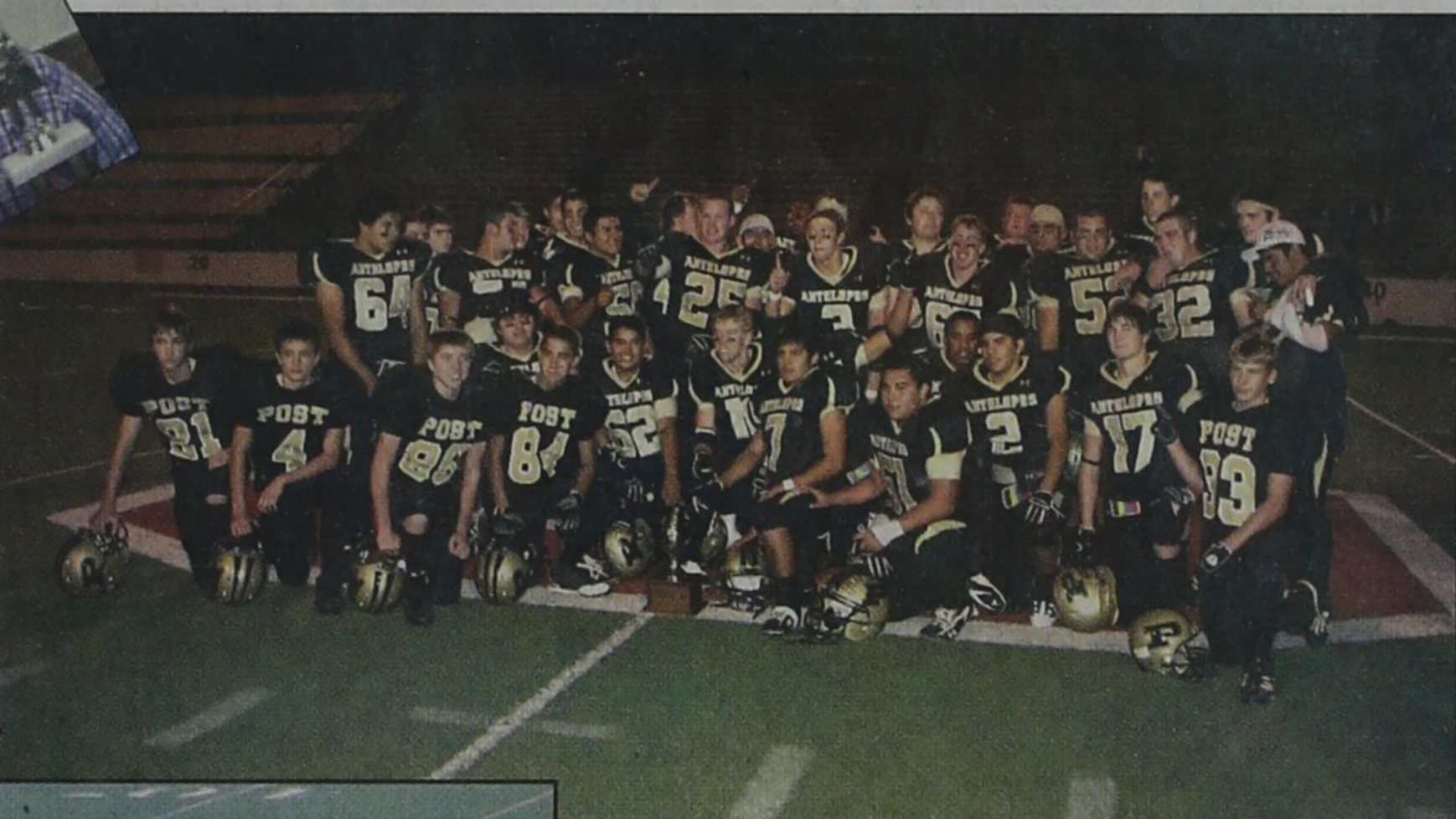
Friday, January 8, 2010

GOODBYE 2009 ...

HELLO 2010



The 2009 Bold Gold Antelopes (right) finished a successful District schedule, won their Bi-District game and made a strong showing against Bushland in the Area Play-Off game (photo by Jerry Taylor). The Pride of Post Band (below), directed by Aaron Rathbun, earned a Division I rating at marching contest in Jones AT&T Stadium in Lubbock. The band's show was a tribute to the genius of Ray Charles in his success as a musician (photo by Merika Strivens) and (top) Winners of the Mr. & Miss Firecracker (ages 5 and 6) contest on July 4, 2009 were Bella Bennett and Jake Morris.



A Look Back 2009 In Review

(Editor's Note: This is part two of our review of the events covered in The Post Dispatch in 2009 as compiled by our staff.)

July

Chuck Ratliff was awarded the first-ever Commander's Award of Excellence at the State VFW Convention.

Mark McCallister graduated from Covenant School of Radiology. He was chosen by the Radiology technicians at Covenant Hospital to receive the prestigious JRCERT award for outstanding student technicians.

Baby Firecracker Girl and Boy winners were Sara Beth Palmer and

Conner Thomas.

Mini Mr. and Miss Firecracker were Hayden Neill and Sadie Jo Schoonover.

Winners of the Mr. and Miss Firecracker contest on July 4, 2009 were Bella Bennett and Jake Morris.

Post Jr. League All-Star 38 District Champions included Lanny Fluitt, coach, Blaine Osborn, Nolan Prather, Tyler Jones, Paden Babb, Greg Jones, manager, Chris Belongia, coach, Phillip Gonzales, Steven Hoard, Dalton Holly, Campbell Kirkpatrick, Vance Blair, Nathaniel Gill, Pake Jones and TJ Basquez.

Big sister Sidney Wrae Harvey is proudly announced the birth of her

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Livestock show kicks off next week

Entries for the 46th annual Garza County Junior Livestock Show were due Thursday by 5 p.m., leaving one week for participants to prepare for this big event.

A workday is scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 10, 2 p.m. at the barn.

All animals must be in the show barn by 1 p.m. Friday, January 15 and weigh-in is between 1 and 3 p.m. that day at the show barn.

Friday's activities start with the Pee-Wee Rabbit Show at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Premium Rabbit Show. Robbie and Barbara Palmer are serving as Rabbit Superintendents. Rebecca Nogler will judge the rabbit show.

The Swine Show begins at 9 a.m. Saturday, January 16. Swine Superintendent is Ronnie Dunn. The

Steer Show will begin at 11 a.m. with Milton Williams serving as Beef Superintendent. Pete McDougall will judge both shows.

The Lamb Show will be at 2 p.m. and the Goat Show at 3 p.m. followed by the Pee-Wee Goat Show at approximately 4 p.m. Rusty Morris will be serving as Goat and Lamb Superintendent. Dave Clevenger will judge goats and lambs.

A concession stand, run by 4-H and FFA members and parents, will be open Friday through Saturday afternoon.

The Buyers Appreciation Dinner, Awards Ceremony and Sale is set for Thursday, January 21, 6:30 p.m. at the Post ISD Cafeteria. The meal will be prepared by Ruthell Stanley and Ronnie Thornton of Plainview will be the auctioneer for the sale.

The Garza County Junior Livestock Association, a non-profit organization formed in 1964, conducted its first stock show in 1965. Currently there are 60 members with the following serving as officers: Jimmy Blanton, President; Milton Williams, Vice-President; Keith Williams, Recording Secretary. Jaquita Blevins serves as Corresponding Secretary.

Everyone is invited to the shows and sale and support for the youth is encouraged as either a premium purchaser or jackpot donor.

Project supervisors include Perry Smith and Lance Dunn for Post FFA; Nick McCollister for Southland FFA and Greg Jones, County Extension Agent-Agriculture, for Garza County 4-H.

tion of the Merchants and the Chamber.

School System

The superintendent seems to be retiring early at the board's 5 to 2 request - costing the district his salary plus the new superintendent's salary. The current school board is made up of 5 men - long-time locals who are either related to each other, buddies of each other and even work together - and 2 women. I and several neighbors had persons knock on our doors when two of the men were running, the campaign person said that if we

voted for these two men, they'd get rid of the superintendent because he got rid of the athletic director. Guess they got their way.

A Thought for the New Year

E. Stanley Jones ins his spiritual autobiography said, "I have the feeling I've struck the right notes - one the willingness to say 'I'm sorry. I'm wrong. I am beginning over again.'" Without that note of willingness to being wrong, there is and cannot be any progress. People who are always right

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Post Notes

Holy Cross Breakfast

Breakfast will be served at the Holy Cross Parrish Hall, Sunday January 10, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. weather permitting. Egg & sausage breakfast burrito; pancakes, huevos rancheros, beans, potatoes, hot sauce and homemade tortillas.

Memorial Brick Orders

The Chamber will place a brick order next week for memorial bricks to be installed in the Centennial Plaza on the courthouse lawn. If you want to include a brick in this order, call the Chamber office, 495-3461 or come by the office, 131 E. Main St. There will be a special brick laying of the bricks in this order in April. There will be one more brick order this year.

H1N1 Vaccine Available

The H1N1 vaccine is now available to the general public at the Garza County Health Clinic. The CDC has authorized vaccinations for all individuals regardless of age or health risk.

Christmas Tree Disposal

The City of Post sanitation crews will be out picking up and disposing of large bulk items and Christmas trees until Friday, January 8, 2010. Please have these things ready for pickup. After January 8 crews will no longer pick up in the alleys. Any items remaining by the dumpster will be the owner's responsibility to transport to the landfill. For more information, call 495-2811.

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Good Trade Day Downtown

As a business owner in Post, I want to thank the Post City Merchants and Post Area Chamber of Commerce for remaining loyal to the Old Mill Trade Day Downtown events. Saturday, Jan. 2 would have been a terrible day in my

store if there hadn't been a Trade Day downtown. Instead, I had a good, busy day and everyone who came into the store was in downtown Post because of Old Mill Trade Day Downtown. These people would have been spending their money somewhere else without the genuine interest and dedica-

Opinions



The Paperboy

By Christopher Blackburn

Endless Possibilities

I love small towns. It's in small towns where the individual stands out. Small towns nurture their own. I've yet to see or hear of a homeless person in any small town I'm affiliated with where attempts to help were not made. Simply put, the vast majority of rural Americans are compassionate.

Business owners in small towns tend to be compassionate as well. They support schools, civic groups, athletic teams, etc... Believe me when I say small business owners take care of their own.

Over the past year, Blackburn Media Group has invested heavily in several small towns and counties including, Collingsworth, Cottle, Hall, Harmon, Okla., Childress, Knox, Garza and Floyd Counties.

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Liberty Has Been Lost

By Paul Craig Roberts

I had just finished reading the uncensored edition of Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn's book, *In The First Circle* (Harper Perennial, 2009), when I came across Chris Hedges' article, "One Day We'll All Be Terrorists" (Truthdig, Dec. 28, 2009). In Hedges' description of the US government's treatment of American citizen Syed Fahad Hashmi, I recognized the Stalinist legal system as portrayed by Solzhenitsyn.

