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## Which way will the wind blow Monday morning?

By Rosa Latimer  
News Editor

You might be surprised by how many people are interested in which way the wind will blow in Post next Monday morning. We've already received calls at *The Post Dispatch* to verify exactly what day the traditional Taba'na Yuan'e Sunrise Wind ceremony takes place. The event will be Monday morning, March 22. Unique to Post, Taba'na Yuan'e has been a part of Garza County history since early settlers came to the area. The ceremony will begin approximately 30 minutes before sunrise. Monday's sunrise is predicted for 7:47 a.m. Complimentary coffee, juice and a light breakfast will be served to visitors and participants.

The Taba'na Yuan'e ceremony provides a time for the community to come together on this day each year to welcome the spring season and to observe a piece of history that has been carefully preserved for over 100 years. Farmers, ranchers and business owners in the region are still curious to know the outcome of the prediction each year.

A dozen men and women clad in traditional Native American dress perform the ceremony surround by authentic "teepee" structures. According to legend the direction of the wind on

March 22 at the exact moment of sunrise predicts the economic outlook for the year. The tradition is that if the wind is out of the east or northeast, a very good year is ahead; north or northwest translates into a fair year; wind from the west or southwest indicates a poor year; if at sunrise the wind is from the south or southeast, a bad economic year is predicted.

At the time that "Post City" was taking shape over one hundred years ago, early settlers who moved here found a wild and desolate area. These newcomers were not familiar with weather conditions and didn't know which crops would survive. The barren land had never been cultivated and the precious seeds that were to be planted were the lifeblood of the pioneers.

Early settlers in Garza County had heard of an Indian legend that told of a ceremony that could tell of the conditions to be expected in the forthcoming year. Indians used this ceremony to forecast food supply for the coming year. Farmers and ranchers would gather and, using information furnished by the Indians, performed the Sunrise Wind or Taba'na Yuan'e ceremony.

For more information about the Taba'na Yuan'e, call the Chamber office, 495-3461.

## Post, Garza County Endowment Fund organized

By Rosa Latimer  
News Editor

After months of planning and consideration, this week a group of local residents announced the creation of the Post/Garza County Endowment Fund. The local fund will be an area affiliate of the Lubbock Area Foundation.

Post/Garza County Endowment Fund Board members are: Janie Lopez, Diann Windham, Thressa Harp, Harry Record, Patty Kirkpatrick, Curtis Hudman and Debbie Macy who serves as President. Garza County Judge Lee Norman is an Advisory member of the Board.

"The Garza County Foundation will have a gen-

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Representatives and supporters of the recently organized Post/Garza County Endowment Fund are shown at the Post Rotary Club meeting this week. (from left) Judge Lee Norman; Harry Record; Diann Windham; Giles McCrary, Administrator of the E. A. Franklin Trust; Kathy Stocco, Executive Director of the Lubbock Area Foundation; Thressa Harp; Curtis Hudman and Janie Lopez. McCrary presented the first donation to the local Endowment Fund on behalf of the E. A. Franklin Trust.

Photo by Rosa Latimer.



Two public performances of the UIL one act play, "The Love of the Nightingale" will be presented by PHS students Monday, March 22 at 7:30 and 8:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. Tickets are \$3/adults and \$2/students. Cast members shown are (from left): Cheyenne Miller as Philomele, Michael Porter as King Pandion, Clint Windham as Tereus, Bethany Berry as Procne and Amber Wilson as the Queen.

Courtesy photo



### Superintendent Search

I'd like to know more about the superintendent search. In other towns where I have lived, committees are formed at the school to interview candidates and determine good fits but here in Post we've not heard anything. Why does it seem like it's a secret? This is a public position not just someone that will work for a couple of board members. When the district was looking for a new Athletic Director it was published how many applied, even names of who applied.

### Get Out and Vote

Glad to see some candidates step up for the school board and city elections. Now if we can just get folks to get out and vote we'll be

on our way to a stronger, better community.

"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](mailto:postcitydispatch@yahoo.com).

## Post Notes

### Holy Cross Fish Fry

The annual Holy Cross fish fry will begin Friday, February 19 in the church hall, serving 5 to 7 p.m. A plate includes potato salad, cole slaw, beans and fish for \$7. The fish fry will continue every Friday through Lent.

### Taba'na Yuan'e

Taba'na Yuan'e or Sunrise Wind ceremony will take place in the Post City Park, Monday, March 22. The ceremony begins approximately thirty minutes before sunrise. Sunrise the morning of the event is predicted to be at 7:47. A free snack breakfast with coffee and juice will be served. For more information, call the Chamber office, 495-3461.

### Homestead Exemption Available

Anyone who becomes 65 in 2010, or has a birthday of 1945 or prior, is eligible for the over 65 homestead exemption on school property taxes.

Anyone with business personal property is required to file a rendition with the Garza Central Appraisal District. If rendition is not filed, a 10% penalty will be added to the total tax. Please call Garza Central Appraisal District at 806-495-3518 or come by the office at 124 E. Main in Post to file a homestead exemption or rendition. Due date is April 15, 2010.

### Garza County Republican County Convention

The Republican Party of Garza County will hold its County Convention at Trailblazers Senior Citizens Center on Saturday, March 20 beginning at 9:30 a.m. All voters who voted in the Republican Primary, or those interested in the Republican Party, are welcome to attend. Resolutions will be presented for consideration by the Convention and possible delegates to attend the Republican State Convention to be held in June will be determined.

### Little League Registration

Little League registration forms have been sent home and they can also be picked up at Movie Gallery and United. We will have sign ups in the elementary gym March 22 - 24, 3:45 - 5:30 p.m. and March 25, 3:45 - 7 p.m. For more information, contact Jona Jones, 782-6296.

### Post Little League

There will be a coaches/managers meeting on March 22 at 7 p.m. at the Fellowship Spring Church. Anyone interested in coaching or managing a team needs to attend. For more information, call 782-6296 or 549-3987.

### OS Museum Spring Exhibit

It's time for an exhibit change and

the winds blew in "Spring" at the OS Museum. Spring and Easter art and artifacts are on display from the McCrary's travels around the world. Viewing hours: 10 a.m. to 12 and 1 - 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Closed most major holidays. OS Museum, 201 E. Main Street and Avenue I in Post. Upstairs - elevator for your convenience.

### Boy Scout Hot Dog Fundraiser

On Saturday, March 27, Higginbotham Bartlett in Post is sponsoring a fundraising opportunity for the local Boy Scout Troop. The Troop will be grilling hot dogs in the yard of the store. All proceeds from the hot dog sale will go directly to the local Boy Scout Troop. Please support the Troop as they earn money to attend Summer Camp and the National Jamboree in Virginia. Cost is \$5 for Hot Dog, chips, and a drink. Additional donations welcome. Grilling will begin around 10:30 a.m. and continue until sold out.

### Graham Ole Opry

The Graham Ole Opry will be held Saturday, March 27 starting at 7 p.m. at the Graham Community Center, five miles west of Post on US 380 and two miles south on FM 399.

There is no admission charge; a hat will be passed for donations to help with

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## 2010 Census Forms Arrive

Asking just 10 questions and taking about 10 minutes to complete, 2010 Census forms began arriving in 120 million mailboxes across the nation today — just the 23rd time the country has undertaken the constitutionally mandated population count that dates back to 1790. The only civic event that includes every person in the country, the Census is the basis for America's representative democracy, ensuring that Congress is fairly reapportioned every 10 years between the states. Census counts are also used to redraw state and local legislative boundaries so that political representation is fairly distributed across their changing populations.

"When you receive your 2010 Census, please fill it out and mail it back," Census Bureau Director Robert M. Groves said. "It's one of the shortest forms in our lifetime with just 10 questions very much like the questions James Madison and Thomas Jefferson helped craft on the very first Census."

The 2010 Census is a count of everyone living in the United States and is mandated by the U.S. Constitution. Census data are used to apportion congressional seats to states, to distribute more than \$400 billion in federal funds to tribal, state and local governments each year and to make decisions about what community services to provide.

The 2010 Census form will be one of the shortest in U.S. history, consisting of 10 questions, taking about 10 minutes to complete. Strict confidentiality laws protect the respondents and the information they provide. The Census Bureau today estimated that if every household completed and mailed back their census form, taxpayers could reduce the cost of taking the census by \$1.5 billion. The Census Bureau saves about \$85 million in operational costs for every percentage point increase in the nation's participation rate by mail.

"Here is something every family can do to help their gov-

ernment save money, and get an accurate Census at the same time. Mailing back your census form when it arrives will contribute to saving hundreds of millions of taxpayer dollars," Groves added. "It's a lot less expensive to get responses back by mail than it is to send census takers to knock on doors of households that failed to respond."

"It costs the government just 42 cents for a postage paid envelope when a household mails back the form," said Groves. "It costs \$57 to send a census taker door-to-door to follow up with each household that fails to respond."

Advance letters alerting households to the arrival of the 2010 Census form last week, as well as reminder postcards sent later this month, are all part of a mailing strategy that has been proven to increase participation in the census by mail — a cost savings that could exceed more than \$500 million. Even with these changes to make the census the shortest and easiest in a lifetime, the Census Bureau still projects that it will have to send census takers to an estimated 48 million households that do not respond by mail. Following up door-to-door to count households from May to July will require hiring about 650,000 census workers.

Census data also help determine how more than \$400 billion in federal funds are distributed to tribal, state and local governments every year — including funding for schools, roads, health care and other critical programs.

### It's Easy: A Look at the 2010 Census Questionnaire

The census mailing package includes a cover letter, the 2010 Census form and a postage-paid return envelope. The 10 questions are basic and should take about 10 minutes to complete. The 2010 Census asks the following questions: The number of people living in the residence Any additional people that might be living there as of April 1, 2010

Whether the residence is owned or rented

Telephone number (in case

## Chamber News

CONTRATULATIONS to the PHS Band on winning SWEEPSTAKES! Good Job!

Don't forget next Monday at sunrise we will have the annual Tab'a'n'a Yuan'e ceremony at the City Park. This

sunrise ceremony is performed each year on March 22 to predict success for the upcoming year.

Encore presentations of "Peter the Rock" at Ragtown Gospel Theater. Performances will be Friday

at 7:30 and Saturday at 3:00 p.m.

