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Voter's forum scheduled for April 20 at Heritage House

The Post Area Chamber of Commerce will host a nonpartisan Voter's Forum for city and school board candidates Tuesday, April 20, 7 p.m. at the Heritage House, 109 No. Avenue N.

District Judge Carter Schildknecht will serve as facilitator of the event.

Each candidate will have a maximum of ten minutes to speak to the audience and answer questions.

"The Voter's Forums in the past have been very well attended," said Harry Record, Public Relations Director for the Chamber. "We encourage all voters to come and learn more about the candidates."

All candidates for the May 8 city and school election have been invited to participate in the forum.

City Council candidates are: O. L. (Ferg) Ferguson and Mark Short, Ward 4; Brant Guthrie, Terri Morris and Anita Morris, Ward 5.

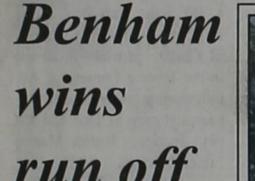
Post ISD School Board candidates for two at-large positions are: Theresa Doggitt, Drew Kirkpatrick, Robbie Williams, and incumbent Diann Windham.

Early voting for the city ad school elections begins April 26, Election Day is May 8.

For more information about the Voter's Forum, call the Chamber office, 495-3461.

Post ISD Trustees hire superintendent

Michael S. Comeaux will begin work here on May 10 as the next Post ISD Superintendent. He is coming from Palmer, TX where he has served as principal of the high school for almost 3 years. Comeaux and his wife, Keely have been married fifteen years and have two daughters: Kayla, a ninth grader and Kally, a "We believe fifth grader. Post is going to be a great place to live, work and raise our family," Comeaux said continued on page 10







Jerry Benham has won the Democratic Party nomination for Garza County Commissioner, Precinct 4 with 56% of the votes. Incumbent Mike Sanchez earned 43%. Benham will face the Republican Party nominee, Harry Record in the November General Election. The winner in that election will take office January 1, 2011.

Benham won the early By Rosa Latimer voting by 6 votes and carried News Editor the Justiceburg Voting Box Benham tied with 17 votes each in Voting Box 4, giving Benham an 18-vote victory.

In the Republican Party state wide run-off for 3, Debra Lehrmann won in Garza County against Rick Green taking Justice Supreme Court Place twice as many votes. The final local tally locally was Lehrmann 32, Green 16. Statewide results at press time gave Lehrmann, a Ft. Worth area family court judge, the edge with 52% of Ward 3, Les Looney. the vote.





City certifies unopposed candidate

The Post City Council met 6 by 12 votes. Sanchez and in a called meeting April 7 at Noon in Council Chambers. The minutes from the regular meeting held February 18 were approved as were invoices received at City Supreme Court Justice Place Hall for the month of April, subject to the approval of the committee.

> The council voted to cancel the election for Ward 3 since there is only one candidate for that vacancy. Subsequent business was the certification of unopposed candidate for councilman representing

Regarding an agenda item to approve or deny a resolution from Southwestern Public Service Company proposing a revision to its tariff authorizing the city to "join with other municipalities to direct the activities of lawyers and consultants; authorizing the hiring of attorneys and consultants; and requiring reimbursement of reasonable legal and consultant expenses." City Manager Taylor explained that this resolution pertains to a request by SPS to alter the tariff so "they can sell renewable energy credits." The council followed the recommendation of the City Manager to deny this resolution in anticipation of a broader request to Public Utility Commission in the future. The council discussed the possibility of charging a fee for a variance request. This proposed fee would help cover the cost of administrative responsibilities necessary to present information

to the council for their con- expenditures are less than sideration of a variance. It was estimated that this expense is \$160 for the type of variance request that requires additional research and correspondence with other property owners. The council voted to charge a variance fee only when there is an additional related cost for postage. The fee amount would equal the extra postage expense.

The appointment of judges for the May 8, 2010 General Election were presented and approved. Early Voting Judge is Deana Watson and Early Voting clerks are Laurie Odom and Allisha Jones. Election Judges are Laurie Odom and Trevah Yarbro. Early voting begins April 26.

The City Manager presented a budget update through March 31, 2010. He reported that overall adjourned.

at the same time last year. Current expenditures to date are \$2.8 million compared to \$4.3 million at this time last year. "It seems that our belt-tightening has worked," Taylor said. Taylor also reported that current sales tax revenue is down 12.5% from last year; however, there is an indication that these revenues are beginning to increase. "Going into the summer things are looking pretty good," he said. The final agenda item

was an Executive Session for consultation with attorney regarding City of Post v. McDaniel litigation and/or deliberations regarding the purchase, exchange or value of real property. However, the Council did not meet in Executive Session because the city attorney was not present and the meeting was



Graham Ole Opry -**Overton Medical Benefit**

The Graham Ole Opry and the Overton Medical Benefit will be held Saturday, April 17 at the Graham Community Center starting with a hamburger supper at 5:30 p.m. followed by the Graham Ole Opry at 7 p.m. All monies from the events will go to Boyce and Joyce Overton for medical expenses. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

The Graham Community Center is located five miles west of Post on US 380 and two miles south on FM 399. For more information contact Orabeth White, 806-495-3261 or Texas AgriLife,806- 495-4400.

Voter's Forum

The Post Area Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a Voter's Forum, Tuesday, April 20, 7:00 p.m. at the New Post ISD Superintendent Michael S. Comeaux is pictured with his family (from left) Kayla, Kally and wife, Keely.

Courtesy photo

School playground located between the cafeteria and the school building.

Holy Cross Fish Fry

Holy Cross will have a fish fry Friday, April 23 in the church hall, serving 5 to 7 p.m. A plate includes potato salad, cole slaw, beans and fish for \$7.

Garza County Cowboy Hall of Fame

We are trying to complete information in tribute to past recipients of Cowboy Hall of Fame honors. If you know who received this honor in the following years, please contact The Post Dispatch: 2002, 2003, 2004, 2006, and 2007. We have this information for these years: George Duckworth, 2001; Ralph & Riley Miller, 2005; Bill Long, 2008. Call 495-2816 or email postcitydispatch@yahoo.com.

the Internet at post dispatch online.

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This Explains It

In reference to the letter written in last week's Speak Up: the coach is not texting on her cell phone during the games. Coaches now use a hand held device that keeps up with the statistics of each player, such as fielding, fielding errors, strike count, ball count, hits and so on. So, yes, times are changing! As a parent of a high school softball

player, I say "Thanks, coach" for a job well done.

Thank You

Thanks to the City of Post for responding to my "Speak Up" about the alley behind the Post Office. It seems that the pot holes have been eliminated and now it is much eas-

continued on page 10

Heritage House. Candidates for the upcoming city and school board elections have been invited to participate. For more information, call the Chamber office, 495-3461.

Trinity Baptist Revival

Trinity Baptist Church invites you to a revival April 16, 17 & 18 at 7 p.m. with Dr. Ray Mieir, "noted chalk artist" and evangelist. 915 N. Avenue O in Post.

Pre-K Roundup

Pre-K Roundup for the 2010-2011 school year will be held on Tuesday, April 20th from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on the Post Elementary

Golden Plains Care Center

Golden Plains Care Center is planning two big events, one in May for National Nursing Home Week and another at the end of the summer. We are having a fundraiser to raise money for these events and we need your help! Classic Color Photography will be taking family portraits April 24 at Trailblazers, 205 E. 10th St. in Post. We will sell certificates for \$10 each that will give you a 10x13 photo and you will be able to purchase the packet of photos of your choice. Certificates continued on page 10

ier to drive down that alley.

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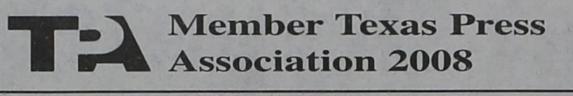
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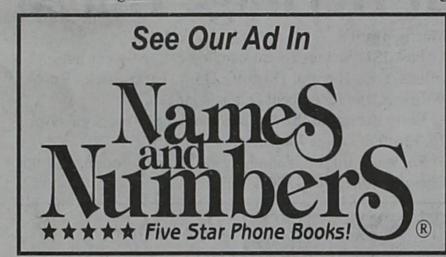
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MEMBER OF THE WEEK – SILVER MEMBER NAMES & NUMBERS

This week we welcomed HOME HEALTH. Their of- and the phone number is 495-2990.

> The public is invited to a Voter's Forum sponsored by Post Area Chamber of Commerce next Tuesday, April 20 at the Heritage House at 7:00 p.m. The candidates for the School Board and City Council have been asked to attend.

> Wells Fargo Bank is looking for people to play on a volleyball team in a "Peace, Love & Mud" tournament. If you are interested in being part of this event, call Carol Short at 495-2804. The tournament benefits Communities in School.

Obituaries

great- grandchildren.

Landon Keith Torres

Landon Keith Torres, infant, was born April 5, 2010 to Randon and Keisha Larae (Odom) Torres at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

Graveside service for Landon Keith was 3:00 p.m. Saturday, April 10, 2010 at Vigil for Egnacio "Na- the Terrace Cemetery in Post. cho" Mendez Jr. 65 of Lub- Eric Ochoa, Youth Minister bock who passed away on of the First Assembly of God Friday, April 2, 2010 was a Church in Denver City offici-7 p.m. April 6 at Calvillo Fu- ated. Arrangements were unneral Home Chapel. Funeral der the personal care of Dee Services were Thursday, and Janet Justice, Justice-Ma-April 8 at 10 a.m. at Calvillo son Funeral Home, Post.

Landon Keith Torres is Rev. Lauro Hernandez. Buri- preceded in death by his paal was at Resthaven Cemetery ternal grandmother, Cenci under the direction of Calvillo Torres, February 16, 2005 and by a maternal great-un-Egnacio was born on July cle, Keith Tidwell, February 9, 1944 in Knox City, TX. He 8, 2010.