Hashmi has been held in solitary confinement going on three years. Guantanamo's practices have migrated to the Metropolitan Correction Center in Manhattan where Hashmi is held in the Special Housing Unit. His access to attorneys, family, and other prisoners is prevented or severely curtailed. He must clean himself and use toilet facilities on camera. He is let out of solitary for one hour every 24 hours to exercise in a cage.

Hashmi is a US citizen but his government has violated every right guaranteed to him by the Constitution. The US government, in violation of US law, is also subjecting Hashmi to psychological torture known as extreme sensory deprivation. The bogus "evidence" against him is classified and denied to him. Like Joseph K. in Kafka's *The Trial*, Hashmi is under arrest on secret evidence. As the case against him is unknown or non-existent, defense is impossible.

Hashmi's rights have been abrogated by his government with the allegation that he is a potential terrorist or perhaps just a terrorist sympathizer. Another American citizen, Junaid Babar stayed with Hashmi for two weeks and allegedly delivered ponchos and socks to al Qaeda in Pakistan. Allegedly Babar used Hashmi's cell phone to reach others aiding terrorists. The US government says that this suffices to implicate Hashmi in Babar's activities.

Babar made a plea bargain to five counts of "material support" for terrorism, but is working off his prison sentence by testifying as a government witness in other terror trials, including in Canada and the UK, and as the US government's only evidence against Hashmi.

Hashmi's real offense is that he is a Muslim activist defending Muslim civil liberties and making provocative statements about the US. As Michael Ratner, president of the Center for Constitutional Rights, has pointed out, federal courts have given the US government wide latitude to use Hashmi's exercise of his constitutionally protected rights to free speech and association as evidence of a terrorist frame of mind and, thereby, of intent to commit terrorism.

Brooklyn College professor Jeanne Theoharis warns us that an American citizen can now be tried on secret evidence. "You can spend years in solitary confinement before you are convicted of anything. There has been attention paid to extraordinary rendition, Guantanamo and Abu Ghraib with this false idea that if people are tried in the United States things will be fair. But what allowed Guantanamo to happen was the devolution of the rule of law here at home, and this is not only happening to Hashmi."

Indeed, Hedges reports that "radical activists in the environmental, [anti]-globalization, anti-nuclear, sustainable agriculture and anarchist movements are already being placed by the state in special detention facilities with Muslims charged with terrorism." Hedges warns: "This corruption of our legal system will not be reserved by the state for suspected terrorists or even Muslim Americans. In the coming turmoil and economic collapse, it will be used to silence all who are branded as disruptive or subversive. Hashmi endures what many others, who are not Muslim, will endure later."

The silence of bar associations and law schools indicates an astounding insouciance to Thomas Paine's warning: "He that would make his own liberty secure must guard even his enemy from oppression; for if he violates this duty he establishes a precedent that will reach to himself." Some of my Republican and conservative acquaintances are even gleeful that, finally, we are going to get tough and deal forcibly with "these people." They naively believe that they themselves will remain safe when law ceases

to be a shield of the people and becomes a weapon in the hands of government.

In "A Man For All Seasons," Sir Thomas More cautions against cutting the law down in order to chase after devils, for with the law cut down, where do we stand when the devil turns on us?

Clearly, these fundamental questions are of no concern to the US Department of Justice (sic), to Congress or the White House, to the "mainstream media," to the American people, or even to very much of the federal judiciary.

Glenn Greenwald pointed out in *Salon* (Dec. 4, 2009) that the Convention Against Torture, championed and signed by President Ronald Reagan and ratified by the US Senate, states: "Each State Party is required either to prosecute torturers who are found in its territory or to extradite them to other countries for prosecution. No exceptional circumstances whatsoever, whether a state of war or threat of war, internal political instability or any other public emergency may be invoked as a justification of torture. Each State Party shall ensure that all acts of torture are offenses under its criminal law."

Two decades later the US government tortures at will. Justice (sic) Department officials write memos authorizing torture despite the ratified Convention Against Torture, US law, and the Geneva Conventions. The Pew Poll reports that 67 percent of Republicans and 47 percent of Democrats support the use of torture.

And Americans think they have freedom and democracy and live under the protection of the rule of law. The law is lost, and with it American liberty.

Paul Craig Roberts, a former Assistant Secretary of the US Treasury and former associate editor of the Wall Street Journal, has held numerous academic appointments. He has been reporting shocking cases of prosecutorial abuse for two decades. A new edition of his book, The Tyranny of Good Intentions, co-authored with Lawrence Stratton, a documented account of how Americans lost the protection of law, was published by Random House in March, 2008.

CHANGE is a Bowl of Cherries... with a pitter

By Rob Kall

Pardon me if I stretch this metaphor too far. The cherry season has returned and sweet, juicy cherries are back, at about \$4.99 a pound.

I used to be allergic to cherries. Not any more. I used to accept the fact that I had to deal with the cherry pits. Then I got a pitter. I can pit a dozen cherries in two minutes and add them to all kinds of food and now, I think of cherries differently. Imagine if we could have Democrats without the "pits."

Last year I received a cherry pitter for my birthday and I've put it to great use. The cherry pitter is a very simple but also wonderfully handy device that takes a fruit that forces you to bite, chew, then spit out one pit at a time and turns it into a fruit that you can add to all kinds of foods, with no fear of biting into a pit. Imagine if the Democrats were the same-- if we could trust them.

Then, I heard on one of the Sunday talk shows or was reminded of the phrase "life is just a bowl of cherries." In this case, they were saying it wasn't.

So I took the cherries I bought last night, put 'em in a bowl and as an afterthought, since the cherry pitter has changed my relationship with cherries, threw the pitter into the image.

Then, I started playing with some of the one and two dollar and free iPhone photo image processing apps I've picked up recently. There's the one that creates the images that look like the Obama logo.

I put the cherries with the pitter with the word hope. Nah. Then, I put it with the word CHANGE and it hit me. The pitter pulls the pits out of cherries. That makes it easy for me to add them to cereal, oatmeal, yogurt, pastries, ice cream, kugel (get it at Wegmans or a Jewish Deli), etc. You have to try hot oatmeal with 15-20 cold pitted cherries. Same with yogurt with a



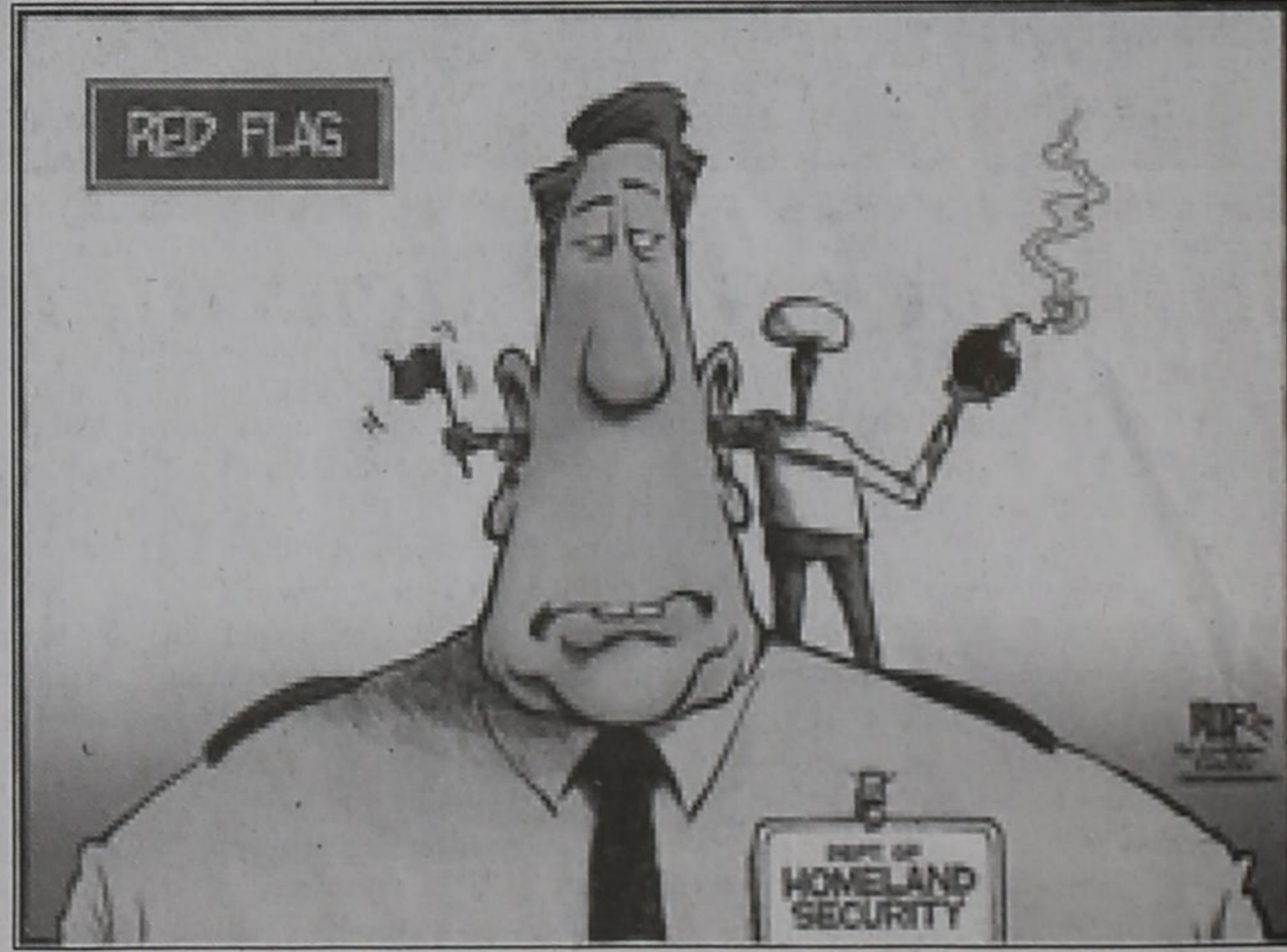
dozen cherries-- forget about the eny weeny bit of fruit soaked with sugar they put on the bottom.

We need a "pitter" for the congress to get rid of the blue dogs and the sell outs to the bankers and insurers. Jane Hamsher's been doing extraordinary work on it. Markos Moulitsas has been standing up to the Democrats. This is where the nation needs to go. We need battalions of pitters in every state, way ahead of the primaries, to chop out the DINOs, blue-dogs and sellouts-- the Liebermans and Baucuses, Mary Landrieu, Ben Nelsons, Barney Franks and Nancy Pelosi who have betrayed their base or operated in a cowardly, impotent manner or as failed leaders. Whoever says Harry Reid did a brilliant job is a whitewasher. If the health reform legislation comes out of conference with serious improvements, then I'll change my tune on Reid and Pelosi. So far, they fit the profile as backstabbers of the middle class.