Congratulations to our members of the week: Silver Members, IRA PUMP AND SUPPLY & ROBERT HALL CHEVROLET.

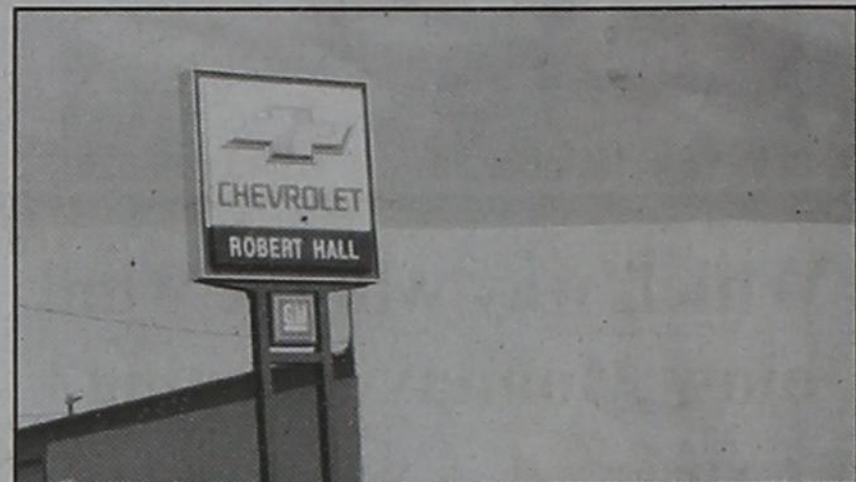


MEMBER OF THE WEEK - SILVER MEMBER IRA PUMP AND SUPPLY

Photo by Harry Record

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Photo by Harry Record.



### Endowment...

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eral fund that anyone can donate to at any time. Individuals can contribute any amount of money, from as low as \$5.00 up to a very large amount," explained Board member Diann Windham. "This fund will generate interest, just like designated funds, which will be dispersed by this local foundation board." Windham further explained that Garza County charities will have an opportunity to apply for these funds and receive contributions. The fund will generate earnings each year and will continue to grow in value as people in the community continue to give. "This will be a river of charitable giving that will never run dry," Windham added. "It is truly a unique opportunity for the citizens of this county to come together as a community and give to cultural organizations and organizations that help others."

Any investment in the Post/Garza County Endowment Fund whether to a designated fund or general fund will remain independent of the Lubbock Area Foundation; however, the local Fund will have the advantage of sharing investment revenue with the Lubbock Area Foundation. In addition, the Area Foundation will provide administrative support.

"Many have been concerned since Garza County

no longer has a United Way organization," said Thressa Harp, Board member. "This Endowment Fund will fill some of the obligations previously handled by the local United Way.

The group launched its fund raising efforts at the Post Rotary Club meeting earlier this week. A five thousand dollar check from the E. A. Franklin Trust, Giles McCrary, Administrator, was presented to the Post/Garza County Endowment Fund. The first task before the Fund is to raise \$50,000 to qualify for matching funds from the CH Foundation.

"This idea of a local endowment fund leaves a living legacy for our county and city," said Judge Lee Norman, Advisory member of the Fund Board. "I hope it will grow and prosper to support the future generations of people that catch the C. W. Post dream. I hope many will join us in supporting a lasting dream for our community."

The local Endowment Fund will hold a Town Hall meeting to further explain its structure and purpose. Details of that meeting will be announced soon. A web site and brochures for the organization are also being developed.

For more information about the Post/Garza County Endowment Fund, call Board President Debbie Macy, 495-3418.

the Census Bureau has follow-up questions)

Name  
Sex  
Age and date of birth  
Whether of Hispanic origin  
Race  
Whether that person sometimes lives somewhere else

Census forms are available upon request in six languages: English, Spanish, Chinese (Simplified), Korean, Vietnamese and Russian. For the first time, bilingual English/Spanish forms will be mailed out to 13 million households where Spanish is the predominant language spoken at home. Braille and large print forms are also available on request. For the hearing impaired, a TDD program is available at 1-866-783-2010.

Language assistance guides are available in 59 languages on 2010census.gov to assist non-English speaking residents fill out their forms. There are also short, in-language videos on the Web site to help with form filling. Telephone Questionnaire Assistance is also provided in Spanish (1-866-928-2010), Chinese (1-866-935-2010), Vietnamese (1-866-945-2010), Korean (1-866-955-2010) and Russian (1-866-965-2010) in addition to English (1-866-872-6868).

All census responses are confidential; they are protected by law and not shared with anyone. The Census Bureau takes extreme measures to protect the identity of individuals and businesses. By law, the Census Bureau cannot share respondents' individually identifiable answers with anyone, including tribal housing authorities, other federal agencies and law enforcement entities.

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Thank you very much,  
Mike Sanchez

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I look forward to serving the citizens of Garza County as Judge.

County Judge Lee Norman

# In and Around Close City

by Traci Freeman

I poured out 2 and 1/2 inches out of the rain gauge Tuesday morning. Can you believe all this moisture? It is going to mean a fantastic crop for the 2010 season.

Jon Bill Hedrick brought me a picture of the Close City float that was in the 1950 parade downtown Post that his mom, Bill found. I'm going to get a frame so that I can put it in on our "wall". Ya'll should really come out and see it, it is a really neat picture. Thanks Bill.

Congratulations to Kayla and Dan'l and their families, they were married last Saturday. Kayla is the daughter of Barry and Amy Morris; the granddaughter of Charles and Sharron Morris.

Alexa Contreras will turn 1 on March 28th. Alexa's parents, Daniel and Veronica Contreras are giving her a party on Saturday, March 27th at 5:00 in the youth center, downtown and want to invite everyone in the Close City Community to come help them celebrate. Happy Birthday Alexa!

Our next fundraiser for the Close City School Restoration Project will be a HUGE rummage sale so we are asking for everyone to save your unwanted junk, we want it. Just give us a call and we will come and pick it up or you can drop it off to us. Keep watching the paper and website for the place and time as it gets closer to April.

If anyone would like a report on the progress we have made, do not hesitate to call and ask. Also, if you are not on our email list and would like to be let us know.

Visit our blog at <http://closecitycoopin.blogspot.com>; we have all sorts of info on there as well as some really good recipes and some fun pictures. If any of you Close City people have a picture or a recipe you would like for me to put on the site send it to me, I'd be glad to do so.

**Cookbooks**  
We still have some cookbooks left, if you want one you can pick yours up at Cocara's or LaPosta. Or you can come to the gin, we have several here.

Lexi and Jake came and visited for a while Monday before heading to Plainview to visit with other family; they are the grandchildren of Jerry and Lilly (Wilke) Wright.

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**Visitors**  
The last week we've had a few out to visit other than our regulars; Delbert Wartes; Ronnie Gradine; Kenneth Ethridge; Kenneth Bullard; Bobby Terry brought Mack over for a while, good to see ya, Mack!

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## Weekly Inspirations

### I KNOW WHAT I KNOW

By Michael F. Taylor

Several years ago when I was just a small boy, my father was Pastoring a little church in a small farming community here in the West Texas area. Unfortunately the folks had fallen on very difficult times as a terrific drought had been going on for several years and the crops had failed for all but a few of the most blessed and skilled farmers. The drought became so bad that the local farmers association called an emergency meeting of all who could hopefully provide some kind of input to alleviate the misery of the community. On the appointed day and time, the community center was completely packed with farmers and concerned townfolk. One by one, the farmers who had experienced at least some level of success stood and expressed how they had accomplished their meager but appreciated crops. Then in the midst of all the goings on, the wife of the worst farmer in the whole county stood up and began a long, monotonous speech about crop raising but which she obviously had no knowledge or expertise. The entire crowd began to frown as she droned on and on. Finally, thirty minutes into her dissertation, one farmer decided that he couldn't take it anymore and standing to his feet, stated for all to hear, "Madam, by the condition of your farm and the lack of crops produced by you in the last ten years, I don't believe that you know anything. In fact I'm not sure that you can even tell us how many toes a PIG has on one foot?" Without missing a breath, she shot back, "Why of course I can. I know what I know, Sir. **In fact, if you will take off your boots, we can count them out together!**"

Well, you may not be sure about how many toes a pig has on his foot this week, but one thing that you can be sure of is that Jesus Christ is alive and well right here in Post, Texas. And not only is He sitting at the right hand of the Father interceding for you, the Holy Spirit is indwelling in your heart and spirit and has a plan for your life. God is encouraging us this week to be more like His Son. On Tuesday night, I had the distinct privilege of attending Sin City Ministries in Lubbock and was reminded that our purpose in this world is to serve others. I love how Paul tells us in his letter to the church at Philippi in Chapter 2, "1If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, 2then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. 3Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. 4Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. 5Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: 6Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, 7but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. 8And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death— even death on a cross! 9Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, 10that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." NIV May God bless each of you this week as you seek to fulfill God's plan in your life. And may we always seek to serve others.

*"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."*

2 Timothy 3:16-17

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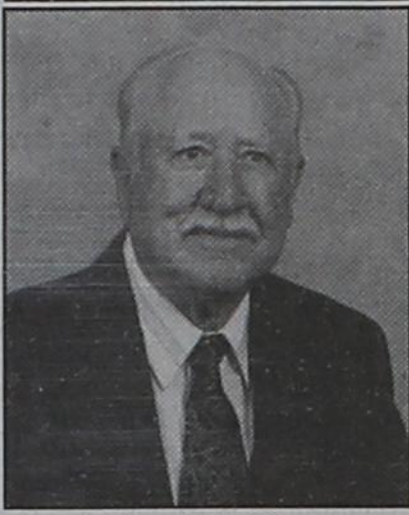
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*And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.*

Deuteronomy 6:5

Visit any one of these businesses and churches and you will find wonderful Post City people and those who support Post.

**Obituaries**



**Virgil Bilbo**

Services for Virgil Bilbo, 90, of Post were at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 17, 2010 at the First United Methodist Church with Rev. Scott Richards officiating.

Burial with military honors was in Terrace Cemetery under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

He died Monday, March 15, 2010 in Post. He was born October 28, 1919 in Mosspoint, MS to Samuel and Pearl Bilbo.

