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Friday, October 14, 2011

Pride of Post Band Performs at Marching Festival



Pride of Post Band performs at festival.

By Steffi Scott

The Pride of Post Marching Band competed in the 8th Annual Lubbock High School Marching Festival this past Saturday at Lowery Field.

They performed "One Ship One

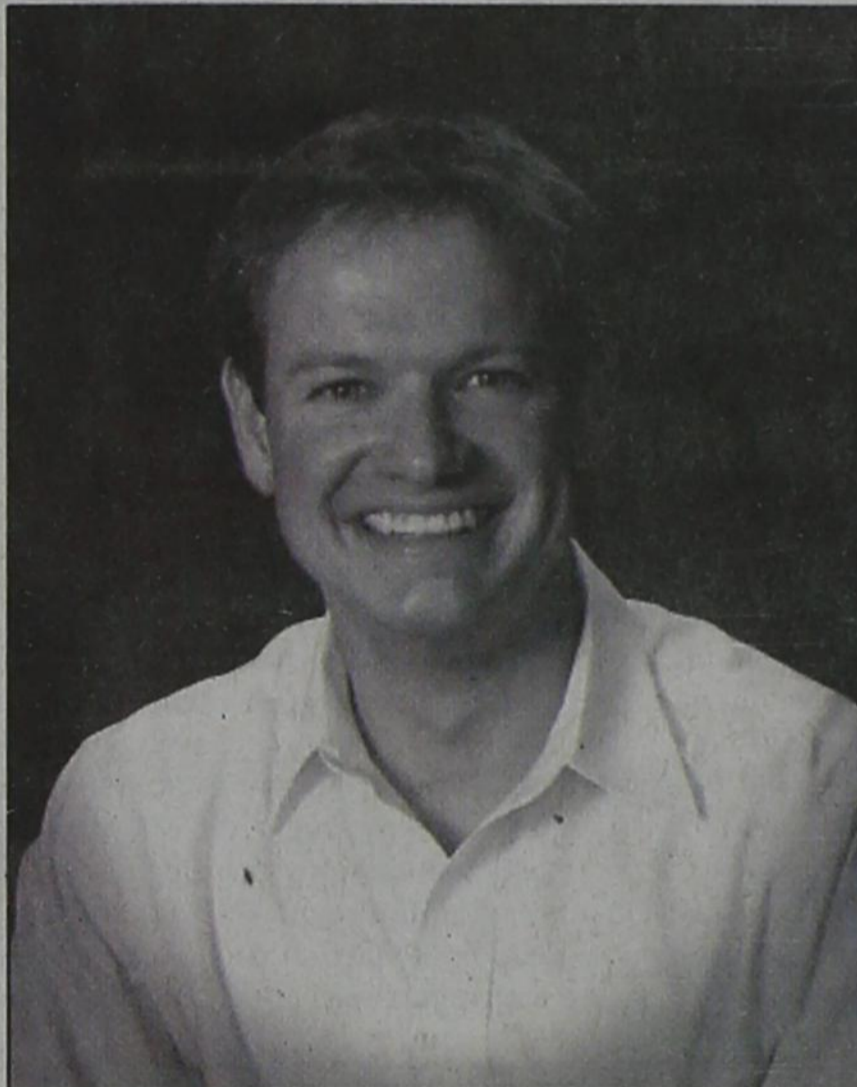
Crew," featuring music from Pirates of the Caribbean. Twenty-three area bands marched showcasing their skills and talents while preparing for the upcoming UIL marching contest taking place on October 22, 2011.

Photo courtesy of Marcie Oden

The band is led by Drum Major Jordan Barbosa and directed by Mr. Aaron Rathbun and Mr. Bernie Tackitt.

Be sure to go out and support our Pride of Post Marching Band! Good luck guys and girls!!

McKnight Announces His Candidacy



TRENT MCKNIGHT

By Steffi Scott

Trent McKnight, a former National FFA President with a knowledgeable background in agriculture, has announced he is running for State Representative in House District 68.

Garza County and others such as Childress, Collingsworth, Cooke, Cottle, Crosby, Dickens, Fisher, Floyd, Hall, Hardeman, Haskell, Jack, Kent, King, Montague, Motley, Stonewall, Throckmorton (McKnight's hometown), Wheeler, Wilbarger and Young make up the district.

McKnight believes small rural areas, such as Post need a voice in Austin just as much as the big cities do. "Every

issue, whether it is health-care, whether it is education, whether it is the economy has a rural component to it and if we don't have someone in Austin who can represent and be a voice for those rural interests then we don't have a voice at all. There are 150 house seats in Austin in the legislature. Rural Texas only has two of those," stated McKnight.

McKnight comes from a family of ranchers dating back to the end of the Civil War. Not only does he know ranching but he also serves as a community developer and has served as an international agricultural consultant to the US Military in Iraq and the United Nations in Africa.

Post Notes

Holy Cross Catholic Church will be held every Wednesday from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Snacks will be served at 5:00pm. Parents are encouraged to send children's grades pre k-5th. Youth classes will also be held on Wednesday's following C.C.E at 6:45-7:45pm. All Jr. High-High School Students are encouraged to attend.

GED classes have begun. They are free to the public. Classes will be held 5:00pm-8:00pm at the high school. For more information call 805-495-2770. Leave name and number.

The Graham Ole Opry will be held Saturday October 15th from 7:00 pm until 10:00 pm 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; hat will be passed for donation to help with upkeep on the center. Concession stand with drinks and snacks will be available. For more information contact Noel White at 806-495-3261.

Tickets for the musical "Grease," are on sale. The date is Saturday October 29th at 7 p.m. in the school auditorium. Seating is being sold on reserve seating arrangements and we are already over half way sold out! Tickets are 10.00 each and can be purchased by contacting ttatum@postisd.net.

Post Community Youth
We are ready to start another thrilling year with the Post Community Youth. **All youth are invited.** As a community youth group many different churches are involved and you do not have to be active in any particular church to attend. We have been praying that the youth would have a blessed summer and are ready for a great year. We do ask that the adults of our community would be in constant prayer for the Youth group.

The Senior High Youth will meet this year on Wednesdays at 7:00pm. Dinner is available as usual at about 6:45pm. We are looking forward to a

great time.
The Junior High Youth begins at 5:45pm. We will be using "The Story" as our basic curriculum this year and we will be hitting the high points of the Bible throughout our time together. Dinner is being provided. We want to remind the parents that the youth will be ready to be picked up by 7:00pm. A new item this year is that the doors of the church will be locked and there will be no adult supervision until 5:15pm.

This is going to be a great year!

Post Elementary Notes
Friday, October 12th- Progress Report grades due (Progress Reports will go home on Monday, October 15th)

October 24th-28th- Red Ribbon Week (A list of daily activities will be sent home with students)

Friday, October 21st- Box Tops for the Box Tops for Education fall collection are due.



In response to inquiries about the Garza County Sheriff, perhaps he is like the mythical Roc Bird, heard of but never seen. Or perhaps he is busy sitting on "we the Jury" verdicts or maybe he is planning a re-run Campaign Strategy. Whatever- What he and other elected officials are not doing is remembering their earlier campaign promises to those who elected them. Namely the tax-payers. (This includes county, city, school etc.)

When we see a short fall so astonishing, especially in the County funds, we believe it proves no one is remembering the wishes of the tax payer and when we received a notice of a hefty tax raise, it removed all doubt.

One last thought. As sure as death and taxes each official must eventually foie for re-election. Bet these who are filing hope the tax-payer has a poor memory and cannot remember the promises they made their last campaign.

I would like to know if anyone feels as I do about the center of our streets. Our town has always prided our self in our downtown. It has been many months since they started on this project and now all we have is weeds and holes. It is getting time for our Christmas to be put up and you can't even cross the street except where the openings are. If this was at your home you would not let it go on this long. Even some of the trees are dying. I believe that the city can afford to water. It really looks bad.

Concerned Tax Payer

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Want A Degree? Here Is Your Perfect Opportunity!

By Steffi Scott

A representative from South Plains College will be at the Post Public Library, Thursday, October 13 at 6 p.m. to present information about options available for financial aid including grants as well as student loan options. This information will be helpful if you want to pursue a two-year college degree or take other college courses. This is a free meeting so don't feel obligated if you just want to come and here what it's all about! The Caprock Cultural Association of Post is partnering with South Plains College to bring the education to you! This is perfect for all of you who wanted to further your education but life got in the way. No more excuses now! Starting in Spring 2012 you will be able to complete a 2-year Associates Degree! Call 495-4148 for more information.