Some cherries have pits so big they won't go through the hole in the pitter. You have to dislodge them, tear the cherry apart a bit in the process. Maybe the Democratic party has to be torn apart a bit, face a bit of chaos as well. It looks like this November, unless the Dems do some major improvements very fast, they will be simply decimated. They'll be replaced by disgusted voters who, justifiably, felt betrayed. Those Democrats will be replaced by far worse right wing extremists who will accelerate the death of the American middle class. I'm not saying the current batch of Democrats, especially some of the committee heads, are not helping to destroy the American middle class, but the right wingers will speed up the process.

So, what we need are some Democrat pitters. You can get a cherry pitter at Hamacher Schlemmer. You can BECOME a Democrat pitter. If you're a progressive, you have it in you. Find that pit ejector and start putting it into action.

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Obituaries



**KERMIT E. PARR
NAOMI PARR
RACKLEY**

Kermit E. Parr, born in Post Texas, Sept 4, 1920 went to Heaven on Oct. 25, 2009. He was a Post High School Graduate in 1938 and always loved to say he was the "top" boy graduate. He left Post to join the Army Air Corps in 1942 and then moved to Austin to graduate from UT. He married, had 2 daughters and worked as a

Mechanical Engineer until he retired. His loved to run and ran in 3 marathons (26 miles) and many half marathons. He grew organic tomatoes in his backyard green house. He was loved by his family and he was the "best" Father any girl could ever ask for.

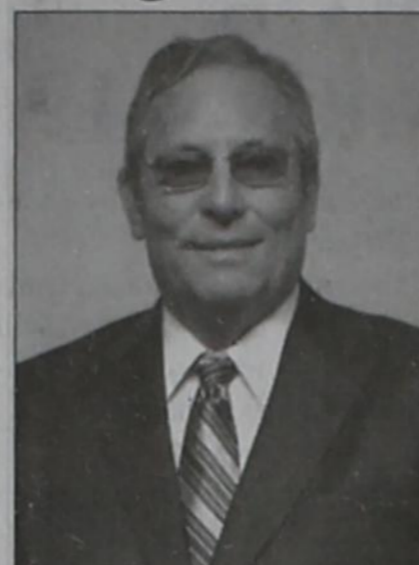
Naomi Parr Rackley, born in Post on Sept 19, 1913 went to Heaven on Dec 30, 2009. She graduated from Post High School and married Paul (Bill) Rackley in Post and he owned probably the

first Texaco gas station in Post. They moved to Dallas in 1940 and had one daughter Paula. They owned a cafe in Downtown Dallas until 1965, when Bill died. Naomi had to get her first job at the age of 52 and worked until she retired at the age of 65. She was a strong woman who was the first daughter of 7 children. She survived the Great Depression as a child growing up in Post.

Her family loved her and she spent the last 12 years of her live living in a Nursing Home as she endured the grips of Alzheimer's. Her daughter Paula took constant and wonderful care of her until she died peacefully in her sleep.

Today they are together in heaven. They are survived by Dorothy Parr Foster and Edgar Jr. Parr who live in Dallas.

Judge Norman Files for Re-election



JUDGE LEE NORMAN

Judge Lee Norman has filed for reelection as County Judge of Garza County. "It has been an honor to serve the citizens of Garza County and I look forward to continuing that service."

Judge Norman is seeking his second term as County Judge. He was elected Garza County Judge in 2007 and prior to that served 12 years as County Commissioner.

He was responsible for the oversight of construction of the Garza County Law Enforcement Center. Judge Norman has been actively involved with legislative work during legislative sessions working with West Texas legislators and judges to support small county and West Texas area programs.

A graduate of Post High in 1968 and Baylor University in 1973, Judge Norman has been married to his wife Marsha for 37 years. They have four children and 7 grandchildren.

Jim Landtroop Files for State Representative, House District 85

Conservative Republican and small businessman Jim Landtroop filed for Texas State Representative House District 85, which covers 16 West Texas counties including Hale, Floyd, Crosby, Garza, Lynn, and Terry. Landtroop began campaigning this weekend and will travel throughout the district in the

coming weeks.

In announcing his candidacy, Landtroop said, "I pledge to support a conservative agenda that is truly representative of West Texas, including opposing new taxes on small businesses, cracking down on illegal immigration.

Grisham Earns Degree

Hardin-Simmons University student Jerrad Grisham graduated from the university Saturday, December 12, 2009, receiving degrees for a double major in business management and business marketing.

While at Hardin-Simmons, Grisham was a 4-year member of the HSU Cowboy football

team. Grisham was named as Academic American Southwest Conference in 2006, 2007 and 2008. Also in 2008, Grisham was named as all-Southwest Conference, All-Southwest Region and All-American.

During Grisham's 4 1/2 years at HSU, he worked as a coach/counselor at the summer "Air It Out" football

camp as well as serving as recreation facility supervisor and referee supervisor for HSU intramural sports. Throughout Grisham's college and football career, he maintained a 3.0 or above GPA. Jerrad is now employed by Lufkin Industries, going into management training. He was a 2005 Post High School honor graduate.

Chamber News

The Post Christmas Celebration Light Show has been a huge success. Thanks to everyone who helped!

A brick order for Centennial Plaza will be sent in next week. If you want to order a brick, call or come by the office. Bricks from this order will be installed in Centennial Plaza in April and we will have one more brick order this year in the summer.

The Post Area Chamber of Commerce will start 2010 with a bang. Our annual Chamber Awards Banquet will be January 23 at the Community Center. We will present several awards including Business and

Citizen of the Year. We will also have a silent auction of merchandise and services provided by area businesses. Tickets are available at the Chamber office for \$20 each.

February 28, the Chamber, along with the help of our sponsors, is bringing the Harlem Ambassador Basketball Show to Post. Tickets are on sale at the PACC office for \$9 Adult, \$7 Student & \$5 six and under. Call 495-3461 for details.

Congratulations to our Members of the Week - Platinum Member, BRADY'S PACKAGE STORE & Gold Member, CITIZEN'S BANK.

Southland News

By Brad Ellison, Principal

Welcome back everyone for what is shaping up again to be a busy spring semester. As usual this spring will be filled with UIL academics, AG, testing, track meets and whatever else I have forgotten. Our students will be stretched once again to work very hard and perform at a high level each and every day. Students need to try to be at school every day if at all possible due to the number of times that they will probably miss because they are competing for the school in some event throughout the course of the spring.

Again thank you all for a great first semester and we are truly looking forward to an enriching second semester.

Congratulations to our Girls basketball team who won the consolation championship at the Grady/Klondike Tournament over the holidays, and to the Boys for the way they competed over the holidays as well.

EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK:

VB/VG district games begin this Friday vs. Wilson, here at 6:30 pm

Southland FFA will be hosting its annual Stock Show on Saturday beginning at noon with a meal, to be followed by the show at 1:00 pm

EVENTS FOR NEXT WEEK:

JHB/JHG basketball vs. Wilson on Monday night beginning at 6:00 pm

Benchmark testing will begin on Tuesday, running through Thursday. Reading/ELA will be on Tuesday and Wednesday, Science on Thursday.

VB/VG basketball at O'Donnell beginning at 6:30 pm on Tuesday

Garza County Livestock show begins on Thursday and runs through Saturday at the Show Barn in Post.

VB/VG basketball at Wellman-Union on Friday beginning at 6:30.



Photo by Harry Record

Chamber Member of the Week - Gold Member, CITIZEN'S BANK.

Book Review

By Marita Jackson

Have you discovered the richness of the local library? Not only is it attractive and serene, but houses a great collection of classics to new best sellers. I always go straight to the display housing the new arrivals.

It was there that I found Nicholas Sparks', *The Last Song*. It is a touching story of a teenage girl and her estranged father. The girl and her 10-year-old brother spend the summer with her father whom she has not spoken to in three years. I literally could not put the book down. It fills one with joy, tears, suspense and finally completeness. It is a powerful book about forgiveness, first love and finding purpose and peace. It causes one to look inside of self and determine what is really important in life. Teenagers to Seniors, male and female, will enjoy this one. Read it. You'll like it!

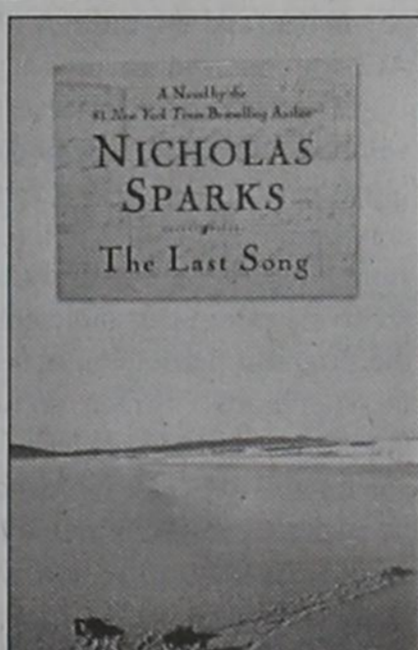


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After 29 years, Bergstein Oilfield Service, dba BOF Services, has chosen to change its name to Standard Energy Services. BOF Services started in Post in 1981 and rapidly become a part of the Garza County community.

With the name change, Standard will be comprised of other oilfield related companies with the ability to offer a broad range of services. It will consist of the following companies; Bergstein Well Service, PAB Services, T&B Services, T&B Drilling, Zia Transport and Zia Well Service.

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Southern Mesa Ag Conference Set January 19

The Southern Mesa Agricultural Conference will focus on regulations and policies affecting Texas Agriculture as well as the BMP's (Best Management Practices) for cotton, grain sorghum, and peanuts.

This conference will be held on Tuesday, January 19, at the Movieland Theater, located at 604 North Austin Avenue in Lamesa. Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. and the program will start at 8:00 a.m. The registration fee of \$30.00 includes a complimentary gift, technical sessions, door prize ticket, lunch, refreshments, educational materials and access to exhibits. Registration forms and fees, payable to "Dawson Ag Fund," should be mailed to the Dawson County Extension office at P.O. Box 1268, Lamesa, Texas 79331

or brought by the Extension office by Monday, January 18 before 5 p.m.

Five (5) Continuing Education Units (CEU's) (General, IPM, Laws & Regs) will be provided for private, commercial and non-commercial applicators for attendance at this program.

Producers who wish to register, may do so by calling the Garza County Extension Office at (806) 495-4400.

"We will seek to accommodate all persons with disabilities for this event. We request that you call the Dawson County Texas AgriLife Extension Office at (806) 872-3444 to advise us of any aid or service you require."

Tips on How to Stay Safe during Frigid Temperatures

As we contend with bone chilling temperatures in Garza County, warning has come from the American Red Cross regarding safety during single digit weather.

"There is usually an increase in home fires at this time of year because of the use of candles and space heaters," said Bill Curnow, Emergency Services Chair for the South Plains Regional Red Cross Chapter. "We have steps people can follow to stay warm and reduce their risk of starting a fire in their home."

Heat Your Home Safely

All heaters need space! Keep things that can burn, such as paper, bedding or furniture, at least 3 feet away from heating equipment, fireplaces and stoves.