He married Betty Stevens on August 12, 1949 in Ruidoso, NM. She preceded him in death on January 26, 1979.

He later married Pat

Rogers on August 4, 1979. He was a farmer and an active member of the First United Methodist Church. He served as a member of the Post Independent School District Board.

He was also an active golfer and was a member of the Lakeridge Senior Men's Golf Association.

Virgil was a US Navy veteran of WW II serving in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters of operation on various ships.

Survivors include his wife, Pat Bilbo of Post; three sons: Joe and wife Vickie Bilbo of Quinlan, TX, Gary Bilbo of Dilly, TX and Ronnie and wife Kelli bilbo of Lubbock;

a daughter, Jan and husband Doyle Nichols of San Angelo; one stepson, Johnny and wife Jamie McCowan of Austin, TX; two stepdaughters: Nancy and husband Dennis McDonald of Post and Patty and husband Jerry Pruitt of Lubbock; 17 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Tuesday at the funeral home.

**Minnie Will Williams**

Memorial services for Minnie Will Williams, 90, of Lubbock were at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 13, 2010 at the Presbyterian Church in Post with Dr. Jerry Koch and Rev. Elizabeth Abraham officiating. Burial was in Terrace Cemetery under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

She died Tuesday, March 9, 2010 in Lubbock. She was born June 29, 1919 in Gail, TX to Docia and Lee Wootton. She was a graduate of Texas Tech University. She married Bryan J. Williams Jr. in June 1939 in Slaton. He preceded her in death on December 13, 1987.

She and Bryan farmed for several years and also taught school at Garnolia and Post before opening Bryan Williams insurance. She was an active member of the Presbyterian Church for many years.

Survivors include two grandsons: Lee Williams of Richardson and Bryan Williams IV of Dallas; a great-grandson, Jackson Williams of Richardson and

a great-granddaughter, Reese Williams of Richardson.

She was also preceded in death by two sons: Bryan Williams III on Sept. 6, 1996 and Lee Williams in 1970.

The family suggests that memorials be directed to the Presbyterian Church of Post.

**Thanks For Reading The Post Dispatch**

**Ag Conference Set in Snyder**

The Texas AgriLife Extension Service will conduct the multi-county Lower Rolling Plains Ag Conference from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on March 31 at the Scurry Coliseum located at 900 E. Coliseum Drive in Snyder. The program will address a number of topics of interest to area producers, said Greg Gruben, AgriLife Extension agent in Scurry County.

"The program will touch on everything from cotton economics to quail management," Gruben said.

"We want to provide the latest information available on topics affecting crop and livestock producers in this region, though much of the information is applicable almost anywhere in Texas."

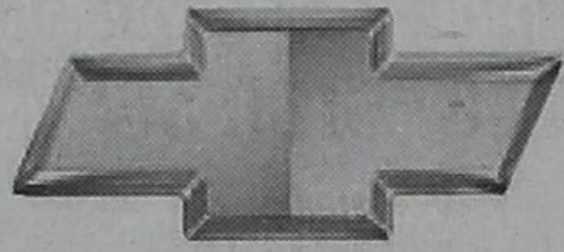
Morning topics will include: Cotton Economics, Laws and Regulations, Weed Resistance to Herbicides - Why and How, and Grain Economics. Following a catered lunch, the program will split into two concurrent sessions. Session A presentations will be: Cotton Weed Management/Volunteer Cotton Management, Fertilizer Management-

Goals for Economic Yields, Grain Sorghum Production and Integrated Pest Management Update. Session B presentations will be: Providing Proper Supplementation with Available Forage, Individual Plant Treatment Recommendations for Invasive Range Plants, Quail Management Update, Forage Sorghums and Vaccination/Trichomoniasis Update.

Six Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units will be offered (four general, one laws and regulations and one integrated pest management). Also, persons needing a Texas Department of Agriculture pesticide applicator's license can receive the necessary training from 9 a.m. to noon with the testing to follow at 1 p.m. For this training, RSVP by March 25 by calling 325-573-5423.

Individual registration for the conference is \$15 at the door (includes lunch). For more information and to register, call the AgriLife Extension offices in Mitchell County at 325-728-3111, Nolan County at 325-235-3184 or Scurry County at 325-573-5423.

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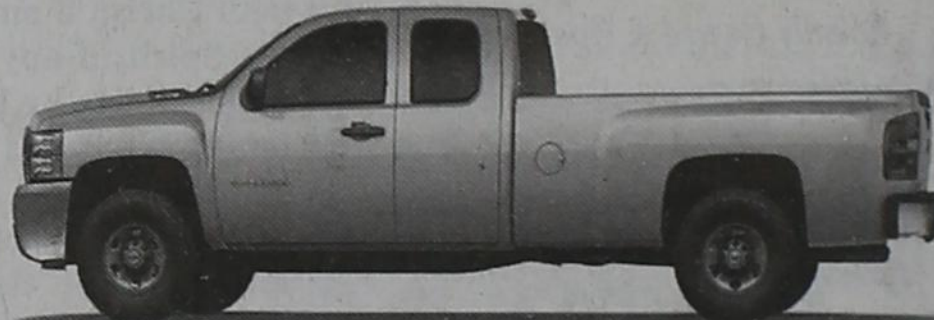
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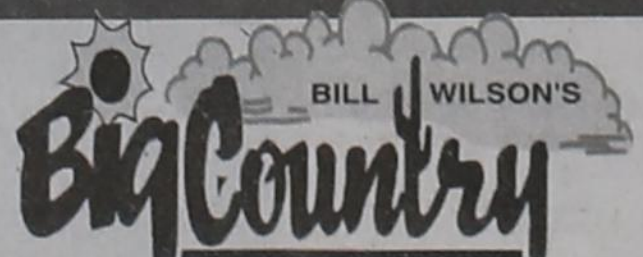
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## Post track athletes compete in Plains meet

Plains Meet, Friday,  
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**Varsity Girls**  
100 M: Cheyenne Miller, 6<sup>th</sup>  
400 M: Hailey Berry, 6<sup>th</sup>  
800 M: Alex Miller, 3<sup>rd</sup>  
100 M Hurdles: Macy Blair 3<sup>rd</sup>, Mercedes Solorzano, 5<sup>th</sup>  
4 X 100 M Relay: Cheyenne Miller, Branda Stevens, Mariah Morales and Hailey Berry, 6<sup>th</sup>  
Triple Jump: Branda Stevens, 1<sup>st</sup>  
Discus: Kaylynn Villalón, 1<sup>st</sup>  
Team placed 8<sup>th</sup> overall. Next meet is Friday, March 26th at Sundown.

Long Jump: Chase Greathouse, 19'1", 1<sup>st</sup>  
High Jump: Corbin McDonald, 6'2", 1<sup>st</sup>  
Team placed 5<sup>th</sup> overall. Next meet is Friday, March 26th at Sundown.

**JV Boys**  
100 M: Serafin Lopez, 12.41, 2<sup>nd</sup>  
400 M: Justin Hodge, 57.63, 2<sup>nd</sup>  
300 M Hurdles: Dakota McDonald, 50.81, 1<sup>st</sup>  
800 M: Brian Osborne, 2:23.5, 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Henry Apolinar, 2:24.7, 2<sup>nd</sup>  
1600 M: Osborne, 5:41, 2<sup>nd</sup>  
400 M Relay: H. Apolinar, S. Lopez, Matt Soto, Ben Mason, 48:32, 1<sup>st</sup>  
800 M Relay: Lopez, Mason, Apolinar, Soto, 1:41.4, 1<sup>st</sup>  
1600 M Relay: Soto, Mason, Hodge, D. McDonald, 3:57, 1<sup>st</sup>  
Triple Jump: Soto, 33'3.25", 1<sup>st</sup>  
Long Jump: Soto, 15'1", 1<sup>st</sup>  
Pole Vault: Mason, 10', 1<sup>st</sup>  
Shot Put: Dale Diaz, 32'3", 6<sup>th</sup>  
Team placed 1<sup>st</sup> overall. Next meet is Friday, March 26th at Sundown.



Taylor Soto (fourth from left) runs the 100-meter hurdles at Denver City.



Tyler Jones races to an impressive 2nd place finish in the 1600 meter run at Denver City.



Miranda Solarzano runs the 100 meter hurdles at Denver City meet.



Kelbie Oden placed 1st in the 7th grade girls high jump at the Junior High track meet in Denver City.



Katie Dunn shows her form in the triple jump at Denver City.

Photos by Lance Dunn



Jaycee Johnson and Bethany Curtis get a perfect hand off as they race to a 1st place finish in the sprint relay at the Denver City track meet.

## Garza Theatre Willy Awards Celebrate Best of 2009 Season

By Rosa Latimer  
News Editor

Continuing an annual tradition, actors, directors, and other volunteers from the Garza Theater gathered recently to present Willy Awards for the best from its 2009 season. The big winner was *A Christmas Carol*, directed by Jay Young. The holiday production won Outstanding Musical Achievement, Jay Young, Stage Director and Jacob Miller, Music Director; Best Set Design, Jay Young and Holly Baker; Best Costumes, Daniel Hogan; Outstanding Performance in a Musical, John Davis as Scrooge; Best Lead/Supporting Actor in a Musical, Josh Peterson as Fred; Best Lead/Supporting Actress in a Musical, Kristi Heinrich as Belle; Best Cameo Actor in a Musical, Daniel Hogan as Young Scrooge, the Ghost of Christmas

Future and Bob Cratchit; Best Cameo Actress in a Musical, Virginia Solomon as The Landress; Best Cameo Actress in a Musical/Youth, Hannah Solomon as Mary; Best Cameo Actor in a Musical/Youth, Reagan Sudduth as Toby, Albert and the Turkey Boy.

For the third consecutive year, Blair Thacker Wilson received a Willy for Best Supporting Actress in a Play. This year her award was for her role as Gina Jo Dubberly

in *Christmas Belles*. Joe Bass won Best Cameo Actor in a Play as Raynerd Chisum in *Christmas Belles* and Zoe Kirkpatrick was chosen Best Cameo Actress as Patsy Price in *Christmas Belles*.