Survivors include his and worked with the City of father and mother, Randon Lubbock for "32+7 years" as Shayne and Keisha (Odom) he would say. He retired in Torres of Post; paternal grand-2001. Egnacio is remembered parents, Mike and the late as a generous, compassionate Cenci Torres of Denver City; and friendly person. He found maternal grandparents, Mark enjoyment in being surround- and Kristi Odom of Post; sy Sanderson of Post were ed by his family and sponta- paternal great-grandparents, 11:00 a.m. Saturday April neously traveling to various Carol Childers of Denver City 10, 2010 at the Post Church and Lorenzo and Bobbie Tor- of Christ. Burial followed He is preceded by his fa- res of Denver City; maternal in the Terrace Cemetery. Arther Egnacio Mendez Sr. in great-grandparents, Robert rangements were under the 1974; his mother Inez Men- and Rita Bishop of Southland personal care of Dee and Jadez in 2000; his brother San and Bryan and Debi Tidwell net Justice, Justice-Mason Juan Mendez in 2000 and his of Tyler; seven uncles: Day- Funeral Home. lon Torres, Dustin Torres, On April 4, 1964, Egna- Collyn Torres, Zack Torres, day, April 8, 2010 at Covcio and Oralia Martinez were Koby Torres, Quinton and enant Medical Center, Lub-

Goodman of Ransom Canyon of the Heart," a collection of and Tracy Haynes of Post; a humorous and inspirational brother, Larry Haynes of Post; sayings, published in 2005 seven grandchildren and three and "Life, a Daily Adventure: 93 Years of Life and History," which was published in 2008. She was a housewife, mother and loving friend. Known by many as Maw-Maw, she was also known as a great encourager, always seeing things in a positive way. Her wit and wisdom will be missed by many.

> She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank A. "Chief" Runkles; her sister, Susie Mae Guest and three of her children: Wayne Runkles,



Patsy Sanderson

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Book Review

By Marita Jackson

This story that reads like a novel is about a man who broke the curse of generational poverty. Everything Will Be Alright, by Douglas Wallace tells his story of the constant battle

of survival in poverty stricken of poverty swallowed most of backwoods and crime-ridden his siblings as they were conbig city neighborhoods. His sumed by addictions and the husband Rick Flores of Lubcourage to persevere and pre- helplessness of it all. vail in his search for a way out is both admirable and heart- experienced ridicule from his breaking. This endless cycle

A REMINDER

April is Child Abuse and **Neglect Awareness And Prevention Month**

If you suspect or witness abuse or neglect contact the local sheriff's office at 806-495-3595 and the Child Abuse Hotline which is answered 24 hours a day, 1-800-252-5400 or file a report using a secure web site: www.txabusehotline. org. If you are confused about reporting, call Garza County Victims Assistance, 806-495-2479 or 806-495-5551.

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> **Baby Selections** Lacey English Nikki Langford

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At eight years old, Douglas

classmates and teacher when

he declared that he was going

to be a lawyer. He learned a

valuable lesson that day. It lit

a determination in him to not

let the low expectations of oth-

ers crush his dream. He claims

that practically every person,

every situation, and every en-

counter became his teacher. He

an undeniable inner voice that

deeply and tenderly says, "Ev-

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thing is alright, you are alright".

He held onto these words for

yer and it is remarkable how

this was accomplished. He had

his own law firm and was able

This book opens up the world

of crushing poverty that many

experience everyday of their

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Douglas did become a law-

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Egnacio Mendez Jr.

Funeral Home Chapel with

moved to Lubbock in 1964

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married for 14 years. They his wife Lisa Odom and Tyler bock, TX. Born to Wendell had a daughter, Rebecca D. Odom. Robles. On December 17, 1983 Egnacio and Diana Lucio were married for 11 years. They had one daughter, Erica Mendez.

Survivors include two daughters: Rebecca D. Robles and her husband David of Post and Erica Mendez and her bock, TX; two stepchildren, Jessica Ramirez and Jesse Ramirez both of Lubbock; a brother, Greg Mendez and his wife Ariana of Lubbock; two sisters, Modesta Trevino of Lubbock and Inez Manriquez and her husband Juan also of Lubbock; six grandchildren: Vincent Robles of Post; Alyssa Flores, Anyiah Flores,



Jesse Ramirez and Ashley

Curtis Haynes

Services for Curtis Haynes, 63, of Post were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 13, 2010 at Iglesia Bautista Mexicana with Bro. Tony Morin officiating. Burial in Terrace Cemetery was under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

He died Friday, April 9, 2010 in Lubbock. He was born to Clyde and Estelle (Marchbanks) Haynes on October way out. I highly recommend 29, 1946 in Snyder. He was a heavy equipment operator in

the oilfields. He was a member

of Iglesia Bautista Mexicana.

sons: Kirt Haynes of Colorado

Springs, CO and Scott Haynes

of Post.; two daughters: Kim

Survivors include two

Landon, served as pallbearer.



Alvene Runkles

Services for Alylene Runkles, 95, of Midland were at 1:30 p.m. Monday, April 12, 2010 at the First Baptist Church in Post. Burial was in Terrace Cemetery under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home of Post.

Alylene passed away on April 8, 2010. She was born January 31, 1915 in Fort Worth, TX to Bev and Maude (Walker) Byrd. She attended school in Dublin, TX. On January 19, 1929 she married Frank A. Runkles at the First United Methodist Church in Stephenville, TX. They had five children together.

The family moved to Lubbock, TX in 1938. In July of 1949, they moved to C. W. Post Memorial Scout Camp, 3 miles west of Post. They lived at Camp Post and later in town over 53 years, during which Alylene was active in First Baptist Church and the Mystic Sewing Club. When her husband of 73 years passed away in 2002 she moved to Midland.

Alylene loved to work with her hands and over the years she made many quilts, and continued to crochet afghans until her death. She gave away literally hundreds of them over the years. Alylene was also a gifted writer. She wrote two books: "Treasures

Patsy died Thursand Willie (Johnston) Hood Randon Torres, father of at Pittsburg, TX, she attended

school there and later went to nursing school in Lubbock and became a Registered Nurse. She married Foster Everett and he preceded her in death. She then married Arnold Sanderson September 17, 1953 in Lubbock. He preceded her in death January 24, 2008. Patsy worked for the Garza Memorial Hospital for many years and ranched. She loved being a homemaker, quilting, working and being with kids. She and Arnold served in many capacities at the White River Youth Camp, 4-H, FFA and the Garza Co. Jr. Livestock Association. She served and loved her church. She was a long time member of the Post Church of Christ. She is also preceded in death by her parents, one brother and three sisters.

Survivors include her son, Bruce Sanderson of Post; one sister, Lavern Teaff of Burleson, TX; two grandchildren: Kelsey and Brandon; two great-granddaughters: Anniston Brook and Bricelyn Kate.

Pallbearer were: Danny Robertson, Eric Cravy, Buddy Thompson, Bobby Self, Weldon Smith and Jr. Ray Gonzales.

Memorials are suggested to the White River Youth Camp, WRYC c/o Russell Beene 5522 27th St. Lubbock, TX 79407



Ramirez all of Lubbock. gives many "lessons learned". Douglas had a spiritual encounter at age twelve while walking home with his brother from a tent revival. This encounter altered the course of this life profoundly and permanently. He asks to imagine

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Weather has been windy and chilly this week and as we speak we are getting a few drops of rain. Overall the guys and gal are able to get in the fields and do what needs to be done for the upcoming crop.

The Rummage Sale was a huge success. We want to thank the Graham Community for allowing us to have the sale in their community center and also all the people who donated time or goods, there is to many to list but you know who you are. I do want to say a special thanks to TJ Ellis who was a big help to us all; thanks, TJ!

Janet brought Mack out to see us on have several here.

Tuesday, he is getting around pretty good! Good to see ya, Mack.

Visit our blog at http://closecitycoopgin. 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

Visitors

Carroll Pate along with his grandson came out to visit this week. Ya'll come see us, 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 W.C. and Marj Caffey in Marble Falls; George Miller in Lubbock; 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;