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PACC News

This Friday the Bold Gold Antelopes play Idalou in Post at 7:30. If you can't attend, listen to a live web-cast at www.postsportspage.com.

Thanks to everyone who attended the ribbon cutting for Reliable Finance. Their office is located at 410 N. Broadway and open Monday - Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

This Saturday, October 15, is the Tom Butler Memorial Bronc Ride at the Stampede Rodeo Arena. The gates open at 9:00 a.m. and the broncs start at 1:00 p.m. The dance will begin at 8:00 with Jake Hooker and The Outsiders. There will be a chuckwagon breakfast on Sunday morning at 8:00 a.m. and a

worship service at 9. Sunday afternoon, October 16, at 1:00 p.m. come by the Rodeo Arena for a donkey roping. Word is it's lots of fun (if you're not a donkey). October is going to be a busy month so keep an eye

on our Calendar of Events at www.postcitytexas.com. Congratulations to our Members of the Week: Silver Member - WHITE RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT



Silver Member - POST DISPATCH

Trailblazers Menu

October 17th-October 21st

MONDAY
BBQ Chicken, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Cornbread, Jello
TUESDAY
Swiss Steak, Baked Potato, Broccoli Salad, Roll, Mandarin Cake
WEDNESDAY
Turkey & Dressing, Mash Potatoes, Green

Bean Casserole, Roll, Ambrosia
THURSDAY
Pork Loin, Butter Beans, Cabbage, Cornbread, Pie
FRIDAY
Hamburger Steak, Ranch Potatoes, Peas & Carrots, Roll, Pumpkin-Chocolate Cake

Dear Commercial Businesses:

As interest continues to grow in improving safe drinking water practices, we will, over the course of the next several months be conducting a CSI (Customer Service Inspection) on all businesses served by the water system.

We will be doing this to update our records and to verify that we are in compliance with TCEQ (Texas Commission of Environmental Quality) rules and regulations as specified in Section 30 TAC 290 Subchapter D: Rules and regulations for

Public Drinking Water Systems, by the state of Texas.

We greatly appreciate your cooperation in this process. Together we can improve our water system and help to insure the safety of all the citizens in Post.

You may contact me at City Hall at 495-2811, or by e-mail at postleeferguson@gmail.com to schedule a time for this inspection at your earliest convenience or if you have any questions.

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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!

Level: Beginner

Here's How It Works:

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

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Obituaries



LOYCE BRADLEY DAVIS

Loyce Bradley Davis, age 82 of Denton, passed away on Thursday, October 6, 2011.

She was born on January 7, 1929 in Montague County, Texas to Charlie and Lola McDowell Bradley; she was the youngest of five daughters. She was married to Floyd Davis on February 18, 1948 in Palestine, Texas. She was a resident of Muleshoe, Bai-

ley County, Texas for 35 years and worked 17 years for Lindsay's Jewelry and was engaged in farming with her husband. She and her husband moved to Denton in 1999.

Family visitation will be Tuesday, October 11, 2011 at 10:00 AM at Mulkey-Mason Funeral Home in Denton. Graveside services will follow at 2:00 PM at Union Hill Cemetery in Alvord, Texas. Jim Hill of Denton Bible Church will officiate.

She is survived by her husband Floyd Davis of Denton, four sons, Charles and wife Debbie of Waller, Texas; Allen of Amarillo, Texas; Brad and wife Avonna of Denton, Texas; and Lindel and wife Nancy of Bells, Texas; six grandchildren and six great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her

parents and four sisters. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Alzheimer's Foundation of America. Mulkey-Mason Funeral Home Denton are in charge of the arrangements.

Online condolences may be made at www.mulkey-masondenton.com

DEATH NOTICE

LESTER LEE PHILLIPS

Lester Lee Phillips 72, passed away on October 9, 2011 in Crosbyton, Tx. He was born on August 3, 1939 in McAllen, Tx to Willard Edward and Alma Maxine Willingham Phillips.

Memorial service will be held on Friday October 14, 2011 at the First Baptist Church in Spur, Texas at 1:00p.m. with Rory Mosley officiating under the direction of Campbell Funeral Home

LEGENDS...

GARZA COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM

BY LINDA PUCKETT

In selecting this week's topic of information to share with you, the reader, I got to thinking about the word or term legend. Checking my trusty thesaurus, the word legends covers lots of ground; folktales, myths, fairytales, icons, and celebrities. Well that pretty much covers the wealth of information that the museum has collected over the years, preserved and made available for research of a specific ancestor or other educational material, or as in the case of 'Legends' we are able to select randomly a subject that may be of interest in a weekly article. How great is that.

We think of our fair city as a peaceful little village nestled just below the caprock where everyone works and goes about their daily routine, attending church, school sports, clubs and socials. But every so often something startling will happen, such as the following. In 1934, a double murder occurred in Post. The newspaper ran this headline: Former Post Man Charged With Murder Here Monday Monte Bridges, of Lub-

bock, formerly of this city, was charged with murder in two complaints, last Monday night as the result of slayings of Jay A. Donaldson, 48 and Bertha Gordon, 20, both of this city, on Sunday night.

Bridges was the companion of Donaldson and Miss Gordon Sunday afternoon and night. Bloodstains on the car seat and windshield, a bullet hole through the side of the car above the seat, led officers to believe the pair were slain in the car and shoved out on highway 84 about four miles east of here.

Bridges had not asked for an examining trial, County Judge W.L. Cross said this morning.

Following the inquest Sunday night, a verdict that Donaldson and Miss Gordon died of gunshot wounds was returned and the bodies were taken to the Davis-Mason Undertaking Parlor.

Bridges purportedly told a group of men downtown here Sunday night that Donaldson had shot. Miss Gordon and then had turned the gun on himself.

Questioned by District Attorney G.H. Nelson, Sheriff W.F. Cato, and County At-

torney H.G. Smith, Bridges made several oral statements but refused to sign any of them. One statement involved an unidentified man he said drove up to their car, got into an argument with them and shot the man and woman.

Miss Gordon's body was at a right angle from the highway, lying north and south, the head at the edge of the borrow pit. Donaldson's body was at an angle of about 45 degrees in the roadway. The corpses were close enough together that the legs of one were on the other. Within the triangular space between the bodies, a .45 caliber revolver was found. It was Bridges' gun, said investigators.

Donaldson was shot in the left jaw with the bullet emerging from the back of the head, and again just below the heart, the bullet ranging downward and emerging from near the small of the back. A bullet hole was in the right side of the car top at about the height of a sitting occupant's head. A dent in the right door was thought to have been made by a bullet.

The woman was shot in top of the left shoulder and in back of the same shoulder. Both pellets went downward and did not emerge.

Four exploded shells and one unfired cartridge were in the gun. One chamber was empty. A pair of dice was found near the bodies.

Funeral Rites Held For Jay Donaldson Monday

Funeral rites for Jay A. Donaldson, 48, were held at the home of his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Donaldson, Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock with Minister Alvis Mitchell, of the Church of Christ officiating. Mr. Donaldson had been a resident of Post for about twenty-three years. Internment was made at the Terrace Cemetery with the James C. Cole American Boys assisting in the burial service.

Part-2 of the notorious Monte Bridges continues next week.

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Not ANOTHER One?!

By Doctor Wink

I know what some of you are already thinking by reading this title...no, Kristi & I are not expecting another child. No, I'm not buying anymore horses. And no, I'm not referring to the number of practical jokes I've played on my unsuspecting clients. Well, maybe. I'll have to get back to you on the practical joke count. It changes weekly. What I'm referring to is the number of clients I see during a certain timeframe all of which have the same problem. Just like early in the year with Parvo virus; I am amazed how certain cases appear in groups.

This extremely dry year has made some diseases reappear

that I haven't seen in a really long time. One such disease is Pigeon Fever. For all you bird lovers out there, I'm not referring to an actual bird and taking its temperature...that sounds fun doesn't it? Pigeon Fever is a disease which affects only horses and it's been about 6-7 years since I have seen a case of this. Surprisingly, I've already seen at least a dozen cases this year and the numbers are still climbing.