The drama, *The Woman in Black*, C. D. Adamson, Director won Best Play. Justin Duncan won the Willy for Best Actor in a Play for his portrayal of James "Sharky" Harkin in *The Seafarer* and Laura Bryan

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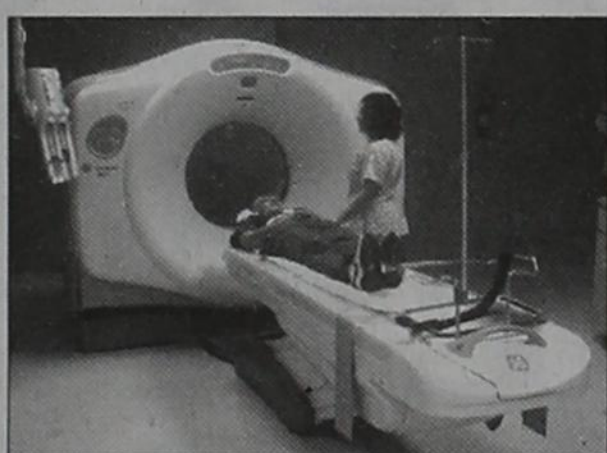
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### ORDER OF ELECTION FOR MUNICIPALITIES

An election is hereby ordered to be held on May 8, 2010 to elect:

Councilman, Ward 3  
Councilman, Ward 4  
Councilman, Ward 5

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at:  
105 E Main (City Hall)

Beginning April 26 through May 4, 2010 with extended hours from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 26 and Monday, May 3, 2010.

Election Day voting will be from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at 129 W Main (Post Community Center)

Applications for Ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

Deana Watson  
105 E Main  
Post, Texas 79356

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 30, 2010

Issued this February 18, 2010.

*Sherrita Kemp*  
Signature of Mayor

*Melissa Linnick*  
Signature of Councilperson

*Roger*  
Signature of Councilperson

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### ORDEN DE ELECCION PARA MUNICIPIOS

Por la presente se ordena que se lleve a cabo una eleccion el May 8th, 2010 con el proposito de:

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Councilman, Ward 5

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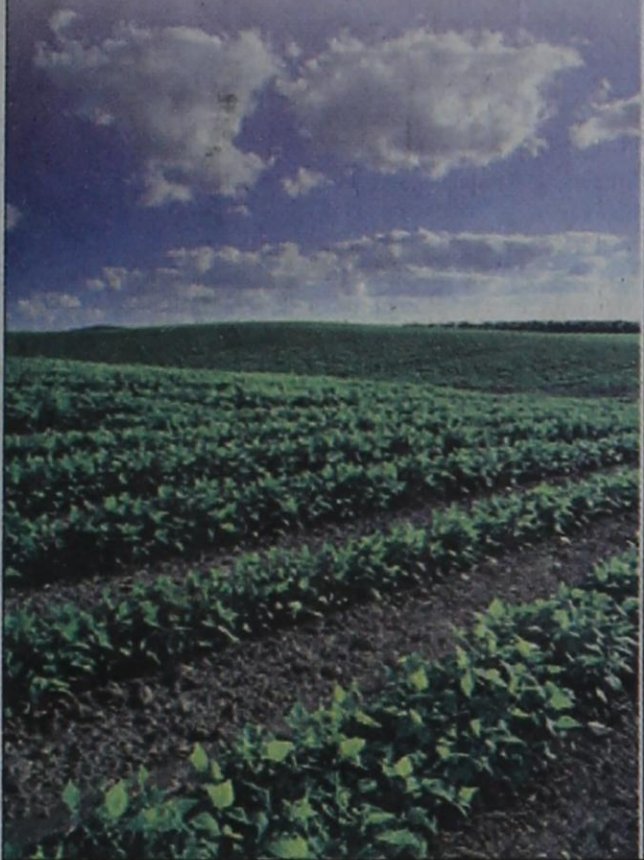
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# ESSAY WINNERS



Post Elementary 4th Graders wrote essays expressing their appreciation of agriculture and how it touches their lives. Over 40 students submitted essays to The Post Dispatch. The top 3 were chosen based on originality, story structure and neatness. The winners will receive a certificate, a Sonic gift card and a day pass to Joyland.

## I Just Love Agriculture By Pete Lazcano, 4th Grade

I thank those who work out in the field and grow crops for our clothes. My favorite thing to drink is milk. Do you know where milk comes from? Cows, sheep and goats. Eggs come from chickens. We have to eat to live. Bacon comes from pigs. Pork chops come from pigs, too. We all have to drink something every day to survive. You know how when you go to the store when you get meat in those little packages? Well, people do that for you so you don't have to do it. Do you know those milk cartons? They already did it for you also. You know you buy jackets made out of sheep fur? They shave it for you so when it's cold you can wear it. You see how agriculture can help our lives?

## Agriculture By Morgan Lynch, 4th Grade

I would like to tell you how agriculture affects my life. Each morning when I wake up I wash my face, I use a washcloth. The washcloth is made of cotton that is grown in cotton fields. I eat a breakfast of bacon, eggs and toast. The bacon comes from pigs and the eggs come from chickens that are raised on a farm. At school I work at a desk and write on paper with a pencil and all of that comes from a tree farm. My clothes that I wear are made of cotton, wool or silk and the shoes I wear are made from cows each of those could come from a cotton farmer or a sheep farm or a silkworm farm or a cattle ranch. The gas we use in our cars could come from a corn farm or soybean farm. When I take an apple to the teacher it is grown at an apple orchard. We even can get electricity from a new kind of farm called wind farm. So, as you just read agriculture is very important. Farmers and ranchers spend a lot of time on the fields and animals so that we can have all the things we need to live. Each time a seed is planted or an animal is born a farmer or rancher could say a little prayer that it will grow to feed or clothe a lot of people.

## How Agriculture Affects My Life By Shailey Morris, 4th Grade

I'm going to tell you about how agriculture affects my life. My dad knows a lot about agriculture. He works with cattle, horses, chickens and we even live around cotton. Only we don't own it. I run outside every morning and help my father feed and water the animals. We have trees and a house made of logs. Our clothes are made of cotton. We have rugs made of cowhide. We have a deer head on the wall. Our pillows are made of chicken feathers. It's great to know that we have agriculture all around us. We probably wouldn't be here if we didn't have agriculture. My dad has several steers that we raise and feed throughout the year. When he sells a group of steers, we gain a whole new group. The excitement of having our own live agriculture is a great feeling. Not many children get the experience of being surrounded by livestock. The only bad part is when you have to smell something that no one wants to smell. Once you smell it all the time you won't smell it unless you are very close to it. I don't know why anyone would want to be. Now that you have read my store I hope I inspired you to learn more about agriculture.

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## Short Announces for City Council Ward 4 Spot

My name is Mark Short and I am running for the city Council position in Ward 4. I moved to Post in 1968 when my parents, Silas and Beth Short, purchased Short Hardware from Dad's uncle Lowell Short.

I graduated from Post High School in 1977. I married Carol Holleman in 1985. Carol and I have two children, Courtney and Jeremy; both attended Post schools and graduated from Post High School.

I was a trustee on the Post School Board from 1995 through 2003. I feel the eight years of experience I gained in the areas of the budget process, setting and enforcing policy and handling tax payer's dollars will be beneficial to me as a council member when making decisions concerning the overall operations of the city, with regards to the citizens as tax payers and their tax dollars. I think a strong community starts with strong leaders that work

with other entities to build solid relationships that can further the success of our goals.

I feel the difference between Post and other small communities in the area are that people are not just passing through Post and decide to stop. People come to Post for a reason. The Main Street area, the shops, theaters and museums, just to mention a few things, bring visitors to Post. I feel the council should have vision and dedication to not only be concerned with what Post is, but what Post can be in the future.

I would greatly appreciate your votes in the upcoming election. Please give me a chance to represent you in keeping Post a thriving and growing community.

Thank you,  
Mark Short

## Lopes Drop District Extra Inning Opener

By Jim Plummer

The Antelopes and Idalou Wildcats went into an extra inning to settle a slugfest at Norm Cash Field on March 9 with the Cats finishing on top in the end, 13-10.

Both District 3-2A teams scored a couple of runs each in the first inning to start the game. By the end of the third, Post was up 8-6. Idalou fought back scoring in each the fourth, fifth and sixth innings for four runs. Post crossed the plate twice in the sixth to take the game into the seventh tied at 10.

"We hit the ball well all night, but couldn't capitalize on an Aaron James' leadoff double in the bottom of the 7th with no outs," said Coach Billy Hardin. Four batters later, the game went into the eighth inning.

Idalou came to bat and put three on the scoreboard putting the pressure on Post to score big, but the Lopes came up flat to end the game.

Both Jacob Perez and Ernie Saldivar were the top offensive producers for Post. Perez went 3-for-4 at the plate with one RBI and scored twice. Shortstop Saldivar was 2-for-4 with two RBIs and two runs scored. James, Chess Postell and M.J. Wynne all hit a double each.

Hardin is taking each game one at a time saying "the district will be a dogfight all season long and we just have to find a way to throw strikes more consistently and finish games."

The Antelopes played two district games this past week Tuesday at Shallowater and Thursday against Denver City here. Next Tuesday the Lopes welcome Slaton at 7:00 P.M.

TEA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	R	H	E
Idalou	2	0	4	1	2	1	0	3	13	8	6
Post	2	2	4	0	0	2	0	0	10	10	4

WP - T. Kirk, Idalou. LP - A. James, Post.  
Records: Idalou 1-0 District, 2-3 Season. Post 0-1 District, 3-4-2 Season.

## Close City News...

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Remember.....we always welcome visitors, we always have hot coffee and the cheapest drinks and snacks 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; Jean Tipton in San Angelo; Jewel White in Lubbock. Others are, Doris Wilson in Castorville; John and Mary Gist in

Lubbock; Lula Jo Stuart also in Lubbock. Please let me know if there is anyone I need to add to this list.

**Birthdays for last week and this week-**

March 13th - George Miller  
March 14th - Rhonda Story Norman  
March 19th - Laura Norman May  
March 21st - Dylan Morris, Andrew Quintana  
March 25th - Vondi Gradine

## Girls Have Trouble with Greenwood District Play Starts Saturday

By Jim Plummer

The Lady Lopes made a trip to the Midland area to meet 3A Greenwood in a pre-district contest on March 9. Post's Miranda Hair pitched well allowing only two earned runs on six hits, none for extra bases. She also recorded four strike outs.