Place portable space heaters on a hard, level, non-flammable surface. Do not put space heaters on rugs or carpets, near bedding or drapes and keep children and pets away. Look for a model

that shuts off automatically if the space heater tips over. Do not use heating equipment to dry wet clothing.

Never use the stove or oven to heat your home.

Never leave portable heaters, wood burning stoves or fireplaces unattended. Turn them off before leaving or going to bed.

Keep the fire in the fireplace by using a glass or metal screen large enough to catch sparks and rolling logs.

Be careful with candles - do not use candles for lighting if the power goes out. Use flashlights only.

Protect Yourself

Dress in several layers of lightweight clothing, which will keep you warmer than a single heavy coat.

Mittens provide more warmth to your hands than gloves. Wear a hat, preferably one that covers your ears.

Wear waterproof, insulated boots to keep your feet

warm and dry and to maintain your footing in ice and snow.

If you must work outdoors take frequent breaks and stay hydrated.

Seek medical attention immediately if you have symptoms of hypothermia including confusion, dizziness, exhaustion and severe shivering. Also seek medical attention immediately if you have symptoms of frostbite including numbness, flushed gray, white, blue or yellow skin discoloration, numbness, or waxy feeling skin.

Don't Forget Fido and Your Neighbors

Don't forget pets - bring them indoors. If that's not possible, provide adequate shelter to keep them warm and make sure they can get to unfrozen water.

Check on people in your neighborhood who require special assistance such as elderly people living alone, people with disabilities and children.

LSO to Present Evening with Susan Graham

The Lubbock Symphony Orchestra is proud to announce *An Evening with Susan Graham* featuring the world's leading mezzo-soprano and Texas Tech University alumni, Susan Graham, under the direction of Maestro Tomasz Golka on Friday, January 22 at 8 pm in the Civic Center Theatre. Sponsored by United, *An Evening with Susan Graham* will feature a passionate performance & Gala Afterparty that will make for an unforgettable evening.

Susan Graham will perform a variety of repertoire, with the accompaniment of Lubbock Symphony Orchestra, including *Les Nuits d'été* by Berlioz, *Lehar's Vilja's Song* from "The Merry Widow," and *Parto, Parto* from "La Clemenza di Tito" by Mozart. Eat, Meet and Greet with Susan at the Gala Afterparty, catered by Market Street, in the Civic Center Banquet Hall after the performance with a purchase of the Premier Gold with Gala ticket for \$150. Gala Afterparty

tables of 8 including Premier Gold performance tickets are available for \$1,500.

Born in New Mexico and raised in Texas, Susan Graham is one of the world's foremost opera and recital superstars. She studied at Texas Tech University and the Manhattan School of Music, which also awarded her an honorary Doctor of Music degree in 2008. She won the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions and the Schwabacher Award from San Francisco Opera's Merola Program, as well as a Career Grant from the Richard Tucker Music Foundation. Ms. Graham was Musical America's 2004 Vocalist of the Year and, in 2006, her home town of Midland, Texas, declared September 5th "Susan Graham Day."

Celebrated as an expert in French music, Ms. Graham has been honored by the French government as a "Commandeur dans l'ordre des Arts et des Lettres". At home and abroad, Susan Graham has sung leading

roles from the 17th to 20th centuries in the great opera houses of the world, including Milan's La Scala, the Royal Opera House Covent Garden, Vienna State Opera, Opéra National de Paris, Dresden's Semperoper, and the Salzburg Festival, and she has appeared with most of the world's leading conductors and orchestras. Dubbed "America's favorite mezzo" by Gramophone magazine, the Grammy Award-winning mezzo captivates audiences with her expressive voice, tall and graceful stature, and engaging acting ability in both comedy and tragedy.

Individual ticket prices for *An Evening with Susan Graham* are \$100, \$75, \$50, and \$35. Tickets for the Gala Afterparty, catered by Market Street, are available with the Premier Gold tickets for \$150. For more information about upcoming concerts or to buy tickets visit www.lubbocksymphony.org, call (806) 762-1688, or stop by our offices at 601 Avenue K in Lubbock.

USDA Streamlines Payment Limits For Family Farmers

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today announced that USDA is partnering with the Internal Revenue Service to reduce fraud in farm programs and streamlining payment limits for family farmers. The actions are intended to strengthen the integrity and defensibility of USDA farm safety net programs and help the agricultural industry to meet requirements included in the 2008 Farm Bill.

"Today's announcement will ensure that the producers who depend upon the safety net of USDA programs will have future access to these programs by enhancing the overall integrity of the programs," said Vilsack. "It will also provide more flexibility for family farm operations across the country."

As part of today's announcement, USDA has finalized a Memorandum of Understanding with the Internal Revenue Service to establish an electronic information exchange process for verifying compliance with the adjusted gross income provisions for programs administered by USDA's FSA and Natural Resources Conservation Service. This agreement will ensure that payments are not issued to producers whose adjusted gross income (AGI) exceeds certain limits. The limits set in the 2008 Farm Bill are \$500,000 nonfarm average AGI for commodity and disaster programs; \$750,000 farm average AGI for direct payments; and \$1 million nonfarm average AGI for conservation programs.

The electronic process that USDA developed with IRS reviews data from tax returns, performs a series of calculations, and compares these values to the AGI limitations from the 2008 Farm Bill FSA and NRCS will receive a record that indicates whether or not the program participant appears to meet the income limits. Written consent will be required from each producer or payment recipient for this process. No actual tax data will be included in the report that IRS sends to USDA. As part of the review and evaluation

process, participants whose AGI may exceed the limits will be offered an opportunity to provide third party verification or other information to validate their income.

Meanwhile, beginning with the 2010 program year, USDA has amended the rules that govern the requirements to be 'actively engaged' in farming. These rules apply to eligibility for payments under the Direct and Counter-cyclical Program (DCP) or Average Crop Revenue Election (ACRE) program administered by the USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA).

USDA has implemented the following change to permit certain operations, most of ten family-run operations, to meet 'actively engaged' in farming requirements under less restrictive rules.

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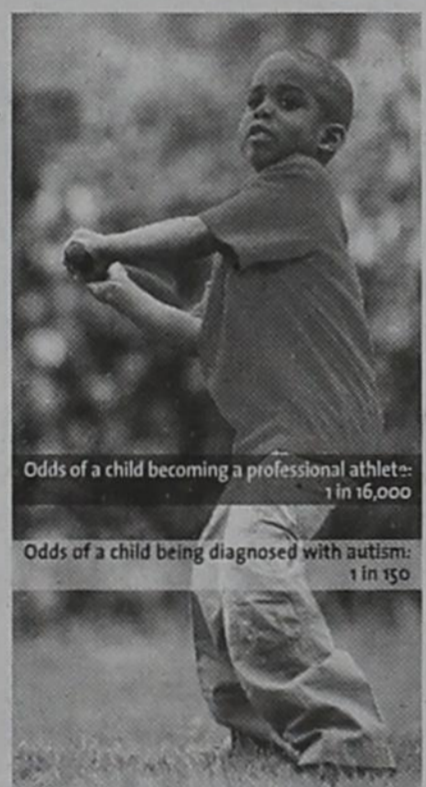
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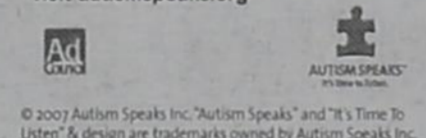


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In and Around Close City

by Traci Freeman

News is going to be really short this week but here goes..... We are finishing "end of year" stuff out here. We had a really smooth season; I have to say thanks to Kelly and Cristina for being such good help to me in the office this year, they were great.

By the time ya'll will be reading this we will be going thru some of the coldest temperatures we've had in quite a while. Everyone stay warm

and check on your neighbors and loved ones that may need some help.

Ronnie Dunn came down a couple of days this week; it was nice to see him out and about.

If you still need a cookbook you can call us or pick one up downtown at Cocara's or at LaPosta.

Our next "gathering" will be on January 30th keep watching the paper for time and place.

Visitors we've had this week

were; Lee and Lacy Thomas stopped in with their dad, Chan to visit and get a snack. I talked to Grant Bright in the grocery store over the holidays, he didn't make it by the gin this trip but said he'd see us next time. Grant is the nephew of Doug and Claudine Tipton. Remember.....we always welcome visitors, we have the coolest break room and the cheapest cokes in the county.....

Ragtown folks in the nursing

homes we need to remember are.....Doug and Claudine Tipton and Carmen Abraham in Post; Odie Kemp in Tahoka; Jewel White in Lubbock; Jean Tipton in San Angelo. Please let me know if there is anyone I need to add to this list.

Birthdays

January 9 - Cristina Lopez

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Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the man who takes refuge in him.
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Weekly Inspirations

PLEASE SAVE MY BABY

By: Michael F. Taylor

Several years ago when I was a patrolman, our Dispatch Center received a 911 call from a very distressed elderly lady. In a panicky staccato voice, she informed the dispatcher that her small two pound Chihuahua named BABY had somehow found itself trapped inside the walls of her living room. The dispatcher, a dog owner herself, attempted to calm the woman down to no avail. Finally the dispatcher contact me on my police band radio and requested that I speak with the woman and attempt to free the trapped animal. A few minutes later I arrived, and upon knocking on the door was urgently ushered inside. Now almost in hysterics, the woman pleaded with me to tear into the wall and find her precious BABY. "But Ma'am, I don't think that I can do that", I stammered at the thought of myself breaking into her newly painted living room wall and destroying her immaculately kept home. I could hear the faint sound of a dog barking but quite frankly wasn't sure where exactly it was coming from and the woman could only point to a small hole on the east side wall where the puppy might have wiggled her way into the wall. "I don't care if you have to tear my house down, young man", she emphatically stated. "But I'm not even sure where the dog might be!", I once again protested. "Officer, you are sworn to serve the citizens of this city and I demand that you tear into that wall right now!" she declared with obvious fear of the worst happening to her beloved pet Chihuahua. "Well, alright", I replied and accommodated her by punching a hole into the sheetrock. Listening intently for the faint barking, I continued to peel sheetrock from the supporting wall as cautiously as I could. The barking seemed to be coming from the west side of the room near an old desk which had the accordion type rolled front. As I approached the part of the wall nearest the desk, I noticed that the sound seemed to be coming from behind the desk. "I think we are going to have to move the desk and go into that part of the wall," I told her. "Go right ahead, I can't stand BABY being in there," she quickly answered. Obliging, I grabbed the desk and lifted one corner away from the wall. As I was straining to move the desk away from the wall, I noticed that behind it, there was a black computer cable and a blue Ethernet cable disappearing into the back of the desk. And then it hit me! "Ma'am, do you have a screen saver on your computer?", I gingerly asked. "Why yes, now that you mention it, I do. My grandson put one on that computer when he set it up for me", she replied. "And what is the screen saver?" I inquired. "It's a bunch of cute photo's of Chihuahua's just like my BABY", she answered with a slightly puzzled look on her face. "And does it have sound?", I asked, now positive of what we were hearing. "Well, yes, I believe it does", she confirmed my worst suspicion. And sure enough, when I opened up the roll top desk, the barking sound was indeed coming from the screen saver. It was a very interesting conversation I had with my Sergeant that afternoon about why I had destroyed an entire wall to find a barking screen saver on a computer!!!!