Pigeon Fever can be called several different things; Ulcerative Lymphangitis, Pigeon breast, Dryland Distemper, but most of them are due to the same bacteria - *Corynebacterium Pseudotuberculosis*. I



know...I know...big medical words, but I have to put those in every now & then so you'll think I know what I'm talking about! With pigeon fever an abscess forms in the pectoral region (aka the chest) of the horse. An owner may notice a small swelling in the chest area one day, and by the next day the swelling could be 4-5 times larger. We believe insects sever as vectors (carriers) and transmit this from one horse to another.

Treatment options can vary among each case of Pigeon Fever. Most of the time antibiotics are recommended and the abscess needs to be lanced and flushed out. This is where

many say the 'contagious' part comes in. Lancing and letting the abscess drain on the ground allows the vectors (flies & mosquitoes) to come in contact with the disease and start the spread. In addition to antibiotics, some horses might need medication for pain depending on the severity and location of the abscesses. Like I said earlier, each case is different. It's best to treat Pigeon Fever early! Don't wait 3-4 days from the first time you notice swelling in the chest region to take to your vet. This will save you money in the long run and also save your horse from a messy, miserable ordeal.

Yesteryears

Year of 2001- 10 Years ago

The Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW hosted a garage sale.

Garza County 4-H hosted a "Walt Wesley Day 4-H Turkey Shoot."

Melissa Striblin, Ron Hudson announced their engagement. A December 15, ceremony was planned.

Varsity girls take 1st at cross country meet in Spur.

Year of 1991- 20 Years ago

PHS 1991 Football Sweetheart Sara Alexander is joined by runner-ups Wendy Clay and Misty Bartlett along with their escorts; Hiram Gutierrez, Brandon Bird, Tommy Ammons.

PHS 1991 Band sweethearts Trudy Woods is joined by runner-up Cathie Cash, and Lucie Rodriguez with their escorts Shane Horton, Shannon Scott and Daylon McDougle.

John Hutto, a 1989 PHS graduate enlisted in the Air Force.

Year of 1981- 30 Years ago

Guy Allen received the Giles Wilson Connell Memorial Trophy as the OS steer roping champion.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Aten announced the marriage of their daughter, Ann to David Stelzer.

Brownie Scout Troop 235 attended a Brownie Come-Along for third grade girls at Camp Rio Blanco.

Cindy Basquez and Ken Young were awarded, "Golden Star Boy and Girl," the highest 4-H awards at the annual Garza County Achievement banquet.

Year of 1971- 40 Years ago

Pat Johnson was named as one of the semi-finalists in the Miss Teen-Age America contest.

Allyne Runkles was hostess for the meeting of the Mystic Sewing Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Dale Blair announced the birth of twin sons, Bobby Dale and Bobby Glenn, on Oct. 4, 1971.

Deborah Ann Eubank of

Post is one of 26 West Texas State University coeds who was a contestant for the second annual Miss WTSU Pageant.

Year of 1961- 50 Years ago

Mrs. Ronnie Bouchier was honored with a layette shower, in the home of Mrs. Jack Kirkpatrick Ranch home. Hostesses were Mrs. Jack Kirkpatrick, Mrs. K. W. Kirkpatrick and Mrs. K. Stoker.

Funeral services were held in Lubbock for Sam B. Bardwell, 76, who moved to Post in 1907- the year of the founding of Post and the organization of Garza County -

and was associated with the C. W. Post interests unit his retirement in 1952.

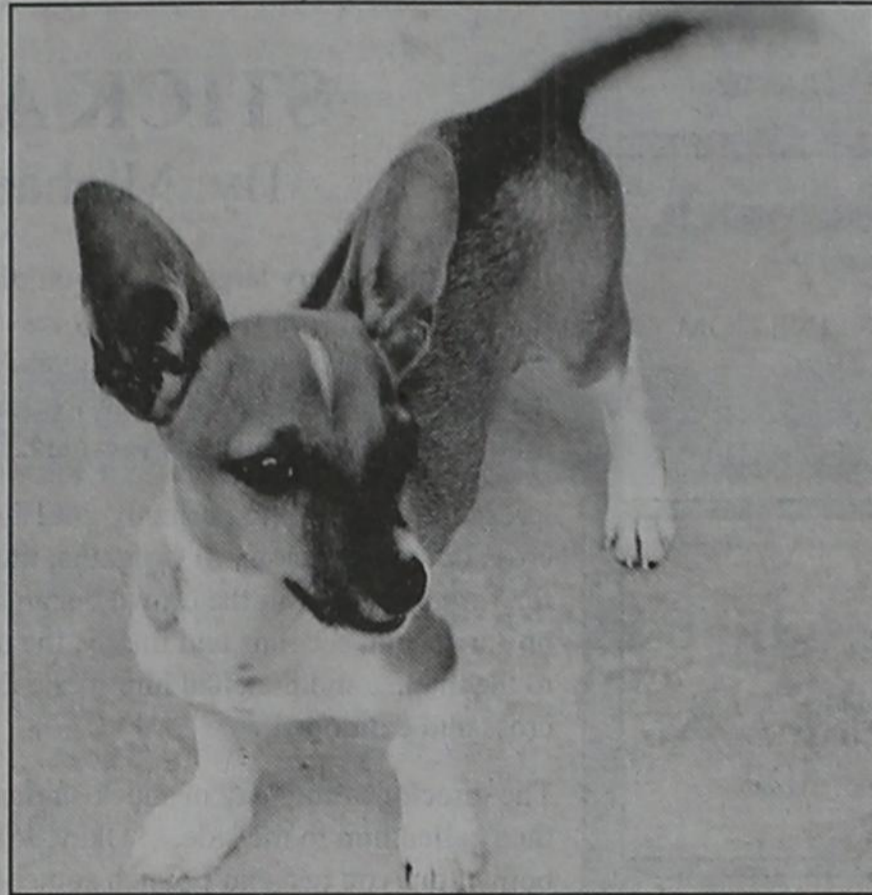
Year of 1951- 60 Years ago

Approximately 175 persons turned out to attend the annual Mid-West Texas Fireman's Associate Convention held here.

Construction on the new \$45,000 church of Christ building was expected to begin soon.

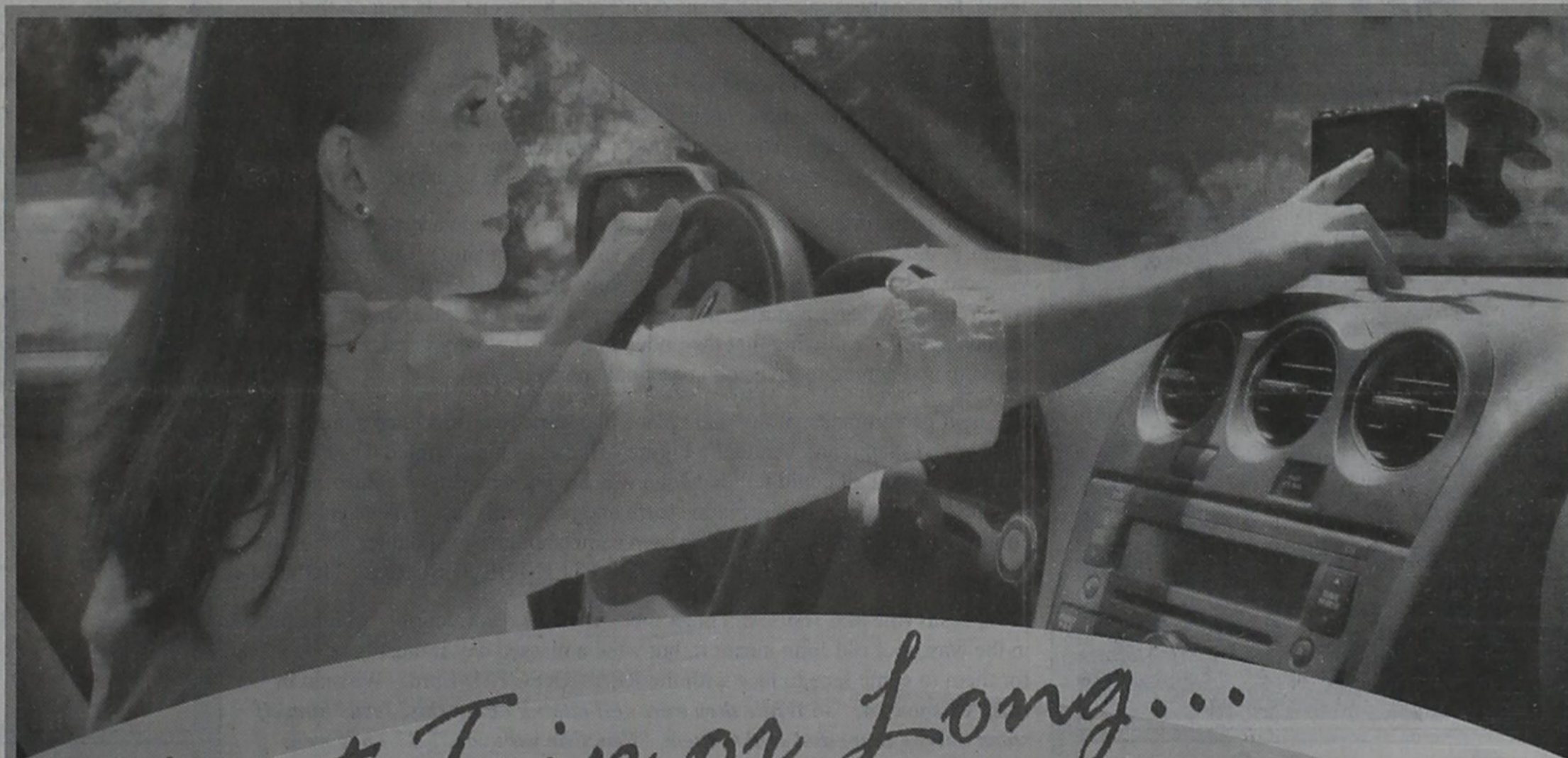
Jack Kirkpatrick was Praised by Coach Truett Rattaw, of Leveland, that Kirkpatrick was still the best all-around backfield man on the Plains.