In the field, Post's defense committed three errors allowing three runs giving Greenwood to win, 5-1.

Post had trouble handling Greenwood's pitching. Branda Stevens swung for Post's lone hit that scored Chelci Hair for the ladies' one run.

Team	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
Post	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	3
Greenwood	0	0	0	3	2	0	-	5	6	1

Last weekend the Lady Lopes claimed another tournament trophy winning two of three games for the consolation prize. See next week's Dispatch for coverage of the eight-team Post Lady Lopes Tournament.

This past Thursday, the ladies traveled to Snyder and this Saturday Post and Idalou open up district play here at 12:00 noon.



Photo by Jim Plummer

Miranda Hair waits for the right pitch in the Lady Lopes game against Lubbock Christian High.

**Thanks for Reading!**

## POKA LAMBRO ANNUAL MEETING SET FOR MARCH 25th

Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative, Inc. is set to host their 59th Annual Membership Meeting, Thursday, March 25, 2010. The meeting will be held at Poka Lambro's main business office located 11.5 miles north of Tahoka on US Hwy 87.

Member registration will begin at 11:00 a.m. followed by lunch at 12:00 noon. The business meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. One important agenda item will be the election of two directors of the Cooperative.

Other meeting highlights will include the reports of officers and directors and the presentation of Poka Lambro Scholarships. All Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative members are encouraged to attend the meeting. Members may pick up door prize cards when registering at the meeting. Members must be present to win door prizes.

For additional information please contact Amy Preston at 1-800-422-2387.

## Menu

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March 22

Breakfast- Biscuits, sausage, gravy, fruit, milk  
Lunch- Hamburger, lettuce, tomato & pickle, tater tots, baby carrots, chocolate pudding, milk

March 23

Breakfast- Muffins, sausage link, fruit, milk  
Lunch- Pizza & fish strops, macaroni and cheese, tossed salad, fruit choice, toast, milk

March 24

Breakfast- Oatmeal, bacon, toast, fruit, milk  
Lunch- Frito pie, western beans, broccoli/cheese, orange smiles, cornbread, milk

March 25

Breakfast- Cinnamon rolls, sausage link, fruit, milk  
Lunch- Pizza, chicken & noodles, green beans, fruited gelatin, Texas toast, yogurt, milk

March 26

Breakfast- Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk  
Lunch- BBQ on bun, baked chips, pickle spears, corn cobette, pineapple tidbits, milk

Trailblazers

March 22

Green chili chicken, Mexican corn, salad, salsa/chips, pear crisp

March 23

Brisket, baked beans, broccoli salad, biscuit, bread pudding

March 24

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March 25

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March 26

Chicken fried steak, ranch potatoes, tossed salad, roll, fruit

Southland ISD

March 22

Breakfast- Biscuits/Jelly, juice, milk  
Lunch- Beef fajitas, refried beans, seasoned corn, salad, sliced peaches, milk

March 23

Breakfast- Breakfast burrito, juice, milk  
Lunch- Corn dogs, pinto beans, baked chips, pineapple orange salad, milk

March 24

Breakfast- French toast stix, sausage, juice, milk  
Lunch- Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, hot roll, strawberry shortcake, milk

March 25

Breakfast- Muffins, oranges, juice, milk  
Lunch- Hamburgers, fixings, tater tots, carrots with ranch, chocolate pudding, milk

March 26

Breakfast- Biscuits/gravy, juice, milk  
Lunch- Nachos grande, lettuce/tomatoes, oranges, cornbread, milk

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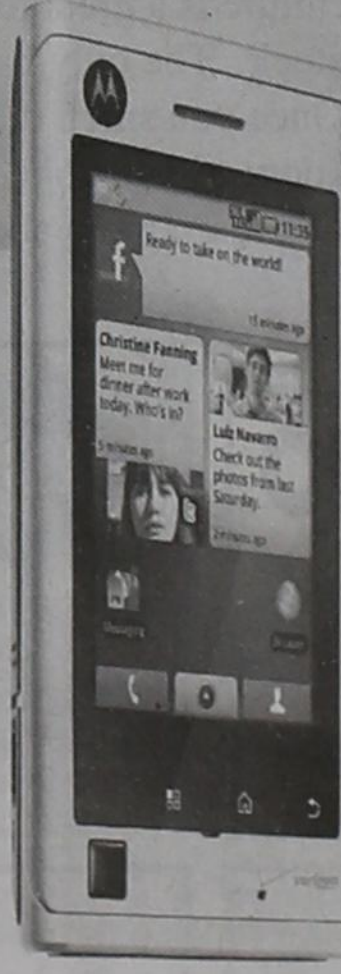
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# OPINION

## The Paperboy



By CHRIS BLACKBURN

Do you like opinion pieces? Doesn't matter if you are liberal, moderate or conservative, [realclearpolitics.com](http://realclearpolitics.com) is your place.

Real Clear Politics gathers the opinions of top writers and bloggers from across the U.S. and links them for easy navigation. You'll find columns, blogs, polls and more from across the country.

RCP also averages polls out and gives information on a variety of hot topics.

A quick snapshot of the website reveals some of the topics and their origin:

Over the Health Care Cliff? - Alan Bock, Orange County Register

Obama is Right Not to Work with GOP - Robert Kuttner, Huffington Post

Clinton Recovered After He Moderated - Kevin Hassett, Bloomberg

Voters Don't Care How Health Bill is Passed - Henry Farrell, Salon

Hollywood's Political Fictions - Ross Douthat, New York Times

Lawmakers Spend Big on Taxpayer-Funded Cars - Jake Sherman, Politico

No Room for Error on U.S. Debt - Colin Barr, Fortune

Apple's Spat with Google Getting Personal - Stone & Helft, New York Times

Politics Nation: Rep. Dreier Slams House Dems' HC 'Gymnastics'

Undecided Dems Hold Power Over Health Bill - John Fritze, USA Today

Swing Districts Oppose Health Reform - Higgins & Conway, Wall St. Journal

Obama's HC Decision to Change Dems Forever - Peter Beinart, Daily Beast

Health 'Reform' Plan is an Illusion - Robert Samuelson, Newsweek

A Needed Reform Descends Into Farce - Clive Crook, Financial Times

Learning Reagan's Lessons from 1982 - John Judis, The New Republic

What Real Reform Should Look Like - Rep. Paul Ryan, Washington Post

Washington Needs Back to Work Program of Its Own - Al Hunt, Bloomberg

Anti-Abortion Dems Must Cave for the Good of Reform -

New York Times

Fallout Is Far Reaching - Boston Herald

Ryan's Roadmap Reveals Hard Truth - Minneapolis Star Tribune

Make Earmark Ban Permanent - St. Petersburg Times

I generally visit RCP a few times a week. Obviously, health care reform is the hottest topic now.

It's interesting to see - just from the titles - how polarizing this topic is. I'm really curious to see how this plays out this week as House and Senate Democrats are under tremendous pressure from the White House to do something which could potentially mean political suicide for many of them.

RCP does a good job of gathering differing opinions which adds to credibility in my opinion. They simply put the information out there for the reader as opposed to having a preset agenda.

If you're a fan of politics and are interested in hot-button issues, give Real Clear Politics a look.

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## Other Views

### The Nuclear Option ... A Neutron Bomb Aimed at the Democratic Majority

By DAVE CRIBBIN

It's looking more and more likely that Nancy Pelosi and Harry Reid will trigger the so called nuclear option to push through their health care legislation for the benefit of the American people; the very same people whom overwhelmingly have rejected it and its big government solutions to rising medical costs.

Her fanatical desire to pass this legislation has overwhelmed her ability to reason critically, as is evidenced by recent interviews in which she is quoted as saying, "Representatives are not in Washington to self-perpetuate their political careers." While Mrs. Pelosi may inhabit a very safe district, her words have probably come as quite a surprise to a number of her less safe Democratic colleagues. Hopefully she will give them enough advanced warning to begin in earnest the search for a new career.

It has become something of an urban legend among the Democrats that it was their inability to pass health care reform in the first Clinton administration that was responsible for their loss of the Majority in the House. In other words, the American people were deeply upset by the Democrats' inability to deliver on legislation that would greatly increase

their taxes and add mountains of new regulations to an already over regulated health care industry.