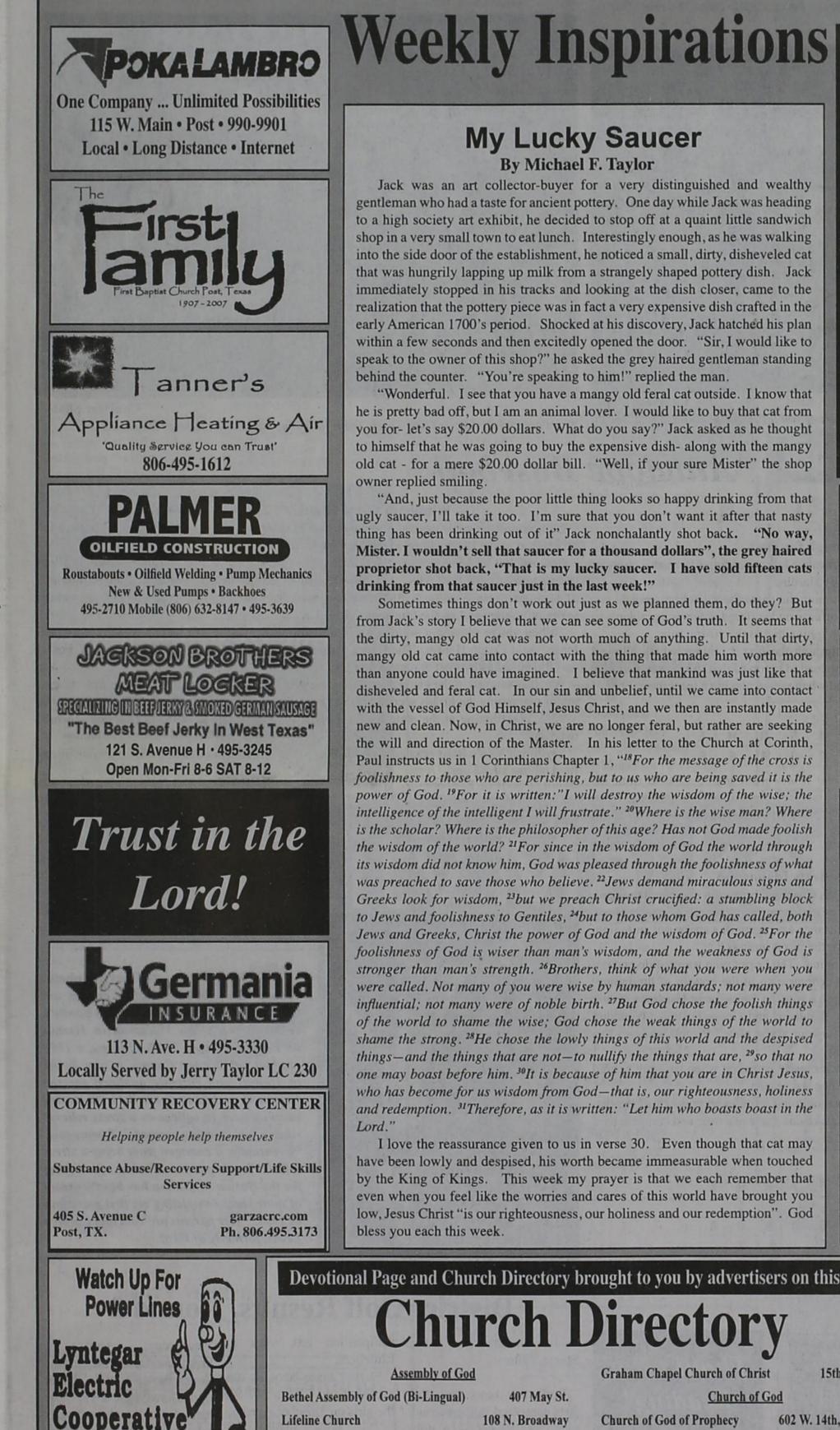
Lula Jo Stuart also in Lubbock. Please let me know if there is anyone I need to add to this

I put Mike Aten's birthday in the paper last week as being April 12th, not sure where I got that but I take it back. Haha Mikes birthday is not until August.

Birthdays

April 17th - Garron Magby April 18th – Judy Ballentine Bush April 21st - RayDon Underwood, Susan Gonzales

News is kinda short this week, everyone have a great weekend!



My Lucky Saucer By Michael F. Taylor

Jack was an art collector-buyer for a very distinguished and wealthy gentleman who had a taste for ancient pottery. One day while Jack was heading to a high society art exhibit, he decided to stop off at a quaint little sandwich shop in a very small town to eat lunch. Interestingly enough, as he was walking into the side door of the establishment, he noticed a small, dirty, disheveled cat that was hungrily lapping up milk from a strangely shaped pottery dish. Jack immediately stopped in his tracks and looking at the dish closer, came to the realization that the pottery piece was in fact a very expensive dish crafted in the early American 1700's period. Shocked at his discovery, Jack hatched his plan within a few seconds and then excitedly opened the door. "Sir, I would like to speak to the owner of this shop?" he asked the grey haired gentleman standing behind the counter. "You're speaking to him!" replied the man.

"Wonderful. I see that you have a mangy old feral cat outside. I know that he is pretty bad off, but I am an animal lover. I would like to buy that cat from you for- let's say \$20.00 dollars. What do you say?" Jack asked as he thought to himself that he was going to buy the expensive dish- along with the mangy old cat - for a mere \$20.00 dollar bill. "Well, if your sure Mister" the shop owner replied smiling.

"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

"And, just because the poor little thing looks so happy drinking from that ugly saucer, I'll take it too. I'm sure that you don't want it after that nasty thing has been drinking out of it" Jack nonchalantly shot back. "No way, Mister. I wouldn't sell that saucer for a thousand dollars", the grey haired proprietor shot back, "That is my lucky saucer. I have sold fifteen cats drinking from that saucer just in the last week!"

Sometimes things don't work out just as we planned them, do they? But from Jack's story I believe that we can see some of God's truth. It seems that the dirty, mangy old cat was not worth much of anything. Until that dirty, mangy old cat came into contact with the thing that made him worth more than anyone could have imagined. I believe that mankind was just like that disheveled and feral cat. In our sin and unbelief, until we came into contact with the vessel of God Himself, Jesus Christ, and we then are instantly made new and clean. Now, in Christ, we are no longer feral, but rather are seeking the will and direction of the Master. In his letter to the Church at Corinth, Paul instructs us in 1 Corinthians Chapter 1, "18 For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written:"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate." ²⁰Where is the wise man? Where is the scholar? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe.²²Jews demand miraculous signs and Greeks look for wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.²⁵For the foolishness of God is wiser than man's wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than man's strength. ²⁶Brothers, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong.²⁸He chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are, ²⁹ so that no one may boast before him.³⁰It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God-that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption. ³¹Therefore, as it is written: "Let him who boasts boast in the Lord."

I love the reassurance given to us in verse 30. Even though that cat may have been lowly and despised, his worth became immeasurable when touched by the King of Kings. This week my prayer is that we each remember that even when you feel like the worries and cares of this world have brought you low, Jesus Christ "is our righteousness, our holiness and our redemption". God bless you each this week.



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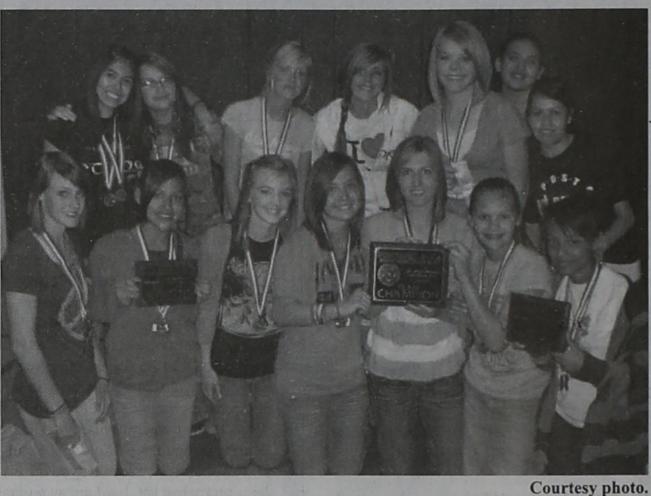


Courtesy photo. Post ISD 7th Grade Girls Track Team following the district meet at Roosevelt.

The 7th Grade Sprint Relay team (from left): Rebecca Perez, Kelbie Oden, Anahica Duran, Chelby Morris.



Members of the 8th Grade 800 Relay shown here are (from left): Katie Dunn, Matti Smith, Sierra Isbell and Jasmine Collazo.



The Post ISD 8th Grade Girls Track Team following the district meet at Roosevelt.

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By Jim Plummer Sports Writer

Quick Start not Enough for Post

A Bold Gold four run first inning was a good start against league leading Abernathy, "but our bats went cold from there," according to Coach Billy Hardin.

The Abernathy Lopes went on a scoring spree winning the game there 14-4 on April 2.

After the first inning, Post couldn't produce any offense and suffered defensive problems in the District 3-2A game that was called after the fifth inning due to the 10-run rule.

Abernathy to climb back into the game and take the lead. On top of that, we committed way too many physical and mental errors in the field, and when you're playing a team the caliber of Abernathy you can't afford those mistakes."

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Slow Start, Strong Finish Beats Idalou, 8-5

It was "just the opposite of the Abernathy game" as Coach Billy Hardin explained the sixth inning come from behind win against the Wildcats at Idalou on April 6th.

Junior starting pitcher Ernie Saldivar went the distance averaging one strike-out an inning. Hardin said Saldivar "really held it together through the last 4 innings."

Idalou controlled a 4-0 lead going into the fifth inning. The Lopes then warmed up and put two runs on the board. Idalou followed with one of their own in the bottom of the inning. "And then our bats came alive in the 6th as we scored 6 runs on 5 hits," said Hardin.

Most of Post's offense was generated by Clint Windham and Chess Postell. Windham knocked in a run and scored one run going three-for-four at the plate. Postell was two-forthree with one run-batted-in and scored one himself.

Coach was proud of his team saying "the kids never really panicked when we were behind which really shows how far along we have come since last season."

Hardin hopes this win will give the team momentum going into the second half of the district season. He added, "we're going to continue to take one game at a time and compete hard down the stretch."

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Windham's Two Homers Can't Lift Lopes

Last Saturday's game against 5th ranked Shallowater was offensively impressive but not so on defense as the Lopes dropped the District 3-2A contest, 12-5.

Senior Clint Windham pitched and hit well for the Lopes. But in the third, errors proved to be too costly for Post which led to bases loaded and a Mustang grand slam homer giving Shallowater the go ahead run. Shallowater carried that momentum into the next inning scoring seven more runs ending the fourth ahead 11-3.

"When you're playing a solid team like Shallowater, you've got to play near perfect de-Hardin said "we had trouble throwing strikes through the first 2 innings which allowed fense," said Coach Hardin. The Lopes were even with the Mustangs with 9 hits each, but it was the mistakes by Post that gave Shallowater the edge.

> Windham stayed in the game after being relieved from his pitching duties in the fifth. In the top of that inning, he hit his second two run homer of the day for his fourth RBI.

> Also, contributing at the plate for the Lopes was Aaron James going 2-for-4 and scoring two runs.

> Freshman Vance Blair pitched well for Post in the last two innings allowing only one hit, a run and one strike-out.

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Courtesy photo.