ADOPT A PET TODAY



I'm Chachi the Chiweenie. I'm 3 months old and have a personality as big as my ears. I'm available for adoption from the Post Animal Refuge Center. If you're looking for a new friend who is full of life, I'm your guy. Please contact the shelter at Postarc@yahoo.com or on Facebook at Post Arc.

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2001 Mercury Grand Marquis, sedan, silver/gray leather, V8 Auto, nice, 110k #50404.....	\$5,995	2007 Chevy 2500HD Reg Cab, 2WD, white/charcoal, work truck, 6.0 V8 auto, 55k #50410.....	\$12,500	2009 Chevrolet Trailblazer white/gray cloth, LT1, cruise, sunroof, 36K #50296.....	\$18,000
2002 Ford Explorer, 4DR, 4X4, gray/tan cloth, 3rd row seat, XLT, V6, 126k #50431.....	\$5,000	2007 Chevy 1500, Crew Cab, 4x4, silver/charcoal cloth, 4.8 V8 auto, 1LT, 91k #50021.....	\$18,500	2009 F150 Crew Cab, King Ranch, maroon/tan leather, V8 auto, loaded, 65k #50467.....	\$29,000
2003 Chevy 1500 Suburban, pewter/tan leather, 165k, extra clean #50437.....	\$7,500	2007 Chevy 2500HD Ext Cab, 4X4, s/b, Duramax, white/charcoal cloth, work truck, 97k #50475.....	\$21,500	2009 Chevy 1500, 2WD, Crew Cab, maroon/tan cloth, 5.3 V8 Auto, Texas pkg, NICE, 59k #50473.....	\$21,300
2003 Chevy 1500 Ext cab, 2WD, maroon/tan cloth, 5.3 V8 auto, power seat, 90k #50131.....	\$10,500	2007 GMC Sierra Ext Cab, 2WD, white/charcoal cloth, SLT pkg, 4.8 V8 Auto, 97k #50463.....	\$11,950	2009 Chevy 1500 Ext Cab, 4X4, black/black cloth, 5.3 V8 Auto, Texas pkg, chrome, 122k #50438.....	\$28,450
2003 Chevrolet s/wb, 2WD, red/charcoal cloth, power locks, cruise, CD, 98k #50419.....	\$8,950	2008 Chevy 1 Ton SRW, Crew Cab, 4x4, black/gray leather, Easley flat bed, 122k #50153.....	\$27,500	2010 Chevrolet Suburban, 4X4, silver/gray leather, LT1, NICE, 13K #50137.....	\$35,000
2004 Chevy 1500 Ext Cab, 2WD, silver/charcoal, 4.8 V8 auto, tool box, 209k #50102.....	\$8,500	2008 Chevy 1500, Crew Cab, 4x4, Z71, maroon/charcoal, 5.4 V8 auto, 56k #50071.....	\$23,500	2010 (2) Chevrolet Impalas LT, V6, 26,000 miles, goldmist/charcoal cloth.....	\$18,075
2004 Chevrolet SSR LT, red/black leather, 5.3 V8, 7100 miles #50430.....	\$25,700	2008 Chevy 1500, 2WD, ext cab, w/t, V6 auto, white/charcoal cloth, 86k #4859.....	\$12,500	2010 Chevrolet Equinox, FWD, white/charcoal cloth, 4 cyl auto, 26K, LT pkg.....	\$24,475
2009 Chevy Suburban 2WD, LTZ, white/tan leather, 5.3 V8, sunroof, 48K #50331.....	\$37,500	2008 Chevy 2500HD, Crew Cab, 4X4, s/b, gray/leather, 6.6 Duramax, LTZ, 89k #50406.....	\$29,995	2011 Buick Enclave CXL, AWD, diamond white/gray leather, 29K LOADED #30027.....	\$36,500
2005 Chevy 1500 Ext cab, 4x4, white, silver/charcoal cloth, 5.3 V8 auto, 121k #50235.....	\$13,950	2008 Chevy 2500HD, Crew Cab, Z71, white/black leather, 6.0 V8, remote start, 88k #50448.....	\$23,500	2011 Buick Lucerne CXL, 4DR, diamond white/gray leather, 20k, NICE #30028.....	\$27,500
2005 Chevy Impala, 4 door, sedan, tan/gray cloth, V6 auto, 65k #50242.....	\$8,950	2008 Chevy Equinox, white/tan cloth, V6 Auto, 55k, LS pkg, one owner #50474.....	\$13,800		

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In and Around Close City

by Traci Freeman

We did get a little bit of rain over the weekend. Charles said he got about an inch; Reporting a half an inch are, Ronnie Graves out north as well as GB Wilke and down on the Ellis/Childs/Freeman corner, Jim Ellis.

Willard and Wilma Yarbrow took a trip to Singapore to visit with Burton and Jennifer who are stationed there with the air force. While there they got to do a lot of sight see'n and even brought me a couple of rocks back to add to my collection. Mike and Julie Aten have

also done some traveling lately and brought me rocks as well, while gone they started out towards Moab to see the beautiful scenery and the Arches and then on up to Yellowstone. Both families report having a wonderful time. Thanks so much for the rocks, I love them!

Congratulations to Rene and Andrea (Lopez) Armendariz on the birth of their sweet baby girl, Addalyn Ray who was born October 11th. Addalyn is also welcomed home by big brother, Alonzo and big sister Yvette.

Thank you, thank you, thank you for fixing our busted door to the old school.. you know who you are!

Everyone go out to the TMBR tomorrow (Saturday) it is a great event held each year at the Post Rodeo Grounds and I hear they are going to have some great Vendors out there as well as some exciting bronc riding!

Also good luck to our guys heading to the antique tractor show at the Ag Museum in Lubbock this weekend...I'll have details next week.

October 19th - Aron Lopez, Kim Norman

Close City Anniversaries

October 20th -

Mike and Julie Aten

October 20th -

Daniel and Veronica Contreras

Visitors

Doctor Ben and Cade came by and brought me some eggs; Ronnie Metsgar came to do our annual "keep up" on our fire extinguishers and stayed to visit a while; Ya'll come out and drink a cup of coffee with us one morning or a cool drink in the afternoon, you are guaranteed to be entertained and a whole lot smarter when you leave!

Ragtown folks in the nursing homes we need to remem-

ber are... Marj Caffey in Marble Falls; Doug and Claudine Tipton; Carmen Abraham; Mary Gayle Young in Post; Jean Tipton in Robert Lee; Jewel White in Lubbock. Others are, Mack Ledbetter in Slaton; Doris Wilson in Castorville; John and Mary Gist in Lubbock in Lubbock. **Please let me know if there is anyone I need to add to this list.**

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Weekly Inspirations

STICK AROUND

By: Michael F. Taylor

It seems that a very large production of the Passion Play was being held in a dusty rural area which greatly resembled Jerusalem. The director of the play had taken great pains to even locate the play next to a hill which would depict Golgotha. Much work and rehearsal were poured into the production and opening day revealed a sold out audience.