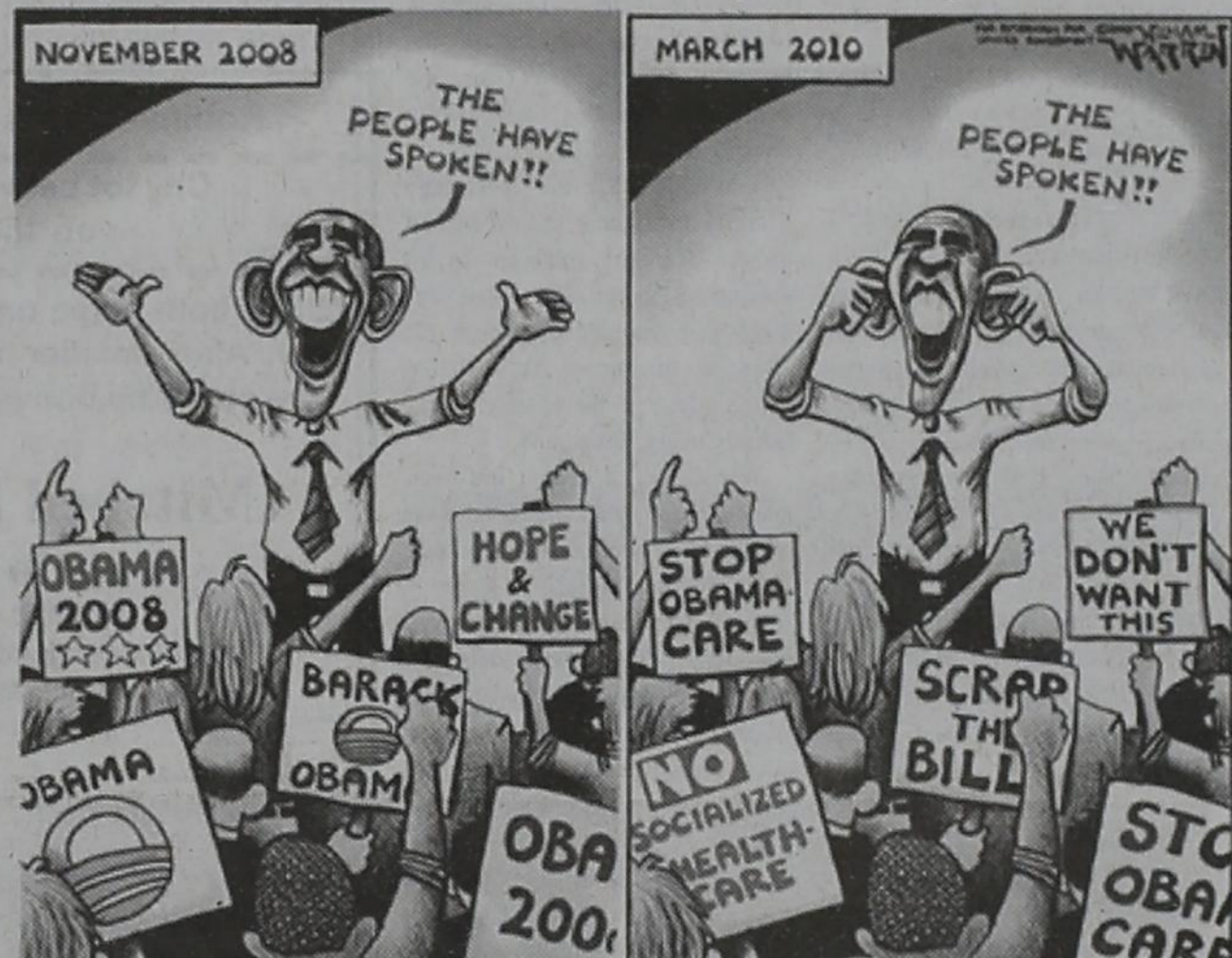
This is simply a major misread of history on their part. A more plausible reason for their rebuke and loss of Majority in the following Midterm elections were the Clinton tax increases and the arrogance of their members, as exemplified by the check kiting scandals of the house. This same arrogance was last displayed by members of the Republican party shortly before they lost their Majority status in the midterms in 2006.

Their fall back reasoning to vote for this legislation is no better. The idea that voters will seek retribution against the legislators who first cast a yes vote for the bill, and then once it became clear that nobody wanted it voted against it, is just silly. Do they really believe that if you vote for a bill that is hated by the majority of the public twice somehow you are safe? Have they never heard the old saying that "two wrongs don't make a right?"

Before the Democrats trigger their Nuclear option, they should review their college physics text books one last time and realize that at its essence the Nuclear option, like the bomb it is named after, is an uncontrollable chain reaction. This Nuclear option has

all the makings of a Political Neutron Bomb for their party; a tactical nuclear weapon designed to eliminate people but leave buildings intact. The Democratic Leadership should take a deep cleansing breath, remove their ideological 3D health care shades and have a

look around. Somehow in the mass confusion that has been characteristic of this torturous process of producing health care legislation they have overlooked the Bright red rings outlining the bulls eye that this monstrosity has imprinted on their political careers.



## Denying the Truth at all Costs

By BILL WILSON

Politics and policy has become surreal. Webster's defines the term as "bizarre or dreamlike". No word better describes the current state of affairs.

For yet another example of the "dreamlike" suspension of reality that is everyday Washington, D.C. consider the recent announcement from union-toady, Congressman George Miller. Miller is proposing to spend \$100 billion on a bailout of local governments. That is \$100 billion we will have to get from China or the Federal Reserve's printing press to allow local governments to pretend a little while longer that they can act like spoiled children without consequence.

The Miller proposal would funnel the massive sum of borrowed money to local governments so they can "save or create" jobs. Boil it all down and the Miller scam is exposed as a temporary fix for the junkies who are attempting to avoid withdrawal at all costs. But cold-turkey withdrawal is exactly what they and America need.

The facts are well known. Government at all levels has grown faster than any other segment of the economy. Government, also, pays far more than corresponding workers in the private sector and has lavish benefit packages unmatched by any private worker. As the Cato Institute detailed in their

January, 2010 Tax & Budget Bulletin # 59, the compensation scales and benefits of government are simply unsustainable. They cannot continue, there must be an adjustment.

But blocking that "adjustment" is the primary goal of labor unions. And whatever Big Labor wants, George Miller will try to deliver. So, the \$100 billion bailout is meant for one thing and one thing only; paying off the unions and avoiding for even a little while the inevitable downsizing of government. Since the largest expenditure any government makes is on personnel, that downsizing means one thing - firing tens of thousands of unionized public employees.

Think for a second what Miller and his cronies are asking of American families, taxpayers and businesses. They want us to go deeper into debt, to the tune of another \$100 billion, to pay employees we don't need to do things that are of marginal value. We are eating our seed corn. This money will not be spent on things that will allow future growth and production or future prosperity. It is to be squandered on consumption. Like the raging alcoholic, full of bravado, we are maxing out the American credit card to buy lunch for everyone in the barroom.

The situation we confront is basic. We all know the nature of the choice. All of us were taught this choice as small children. We should all remember the story of the grasshopper

and the ant. The grasshopper frittered away the summer, eating and having a great time. The ant, on the other hand, worked and saved and did without, so that he would have provisions for the winter. When winter arrived, the ant is secure and prepared while the grasshopper froze, starving from lack of food.

George Miller and his union masters are the grasshoppers of our time. They eat and drink and live in a dreamlike state where the bill never comes due. The only problem, of course, is that they do have a plan. They plan to stick all of us with the bill for their reckless behavior.

It's time we ants took matters into our own hands. The credit card needs to be cut into pieces. Local governments, as well as states and the Federal behemoth, need to face the facts. They have to live within the means of the people that fund them. The insane, surreal politics of spending and debt must come to a stop.

Any member of Congress, regardless of party, who opposes the Miller scheme should be praised and supported. Any local government that does the right thing and cuts its functions and personnel needs backing. Conversely, those who embrace the bizarre world of George Miller need to be shown the door. They are simply too sick to be in a position of authority.

## If Democrats Ignore Health-Care Polls, Midterms Will Be Costly

By PATRICK CADDELL AND DOUGLAS SCHOEN

In "The March of Folly," Barbara Tuchman asked, "Why do holders of high office so often act contrary to the way reason points and enlightened self-interest suggests?" Her assessment of self-deception -- "acting according to wish while not allowing oneself to be deflected by the facts" -- captures the conditions that are gripping President Obama and the Democratic Party leadership as they renew their efforts to enact health-care reform.

Their blind persistence in the face of reality threatens to turn this political march of folly into an electoral rout in November. In the wake of the stinging loss in Massachusetts, there was a moment when the president and the Democratic leadership seemed to realize the reality of the health-care situation. Yet like some seductive siren of Greek mythology, the lure of health-care reform has arisen again.

As pollsters to the past two Democratic presidents, Jimmy Carter and Bill Clinton, respectively, we feel compelled to challenge the myths that seem to be prevailing in the political discourse and to once again urge a change in course before it is too late. At stake is the kind of mainstream, common-sense Democratic Party that we believe is crucial to the success of the American enterprise.

Bluntly put, this is the political reality:

First, the battle for public opinion has been lost. Comprehensive health care has been lost. If it fails, as appears possible, Democrats will face the brunt of the electorate's reaction. If it passes, however, Democrats will face a far greater calamitous reaction at the polls. Wishing, praying or pretending will not change these outcomes.

Nothing has been more disconcerting than to watch Democratic politicians and their media supporters deceive themselves into believing that the public favors the Democrats' current health-care plan. Yes, most Americans believe, as we do, that real health-care reform is needed. And yes, certain proposals in the plan are supported by the public.

However, a solid majority of Americans opposes the massive health-reform plan. Four-fifths of those who oppose the plan strongly oppose it, according to Rasmussen polling this week, while only half of those who support the plan do so strongly. Many more Americans believe the legislation will worsen their health care, cost them more personally and add significantly to the national deficit. Never in our experience as pollsters can we recall such self-deluding misconstruction of survey data.

The White House document released Thursday arguing that reform is becoming more popular is in large part fighting the last war. This isn't 1994; it's 2010. And the bottom line is that the American public is overwhelmingly against this bill in its

totality even if they like some of its parts.

The notion that once enactment is forced, the public will suddenly embrace health-care reform could not be further from the truth -- and is likely to become a rallying cry for disaffected Republicans, independents and, yes, Democrats.

Second, the country is moving away from big government, with distrust growing more generally toward the role of government in our lives. Scott Rasmussen asked last month whose decisions people feared more in health care: that of the federal government or of insurance companies. By 51 percent to 39 percent, respondents feared the decisions of federal government more. This is astounding given the generally negative perception of insurance companies.

CNN found last month that 56 percent of Americans believe that the government has become so powerful it constitutes an immediate threat to the freedom and rights of citizens. When only 21 percent of Americans say that Washington operates with the consent of the governed, as was also reported last month, we face an alarming crisis.

Health care is no longer a debate about the merits of specific initiatives. Since the spectacle of Christmas dealmaking to ensure passage of the Senate bill, the issue, in voters' minds, has become less about health care than about the government and a political majority that will neither hear nor heed the will of the people.

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LOT 7; THENCE: S 0° - 13' E  
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LOT 7; THENCE: S 0° - 13' E  
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7, SAID POINT BEING THE  
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# Yesteryears

10 years ago  
March 16, 2000

Gina Lott was awarded Citizen of the Year at the annual Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau banquet. Teresa Doggett and Jackie Cruse accepted the Business of the Year award on behalf of J&T Designs at the banquet.

Opal Williams, a longtime resident of Post, recently celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Girl Scouts across the South Plains and around the country marked their 88<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their organization's founding during Girl Scout Week.

Post Lady Lopes earning All-District honors in basketball include Erin Gregory, 1<sup>st</sup> team; Kenda Looney, 1<sup>st</sup> team; Davida Gregory, 1<sup>st</sup> team; Yvonne Lopez, Honorable Mention; Meagan Mills, Most Valuable Player; Kelly Moore, Newcomer of the Year; Emily Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> team and Manuela Hernandez, 2<sup>nd</sup> team.