Have you ever felt that way? Felt as if you have expended such as massive amount of energy and effort only to find that it at the end, it was for something that wound up being totally different than you thought and believed it to be from the onset? When those doubts begin to cloud my mind, I am reminded of what Isaiah tells us in Chapter 65: 17-24 "Behold, I will create new heavens and a new earth. The former things will not be remembered, nor will they come to mind.¹⁸ But be glad and rejoice forever in what I will create, for I will create Jerusalem to be a delight and its people a joy.¹⁹ I will rejoice over Jerusalem and take delight in my people; the sound of weeping and of crying will be heard in it no more...". And just a few verses later, "²² They will not toil in vain or bear children doomed to misfortune; for they will be a people blessed by the LORD, they and their descendants with them.²⁴ Before they call I will answer; while they are still speaking I will hear." NIV Those words let me know that God is watching over all that I have undertaken and that when I call upon Him, He WILL HEAR ME. Even when I have destroyed a little old ladies wall for no reason! May God bless you this week and know that you do not toil in vain.

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2 Timothy 3:16-17

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Antelope Basketball

By Jim Plummer
Sports Writer

VARSITY

WILDCAT CLASSIC TOURNAMENT

The Post Antelopes basketball team spent the last few days of 2009 in Littlefield and played three games in the Wildcat Basketball Classic. The Lopes came away with one win against the Paducah Dragons in the opening game, 61-57.

The Lopes were as cold as the winter weather, losing 66-36 in the second game against the Dalhart Golden Wolves.

The third game against Farwell, was an almost win but the Steers pulled it out in overtime by one, 51-50.

Seniors Aaron James and Clint Windham led Post in scoring with 50 and 39 points respectively in the three game series.

The Littlefield Wildcats won the tournament with Anton second and Dalhart finishing third.

GAME 1: POST 61, PADUCAH 57 (12/28/09)

Post	17	12	18	13	61
Paducah	13	14	14	15	57

SCORING: POST - James 19, Windham 17, Mathis 8, McDonald 6, Lopez 5, A. Duran 2, Postell 2, Apolar 2. PADUCAH - Brisco 15, Mcgruder 12, J. Garcia 10.

GAME 2: DALHART 66, POST 36 (12/28/09)

Post	6	10	11	9	36
Dalhart	10	10	27	19	66

SCORING: POST - James 13, Mathis 12, Windham 4, Lopez 3, McDonald 2, Postell 1, C. Greathouse 1. DALHART - Jesko 18, Scofield 18, Allen 17.

GAME 3: FARWELL 51, POST 50, OT (12/30/09)

POST	12	8	14	7	9	50
FARWELL	11	13	9	8	10	51

SCORING: POST - Windham 18, James 18, McDonald 5, Mathis 4, Lopez 2, Apolar 2, Williams 1. FARWELL - Chavez 15, Atkinson 11, Billingsley 8, Carpenter 8.

VARSITY BOYS

DISTRICT 3-2A STANDINGS (as of 1/01/10)

TEAM	DISTRICT	OVERALL
Littlefield	1-0	15-1
Idalou	1-0	13-3
Shallowater	1-0	8-6
Roosevelt	1-0	4-11
Abernathy	0-1	11-7
Denver City	0-1	9-8
Post	0-1	6-9
Slaton	0-1	5-8

Sidelines

After the Littlefield tournament, the Antelopes had a 6-9 season record as they returned to district play this past week against Shallowater and Denver City. See next week's Post Dispatch for those reports.

On Tuesday the Antelopes host Slaton and next Friday, the boys travel to Littlefield. The JV plays at 5:00 and the Varsity at 8:00 PM.

Lady Lope Basketball

By Jim Plummer
Sports Writer

VARSITY

CAPROCK HOLIDAY CLASSIC

The Lady Lopes spent the end of 2009 playing in the 51st Fibermax Caprock Ambucs Holiday Classic in Lubbock.

Post's first and second games were on the second day of the tournament. They opened with the Spearman Lynxettes of District 1-2A. Spearman won that game 68-44. Later in the day the Lady Lopes took on Andrews, but lost 59-45.

Post regrouped and put together a win to wind up the series against Lubbock Christian High School, 48-26. The Lopes outscored the Lady Eagles in each quarter to dominate the game.

Branda Stevens scored 43 points total in the three match-ups followed by Alex Miller's 27 to lead the Lady Lopes.

GAME 1: SPEARMAN 68, POST 44 (12/29/09)

POST	9	11	13	11	44
SPEARMAN	11	20	20	17	68

SCORING: POST - Alex Miller 15, Branda Stevens 11, Cheyenne Miller 8, Caitlyn Cravy 4, Amber Wilson 4, Tiny Williams 2. SPEARMAN - Ashmore 24, Espinoza 15, Hanna 8.

GAME 2: ANDREWS 59, POST 46 (12/30/09)

POST	14	8	10	14	45
ANDREWS	8	12	17	22	59

SCORING: POST - Stevens 18, A. Miller 6, Toni Wait 6, Danica Williams 5, Bethany Berry 4, Cravy 4, Wilson 3. ANDREWS - Long 18, Gonzales 13, Tyler 10.

GAME 3: POST 48, LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN 26 (12/30/09)

POST	9	14	12	13	48
L.C.H.S.	2	6	9	9	26

SCORING: POST - Stevens 14, C. Miller 8, T. Williams 7, A. Miller 6, Cravy 4, Wait 4, Williams 3, Berry 2. LCHS - Edwards 7, Mack 7, Hall 6.

GIRLS VARSITY

DISTRICT 3-2A STANDINGS (as of 1/01/09)

TEAM	DISTRICT	OVERALL
Shallowater (2)	3-0	16-2
Abernathy	3-0	12-6
Roosevelt	3-0	11-6
Idalou (12)	2-1	12-6
Slaton (24)	1-2	9-5
Littlefield	0-3	9-10
Denver City	0-3	5-7
Post	0-3	5-10

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Sidelines

The Lady Lopes came out of the Caprock Classic with a 5-11 season record as they resumed district play this past week against the highly ranked Shallowater Fillies on Tuesday and Denver City on Friday. See next week's Dispatch for reports of the games.

Next Tuesday the Lady Lopes host Slaton and next Friday, the girls travel to Littlefield. The JV plays at 5:00 and the Varsity at 6:30 PM.

Bass Tournaments Scheduled at LAH

The Friendly Bass Tournaments will hold an event at Lake Alan Henry Saturday, Jan. 9. Registration is one hour before sunrise at the boat ramp and start time is safe light. Weigh-in is 3 p.m. at the crappie dock. For more information contact Erik Atkins, 806-577-2026.

Jackpot Bass Club sponsors a tournament at LAH Saturday, Jan. 16. Registration is one hour before sunrise at the boat ramp; start time is safe light; weigh-in is 3 p.m. at the crappie dock. For more information on this tournament contact Prissy Ary, 806-638-8230 or John Price, 806-549-2881.



Photo by Jim Plummer

Antelope cheerleaders and mascot help the Post crowd cheer the Bold Gold at Shallowater earlier this week.

John Madden's Keys To Super Bowl And Tailgating Success

(StatePoint) John Madden is a passionate man but nothing brings out the "BOOMS" or "BAMS" in him quite like the Super Bowl and a good tailgate party. Whether it is offering an honorary turkey leg to commemorate a great performance, or highlighting a local team's tailgating rituals, Madden knows all about mixing food and football.

Fresh out of retirement and with the Super Bowl approaching, Madden is still talking the game as he unveils the inaugural "Madden Most Valuable Protector's Award presented by Prilosec OTC," an award to recognize the best offensive line in the NFL. Fans are encouraged to go online and vote for their favorite offensive line at www.MaddenProtectorsAward.com.

Powerful Protection Is Key Throughout his career, Madden has always heralded the unsung heroes on an offensive line. He knows that while most attention is typically focused on the quarterback, running back and wide receiver, it's the powerful protection from the linemen that can make or break a game.

Alongside his passion for the game, Madden has shared his love for a good tailgate spread in his cookbook, "John Madden's Ultimate Tailgating." Making the most of your Super Bowl party means enjoying the foods you love. NFL fans who want tough protection against frequent heartburn, or heartburn that occurs two or more days a week, can take a 14-day course of Prilosec OTC two weeks leading up to an event so they can enjoy both the game and the foods they love.

Fans can try out Madden's Sicilian BBQ Chicken at their own tailgate or football party for the big game:

JOHN MADDEN'S SICILIAN BBQ CHICKEN
Mom's Marinade:
1/4 cup olive oil
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8 large garlic cloves, sliced thin
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Dash of lemon pepper
Freshly ground pepper
Salt

Other Ingredients:
12 pieces of chicken, legs and thigh connected
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Pepper

1. In a large jar mix the marinade ingredients. Shake well. Let stand at room temperature 1 hour.

2. Make very hot, charcoal fire or preheat gas grill. Salt and pepper chicken pieces. Place chicken on grill skin-side up. When cooked halfway, turn over and cook the other side until it is just done but no more than that.

3. When done, place the chicken in large roasting pan. Pour marinade over chicken evenly. Cover pan with foil or lid, sealing tight.

4. Place pan on grill or in oven for 20 minutes at 350 F. Serve hot.

For more information on John Madden's MVP Award or to vote for your favorite offensive line, visit www.MaddenProtectorsAward.com.