Everything was going perfectly until Jesus (the actor) was carrying the cross upon his back up to Golgotha, the Place of the Skull. As he stumbled forward, a heckler in the crowd began to tease and taunt him. This went on for several seconds and finally, the actor in anger, dropped the cross, ran to the man....and punched him in the face. He then ran and picked up his cross and continued on.

The director of the play in shock said nothing until the play was done and then called him to the side. "Okay, John, I know that man was being a bother, but you just can't punch somebody in the face. You're portraying Jesus, for goodness sake, and Jesus didn't punch anyone. If you do that again, your out of a job!", the director chastised.

John assured him that it would not happen again. But the very next performance, the same man was in the same place, and began to taunt Jesus (the actor) again. And sure enough, John lost his cool and once again dropped the cross, ran up to the guy and....punched his lights out again.

After the performance, the director called John to the side and told him, "John, I told you that I would fire you if you did that again. I just can't have you acting that way while you are portraying the Son of God." Pleading, John replied, "Please just give me one more chance, I promise that it will not happen again!" Knowing that the understudy was not very good, the director caved in and agreed to give John one final chance.

The next performance, at the same place, the same man was once again there and began to taunt and berate the Figure of Jesus as he stumbled down the dirt road. And all could tell that John was having a hard time controlling his anger. John began to grind his teeth and jut out his jaw. The heckler continued on and finally as the two men came shoulder to shoulder, John said to him, "Stick around, I'LL MEET YOU AFTER THE RESURRECTION!"

Well, Jesus (the real Jesus) did meet them after the resurrection! Maybe not in the way poor old John meant it, but what a blessed day it must have been for them to come face to face with the RESURRECTED Lord. We read in Luke Chapter 24, "36 While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." 37 They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. 38 He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? 39 Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have." 40 When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. 41 And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" 42 They gave him a piece of broiled fish, 43 and he took it and ate it in their presence. 44 He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms." NIV.

My prayer for each of us this week is that we would stick around to SEE Jesus after the Resurrection! He is Alive and Well and still sits at the right hand of the Father interceding for you and I. God bless and have a wonderful week.

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2 Timothy 3:16-17

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By John Berry,

President Post Lions Club

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Norm and Sherrill Lambert of Liberal, Kansas are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Andrea Christine to Mark Taylor McCallister. Both of Lubbock, Texas.

Mark is the son of Randy and Jana McCallister of Post, Texas.

Andrea is a 2008 graduate of Texas Tech University with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Early Childhood Education. She is a kindergarten teacher at Wheelock Elementary in Lubbock, Texas.

Mark is a 2009 graduate of Covenant School of Radiology and will graduate in December 2011 from Midwestern State University, Wichita Falls, Texas with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Radiologic Sciences. Mark is employed with M.M.I in Lubbock.

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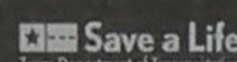
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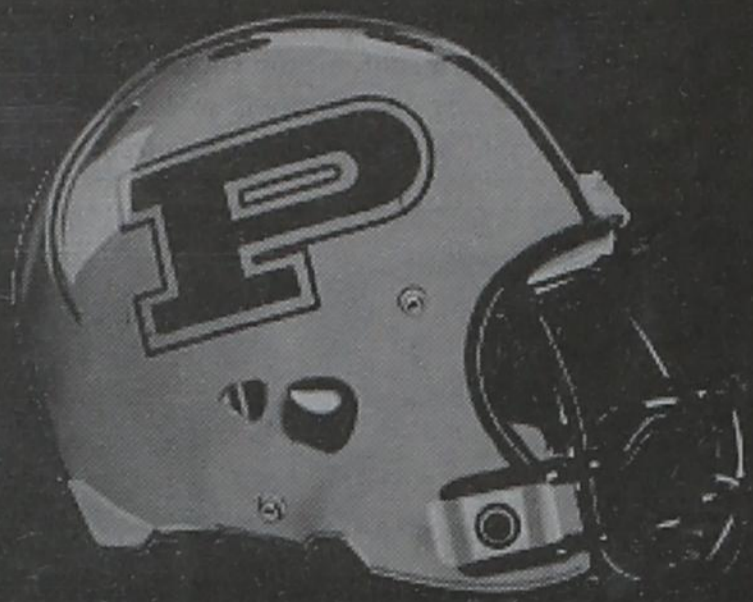
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POST VS. COAHOMA



By Steffi Scott

The Bold Gold Varsity Lopes had a rough journey to Coahoma. They left with high hopes and came back a bit disappointed. A loss never stops Coach Smith from being positive though. "We had a great scheme for stopping Coahoma and did a pretty good job," said Coach Steve Smith. "We just allowed to many 3rd and 4th down conversions and let them have too many big plays. Their offensive line really stepped up and we did not adjust well in intensity or technique on big down."

Although the Lopes fell short to Coahoma, there was some improvement in the kicking game. Perez had 3 out of 4 extra points. Smith chalks that up to hard work and coaching.

"The offense is learning and we are getting better at taking advantage of the defense and how they are playing us," said Smith. "We still are inconsistent at times and we make too many mistakes but the potential is there and we are improving." The offense brought in 350 yards of offense. On the flip side they allowed three turnovers in such a close game. The final outcome was Coahoma 47 Post 29. Even though this was a disappointing loss for the Bold Gold Coach Smith hasn't lost sight of how his other teams have fared over the week. Smith stated,

"The JH teams and the JV teams all had good wins and the Varsity fought hard. Overall it was a good week and even though we suffered a very disappointing loss, we continue to improve."

HERE ARE SOME STATS FROM LAST WEEK'S GAME:

Post 0 7 14 8 - 29

Coahoma 7 7 20 13 - 47

FIRST QUARTER

COA — Justin Coker 10 run (Marco Molina kick), 5:46

SECOND QUARTER

PHS — DJ Brown 5 run (Jacob Perez kick), 8:07

COA — Aaron Acevedo 6 run (Molina kick), :41

THIRD QUARTER

COA — Aaron Acevedo 45 run (Molina kick), 8:28

PHS — Pake Jones 9 run (Perez kick), 6:03

COA — Acevedo 57 run (kick failed), 5:38

PHS — Jacob Perez 12 pass from Jones (Perez kick), 1:07

COA — Acevedo 55 run (Molina kick), :30

FOURTH QUARTER

COA — Cage Miller 13 run (Molina kick), 10:18

POST — Jones 2 run (Nathan Gill run), 4:49

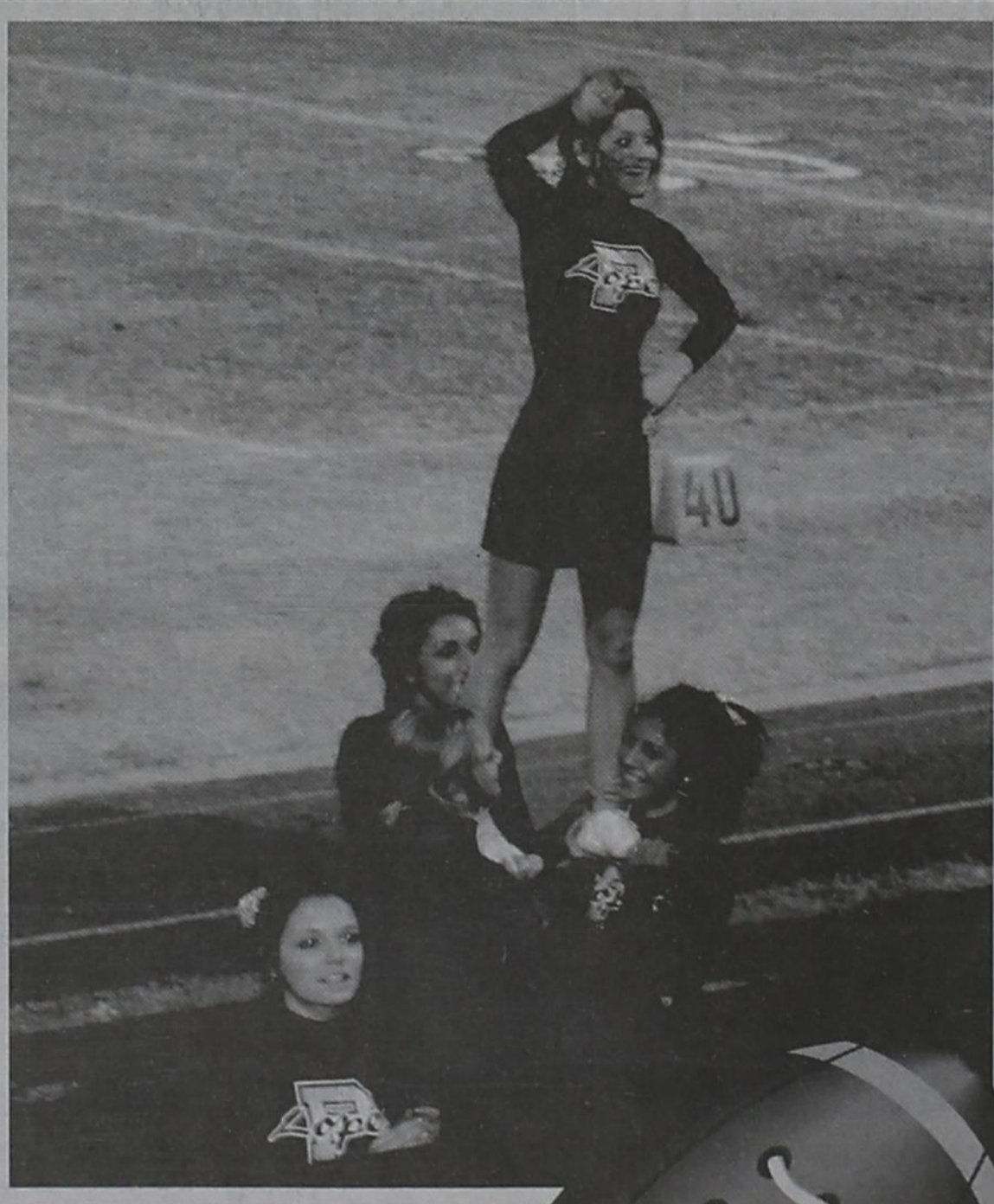
COA — Tanner Ruiz 32 run (kick failed), :55

	PHS	COA
First Downs	17	18
Rushes-Yds.	42-296	457-368
Passing Yds.	86	61
Comp.-Att.-Int.	6-14-2	5-7-0
Punts-Avg.	1-19	0
Fumbles-lost	3-2	0-0
Penalties-Yds.	5-35	3-30
Records:	2-5, 1-2 (district)	4-3, 3-0 (district)



#14 Jake Perez, #62 Nathaniel Gill, #54 Travis Greathouse, #8 Caden Dean

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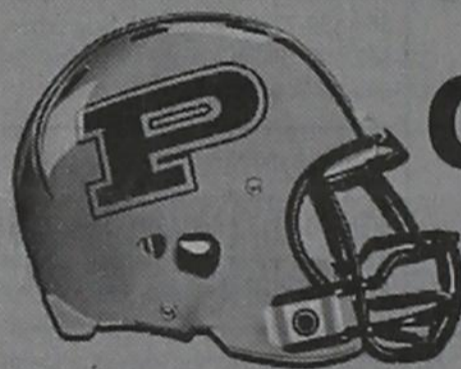
Macie Merritt leads the crowd in a chant

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Coaches Corner

by Steve Smith

(This piece is inspired from the writings of Coach John Wooden, the former UCLA coaching legend.)

Time is the one thing that we spend and can never get it back in any shape form or fashion. Once it is gone, it is gone forever. I hear people all the time tell themselves that they will work twice as hard tomorrow to make up for what they did not do today. They justify the wasting of time, when we all know that it is impossible to make up time.

We should always do our best. If we can work twice as hard tomorrow, then we should have also worked twice as hard today. That would have been the best. We would be farther ahead in our lives if we did this. Catching up leaves no room for us to do our best tomorrow. When we put off or miss a chance to do something, we may indeed make it up later, but what about the time we used to make-up? It could have been better used to prepare in the first place. People with the philosophy of putting off and then working twice as hard, cheats themselves.

Most young people don't know how to work hard, and so many are satisfied with just getting by. I don't settle for this second-best attitude from my players. I'd ask

them, "If you do not have the time to do it right the first time, when will you find the time to do it over?"

I seek to help my players learn to work hard in three areas of life. Certainly, I want to help them get the most out of themselves physically, but I also wanted them to learn to work hard mentally and emotionally. I asked that their studies come first; athletics second and social lives third. This requires them to have discipline. Physical conditioning, of course, was needed to play sports, but it also helps them gain control in other areas of their lives.

To do a good job on their studies, they need to develop mental control. To avoid mistakes and stay focused, they also needed to have emotional control. Achieving that takes hard work. Control in all three areas helps my players keep focus in school, on the court and in life.

Time is precious. It can't be saved, it can only be spent, so to waste it, is to cheat yourself of your best. If tomorrow morning your bank credited your account with \$84,000 but that evening canceled whatever part of the amount you failed to use, what would you do? You would spend every penny of course!

Well you have such a bank account, it is called time. Every day it is credited with 86,000 seconds. As the clock strikes midnight, whatever you failed to use is lost forever. Each day the bank named Time opens a new account in your name and each night it burns the records of the day and cancels the time left that you did not use. It does not deposit the remainder of the time you wasted.

It is a totally lost.

What is the value of a day in our lives? It is exactly 86,000 seconds. No more, no less. God gives us life as a gift, but how we spend the time in our lives is our gift to God. The apostle Paul also had a take on time. He wrote to the Christians of the city of Ephesus and suggested that they make each day a masterpiece. A wise person, he pointed out, will make the most of his or her time.

To truly make each day a masterpiece, we must first understand the Lord's will. You can't have a masterpiece if you spend time on frivolous activities or outright sin.

Paul wrote about the problem of addiction to alcohol, but he could just as easily have added drugs, television, food, computers, video games, and a host of other detrimental time wasters. How many hours do you spend each day on these or other unhealthy habits? How could you better use that time?

Finally, Paul urges us to be filled with the Spirit. Having God's power helps us, say not to the bad stuff and yes to God's will. "So be careful how you live, not as fools, but as those who are wise. Make the most of every opportunity for doing good in these evil days." Ephesians 5:15-16

How will you spend your 86,000 seconds today? How can you make today a masterpiece? I want today and everyday to be a masterpiece, to myself, to my school, to my job, to my family, and to Jesus Christ. I want to use every second so that tomorrow I will not have to make up for something I wasted today, but use today to push on toward a new masterpiece.