Post High School students won the University Interscholastic League academic meet. They logged a total of 236 points to top the competition, followed by Idalou with 189 points and Sunday, 154.

The first place Current Events team consisted of K'Leigh Babb, Josh Fumagali and Lara Tobias. Teresa Salas tied for first place in Spelling and the team made up of Salas, Meagan Mills and Tandi Humble placed first.

The Calculator team, made up of Scotty Gaydos, 1<sup>st</sup> place; Jennifer Morgan, 4<sup>th</sup>; and Jason Fields, 5<sup>th</sup>, placed first as a team.

20 years ago  
March 21, 1990

"Barefoot in the Park" cast and crew include Troy Timms, Angela Melton, Randell Laurence, Danny Leach, Jeffrey Redman, Lino DeLeon, Tyler Duman, Will McCrary, Debbie Davis, David Weaver and Jane Prince Jones.

Post High School students placing during the U.I.L. competition were Michael Radle, Hillary Williams, Elizabeth Martinez, Tina Burmbalow, Crystal Clay, Barry Owens, Tray Payne, Jana Hudman, Tyra Hart, Roger Adams, Lucy Rodriguez, Adale Saldivar, Betsy Ethridge and Megan Bush.

In the recent Post Elementary School fifth grade Anti-Drug Poster contest, Seth Pennell won first; Tina Guzman, second; Jay Childers, third; Jody Hawkins, fourth; and Jennifer Ellenberger, fifth.

Members of the Garza County chapter of the American Cancer Society were presented with a special PACE Award for the chapter achieving its 1989 goals. Those present at the meeting were Noah Gutierrez, ACS field representative Diane Davis, chapter president Billie Cross, Alice Cruse, Lewis Earl, Mildred Stewart, Bonnie Stewart and Marion Wheatley.

30 years ago  
March 20, 1980

Marinette Hays, junior forward for the Post Does, was named to the all-district SAA team by district coaches. Donna Baumann and Luann Kennedy received honorable mention. Mike Macy and Larry Rodriguez, Post Lopes, received honorable mention.

Wedding vows were repeated by Sara Holder and Gary Briley March 15 in the couple's new

home in Post.

Juanita Downs and V.L. Peel were united in marriage at the Graham Methodist Church on March 5.

Post high's tennis team won the C division team championship of the Lubbock Invitational Tennis Tournament. Post scored 18 points to edge out Baird by a single point.

The eighth annual Post Junior Relays held in Post were probably the largest track meet that will be held in Texas this year. An estimated 1,700 boy and girl athletes on 61 teams in six divisions competed in a long affair which necessitated turning on the Antelope football stadium lights and the tennis court lights so runners could see to run the final two races.

40 years ago  
March 19, 1970

Sixty-four of the 163 animals exhibited in the fifth annual Garza County Junior Livestock Show went through the sale ring and brought their owners a total of approximately \$17,000, including \$7,240 in premium money.

Tony Conner's grand champion steer brought its owner a \$615 premium. The buyers were J.B. Potts of the First National Bank, Monta J. Moore of Post-Montgomery Estate and Arnold Sanderson.

Jay Bird won the swine showmanship, Kohen Josey as the sportsmanship trophy, David Hat won steer showmanship and Randy Kennedy won lamb showmanship. Nancy Hart, FHA sweetheart and Cindy Bird, representing 4-H were the stock show "princesses".

Mr. and Mrs. R.B. Perrin were honored in the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary. Miss Rena McCampbell and Mr. Perrin were wed on March 22, 1920 in Reed, Okla.

The high point club award in the youth division of the Garza County Fair went to the Graham 4H Club, with Pleasant Valley as the runner-up. The high point individual winner in the youth division was 4-H member Phyllis Kennedy of the Graham Club, with Sue Bevers of the Pleasant Valley club as the runner-up.

50 years ago  
March 17, 1960

Teddy Scott of Southland, winner of the 8<sup>th</sup> annual Garza County Spelling Bee, was congratulated by Johnny Hopkins, Chamber of Commerce manager. Hopkins, on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce, presented Teddy a \$15 winner's check, \$10 second place check to Susie Jo Schmidt and \$5 third place check to Beverly Stolle of Southland.

The drive-in teller's window on the west side of the new First National Bank building is one of the building's most unique and up-to-date features.

Rev. Graydon Howell, pastor, officiated for the Friday marriage of Miss Doris Copple and William Charles Craig at the Calvary Baptist Church.

Wedding vows were pledged by Miss Shirley Lauderdale and H.C. Drake Saturday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Anderson of Tahoka, relatives of the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Peel observed their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary with an open house at their home in the Close City Community. The couple was married on March 16, 1935.

## Extension Extras

### Club Meeting

The next club meeting will be March 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at the Extension Office.

### Steer Validation

It is time to order your validation tags. Tags will cost \$10 and the deadline for ordering is April 16.

### State Fair of Texas Lamb & Goat Validation

The deadline to order your tags will be April 14. This is ONLY for the State Fair of Texas.

### Photography

You can still join the photography project, just contact the office and come to the next meeting!!

### Yet Science Skillathon

If you are interested in participating in the Vet Science Skillathon at Roundup this year, the application deadline is March 26. Contact the office for more information.

### Clothing

Don't forget the clothing project is meeting on Wednesdays at 4:30 at the office.

### DWBW with Diabetes

The Do Well Be Well with Diabetes classes are scheduled to begin Tuesday, March 16 at 6 pm at the Extension Office. Follow up classes will be March 18, March 23,

March 25, and March 30.

### Cookbooks

If you would like to purchase a Hometown Holiday cookbook, please come by the office and get yours today. They are \$10.

### Fund Raiser

The Consumer Decision Making team is selling candy to help fund their trip to the State Competition. We have some in the office or you can buy yours from Reed or Audree Williams, Dakota McDonald, or Ja D Young.

### Community Service Opportunity

Heads up to all Garza County 4-H members! Donate unwanted items to help with the Close City School Restoration Fund. Call the office for more information.

Extension Office: 215 W Main (806) 495-4400

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### Willy Awards...

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won Best Actress in a Play as Charlotte Hay in *Moon Over Buffalo*. Other winners in the Adult Division were: Bill Gelber, Best Supporting Actor in a Play as Mr. Lockhart in *The Seafarer*; Justin Duncan, Outstanding Newcomer.

Daniel Hogan was honored with the Will McCrary Spirit Award. Kim Klafka received the Willy for Best Program Cover/Design for *Moon Over Buffalo*.

Other winners in the Youth Division were: Colton Duncan, Best Actor in a Play as Squish in *Bedbugs* and Wise Prince Jason in *Wooing Wed Widing Hood*; Madison Bryan, Best Actress in a Play as Marie in *Bedbugs*; Reagan Sudduth, Best Supporting Actor in a Play as Mr. Hood

in *Wooing Wed Widing Hood*; Taylor Wyatt, Best Supporting Actress in a Play as Mrs. Peters in *Bedbugs*; Harrison Franks, Best Cameo Actor in a Play as Dr. X in *Bedbugs*; Anyssa Downing, Best Cameo Actress in a Play as Zoop in *Bedbugs* and Emma in *Wooing Wed Widing Hood*; Ein Mann, Outstanding Newcomer and Tayler Wyatt, Youth Achievement Award.

While the Willy Awards are all about last year's performances, the 2010 season at the Garza is well underway. The next production, *The Rainmaker* directed by Jay Young opens March 26. Information about upcoming events and auditions can be found at [www.garzatheatre.com](http://www.garzatheatre.com) or by calling the Box Office, 495-4005.

### Post Notes...

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upkeep on the center. Concession stand with drinks and snacks will be available. For more information contact Noel White at 806-495-3261.

### East Side Clean-Up Rescheduled

The next East Side Clean-up has been rescheduled for late April 2010. For more information please contact Community Organizer-Reyes Pequeno 778-2628.

### PHS Class of 1990 Reunion

Can you believe it has almost been 20 years since we roamed the halls of Post High School? The date for the reunion is July 3, 2010, here in Post. Pay your reunion fee to Susie Barboza (Class Treasurer) at Wells Fargo. The cost is: \$25 per classmate, \$10 with spouse, or \$40

for the family. We also have an "early bird" special of \$20 for the classmates if you pay by April 1, 2010. For more information visit our website, [www.phs90lopelegends.webs.com](http://www.phs90lopelegends.webs.com) or call Cornelio "Corky" Saldivar, 956-281-4058.

### Class of 1980 Reunion

Class of 1980 is looking for all classmates in preparation for our 30 Year class reunion set for Saturday July 3, 2010. Anyone interested in attending or who would like more information contact Leanna Davis on Facebook or email Jendy Thomas Touchstone at [jlhtouchstone@hotmail.com](mailto:jlhtouchstone@hotmail.com) or call her at 361-296-3772. We need all classmates' addresses so we can get information to you. Hope to see everyone there.

### To The voters of Garza County Precinct 4

Thank you. Your vote and support on March 2 was very much appreciated.

Once again I am asking for your vote and support for the run-off election on April 13. I hope to see and visit with you soon.

Thank you very much,  
Mike Sanchez

## Shop in Post!

## Rep. Heflin to Address Feral Hog Concerns

State Representative Joe Heflin will meet with the Texas House Committee on Agriculture and Livestock concerning the feral hog population and its impact on agriculture and livestock operations.

Concerned citizens are encouraged to attend and present testimony at the meeting on Wednesday, March 24, at 10 a.m., at the State Capitol.

Rep. Heflin encourages his constituents to attend the meeting and present testimony if possible.

Alternatively, he said, constituents may write to him or call his office with their concerns, comments, and suggestions.