Tammy Lewis Bautista (right) crosses the finish line with her husband, Dixon Bautista at the Great Aloha Marathon in Hawaii on President's Day, 2010. Tammy, a 1998 graduate of Borden County, is now living in Hawaii and recently qualified for the Boston Marathon in April, 2011. "I started running back in college as a stress reliever when I was studying premed," Tammy said. "Eventually, it changed from being a stress reliever into a passion of mine. Qualifying for the Boston Marathon has been a dream of mine since completing my first marathon in 2004." Her parents are Tom and Carolyn Lewis, formerly of Post.

District Golf Results, Round 2

By Jim Plummer Sports Writer

Reading!

girls competed in the second

competition last week at Wednesday, Littlefield.

April Freshman Aaron Macy led the Skylar Jones shot a 106 Lopes shooting a 93. Senior Both the boys and the and Madison Cash a 117 for Luis Duran shot a 98. The the girls on Tuesday, April 6. rest of the Antelopes were:



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round of District 3-2A golf The boys played on John Bocko 103, Aaron James 106, Chess Postell 112, Ja D. McNew Young 111, Travis Emeyabbi & McTasty 116. Third and final round action was held earlier this week at the Yoakum County Golf Course. A Morning Delight See the results in the L Check Out Our Dispatch next week. iv One" pril Special **Big Mac** Two Tasty Pies Snack \$1.00 Wrap Shop Locally! Breakfast Menu McDonald's 102 N. Broadway Right Any McCafe Post i'm lovin' it'

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Post Classifieds

Personal

Post Group Alcoholics Anonymous 10th and Avenue K, behind United Supermarket, Tuesday night, 8 p.m. Book Study Thursday night, info: 806-781-1156 or 806-495-5371. Monday, 8 p.m., Community Recovery Center, 405 S. Ave. C. For more information about the Monday community. meeting, call 495-3173.

low, but our community turned out 270-8687 to help us, by purchasing barbeque plates and attending the dance. Many 8 p.m. Closed Meetings. For more of the community also added to the DAMAGED! TRUCKLOAD OF donation pot. We owe a large "Thank SHEDS! 8X12- 12X24 - MAKE you" to the Amarillo veterans for OFFER! Morgan Buildings & Spas their help and especially to our own 806.783.9530

At the regular meeting of the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary, Monday, April 12th, the Bigham Family Group meeting meets Family was presented with two

Monday at 8 p.m., Historic checks totaling \$1035.00

McDonald's of Post is hiring for all shifts and for maintenance. Apply in person 102 N. Broadway

Thank You

Presbyterian Church, 10th & Ave.

K, behind United Supermarket in

separate room from AA meeting.

For more information call 495-

The family of Patsy Sanderson would like to thank everyone for their support during this hard time. Dee and Janet Justice, thank you for everything you did to make it easier for us. We would also like to thank Dr. McCook, you always have the right words. Thanks to the Church of Christ family for everything they did. Patsy loved this town and the support we got is just one example of why she did.

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Bruce & Kelsey Sanderson Brandon & Elyse Patchski & girls Buddy & Mandi Thompson & children, Linda Collazo

-VFW Post 6797 of Post Texas and VFW Motorcycle Group Unit 13-6797 hosted a "Stand United Rally" the weekend of April 9-11, 2010. Over the weekend, Amarillo Unit 6 came to Post, and assisted in the Rally. The Rally consisted of a "beans and combread" supper Friday, breakfast Saturday, and a barbeque brisket/ sausage supper Saturday. The night was finished off with a dance by a live band from 8 to midnight.

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Looking for experienced pump/ vac truck drivers. Company offers insurance, paid vacation and 401K. Must be willing to work weekends. Pick up application at Paul Musslewhite Trucking at 624 Old Post Road, Snyder, TX.

Burnham Country Store & Grill at LAH is hiring part-time/fu-time help. Call 629-4061 or come by and ask for Val York

For Rent

For rent or sale: 3 BR, 2 Bath house; 2 bay shop. Owner/broker 1-800-687-9998

Office Space for Lease. Great location, across the street from the Courthouse, Post Office and bank.

Due to other motorcycle Can be subdivided. Available events in the area, the turnout was March 1, 2010. Gene Young, 505-

For Sale

Wanted

Cement work, slabs, driveways \$1.25 sq. ft. Also do yard work. Call Jessee 806-544-6484

Garage Sale

Garage Sale Friday, April 16 - 9 a.m. to ? 109 E. 7th St.

Public Notice NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read. CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: Lubbock

Contract 6209-22-001 for SEAL COAT AND FOG SEAL in DAW-SON County, etc will be opened on May 19, 2010 at 11:00 am at the District Office for an estimate of \$144,328.40.

Contract 6209-23-001 for FULL DEPTH REPAIR OF CRCP in GARZA County will be opened on May 19, 2010 at 10:20 am at the District Office for an estimate of \$24,170.00.

Contract 6209-24-001 for INLAY OF HOT MIX in GARZA County will be opened on May 19, 2010 at 10:40 am at the District Office for an estimate of \$26,400.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above Contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

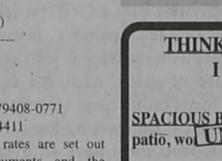
State Office

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Constr/Maint. Division 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: 512-416-2540

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Lubbock District **District Engineer** 135 Slaton Lubbock, Texas 79408-0771 Phone: 806-745-4411 Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or



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Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp Windham Head Start **Available to Garza County Students Accepting Applications**

With the help of an \$80,000 grant announced earlier this year by Texas Tech University, around 50 middle school students will be able to participate in the ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp in July on the Texas Tech campus.

until May 1 for LAUNCH 2010 - Discovering Me in STEM. This innovative summer camp will encourage leadership, academics, understanding, nurturing, critical thinking, communication, creativity, and heuristics through a variety of STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities. The two-week camp offers underserved middle school students opportunities to engage in classroom study, experiments, individual and team projects, field excursions and guest speakers.

Male and female students en-

tering the 6th, 7th and 8th grades during the fall 2010 semester in Lubbock, Crosby, Floyd, Hale, Hockley, Garza, Lamb, Lynn and Terry counties are eligible. Texas Tech is one of 30 universities in the nation offering the camp this year. More information and the Applications are being accepted application are available at www. theharrisfoundation.org.

> Camp directors also are looking for counselors, who will be interviewed in May. High school students may apply to be junior counselors. Texas Tech students serve as senior counselors and mentors.

The camp will provide handson activities with a focus on space science. This includes learning physics with rocketry as well as the science of space. Also, the camp will focus on forensic science and biomedical engineering topics.

Students must have an overall

GPA of a B in math and science, and they must score at the median to superior level in standardized math and science tests to qualify.

Bernard Harris Jr., the first African-American to walk in space, a former Texas Tech University System regent and a Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center graduate, announced the camp at the 2010 T-STEM Best Practices Conference, hosted by the Texas Tech T-STEM Center in February.

The ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp is a program by the Harris Foundation, founded by Harris in 1998 to support community growth by focusing on the education, health and wealth of community members.

For more information, contact Beccy Hambright, program manager, T-STEM Center, Texas Tech kindergarten. University, (806) 742-3451, or beccy.hambright@ttu.edu.

The Windham Head Start center in Post is currently enrolling children. The Head Start program serves children ages three to four years-old. Children must turn three but not yet five-years-old by September 1, 2010 to enroll in the Head Start program for the 2010-2011 school year.

In addition to preschool education, children enrolled in Head Start will receive complete health, dental, mental health, disabilities and family support services all to help prepare the entire child for success in

Selection for this program is need-based and

considers age, income, life circumstances, employment and disabilities. Ten percent of funded enrollment is reserved for children with disabilities.

Families can call 806-495-2544 for Windham Head Start to enroll a child or to learn more about these program's.

Head Start is a nationwide program that began in 1965 under the presidency of Lyndon B. Johnson. The program is considered by many to be one of the most successful federal programs in history and Head Start preschools can now be found in almost every county of the country.

GENERAL ELECTION ORDER AND NOTICE	ORDEN Y AVISO DE ELECCIONES GENERALES
STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF GARZA POST INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT	ESTADO DE TEXAS CONDADO DE GARZA DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE POST
February 11	_, 2010 11 de febrero de 2010

Be it Ordered by the Board of Trustees of the Post Independent School District, Garza County, Texas, that a general election be held on the 8th day of May, 2010, at the hereinafter designated polling places, for the purposes of electing two at-large trustee members. All elected trustees shall serve a term of three years. Furthermore, qualified voters may opt to vote cumulatively for the candidate of choice by marking an "X" in one or two boxes. The voter may vote up to two times for one candidate.

Said election shall be held at the places in the Post Independent School District hereinafter designated as voting precincts and voting places. Polling places shall be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and all electors shall vote in the precinct of their residence unless otherwise proyided herein.

For the District, Kay Postell is appointed the early voting clerk for all elections of the Post Independent School District and will appoint deputy clerks. Shellee Odom is the Alternate Temporary Deputy Early Voting Clerk for all elections of the Post Independent School District.

The Presiding Judge and Alternate Presiding Judge are named in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof for all intents and purposes.

Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted at the following branch early voting locations:

> **Early Voting Dates:** April 26, 2010, through April 30, 2010 May 3, 2010 through May 4, 2010

8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m./April 26 - April 30, **Post ISD Administrative Offices:** 2010 (M-F) 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m./May 3 - May 501 South Avenue K 4, 2010 (M-Tu) Post, Texas **Closed Saturday and Sunday**

Candidates may file for a place on the ballot at the Administrative Offices, Post

Independent School District, on regular business days, as follows: Monday through Friday February 6, 2010 - March 8, 2010

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. **Closed Saturday and Sunday**

All registration and voting notices will be in both the English and Spanish languages. All newspaper publications will be in both English and Spanish. Two English/ Spanish speaking translators will be provided at each polling place. All information and other materials relating to the voting process, including ballots, will be in both English and Spanish

A copy of this order signed by the President and attested by the Secretary of this

Board shall serve as proper notice of said election, and the President shall cause notice of

said election to be given in accordance with law by posting notices at the Post Independent

El Consejo de administración del Distrito escolar independiente de Post, Condado de Garza, Texas, ordena la celebración de elecciones generales el día 8 de mayo de 2010, en los centros electorales designados más adelante, con fines de elegir dos miembros, sin limitaciones, del consejo de administración. Todos los miembros electos del Consejo de administración desempeñarán el cargo por un periodo de tres años. Además, los electores calificados podrán optar por votar acumulativamente por el candidato que prefieran, marcando con una "X" uno o dos casilleros. Cada elector puede votar hasta dos veces por un mismo candidato.