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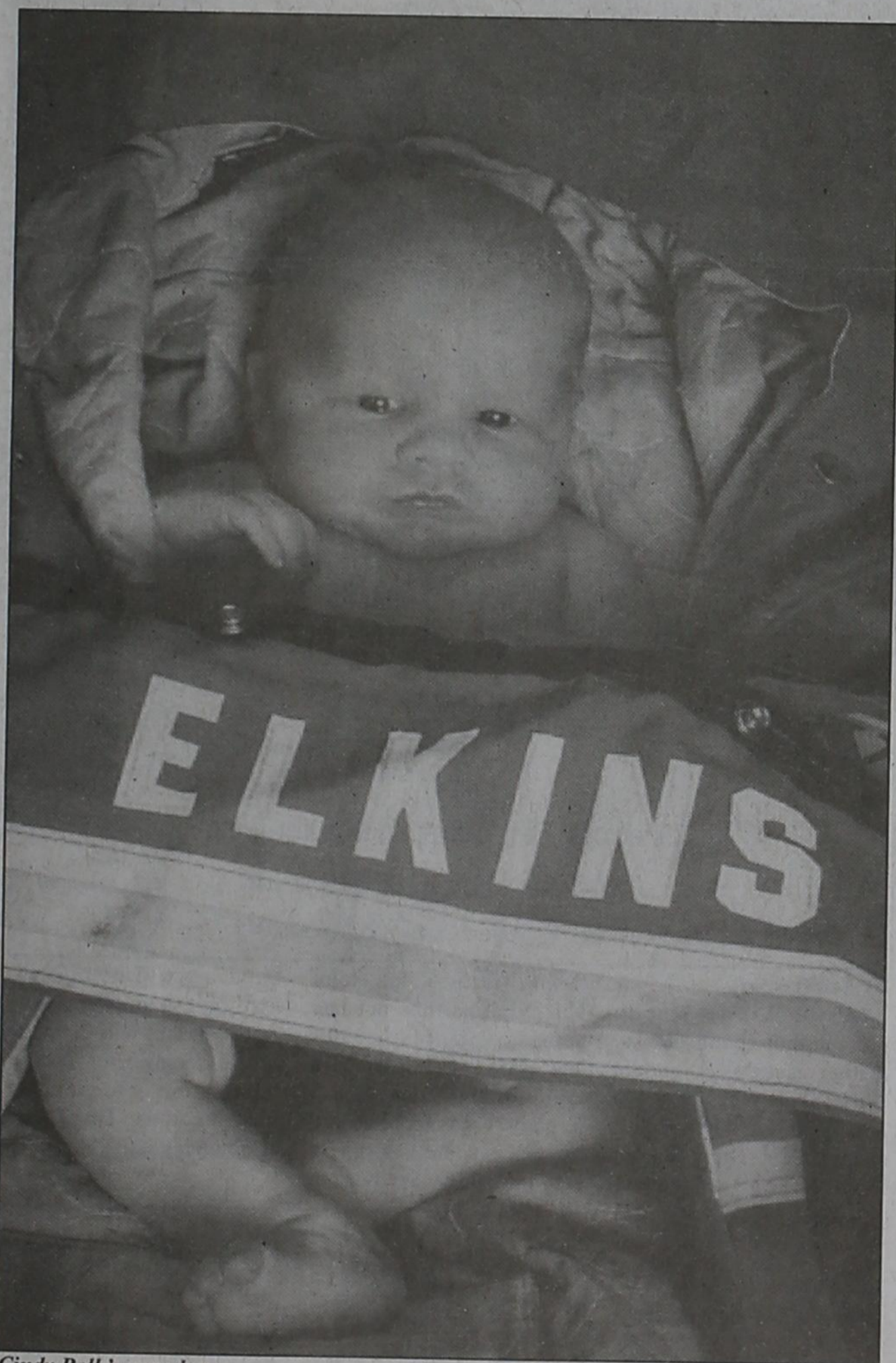
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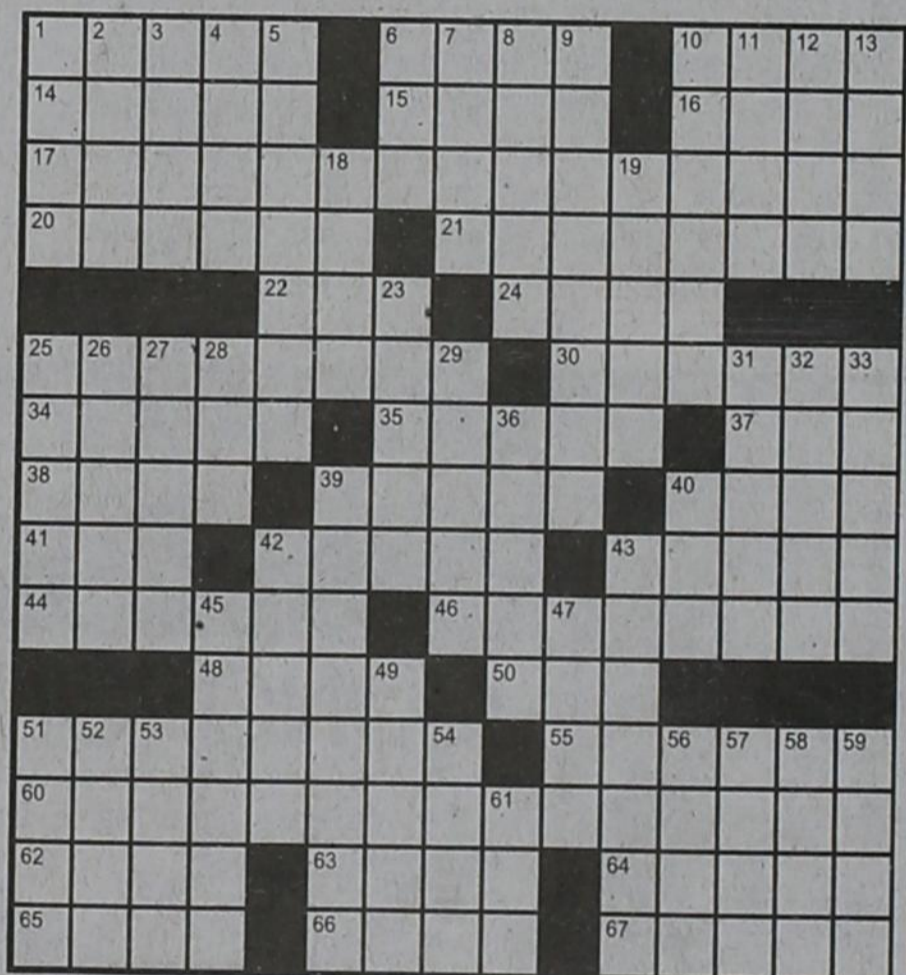
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1. Romulus' twin
6. Asian nurse
10. Light bulb unit
14. Blatant
15. ___ a one
16. ___ vera
17. Tobacco wrappers (2 wd)
20. Go this way and that
21. Easiest to reach
22. Napoleon, e.g.
24. Booty
25. To a small extent
30. Three-legged hot dish support
34. Star bursts
35. Cliffside dwelling
37. 1969 Peace Prize grp.
38. Battery contents
39. Montezuma, e.g.
40. Mint
41. Mamie's man
42. Draft holder
43. Fire extinguishing agent
44. Inferior
46. Existing independently
48. New Mexico art community
50. 1999 Pulitzer Prize-winning play
51. Kings, e.g.
55. Commonplace
60. Technique using unpleasant stimuli to alter behavior (2 wd)
62. Circular, domed portable tent
63. "How ___!"
64. Object
65. Andy's radio partner
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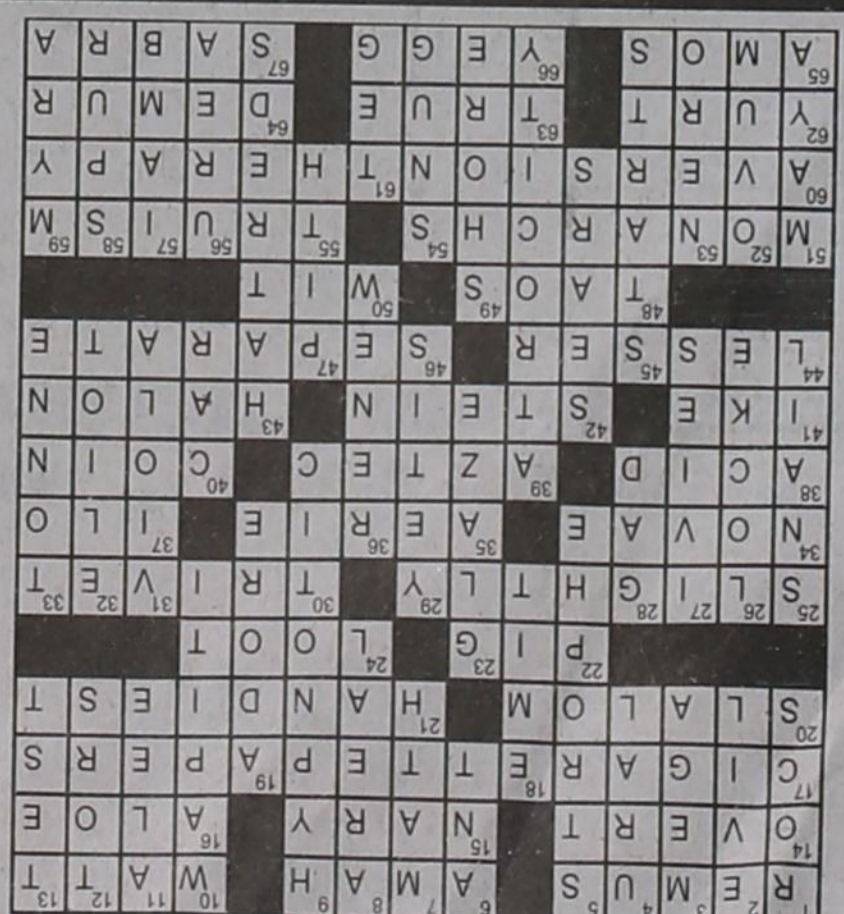


28. "Crikey!"
29. Abominable snowmen
31. Kind of concerto
32. "Four Quartets" poet
33. 1,000 kilograms
36. Extend, in a way
39. Act of extreme cruelty
40. "Wheels"
42. ___ Tower, now Willis Tower
43. Intense dislikes
45. Commences
47. Core
49. Beach
51. Poet Angelou
52. Egg
53. "I, Claudius" role
54. Like a bug in a rug
56. Carbamide
57. Foot
58. Cowboy boot attachment
59. "___ Breckinridge"
61. Two-year-old sheep

CLUES DOWN

1. Enormous birds of myth
2. "... there is no ___ angel but Love"; Shakespeare
3. Prefix with phone
4. ___-Altaic languages
5. Stanza with irregular lines
6. Amazon, e.g.
7. Algebra or trig
8. "He's ___ nowhere man" (Beatles lyric) (2 wd)
9. Mesmerizing
10. Yellowstone sight
11. On the safe side, at sea
12. High spots
13. Makeup, e.g.
18. Give off, as light
19. Dig, so to speak
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Monarch Butterflies in the area

By DEE DERR

Over the last several weeks you may have noticed an increase in the number of Monarch butterflies flitting about. It's not surprising since Post happens to be in the path of their annual migration which starts around the end of September or the beginning of October each year.