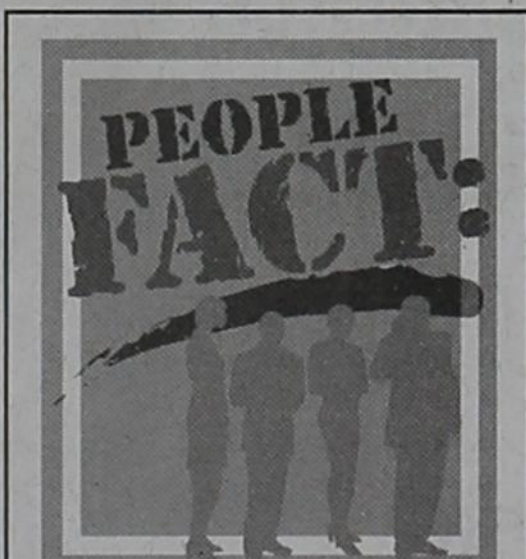
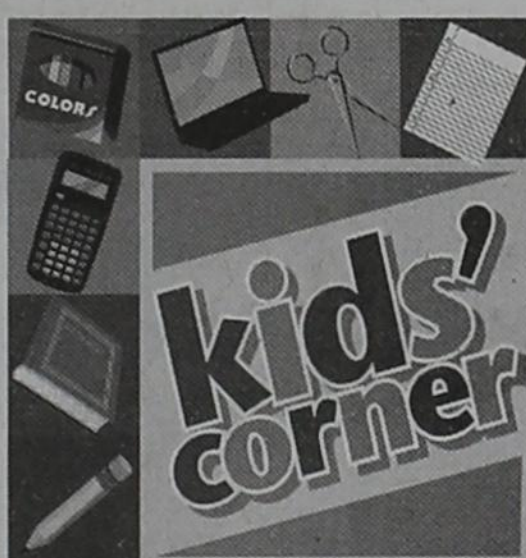
Rep. Heflin said, "Feral hogs are an expensive and time-consuming problem for our farmers and ranchers. Fortunately, House Speaker Joe Straus has recognized that we need to address the

issue and has asked our committee to work on ways to solve the problem when the Legislature convenes again in January.

At the March 24 meeting the Committee will hear invited and public testimony on efforts to manage the feral hog population and to mitigate the damage they cause to livestock and agriculture operations. Public testimony will be limited to five minutes per witness.

Rep. Heflin represents Texas House District 85, including Borden, Crosby, Fisher, Floyd, Garza, Glasscock, Hale, Howard, Jones, Kent, Lynn, Irion, Reagan, Sterling, Stonewall, and Terry Counties.

He may be reached at his Capitol Office in Austin, 512.463.0604, at his District Office in Crosbyton, 806.675.0017, or in Big Spring, at 432.213.2897.



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### Music Word Find

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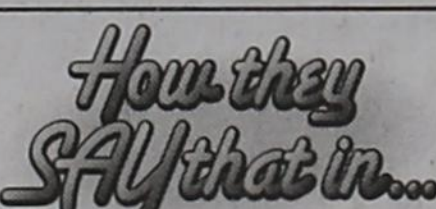
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### Music Scramble

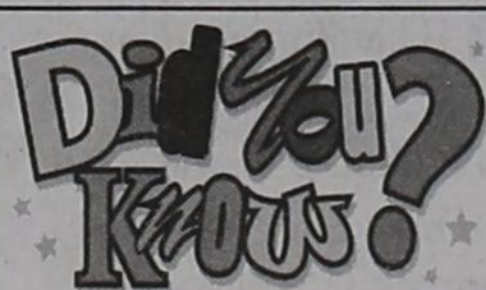
Unscramble the words to complete the sentences.

1. Many students are in the **CRMGAHNI** band.
2. Can you sing the **MYDELO**?
3. It is important to **SEREARHE** to play well.
4. Drummers must keep the **ETBA**.

Answers: 1. marching 2. melody 3. rehearse 4. beat



- ENGLISH: Music
- SPANISH: Música
- ITALIAN: Musica
- FRENCH: Musique
- GERMAN: Musik



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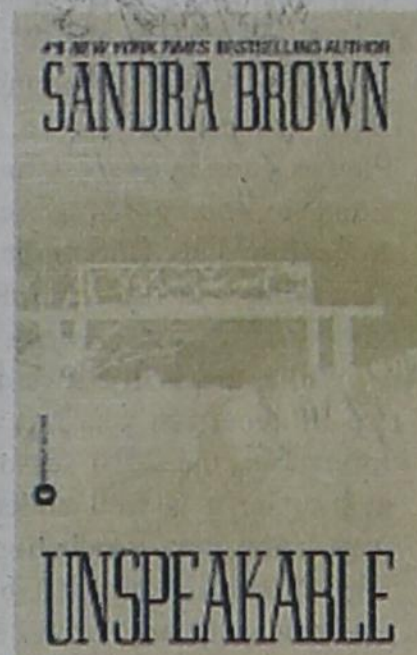
Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

ANSWER: DRUMS

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# Book Review



**By Marita Jackson**  
*Unspeakable* by Sandra Brown is the story of a deaf woman, her child, a drifter, and a cold-blooded psychopath who has escaped from prison bent on revenge. Little does the woman know that she is the target of that revenge. What the escaped con and his brother do on their quest for revenge is truly unspeakable.

A masterful storyteller that will keep you on the edge of your seat tells the story. The suspense will keep you turning the pages even late at night. There are lots of unexpected action and plot twists up to the last page. Everything comes together at the end of the book with yet another twist that will surprise and "throw one for a loop." I enjoyed this book.

### Post residents receive LCU honors

Post residents Xane Mason Reiter and Allie Beth Webb have been named to the President's List at Lubbock Christian University for the fall semester of 2009. Reiter is a Senior Early Childhood Education major, and Webb is a freshman Natural Resources Ecology and Conservation major at LCU. The criterion for President's List is a student taking a minimum of 12 semester hours must achieve a 4.0 grade point average for the semester.

Macy Blair, Aaron James, Katelynn Short and Kelsey Isbell as actors in a Greek play that is part of the PHS one act play production of "The Love of the Nightingale."

Courtesy photo



M'keison Guerrero is shown with the Junior Rabbit Showmanship belt buckle she won in February at the San Angelo Stock Show. M'keison's Thrianta rabbit received First Place and Best of Breed and her Blue Eyed White Netherland Dwarf received Third Place at the show. She is in fourth grade at Southland and participates with the Garza County 4-H Rabbit Project.

Courtesy photo

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 Mike Sanchez

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## PHS presents provocative one act play

"The Love of the Nightingale," an adaptation of an ancient Greek myth by Timberlake Wertenbaker, will be presented at the school auditorium Monday, March 22. Two public performances are planned: 7:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Tickets for each performance are \$3 for adults and \$2 for children.

The play is described as "a cycle of retribution which only ends when the gods transform Philomele, (played by Cheyenne Miller,) into a nightingale." The London critic of the Royal Shakespeare Theatre continues his assessment of the story: "a compelling piece of theatre which may indeed rivet you to your seat."

The cast of the play, set in Athens and thrace in 300 B.C., includes: Aaron James, male chorus/first soldier; Kaven Martine, male chorus/second soldier; Bethany Berry, Procne, King Pandion's daughter; Cheyenne Miller, Philomele, King Pandion's younger daughter; Clint Windham, Tereus, King of Thrace; Michael Porter, King Pandion, King of Athens; Amber Wilson, Queen of Athens; Giles Dalby, Captain, Thracian commander; Kat Villalon, Nurse, Niobe; Macy Blair, Hero, female chorus; Katelynn Short, Iris, female chorus; Kelsey Isbell, Helen, female chorus; Kaly Villalon, Echo and Britt Miller, Itys, Procne's and

Tereus's son.

The crew for the play is: Darlene Araiza, Robert Contreras, Kambry Mason, Becca Fannon and Henry Apolinar. Alternates are Kari Dunn, Dakota McDonald and Taylor Smith. Directors are Sterline Marcum, Leslie Tatum and Tim Tatum.

"Our students and directors have worked extremely hard to produce a timely and most challenging piece of literature," said Sterline Marcum, one of the play's directors. "It has been a stimulating, intense educational process for the entire company."

In addition to a dedicated, talented cast, the production is enhanced with historically accurate costumes created by three local seamstresses, Naomi Matsler, Linda Self and Leslie Tatum. "I appreciate their beautiful work so much," Marcum said. "Also, Tim Tatum, Darlene Araiza and Becca Fannon have created extraordinary masks, which augment several scenes with elegance and mystery."

UIL One Act Play zone competition will be in Post, March 25 beginning at 2 p.m. "Those who want to catch the PHS production only should come before 4:30 p.m.," Marcum explained. The top two performances from the zone contest will advance to District UIL competition April 1 in Shallowater.

### City Council Meeting Rescheduled

The Post City Council meeting originally set for March 18 has been cancelled due to a lack of quorum. The rescheduled meeting is Tuesday, March 23 at 6 p.m.

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## Thanks for Reading!

### Garza County Election Corner

Run-off Primary Elections  
 April 13, 2010

#### Joint Party Run-off Elections

Primary run-off elections will be held on April 13, 2010 with early voting set for April 5-9, 2010. There are two run-off races: Democratic Party County Commissioner Precinct 4 and Republican Party, Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3.

#### Run-off Candidates

Democratic Party: County Commissioner, Precinct 4 – Jerry Benham and Mike Sanchez.  
 Republican Party: Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3 – Debra Lehmann and Rick Green.

#### Eligible Voters

DEMOCRATIC PARTY RUN-OFF: those from Voting Precincts 4 and 6 who voted in the March 2, 2010 Democratic Party Primary and those registered voters from Voting Precincts 4 and 6 who did not vote in either party's March 2, 2010 primary election.  
 REPUBLICAN PARTY RUN-OFF: those who voted in the March 2, 2010 Republican Party Primary and those registered voters who did not vote in either party's March 2, 2010 primary election.

A registered voter may vote in ONE party's primary run-off election, not both.  
 (Texas Election Code, Sec. 162.003 and Sec. 162.010)

#### Joint Polling Places

Early Voting (April 5-9): Garza County Courthouse, first floor.

#### Election Day (April 13):

Wells Fargo Bank: Democratic Party Voting Precinct (box) 4 and Republican Party Voting Precincts (boxes) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 (consolidated).

Justiceburg Firehouse at Lake Alan Henry: Democratic Party Voting Precinct (box) 6 and Republican Party Voting Precinct (box) 6. Voting Precinct (box) 6 at the.

For complete results of the March 2, 2010 Primaries and for other election information, please go to [www.GarzaCounty.net](http://www.GarzaCounty.net).

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