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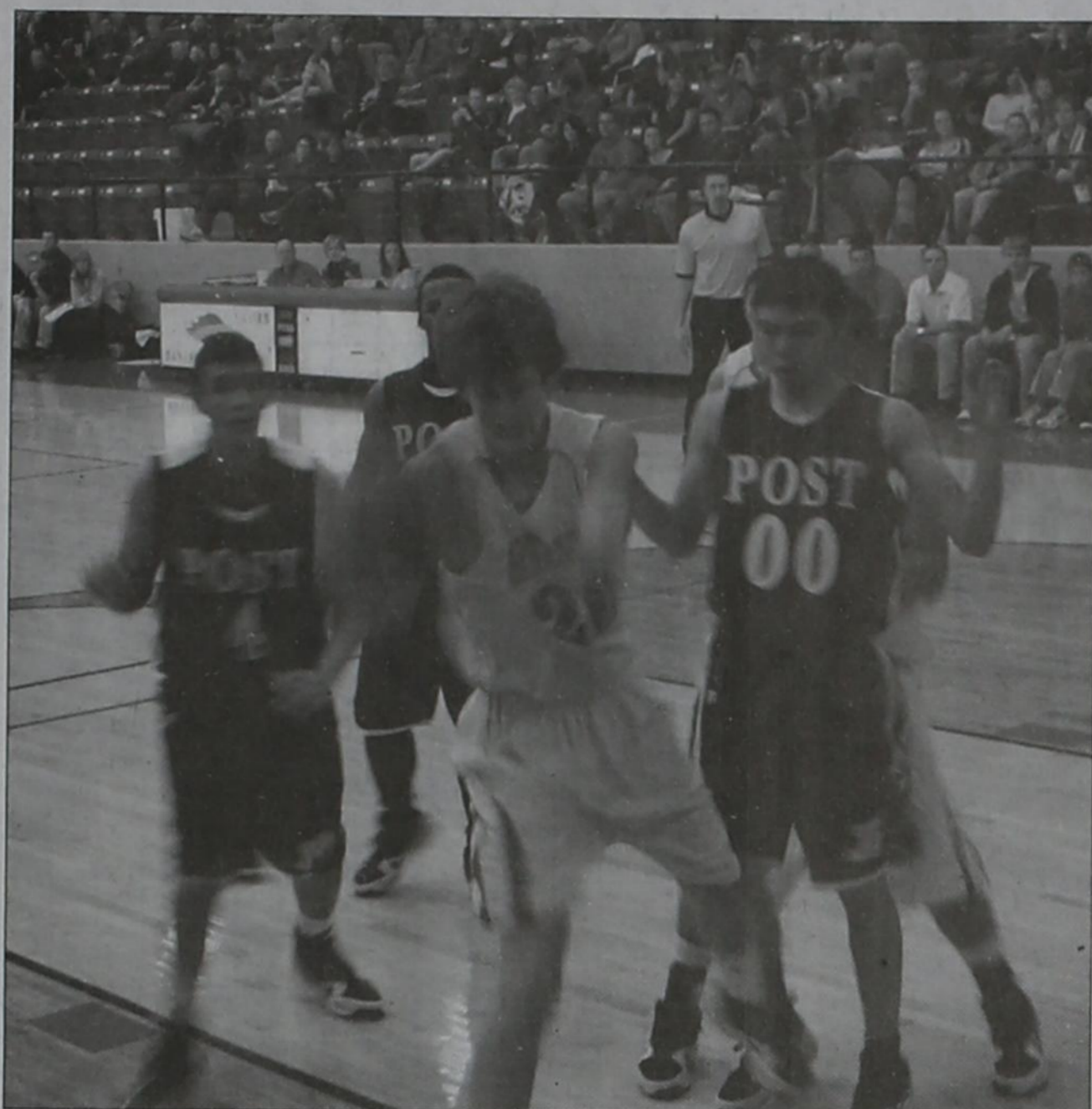


Photo by Jim Plummer
Bold Gold Antelopes Allen Duran (4) and Manuel Lopez (0) provide defense against a Shallowater shooter during the game at Shallowater Tuesday night.



Photo by Jim Plummer
The Lady Lopes set up their offense against Shallowater Tuesday night.



Photo by Jim Plummer
Antelope Easton Mathis drops one in the basket during the game this week at Shallowater.



Photo by Jim Plummer
Clint Windham (20) goes for a shot against tough Shallowater defense in the matchup Tuesday night. Despite an all-out effort by the Antelopes, Post lost the game.

Dean Semifinalist for National Award

Post Senior Cody Dean is among 30 finalists for the High School Football Rudy Awards.

Voting ends January 31 and at that time 3 finalists will be chosen. The award recognizes the "most inspirational high school football player in the nation."

Dean was nominated by PHS Coach Christ Jones. Visit www.HighSchoolRudyAwards.com to vote. Anyone can vote and you can vote more than once. The finalists receive scholarship awards.

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 Thursday, 8 p.m. - Historic Presbyterian Church, 10th & Ave. K
 Friday, 7 p.m. - Community Recovery Center, 405 S. Ave. C
 Closed meetings except for last Thursday of every month.
 Call 495-3173 for more information.

Post Al-Anon

Family Group meeting, meets at 8:00 p.m. in the same building, but a different room. For more information contact: 495-3053

Card of Thanks

What a wonderful way to spend your 50th Anniversary with family & friends! Many thanks goes to everyone for the cards, calls, pictures, letters and flowers that made our day perfect. Thresa & Donna, the buffet was great. Tim & Diane, Barry & Amy, Chuck & Kristi, our grands, Kayla, Brooke, Dylan & Rylan - we love you and appreciate all the hard work to make our day so special.
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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF ROY SYD CONNER, Garza County, Texas.

Notice to all persons is hereby given that the original letters of Testamentary upon the estate of ROY SYD CONNER deceased, were issued to the undersigned on the 4th day of January 2010, 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 his attorney Preston L. Poole, Jr., at P. O. Box 296, Post, Texas 79356. Dated January 4, 1020
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 Independent Executor,
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Menus

Post ISD

January 11

Hot dogs, oven fried potatoes, apple & orange smiles, sherbet cup, milk

January 12

Pizza & enchiladas, refried beans, tossed salad, cinnamon apples, milk

January 13

Baked chicken, rice pilaf, English peas, pineapple tidbits, hot rolls, milk

January 14

Pizza & taco salad, seasoned corn, fruited gelatin, brownie, milk

January 15

No School - Staff Workday

Southland ISD

January 11

Breakfast - Pancakes, sausage links, juice, milk
 Lunch - Hamburger with fixings, tator tots, carrots w/ ranch, chocolate pudding, milk

January 12

Breakfast - Sausage & potato burrito, juice, milk
 Lunch - Fish strips, macaroni & cheese, tossed salad, fresh fruit choice, hot roll, mik

January 13

Breakfast - Biscuits, bacon, juice, milk
 Lunch - Carne guisada, refried beans, corn, orange smiles, flour tortilla, milk

January 14

Breakfast - Muffins, fruit, juice, milk
 Lunch - Chicken & noodles, green beans, Texas toast, fruited gelatin, frozen yogurt, milk

January 15

Breakfast - Pop tarts, yogurt, juice, milk
 Lunch - BBQ on a bun, baked chips, corn cobbett, pickle spears, pineapple tidbits, milk

Traillblazers

January 11

Chicken strips, au gratin potatoes, English peas, roll, cobbler

January 12

Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, layered salad, roll, bread pudding

January 13

Chicken spaghetti, spinach, salad, garlic bread, Jello

January 14

Chili, cornbread, crackers, cake

January 15

Chicken fried steak, ranch potatoes, green beans, roll, fruit

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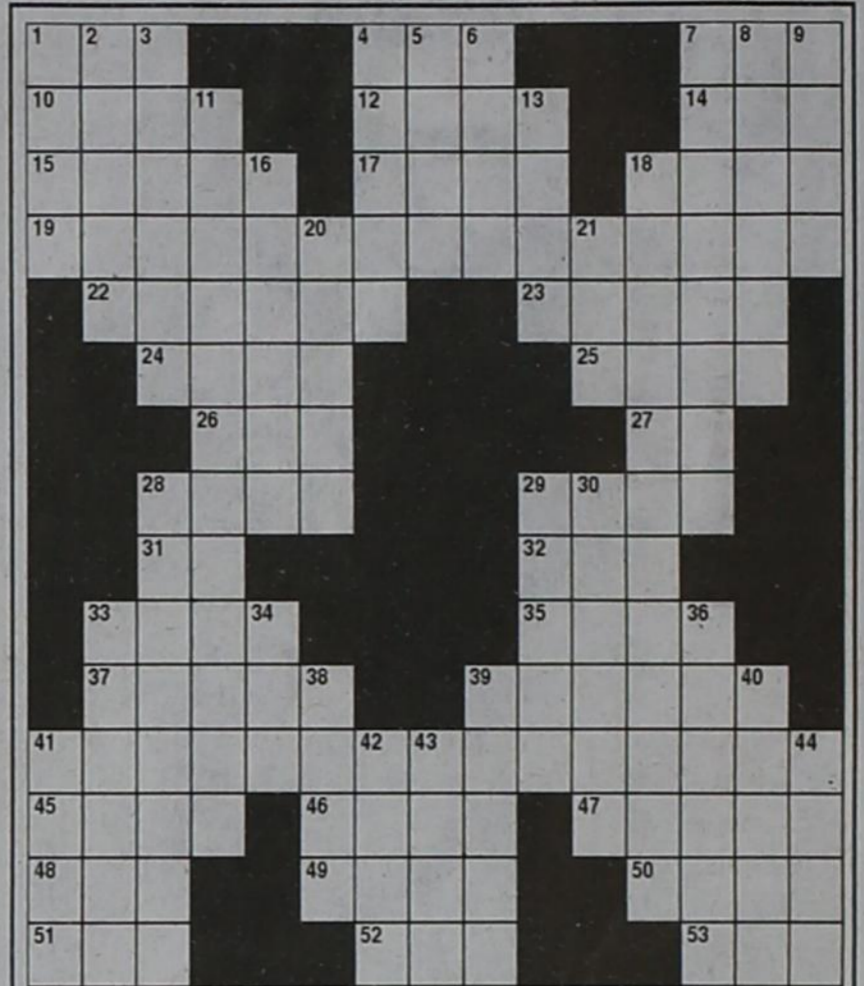
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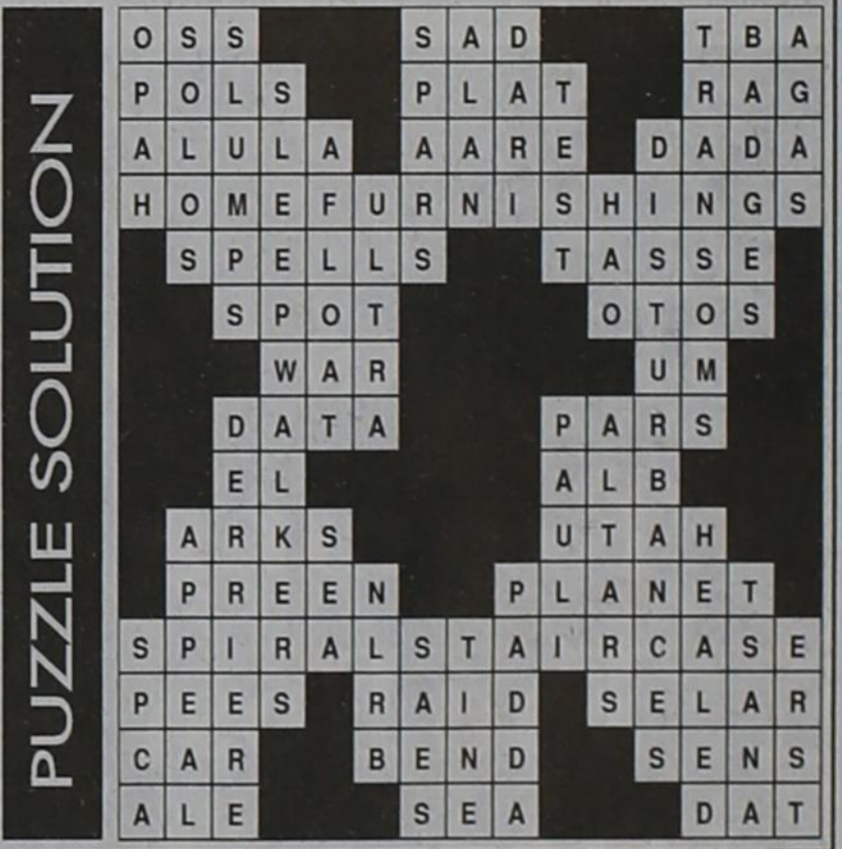