Dichas elecciones se celebrarán en los lugares designados más adelante como distritos electorales y centros electorales en el Distrito escolar independiente de Post. Los centros electorales permanecerán abiertos desde las 7:00 de la mañana hasta las 7:00 de la tarde y todos los electores votarán en el distrito en el que residen, a menos que aquí se disponga lo contrario.

Para el Distrito, se nombra a Kay Postell secretaria de votación adelantada para todas las elecciones del Distrito escolar independiente de Post, quien nombrará a su vez secretarios delegados. Shellee Odom es la secretaria provisional delegada de votación adelantada para todas las elecciones del Distrito escolar independiente de Post.

Los nombres del Juez presidente y del Juez presidente suplente aparecen en el Anexo A adjunto y que forma parte de este documento para todos los fines y propósitos.

La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo en el siguiente centro electoral para la votación adelantada:

> Fechas de la votación adelantada Desde el 26 de abril de 2010 al 30 de abril de 2010 El 3 y 4 de mayo de 2010

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By THOMA

School District Administrative Office, Garza County Courthouse, United States Post Office of Post, Texas, local newspaper, and other locations or any other method as required by law for at least twenty (20) days before the date of the election.

In testimony whereof, witness the signatures of the President and Secretary of said Post Independent School District Board of Trustees and the seal thereof hereunto affixed this the 11th

day of February, 2010.

President, Board of Trustees Post Independent School District

ATTEST:

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Alexa Collier Secretary, Board of Trustees Post Independent School District

26 de abril-30 de abril de 2010 (lunes-Post, Texas viernes) Cerrado sábados y domingos De las 8:00 de la mañana hasta

3 y 4 de mayo de 2010 (lunes-martes)

En fe de lo cual, lo firman y sellan el Presidente y el Secretario del Consejo de administración del Distrito escolar independiente de Post, este día de febrero de 2010.

Mike Holl

Presidente, Consejo de administración Distrito escolar independiente de Post

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Alexa Collier Secretaria, Consejo de administración Distrito escolar independiente de Post

OPINION The Paperboy

A trip to see Dad

just a couple of years ago. His vision is limited and he's not stable, unless he's listening to music. When a country and western tune is playing, he's much more nimble.

My boys understand that Poppy's brain has a disease. They have been visiting him with us for two years, since he was placed in assisted living, and they are wonderful when we visit.

In fact, as much as it hurts my heart to see Dad in this condition, it warms my heart to see my boys interact with him as well as the other residents. The residents and patients seem to gravitate to them. Perhaps they remind them of their own children or a playmate from their youth.

My wife is amazing with my Dad. She always has been. They were close well before he became ill and she's always had a soft-spot for him. Even though she's a stranger now, it doesn't take long for him to warm up to her.

In a study of Dad's life in an effort to determine just how worried my sister and I should be about our chances of contracting the disease, it occurred to me that Dad rode bulls for years back in the late 1950's and 60's.

It sounds morbid, but hopefully the trauma he suffered as *Christopher Blackburn is* a result of getting thrown from bulls is the catalyst for how *owner of this publication*.

young he was when the disease took hold of him. Meanwhile, I'm taking steps to help prevent the same thing from happening to me. The thought of not knowing my wife and children is troubling to say the least.

We've learned so much about the brain over the past few decades. I'm confident that in my lifetime, scientists will have that much more figured out. Perhaps they will even have a cure for the diseases effecting such an important organ.

Our visit to see Dad went fine Sunday. I'm very glad we went. I always feel better after a visit, even if it is futile in terms of interaction. It's good to hear his voice and hold his hand. It's even better to hear him comment on how handsome his grandsons are.

Dad is still friendly and gentle. In fact, his demeanor is pretty good most of the time, just like it always was.

I have to remind myself that one day he will know me again. Until then, the least I can do his see him more often.

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Christopher Blackburn is the president of Blackburn Media Group, owner of this publication.

Other Opinions Good Riddance, Andy Stern

By ADAM BITELY

brothers and sisters.

By CHRIS BLACKBURN

don't we go see Poppy today?"

It had been months since I'd seen my father. Far too long.

Sunday, we were sitting at the park wondering what to do

Poppy, aka Bill Blackburn, 67, is my dad. He lives 30 min-

utes away in Memphis Convalescence Center. He was di-

agnosed with an early rapid onset of Alzheimer's in fall of

I was awfully proud of Jack to suggest a short trip to see

It's pretty hard seeing my father. Dad has no idea who I am.

He has no idea he was ever married or has two children. He

does not remember his mother or father and can't recall his

Dad has no idea what he did for a living. Strangely, when

you ask him what he's been doing, he replies, "I'm working

my ass off." However, he can't tell you what he's working

Dad. At the same time, I was ashamed I hadn't thought of it.

Anyhow, we got in the car and headed to Memphis.

with the rest of the day when my 6-year-old son said, "Why

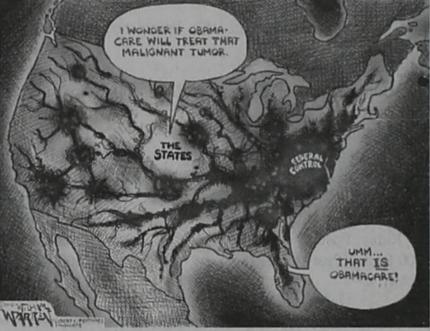
Andy Stern, the most frequent visitor to the Obama White House, may now have a reason to stop visiting Barack Obama.

It was announced late Monday night that Andy Stern would be stepping down as President of the SEIU. This is a

away with.

Stern may have seen the writing on the wall and realized that his many missteps in the past are catching up with him. Or, perhaps he is trying to get out of the spotlight while he is still at the top of Big Labor. More likely is that he knows that his time is running short, and that he will soon be embroiled in a lawsuit the size and scope of which has not been seen

probably continue to hold his spot as the White House's number one visitor. Maybe now that he is free from his duties at the SEIU, he can register as the lobbyist that he is.



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The announcement was sudden. But, with evidence exposing that Stern was in violation of Federal lobbying, registration and disclosure requirements. One can hardly see his resignation as a surprise. Stern may have finally committed a crime that he was not going to get away with.

Since Stern has become the head of the SEIU, he has got away with a fair bit of scandal. From destroying the SIUE members' pension funds, running the organization into a great deal of debt, and embroiling the SEIU in a Federal investigation on illegal lobbying activities at the White House, Stern has been at the center of many scandals that he seems to get nce Jack Abramoff was in Court.

As Bill Wilson, the President of Americans for Limited Government, said of Stern's resignation, "Perhaps Andy Stern, who has done so much to drag the U.S. economy into the socialist abyss will be retiring to a spiritual home in Havana." In truth, after looking at what Stern has done to the U.S. economy, Cuba may refuse to even let him in. From Stern's support of ObamaCare to the unsustainable debt, Stern has proven that he has no sense of how to run an honest organization.

As far as we know, Stern will continue to hold his position on Obama's Deficit Reduction commission. And will

Obama can now pick a judge with a heart

By EARL OFARI HUTCHINSON

In 2005, then Illinois Senator Barack Obama was unequivocal. He said he wanted a Supreme Court justice with a heart. By that he meant someone who was not just a top legal scholar and rendered flawless legal opinions rulings, but who had real compassion for the needs and suffering of people. In a fiery senate floor speech on September 22 that year Obama hammered Bush's high court pick John G. Roberts as being dismissive and insensitive to race and gender discrimination.

Four months later Obama went on the attack again. He lambasted Bush's next high court pick Samuel A. Alito as a shill for the powerful and uncaring about the rights and protections of the powerless, poor and minorities. He slammed Alito for backing prosecutors over the rights of defendants. He felt so strongly that Alito was not the right sort for the court that he joined in a futile and short lived filibuster against him.

He didn't stop there. At a presidential campaign appearance in 2007 he said: "We need somebody who's got the heart to recognize, the empathy to recognize what it's like to be a young teenage mom; the empathy to understand what it's like to be poor or African-American or gay or disabled or old." There was that reference to heart again.

Obama wanted and expected a Supreme Court justice to be a guardian of the people's interests, to be cut squarely in the proud tradition of Hugo Black, Thurgood Marshall, Earl Warren, and yes, on his best days John Paul Stevens. Obama saw absolutely nothing wrong with a justice being a legal scholar, judicial expert and an activist. He firmly rejected the GOP's and conservative judicial watchdog group's phony, politically selfserving strict constitutional constructionist litmus test for judges. Court ultra conservatives Clarence Thomas, Antonin Scalia, and William Rehnquist were unabashed judicial activists and ideologues, and conservatives heap praise on them, and abuse on any jurist that doesn't agree with them.

Four years later and a second Supreme Court judge pick in the waiting, nothing has changed. And since it hasn't, Obama has the enviable chance of a president's lifetime to do what he proclaimed in his attacks on and senate votes against confirming Alito and Roberts. That's the chance to follow his heart and pick the kind of judge he made clear that both Bush picks weren't and pick a judge who will protect the rights of the powerless, minorities, and women. He has absolutely nothing to lose. GOP senators, Tea Party leaders, Rush Limbaugh, the pack of shrill right-wing radio talk jocks, Fox News Network, and the hodgepodge of conservative judicial watchdog groups will stick to their hit plan on him no matter who he picks to replace Stevens.