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- Former CIA
- Unhappy
- Don't know when yet
- Party men & women
- A braid
- A scrap of cloth
- Calypter
- Swiss river
- A baby's father
- House decor
- Magical incantations
- Thigh armor
- Dick & Jane's dog
- Ph... pictures
- Armed conflict
- Expression of doubt
- A collection of facts
- Average golf scores
- Raised railroad
- Vestment gown
- Boats for Noah
- Western state
- Primp
- Celestial body
- Steps for limited space
- Tea... conical tents
- Foray
- Big-eyed scad genus
- An automobile
- Curved segment
- "...e and Sensibility" by Austin
- Brew
- Black or Mediterranean
- A digital tape recording of sound

CLUES DOWN

- Moonfish
- Flies alone
- Sags or droops
- Short bouts
- Ladd, actor
- Afghan language
- Windows over doors
- Scout achievement insignias
- Turkish leader titles
- Noctambulists
- Exam
- On a boat or ship
- Perturbations
- Far beyond the norm
- Vietnamese currency unit
- Hindquarters
- St... girl, brand of beer
- Communion tables
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- A very large body of water
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The credits are for private pesticide applicator license-holders, who are required to receive 15 hours of continuing education units prior to license recertification, which

occurs every five years. Continuing education opportunity locations include the following. Call the contact numbers for specifics or further information:

-West Plains Ag Conference, Jan. 18, South Plains College, Sundown Room. Contact the AgriLife Extension office in Hockley County, 806-894-3159.

-Drip Irrigation Workshop, Jan. 19, Brownfield. Contact

the AgriLife Extension office in Terry County, 806-637-4060.

-Southern Mesa Ag Conference, Jan. 19, Lamesa. Contact the AgriLife Extension office in Dawson County, 806-872-3444.

-Caprock Crop Production Conference, Jan. 20, Floyd County Friends Unity Center, Floydada. Contact the

AgriLife Extension Service office in Floyd County, 806-983-4912.

-Llano Estacado Cotton Conference, Jan. 21, Muleshoe. Contact the AgriLife Extension office in Bailey County, 806-272-4584.

-Alternative Crops Workshop, Jan. 26, Seminole. Contact the AgriLife

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Extension office in Gaines County, 432-758-4006.

-Crop Risk Management Workshop, Jan. 27, Olton. Contact the AgriLife Extension office in Lamb County, 806-385-4222.

-Profitability Workshop, Jan. 28, Morton Activity Building. Contact the AgriLife Extension office in

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Post Notes

Harlem Ambassador Basketball Show

The Post Area Chamber of Commerce will host the Harlem Ambassadors at the Arena, February 28 at 4 p.m. Tickets are on sale at the Chamber office: \$9/adult, \$7/students, \$5/aged six and under. Call 495-3461 for more information.

News and Photos Welcome

"Thank you" to those who submit news and pictures to *The Post Dispatch*. Please continue! Also, we encourage others to email this type of information to postcitydispatch@yahoo.com. Just remember to include all the facts - who, what, when and identify everyone in the photo. Also provide a telephone number so we can call if we need more info.

Wanted: Election Poll Workers

The Garza County Party Chairmen are seeking registered voters to participate in the March 2, 2010 Primary Elections. The ability to speak English and Spanish is a plus. For more information, please contact the chairman of the party you associate with:

Democratic County Party Chairman: James Bell, (806) 470-9220, rosa@rubylanebooks.com or Republican County Party Chairman: Trevor Thuett, (806) 495-3476, tthuett@lyntegar.com.

Borden County Football Benefit

Parents and friends of the Borden County Coyote football team will sponsor a benefit to purchase state championship rings. It will be held on Sunday, January 24, 2010, at the Borden County Show Barn in Gail from 12:00-2:00 p.m. Brisket, sausage and all the trimmings will be served by the football boys.

Account Established for Michele Raben

Medical expense account has been set up at Citizens Bank for Michele Raben to help with growing medical expenses after surgery.

Account Established for Gonzales

An account has been set up at Citizens Bank to help Eva Gonzales with medical and funeral expenses for Mike Gonzales.

Blanket Drive Continues for Animal Shelter

The Post Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a blanket drive for the local animal shelter. Bring your old blankets and towels to the Chamber office, 131 E. Main, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday. The office is closed from 12:00 - 1:00. For more information, call 495-3461.

Speak Up ...

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are always wrong - wrong by their very attitude of being always right. No amendment, no attainment. Hopefully Coach Leach reads *The Post Dispatch* or reads the books of E. Stanley Jones. (If you don't know who E. Stanley Jones is ask your minister or visit your local library or your internet provider.)

Just Good 'Ole Boys

I believe the majority of Post ISD School Board are good 'ole boys with an agenda to serve themselves and their friends.

All that seems important to them is if the football team wins, their children and their friends' children get enough playing time and if any relatives/friends are happy in their jobs at the school.

You don't see the good ole boys attending academic events, praising academic success of students or even going to meetings that aren't related to sports.

None that I can remember attended any of the voter forums held in the past few years.

School Board Election Process

I'm not happy with the decision by the school board to "accept" the superintendent's retirement. I believe

most of these guys are only on the board because of the way this town holds elections. Where else can you cast three votes for the same person?

Other towns have their boards elected from neighborhoods so they represent the people they are supposed to be serving, like the city council is operated. We need a school board that understands the value of a good education that is ethical, honorable and truly committed to the academic success of students.

"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. Published "Speak Up" comments can not exceed 100 words and the *Dispatch* staff has the right to edit for length 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.

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Election Corner

March 2, 2010 Primary Elections

Local candidates who filed by the January 4, 2010 Deadline:

POSITION	REPUBLICAN	DEMOCRAT
District Judge	Carter T. Schildknecht	
County Judge	Lee Norman	
District & County Clerk	Jim Plummer	
County Treasurer		Ruth Ann Young
Commissioner, Pct. 2	Charles Morris	
Commissioner, Pct. 4	Harry Record	Jerry Benham Mike Sanchez Joe Stanley Gary (Red) Workman
Justice of the Peace, Pct. 1	Gordon Terry	
Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2		Dee C. Justice
County Chair	Trevor Thuett	James Bell

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Voter Registration

February 1, 2010 is the last day to register to vote in the March 2, 2010 Primary Elections.

Registration applications are available at the Tax Collector's office at the Garza County Courthouse, 300 W. Main Street, Post, or on the Secretary of State's web site at <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqvr.shtml>.

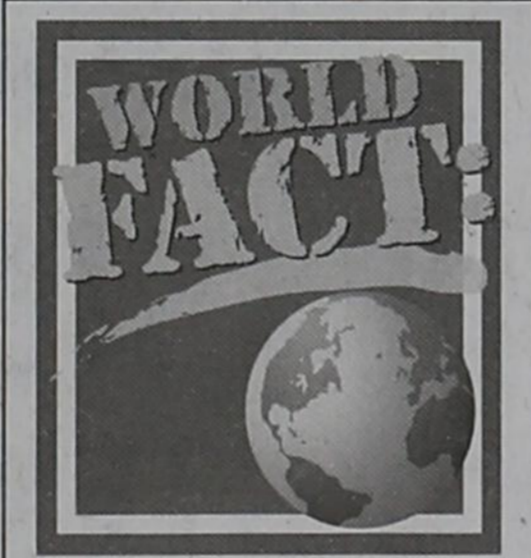
Early Voting

Early Voting will be conducted weekdays Tuesday, February 16 through Friday, February 26, 2010 at the Garza County Courthouse, 300 W. Main Street, Post.

Joint Primary Election

Garza County voters who wish to vote in the Republican Party or the Democratic Party Primaries can do so at the same regular polling places on March 2, 2010. Go to www.GarzaCounty.net and click on "Elections" for a list of the Regular Polling Places.

For more information visit GarzaCounty.net and click on "Elections."

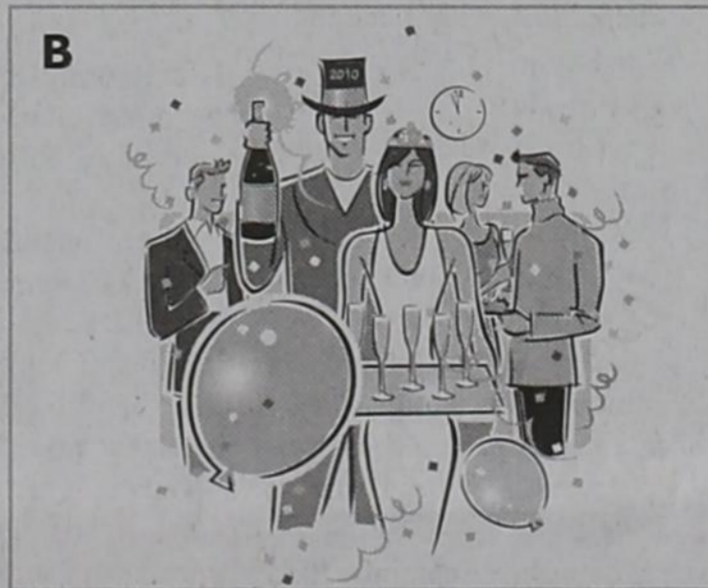
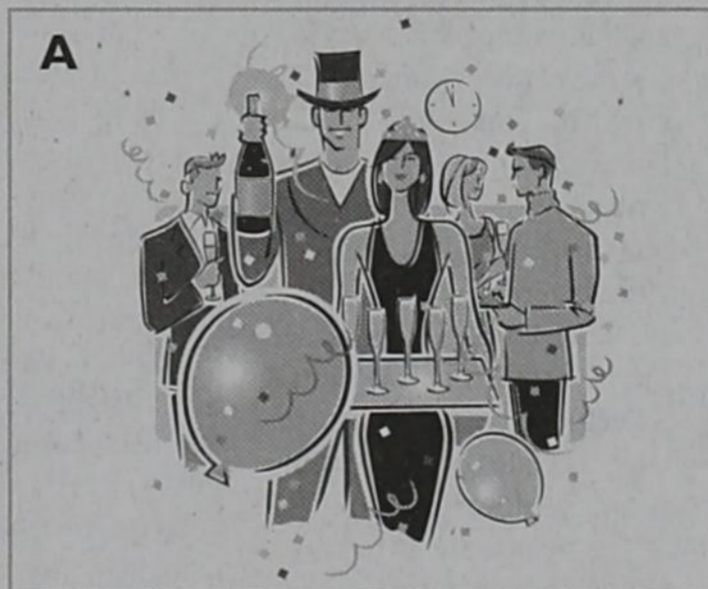


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What's the Difference?