His pick will be too liberal, too activist, too pro victim's rights, affirmative action, civil liberties, and for the more rabid, a closet identity politics baiter. The GOP tactics in pounding Obama's pick is unchanged. They will scream, shout, bully, cow, and badger the court pick on the same tired hit points. The goal is unchanged and that's to insure that she or he toes the conservative legal constructionist line not solely before the Senate Judiciary panel, but more importantly on the bench.

A slip or a too confrontational pose by the pick during the hearings will instantly be pounced on and held up by conservative attackers as proof that he or she doesn't have the right stuff to be a fair and impartial judge.

He or she will be under tremendous pressure to assure senators that they'll play it strictly by the moderate and conservative playbook on any and all decisions that even remotely touch on race and class issues on the bench, as well as abortion and other issues that are traditional conservative causes.

None of the attack points about Obama's pick as too liberal, activist, and therefore judicially suspect will be true. He or she will have played it close to the vest in their decisions, rulings and opinions in their stints on the various appellate courts; so close that not one of the picks will likely raise a whimper of criticism or protest from any impartial legal or judicial organization.

Obama's pick won't alter the still suffocating conservative tilt on the court. But a stand tough progressive can go toe to toe with the very judges who Obama felt did not embody the true spirit of what the Supreme Court should be about. That's empathy and sympathy for the downtrodden, poor and minorities. A solid progressive pick would be a model for the type of law and justice the court in time can and should represent. Best of all, it would show that when he had the chance Obama dared put a judge on the high court with the heart that he wants.

Earl Ofari Hutchinson is an author and political analyst. He is the author of How Obama Governed.

What About Private Health Emergencies?

By THOMAS A. BOWDEN

Just when swine flu was expected to peak, it has mysteriously faded from view. Now that Americans are no longer queuing up for vaccine, some 71 million doses (part of a \$1.6 Congress's rationale for permitting such EUAs was to remove the FDA roadblock when unapproved drugs (or approved drugs used in unapproved ways) might enhance national security in the face of a chemical or biological threat to "public health." But wait a minute: Why does preserving with the standards by which EUAs can be issued. Instead, we need to challenge the idea that private parties striving to preserve human life against dread diseases should ever have to ask government permission before acting.

Pharmaceutical products such as antivirals are the private

billion tax-funded program) are likely to be trashed upon expiration. While baffled health experts investigate causes, it's worth looking back at some important but little-known decisions that the Food and Drug Administration took amidst last fall's crisis atmosphere.

Afraid of being held accountable for widespread sickness and death due to swine flu or H1N1 virus, the FDA elected to bypass its labyrinthine, virtually interminable approval process so that doctors could immediately employ promising remedies (other than vaccines) to combat the disease. In sweeping aside regulatory obstacles, the FDA was using authority granted by Congress back in 2004--to be used only in the event of a "public health emergency."

Of course, Congress was implicitly conceding what the FDA's critics have known for decades--that people die unnecessarily (millions, by some reckonings) when denied access to drugs the agency has not yet condescended to approve. Once H1N1 was deemed a "public health emergency," the FDA issued a series of so-called Emergency Use Authorizations (EUAs) providing exemptions for three antiviral drugs (Peramivir, Tamiflu, and Relenza), two "flu panels" (diagnostic tests), and a respirator. "public health" justify bypassing the FDA approval process, while private health doesn't? Why should drug companies be able to offer life-saving drugs to large numbers of sick people--but not to small numbers, or even to single individuals?

There is no rational answer to such questions, because there is no rational distinction between public and private health in this context. Every life-threatening disease presents a health emergency to the individual patient. Morally, you have the right to seek the best treatment you can find. Yet our legal system denies you that right when it comes to private health emergencies.

In 2008 the Supreme Court refused to hear the appeal in Abigail Alliance for Better Access to Developmental Drugs v. von Eschenbach, leaving in place a lower court decision that a lone individual has no constitutional right to escape the government approval process, even if his life is at stake. The plaintiff in that case was a nonprofit named for Abigail Burroughs, a 21-year-old woman who died of cancer in 2001 after a desperate, but futile, quest for federal permission to take an experimental cancer-fighting drug her doctor recommended.

The answer to such injustices is not for Congress to tinker

property of their manufacturers. Drug companies should be free to offer those products for sale on an open market, on terms they deem proper. If a doctor views a particular drug as his patient's best option, then he should be free to prescribe it. And if a patient decides it's his best chance for health, he has a right to authorize the treatment--indeed, his unalienable right to life is meaningless in that situation without such freedom.

Of course, government must always stand at the ready, with power to redress such objective legal wrongs as fraud, negligence, and breach of contract. But otherwise the government should remain entirely out of the loop when drug companies, doctors, and patients are making the all-important decision to treat a life-threatening disease with a promising drug.

Whether the recent EUAs freed up remedies that actually saved people from succumbing to swine flu is an open question. But there is no doubt that individuals afflicted by other diseases continue to die because their rights are trampled by FDA control over pharmaceuticals.

Drug companies should never have to look toward Washington, D.C., bowing and begging for bureaucratic permission to save lives--a million lives, or just one.

Page 8 The Post Dispatch Friday, April 16, 2010 **Junior High Track Results**

Wildcat Relays at Idalou, March 30

Roosevelt Track Meet, April 8

7th Grade Girls

High Jump: Kelbie Oden, 1st ,4'4" Long Jump: Oden, 1st, 14'7.5" 100M Relay: Post, 6th, 59.50 100 M: Oden, 1st, 13.72 200 M Relay: Post, 6th, 2.20.77 400 M: Rebecca Perez, 4th, 1:14:26 200 M: Oden, 5th, 30:84 400 M Relay: Post, 6th, 5:31:08 TEAM: 6th, 32 Points

7th Grade Boys

Shot put: Jason Walden, 5th 110 Hurdles: Eric Gomez, 3rd 400 M: Ethan Self, 4th 400 M Relay: Post, 6th 800 M Relay: Post, 6th TEAM: 6th

8th Grade Girls

Shot put: Sara Greer, 3rd, 24'7 1/2 Discuss: Greer, 2nd, 67'11" Triple jump: Matti Smith, 5th, 28' 9 34"; Jaycee Johnson, 6th, 28"7 1/2". 100 Relay: Post, 4th, 56:01 800 M: Andi Soliz, 6th, 2:59:45 100 M: Johnson, 5th, 14:26 200 Relay: Post, 4th, 2:07:58 400 M: Bethany Curtis, 4th, 1:09:12 300 Hurdles: Miranda Solarzano, 1st, 55:06 200M: Johnson, 6th, 30:63 400 Relay: Post, 3rd, 4:42:67 TEAM: 5th, 63 Points

8th Grade Boys

Triple jump: D.J. Brown, 1st; Christian Pena, 3rd High jump: Alan Alaniz, 4th Shot put: Mondo Martinez, 4th; Francisco High jump: Taylor Soto, 2nd; Alan Alaniz, 3rd Gonzalez, 6th Discuss: Trystan Hilger, 2nd 110 Hurdles: Taylor Soto, 2nd, Campbell Kirkpatrick, 6th 300 Hurdles: Kirkpatrick, 2nd; Soto, 3rd 100 M: Brown, 3rd 200 M: Brown, 1st 400 M: Chris Rivera, 3rd 400 Relay: Post, 6th 800 Relay: Post, 6th 1600 Relay: Post, 2nd TEAM: 4th

7th Grade Girls

High Jump: Kelbie Oden, 3rd, 4'6" Long Jump: Oden, 2nd, 13'5" Shot Put: Tamara Moore, 5th, 25'81/2" Discuss: Moore, 2nd, 64'1" 100 M: Oden, 1st, 13.99, Anahica Duran, 5th, 14.74 400 M: Rebecca Perez, 3rd, 1:12:83 200 M: Oden, 1st, 28:92, Perez 31.02

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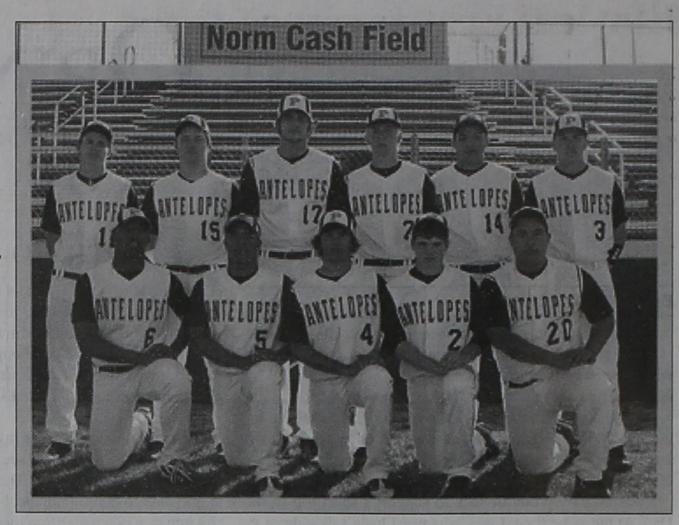
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8th Grade Boys

Long Jump: Trystan Hilger, 6th Triple jump: D.J. Brown, 1st, Christian Pena, Idalou tops Lady Lopes Long Jump: Trystan Hilger, 6th



Courtesy photo

Members of the 2010 Antelope Varsity Baseball team shown above are: (standing, from left) Chess Postell, John Bocko, Clint Windham, Aaron James, Jacob Perez and Aaron Macy; (kneeling, from left) Chase Greathouse, M.J. Wynne, Ernie Saldivar, Vance Blair and Dale Diaz.

Lady Lopes Lose Down-to-the-Wire Game at DC

Post led the Denver City Fillies last Saturday through four and a half innings of play to watch DC slowly take the game in the last couple of innings, 12-11.