There are five things different between Picture A and Picture B. Can you find them all?



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FRENCH: Année

GERMAN: Jahr

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Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

ANSWER: NOISEMAKERS

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Year in Review ...

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baby brother Jeffrey Alan Harvey, born on July 13, 2009. Parents are Justin and Angela Harvey.

Jyadn Perez, along with his parents, Clarissa Gamez and Mathew Perez, announce the birth of a baby girl, Paytn Kylie Perez, born July 16, 2009.

Ryan and Riley Halford proudly announced the birth of their baby brother, Rustin Miles Halford. He was born on July 17, 2009 to Richard and Devin Halford.

Miss Mary Elise Stevenson and Mr. Joseph Stephen Norman were united in holy matrimony on July 18, 2009 in Mimi's Garden at the Dallas Arboretum.

Trent McDonald and Cheyenne White won All Around Champion saddles in the 20-39 age group at the West Texas Rodeo Association competition in Sweetwater.

Lana Kitten competed in the High Plains Junior Rodeo Finals in Clovis, N.M. She was one saddle for winning Champion in Barrels; a dale for "All Around Champion Cowgirl" in her age group; a belt buckle for "Rookie of the Year 2009" and a halter for taking third in the Poles event.

Stephanie McPhaul and Colton Valdez were united in marriage on July 25, 2009, at The Heritage House in Post.

A new Lions Club came to Post on July 25th when 40 men and women celebrated the charter night of the Post Lions Club with a banquet.

Emmett Collier was pleased to announce the arrival of his baby brother, William "Wesley" Collier on July 28th, 2009. Proud parents are Cody and Angeline Collier.

August

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Massey celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 18, 2009 with a trip to Ruidoso, NM with the family.

Steve Miller and Clint Johnson were the Steer Stopping winners at the 2009 Garza County Team Roping.

Weldon Smith, with partner Shorty Clark, took first place in the Garza County Team Roping event. Cade Smith won the Novice Header buckle. Shawn Pennel was presented the Novice Heeler buckle.

The 2009 Post Stampede Rodeo Parade Best of Show winner was the Garza County 4-H float.

Post Middle School cheerleaders for the 2009/2010 include Sierra Isbell, Katie Dunn, Sara Greer, Chelby Morris, Matti Smith, Jaycee Johnson, Taylor Osborn and Dakota Greer.

JV cheerleaders for 09/10 school year are Julie Bores, Macie Merritt, Kimberly Rivera and Haily Berry.

Varsity cheerleaders include Shirley Ariaza, Darlene Ariaza, Crystal Sanchez, Marissa Hernandez Taylor Joy and Mascot Kat Villalon.

Garza County 4-H members, Jackie Milton and Reed Williams, recently

qualified to attend the Texas Leadership Conference held in Washington D.C. by winning first place in their State 4-H record book categories.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Myers of Slaton celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary with a dance. The couple was married on August 22, 1959 at Big Lake.

September

Billy Roddy came to Caprock Springs Fellowship Church as the new Lead Pastor. He joined his wife, Jan, in their ministry.

The First United Methodist Church held their Centennial Celebration. The FUMC of Pos was organized in 1908. The first pastor was Rev. T. C. Willet and the first District Superintendent was Rev. G.S. Hardy. During these 100 years the church has been served by 41 pastors.

Bob Collier and Glen Norman were honored by the Post Masonic Lodge #1058 A.F. & A.M. in a special ceremony.

The Post varsity football team ruined homecoming for the Lamesa Golden Tornadoes with a 42-0 win.

Jim and Betty Morris celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary Sept. 15, 2009. They were married at the First Methodist Church in Lubbock.

Southland ISD Homecoming Queen Ashley Flores was crowned on Sept. 18. Other nominees were Kelcee Lewis, Daegan Moore and Jaden Binford. Jakob Garza and Celeste Valencia carried the crown and roses for the ceremony.

A defensive battle ended with a defensive lineman scoring the game clinching score for the Post Antelopes. The final score was 13-6, which made it the second win for Post.

The Post Lady Lopes Varsity and Junior High teams both won first place overall at the Wilson Cross Country meet.

October

The Post Antelopes win the Homecoming game with a 40-11 win over Roosevelt.

Cheyenne Miller was crowned as the 2009 Homecoming Football Sweetheart. The court also included Alex Miller and Branda Stevens.

Darlene Ariaza was named the 2009 Homecoming Band Sweetheart. The court included Kathryn Villalon and Alejandra Rodriguez.

The final score of the football game against Abernathy was 33-22 with Abernathy winning.

PHS Head Coach Chris Jones nominated Senior Antelope Cody Dean for the High School Football Rudy Awards that honors high school football players.

Kaleb Tanner placed 3rd in the Ag Mechanics contest with a bumper he constructed in his metal fabrication class.

For the first time since 2005 the Post Bold Gold Antelopes defeated the Idalou Wildcats 14-9 at Jimmie Redman

Memorial Stadium.

In a scuffle for the second spot in District 3-AA, the Bold Gold Antelopes improved to 3-1 and 5-2 overall with a 28-21 road win to take lone custody of second place going into Week 8 of the season.

The Pride of Post Band kept its tradition of Division I ratings at marching contest at Jones AT&T Stadium in Lubbock.

Victoria Fannon and Clint Evans were proud to announce the birth of their son, Jared James Evans, born Oct. 21, 2009.

The Antelopes recorded their second shut-out of the season winning 17-0 over Denver City.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Norman of Post celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Oct. 24, 2009 with a family dinner at the 50 Yard Line Restaurant.

November

The Slaton Tigers came into town hoping for their first District 3-AA win, but Post had different plans with a 48-12 win.

The Post Antelopes varsity football team arrived ready to fight for the District Championship at Littlefield's Wildcat Stadium. They added another win of 18-13 to the season.

Elizabeth Marie Mantoath and Levi Taylor Calhoun were united in marriage on Nov. 7, 2009 at the First United Methodist Church in San Angelo.

Giles Dalby broke 1,000 yards rushing.

M'Keison Guerro placed 11th in the American Rabbit Breeders Association's National Show in San Diego, California.

The Bold Gold met the Sonora Broncos on neutral ground halfway between home fields at the Mustang Bowl in Sweetwater for a 2A, Region I, Division II Bi-District contest. Post finished on top, 35-28.

The Post Gold Bold Antelopes end their 2009 season with a 44-7 loss to Bushland in the Area Playoff game.

December

Tammy Sparks and Shane Martel were joined in marriage on Sept. 17, 2009 in Henderson, NV surrounded by family and friends.

Seventeen Post Antelopes filled the 23 All-District positions. Eight Lopes occupied first team positions and seven Post players are second team choices. Five Antelopes were recognized for excellent play on both sides of the ball.

Senior defensive lineman Josh Rodriguez led the Lopes by being named the district Defensive Most Valuable Player.

The community established a Christmas light show on East Main Street. The lights and music drew visitors between Thanksgiving and New Years.

Garza County enjoyed a white Christmas due to a winter storm on Christmas Eve. The storm caused power outages and bad road conditions.



Rusty and Reagan Workman participate in one of the 2009 Garza County AgriLife Extension Seervice Playdays at the Post Stampede Rodeo Arena.

The traditional Tabana Y'uana ceremony (above) March 22 predicted a poor crop and economy in 2009.

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Holy Cross Catholic Church Altar Servers throw candy from the windows of their Polar Express during the 2009 lighted Christmas parade December 5. One of 30 entries in the parade, the group received the United Supermarket Holiday Imagination award.

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New wedding package offered in Post



The Heritage House is Post is a popular facility for weddings, receptions, family reunions and other gatherings. Multiple options are available to accommodate any type of event.

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Heritage House, Presbyterian Church perfect wedding duo

By Rosa Latimer
News Editor

According to most bride's magazines, Christmas is the second most popular day of the year to get engaged, second only to Valentine's Day on the number of people who get engaged on that date every year. With Christmas 2009 just past, that means in the months to come thousands of brides will be looking for the perfect site for their wedding. And, because of the foresight, planning and hard work of the Caprock Cultural Association in Post, The Heritage House and the historic Presbyterian Church make Post a perfect choice for a complete wedding event.

Many are familiar with The Heritage House, the reclaimed boarding house that was completely reconstructed in 2007. The Maxine Durett Earl Banquet Hall seats approximately 100 for a sit down affair, the conference room and parlor present an intimate setting for small showers and luncheons and a fully stocked catering kitchen is also available. On the second floor of The Heritage House, there is a beautifully appointed Bride's Room. The upper floor is accessible by stairway or elevator. There's ample parking and a picturesque portico and veranda provide additional seating. Your entire wedding event

could take place at this facility; however, for those who want a church wedding, the CCA has contracted with the Maxine Durett Earl Charitable Foundation to lease the historic Presbyterian Church for wedding events.

The church is a charming white building with a steep roof and striking stained glass windows. The interior is adorned with rich, detailed woodwork. The chapel seats approximately 100 and is just a short carriage ride away from The Heritage House. Built in 1915, this was one of Post's first church buildings and has a State Landmark designation.

Planning a wedding in Post is practical, too. Floral arrangements, catering, music and many other services and accessories are available within our community. The professional management provided by the Caprock Cultural Association helps make any event at The Heritage House run smoothly.

Post is quickly gaining a reputation as a "destination wedding" community; however, whether the bride calls Post home or she chooses this as a historic wedding destination, the options offered by The Heritage House make the experience uniquely personal.

For more information about The Heritage House or the historic Presbyterian Church, contact Shawnette Hinkle, 806-495-4148.

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AgriLife Extension office in Gaines County, 432-758-4006.

- Commercial Turf & Ornamental Workshop, Feb. 3, Lubbock. Contact the AgriLife Extension office in Lubbock County, 806-775-1680.

- Llano Estacado Corn Conference, Feb. 9, Castro County Exposition Building, Dimmitt. Contact the AgriLife Extension office in Castro County, 806-647-4115.

- SW Farm & Ranch Classic Farm Show, Feb. 9, Lubbock Civic Center. Contact the AgriLife Extension office in Lubbock County, 806-775-1680.

- South Plains Ag Conference, Feb. 10, Brownfield. Contact the AgriLife Extension office in Terry County, 806-637-4060.

- Cottonseed Variety Meeting, Feb. 10, Farwell. Contact the AgriLife Extension office in Parmer County at 806-481-3619.

- Hale/Swisher Crops Conference, Feb. 10, Ollie Liner Center, Plainview. Contact the AgriLife Extension office in Hale County, 806-291-5267.

- Cotton Production Meeting, Feb. 11, Lamesa. Contact the AgriLife Extension office in Dawson County, 806-872-3444.

- Cotton Production Meeting, Feb. 22, Tahoka. Contact the AgriLife Extension office in Lynn County, 806-561-4562.

- Cotton Variety Selection, Cotton Outlook and Fertilizer Management, Feb. 23, Brownfield. Contact the AgriLife Extension office in Terry County, 806-637-4060.

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