In the seventh inning, Post came from behind and erased a two run deficit to tie the game until the Fillies finished the final inning with one run to win the District 3-2A matchup in Denver City.

Both teams hit well, Post with 10 and DC with 8. But the game was filled with 19 er-

rors, DC committing twelve.

Offensive production was well distributed thoughout Post's batting order with Kari Dunn and Sydnee Jones leading the team crossing the plate three times each.

Alex Miller got on base four out five appearances at the plate, walking three times with one single. Brooke Morris, Branda Stevens and Tiny Williams had two hits each while Jones, Stevens and Williams knocked in two runs a-piece.

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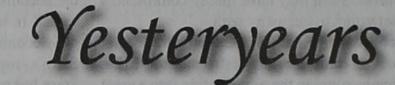
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By Jim Plummer Sports Writer

The Post Lady Lopes just couldn't get their offensive engine started against the Lady Cats at Idalou here on April 5 losing 9-2. Post recorded six hits to Idalou's nine.

Also, eight fielding errors kept the Lopes



Compiled by Kristen Odom From The Post Dispatch archives

10 years ago- April 13, 2000 lophone. Josh Fumagalli and Amy Pedersen earned berths in state dents walked away with contest. Josh competes in alto Butler won third place with sax and Amy competes in xy- her 'Making Glue' display.

Five Southland ISD stu-David Martinez took third with his 'Desert Ecosystem' display. Rebecca Cardona

and her 'Mold Display' received second. Zach Ford and his 'Water Conservation' project received third. And T.J. Kitten won second with his 'Artificial Water Environment' display.

The District 3-AA baseball race took another step towards finalizing the third place spot at the Post Antelopes beat Morton 5-2 in Post.

The Lady 'Lopes won the Big Spring Relays with a total of 223 points. High point individual was Manuela Hernandez with 40 points.

With 116 points overall, the eighth grade girls from Post Middle School received a second place finish at the district track meet.

The seventh grade Lady 'Lopes from Post Middle School captured first place at the district track meet. The seventh grade boys track team also won first place at the district meet.

20 years ago- April 18, 1990 Construction began on

renovating the front of the Garza Theatre. Grand open-

from gaining any energy.

Kari Dunn led the Lady Lopes at the plate with two singles out of four at bats. Alex Miller was 1-for-2 and a base on balls.

Branda Stevens got on base twice and stole two bases to score both of Post's runs, one in the second and another in the fourth inning.

> William Vitt on March 3, 1990 at Christ Episcopal Church on Coronado Island in San Diego, Ca.

Cookie Sale Winners honored at the Girl Scout Father-Daughter banquet were Sharla Cruse, Shelly Haney, Laticia Hood and Betsy VanDe Valde.

Post City Secretary Wanda Wilkerson was recognized with a certificate honoring her 25 years of membership in the International Institute of Municipal Clerks.

30 years ago- April 17, 1980

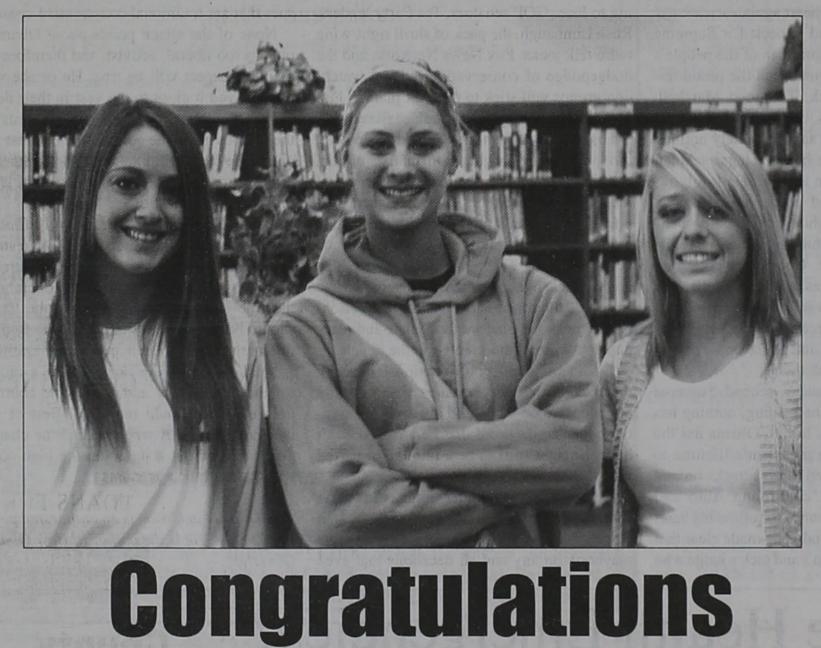
Mrs. Ruth Young, one of the original five members of the Post Public Library trustees when the board was organized in 1966, was presented with a plaque from the board of trustees at their April meeting in the library "in grateful appreciation of 13 years of service on the board."

Coach Lane Tannehill's Post Antelope track squad qualified two relay teams for the regional meet. The 400-meter team, composted of Jackie Ayala, Rance Adkins, Alonza Luna and Mark Holly, turned in a 45.6. second time in the final behind Frenship.

The 1600-meter team, composed of Luna, Drew Kirkpatrick, Ayala and Holly, turned in a 3:32.03 time behind Slaton.

The Dalby Cattle Co. women's volleyball team won their own invitational tournament. Winning second place was Cook Pump Co. from Tahoka and third was Floydada Livestock's team. 40 years ago- April 16, 1970 The five newly elected directors of the Garza County Hospital District took the oath of office, administered by hospital administrator Donald Windham, at a board meeting. Those being sworn in include George Pierce, Sexton Huntley, Edwin Sawyers, Charlie Brown and Dr. William C. Wilson.

competition following their honors from the South division rating at the District Plains Regional Science U.I.L. Solo and Ensemble and Engineering Fair. Kelly



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ing at The Norman Agency was celebrated by Nancy and Jimmy Norman and agency assistant Pattie Wuensche and Tom Power with Post Main Street manager Wanda Mitchell and Post Chamber of Commerce members Joy Fluitt, Susan Pennell, Jim Wells, Bryan Williams, Ann Stelzer, Charles Hardin and Lee Howard.

Grand opening at Ammons Texaco included new owners Janie and Ronny Ammons with Post Chamber of Commerce members Jim Wells, Susan Pennell, Joy Fluitt, Main Street manager Wanda Mitchell, Lee Howard, Ann Stelzer, Gayla Leary, Bryan Williams and Charles Hardin.

became the bride of Douglas

Post High School basketball star Boyd Noble, all 6 feet, 11 inches of him, last week signed and mailed to Coach Bob Bass of Texas Tech a letter of intent to en-Laura Lee McCampbell roll in Tech on a basketball scholarship.

Elm leaf Beetles return to the area

Extension, area entomologists are reporting that the elm leaf beetles are back. These are the beetles that caused so much damage to our elm trees here in the Post area, and throughout the High Plains last year. The taken a toll on their survival.

However, what has been seen the past disease. couple of days would indicate that they survived just fine.

Most likely the winter moisture actually helped insulate them from extreme cold that can be experienced during drier conditions.

Adults are about 1/4 inch long and light yellow to brownish green. Several black spots decorate the head and thorax, and a broad black stripe follows the outer margin of each wing cover. Overwintering adults are darker and duller than summer adults. Eggs are laid in clusters of five to 25 on the undersides of leaves; they are yellow-orange and pointed on the outer end, resembling miniature lemons. Newly hatched larvae are black. Mature larvae are pale yellow with two black, interrupted stripes down the back; they are about 1/2 inch long. Pupae are 1/4 inch long and bright orange-yellow with scattered black bristles.

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Elm leaf beetles overwinter as adults in any sheltered, dry place that gives them protection. Overwintering adults sometimes enter homes, where they become a nuisance on warm days. The insects do not infest food or other household materials, but simply spend the winter indoors. In spring, beetles fly to elm trees shortly after foliage emerges. They eat holes in new leaves and soon deposit eggs. A single female may produce as many as 400 to 800 eggs. Slug-like black larvae hatch in about a week. Larvae feed for about 3 weeks on the undersides of leaves; when mature, they crawl down the tree to gather in large masses at the base of the trunk (or any other nearby, sheltered place) to pupate. Adult beetles emerge from pupae about 2 weeks later. Three or more generations occur each year in Texas. In late summer and

According to a report from AgriLife oping leaves provide high quality forage for the small beetle larvae. By the time the second generation is feeding, the leaves are mature and there is less damage. Generally, the environmental conditions under which second and third generations develop are hope was that our winter weather might have not as good as those for the first generation. Elm leaf beetles do not transmit Dutch elm

> Natural enemies include birds, toads, diseases and predaceous and parasitic insects. A small wasp frequently kills many pupae. A fungus also kills pupae and adults late in the summer, especially if the weather is humid. Unfortunately, these natural controls are not often sufficient to hold the beetles in check, so it is necessary to use insecticide.

> Early detection of the beetles makes it possible to spray trees before much damage occurs. Examine the undersides of leaves for yellow eggs and young larvae soon after leaves emerge in

April. Apply insecticides when most of the eggs have hatched and the small larvae are just beginning to feed. Make sure insecticide thoroughly covers newly developing leaves. It may be necessary to hire a commercial applicator, someone who is properly licensed and equipped, to spray tall trees. Insecticide applications may need to be repeated to control later generations of beetles. Another approach is to use systemic insecticides, which can be applied as tree implants, soil injections or granules. Systemic insecticides are transported through the tree to the leaves. To control the first generation of beetles, a systemic insecticide should be applied in late March or April.

Adult beetles can be excluded from homes by placing tight-fitting screens over windows and doors and closing all other openings. Spraying outside walls and the perimeter of the house with properly labeled insecticides may reduce the adult population in the fall.

There are a couple of chemical names

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Lake Alan Henry Report

April 12, 2010

- Conservation pool elevation: 2220.00 feet above mean sea level
- Elevation: 2214.64 feet, 5.36 feet low
- Water Temperature: 60-62 degrees F.
- 2010 cumulative precipitation: 5.51 inches

Both spotted bass and largemouth bass fishing has really picked up, with several 7 lb plus largemouth reported. Good catches of crappie toward the river end of the lake were reported. No reports on catfishing.

Mark A. Record, P.G. City of Lubbock Lake Alan Henry

White River Municipal Water District April 12, 2010 Report

Gauge Reading:	2345.70
Feet below spillway:	26' 9"
Rise:	0"
Rainfall past week:	0.0"
Rain 2010 to date:	5.66"
Rainfall 2007:	24.19"
Rainfall 2008:	33.16"

early fall, the adults begin to seek overwintering sites.

Elm leaf beetles feed exclusively on foliage. Adult feeding causes small, circular holes in leaves. Larval feeding removes most of the green material from leaves, leaving them dry and brown with only the leaf veins remaining. Heavily infested trees have sparse foliage; remaining leaves are riddled with holes, have a rusty, reddish-brown tint and are likely to drop prematurely. Severe infestations for several consecutive years can cause limbs or the entire tree to die. Siberian elms are most severely attacked by elm leaf beetles and first-generation larvae cause most of the damage. Young, devel-

that you might consider. This is in no way an endorsement or a blanket recommendation. Always read and follow labeled directions. Products such as carbaryl (Sevin), cypermethrin (various), imidacloprid (Merit, Bayer Advanced Tree and Shrub etc.), or permethrin (various) are labeled for use against leaf beetles.

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April 19

Breakfast- Biscuits, sausage, gravy, fruit, milk

Lunch- chicken fajitas, refried beans, seasoned corn, orange smiles, chocolate pudding, milk April 20

Lunch- Pizza & pigs in a cake, milk blanket, pinto beans, baked chips, pineapple orange salad, milk April 21

bacon, fruit, milk Lunch- Chicken fried Breakfast- Muffins, sau- steak, potatoes, green beans,

Extension Extras

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.

Leader Lab Camp

4-H Connect opens on March 29 and closes April 16 for all who want to attend this camp in Levelland. It is a first come first serve basis. Get your registration in soon.

playday. They will be ev- tuce, tomatoes & pickles, tater ery Saturday in May at 9:00 a.m. at the Post Stampede Rodeo Grounds. If you want to start selling tickets now, please come by the office and get yours.

Private Applicator Training and Testing

There will be a class on May 4, 2010 at the Swisher County Extension Meeting Room at 310 W. Broadway in Tulia, Texas. The training will begin at 9:00 am.

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

April 22

Breakfast- Pig-N-Blanket, fruit, milk

Lunch- Pizza & meat and Breakfast- Oatmeal, toast, bean chalupas, Spanish rice, lettuce & tomatoes, rosie applesauce, milk April 23

Breakfast-Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk Lunch- Sub sandwich, let-

tots, baby carrots, brownie, milk

Trailblazers

April 19- Chicken strips, baked potatoes, green beans, roll, pineapple cake

April 20- Swiss steak, fried okra, ranch potatoes, roll, chocolate pudding

April 21- Turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes, green bean casserole, roll, pumpkin crunch



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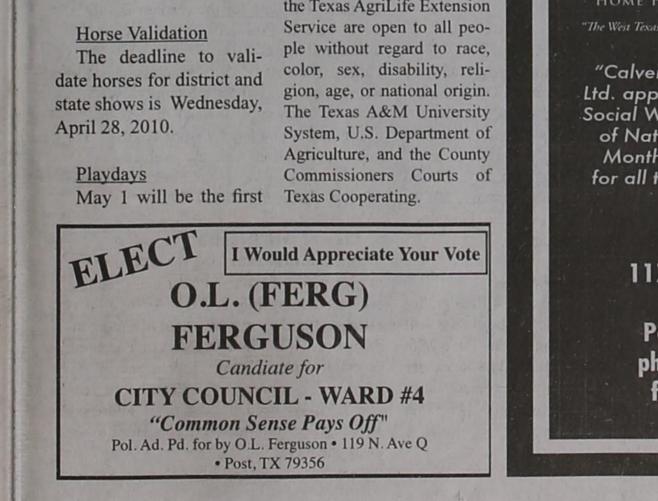
Rainfall 2009:

12.70"

White River Lake has 1,525,960,233 billion gallons left available at the Intake or 16% capacity or 4,683 acre feet. Subtract 30,412,760 MG for evaporation this week in April that leaves 1,495,547,473 BG available as of today. White River's daily average demand for 2008 was 1.23 million gallons per day for all White River Customers and 1.36 million gallons per day for 2009. The Oil Company using water for mining has been stopped until the Lake level raises. White River Municipal Water District is in Stage 1 of its Drought Contingency Plan.

Mickey Rogers, GM White River





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Page 10 The Post Dispatch Friday, April 16, 2010 Library celebrates Special Week

This week is National Library Week and there's no other small town in American who has more reason to celebrate than Post. For many years now our community has enjoyed a first class public library.

Librarian Peggy Ashley and her assistant Bonnie Duren are always eager to help with a book selection or the other services offered at the library. In addition to an impressive inventory of books, the library has computers available to the public free of charge with internet access for research. The Post City Library also carries a large selection of audio books and the children's book section features the top reading choices for all ages.

The library currently has a limited number of books that have been provided by local sponsors.: : Hudman Funeral to take home. "These books Home, United Supermarkets, will belong to the children," Garza County Sheriff's Librarian Ashley explained. Department, Citizens Bank, RC Tradingpost, and Sonic of the West Texas Library Drive-In. Post Elementary System Texshare and particistudents who go to the library pates in inter-library loans. If can have one of the free books there is a particular book not



Librarians Bonnie Duren (left) and Peggy Ashley look over books recently received at the Post Public Library. The books were provided by local sponsors. "These books are free to Post Elementary students," Ashley said. "The kids just need to come by the library to pick one up."

Photo by Rosa Latimer

The local library is part

available in the library here, Ashley can obtain it through the inter-library system.

The Post Public Library is open 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday and Thursday; Noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

Windham announces candidacy for school board

ning for reelection to the Post ISD Board of my responsibility to keep the tax rate as low Trustees. I have served on the board for the as possible while still educating all children. last 3 years.

enormous amount about the governance of community and allows your local economy public schools. Throughout the process, it be- to flourish, which will then provide vital jobs came apparent that there is still a tremendous amount that I do not know. The public school system has become increasingly complex with new laws and funding strategies passed every year by our state legislature. However, it is a challenge worth facing to ensure that every child in Post ISD is encouraged to reach its highest level of achievement. I have always avoided voting for people with personal agendas when considering candidates for any public office. But, I came to the conclusion that I too, had agendas or, a better descriptor might be guiding principles. My first principle is to have each and every child in this school district reach its highest level of achievement. This includes those who struggle in life skill classes to those students who participate in our AP courses. Every child counts. Every child matters. This was my passion as a teacher and it is still my passion as a board member.

My name is Diann Windham and I am run- goal. As a trustee of a public institution, it is I am politically conservative and believe that

During those 3 years, I have learned an a low tax rate promotes prosperity in the to all residents.



Correctional Officer for March at the Dalby Correctional Unit is Kevin Robertson (left) shown receiving an award from Warden Kerry Dixon.

Courtesy photo.



Supervisor of the Month for March at the Dalby Correctional Unit is Captain Susan Little (left) shown receiving an award from Warden Kerry Dixon.

My second guiding principle is to use every tax dollar wisely to accomplish the first 8th.

These two thoughts have governed and will continue to govern every decision I make as a trustee. In addition, I will not step outside of my role as a board member as set forth in educational law section 11.1511 and involve myself in the day to day operations of the school district. Keeping within these boundaries promotes a healthy school district with happy employees.

We have a wonderful school district full of excellent teachers, administrators and other support personnel. I am extremely proud of our district's academic, music, art, athletic and vocational programs. We have so much to be thankful for and I want a community that will stand behind our school. It is time for our community to come together and remember that school is about the welfare of our children. Nothing more, nothing less. If you have the same vision, please cast a vote in the school board election for me on May



Employee of the Month for March at the Dalby Correctional Unit is Dawn Bilberry (left) shown receiving an award from Warden Kerry Dixon.

Courtesy photo.

Thanks for Reading!

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Fun By The Numbers

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

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in his communication with The Post Dispatch. "We look forward to getting to know you all." Originally from Orange,

TX, Comeaux is in his fifteenth year of education and his wife, Keely, is in her eleventh year as an elementary teacher. He received an undergraduate degree in Kinesiology in 1995 and a Masters in Administration in 2002, both from Lamar

University in Beaumont. He has taught at West Orange-Stark High School in his hometown; ISD and Stephen F. Austin High School in Port Arthur. Comeaux worked in administration at Lumberton High School, a AAAA school before taking the position as principal at Palmer. Before moving to administrative responsibilities, Comeaux taught Texas History and

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"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

World History; coached varsity football, basketball and track and held responsibili-Deweyville ties of head coach and athletic director.

> When Comeaux reports to work in Post, his youngest daughter will accompany. him and begin school at Post Elementary. "My wife, Keely and my ninth grade daughter Kayla will finish the year in Palmer and will join us in Post in June."

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 postcitvdispatch@yahoo.com.

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

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are on sale now. If you have any questions, please contact Christy Rutherford or Joel Warren t 806-495-2848. Thank you for your support!

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.

Class of 1965 Plans Reunion

The class of 1965, the largest PHS graduating class, and of course the best class will have it's 45th reunion on Friday June 18th and Saturday June 19th. Class dues are \$25.00 per classmate. Please contact Larry Osman larryosman@att.net 806-445-3359, or Dan Johnson djohnson65@consolidated. net for details.

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 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 ilhtouchstone@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.