Monarch butterflies are unique among butterfly species, they are the only insect to migrate up to 2,500 miles to escape the cold weather that most of the United States experiences each winter. Another reason they migrate to the south for the winter is that the milkweed plants that the

monarch caterpillars rely on as a food source do not grow during the winter months.

Tracking the butterflies has revealed that those butterflies that spend their adult lives living east of the Rocky Mountains generally migrate to Mexico where they will spend the winter clustered together in Oyamel Fir trees. If they are from areas west of the mountains, they migrate to areas around Pacific Grove, California where they will hibernate in eucalyptus trees. Oddly enough, these butterflies return every year to use the same trees, yet none of these butterflies has ever been to either site before.

The first three generations of Monarch butterflies that are born each year die approximately six weeks after they emerge from their cocoons. This short life span allows the butterflies enough time to mate and for the female butterfly to lay her eggs on a milkweed plant, ensuring the birth of the next generation.

It is only the fourth generation of Monarch butterflies that are born at the end of summer that will continue to live for up to six or eight months. It is this generation that is currently traveling through Texas on their way to their winter hibernation grounds. After they arrive at

their winter grounds, they will hibernate until spring when they will return to the United States and the cycle will repeat itself.

If you would like more information on the Monarch butterfly migration through Texas, or would like to become actively involved in tracking butterflies, you can contact the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for information concerning the Texas Monarch



Watch.

This program offers a tagging kit which includes tags, a PreMigration Newslet-

ter a date sheet and complete instructions for how to tag butterflies so that scientists can more easily track their movements.

Expert: Drought could last until 2020

COLLEGE STATION – Texas' historic and lingering drought has already worn out its welcome, but it could easily stay around for years and there is a chance it might last another five years or even until 2020, says a Texas A&M University weather expert.

John Nielsen-Gammon, who serves as Texas State Climatologist and professor of atmospheric sciences at Texas A&M, says the culprit is the likely establishment of a new La Niña in the central Pacific Ocean. A La Niña is formed when colder than usual ocean temperatures form in the central Pacific, and these tend to create wetter than normal conditions in the Pacific Northwest but also drier than normal conditions in the Southwest. A La Niña has been blamed for starting the current drought but the new one, which began developing several weeks ago, is likely to extend drought conditions for Texas and much of the Southwest.

Currently, about 95 percent of Texas is in either a severe or exceptional drought status and the past year has been the worst one-year drought in

the state's history, Nielsen-Gammon adds.

"This is looking more and more like a multi-year drought," explains the Texas A&M professor.

"September is already proving to be an exceptionally dry month and overall, little more than an inch of rain on average has occurred over Texas, compared to about three inches in a normal year. So a very dry state has become even drier."

Many parts of Texas are from 10 to 20 inches behind in rainfall.

"We know that Texas has experienced droughts that lasted several years," adds Nielsen-Gammon. "Many residents remember the drought of the 1950s, and tree ring records show that drought conditions occasionally last for a decade or even longer. I'm concerned because the same ocean conditions that seem to have contributed to the 1950s drought have been back for several years now and may last another five to 15 years."

The drought has devastated farmers and ranchers, and officials have estimated agriculture losses at more than \$5.2 billion. This summer, hundreds of

wildfires erupted in Texas and burned more than 127,000 acres, the most ever, and lake levels are down as much as 50 feet in some lakes while several West Texas lakes have completely dried up.

Numerous Texas cities set heat records this summer, such as Wichita Falls, which recorded 100 days of 100-degree heat, the most ever for

that city. Dallas also set a record with 70 days of 100-degree heat, and the city had to close down 25 sports fields because large cracks in the ground were deemed unsafe for athletic competition.

"Our best chance to weaken the drought would have been a tropical system coming in from the gulf, but that never hap-

pened and hurricane season is just about over for us," Nielsen-Gammon reports. "There's still hope for significant rain through the end of October while tropical moisture is still hanging around, but that's all it is – a hope."

"In the next few months, the outlook is not all that promising for rain. Parts of Texas, such as the

Panhandle and far Northeast Texas, have a better chance than the rest of the state," he adds.

"Because Texas needs substantially above-normal rain to recover, and it's not likely to get it, I expect that most of the state will still be in major drought through next summer."

Honor Roll

Listed below are the students attending Post Middle School that are on the All A Honor Roll:

6th Grade: Brooke Blair
Caycee Holson
Lucas Record

7th Grade: None

8th Grade: Mollie Burch
Tristan Fannon
Savina Gomez
Jessi Isbell
Macy Brogan
Blaine Reece
Kaitlyn Walden

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7:00 PM

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Musical Director: Kathy Sawyer

Written by: Warren Casey and Jim Jacobs

By Steffi Scott

Okay folks, it's time to pull out those bobby socks, leather jackets & poodle skirts! The vibe from the 50's is coming back in full swing! Post High School is performing a produc-

tion of "Grease," on October 29th. Post has not had a musical since the 90's and this is going to be a fabulous show! They have already sold around 350 tickets and are hoping to sell out. All proceeds from

the show will help establish funds for their One Act Play that will compete in the spring. For further information or to purchase tickets contact Tim Tatum at ttatum@postisd.net

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Post ISD School Menu:

October 17th-October 21st

Breakfast:	Seasoned Corn
MONDAY	Orange Smiles
Biscuits	Sherbet Cup
Sausage Gravy	Milk
Fruit	Tuesday
Milk	Pizza, Salad
Tuesday	Corn Coblette
Muffins	Peaches
Sausage Link	Milk
Fruit	WEDNESDAY
Milk	Chicken Spaghetti
WEDNESDAY	Garden Salad
Oatmeal	Fresh Apple
Bacon	Texas Toast
Toast	Brownie
Fruit	Milk
Milk	THURSDAY
THURSDAY	Beef & Bean Chalupas
French Toast Sticks	Spanish Rice
Sausage	Lettuce & Tomato
Syrup	Cinnamon
Fruit	Applesauce
Milk	Peanut Butter Bar
FRIDAY	Milk
Cereal	FRIDAY
Graham Cracker	Pizza Burger
Fruit	Lettuce
Juice	Tomato
Milk	Pickles
Lunch:	Tater Tots
MONDAY	Fresh Grapes
Chicken Fajitas	Milk
Refried Beans	



Pictured are Amondo Chapa who placed 2nd, Sara Greer who placed 1st, Tavish Soto who placed 3rd and Rubi Rodriguez who placed Honorable Mention. Other students who participated were DeAmor Garcia, Serafin Lopez and Israel Gonzales. Photo courtesy of Juanetta Bocko

Mary Gomez and CCA Member Patty Kirkpatrick look on as students work on their project.

Photo Courtesy Juanetta Bocko



By Steffi Scott

"CCA asked the Art Department of Post High School to paint a pictorial patchwork quilt on the parking lot of the Heritage House," said Mrs. Juanetta Bocko, PHS Art Teacher. "The art classes have spent the first six weeks learning about quilts and making several quilt square projects culminating in the painting of the pictorial patchwork quilt.

It has been an interesting unit for the students," stated Bocko.

This is a great opportunity for the students, not only can they improve on their artistic skills but they will also leave a footprint or in this case, piece of patchwork in Post history. It has also taken them away from the settings of a classroom and put them out in the community, doing something rewarding and worthwhile.

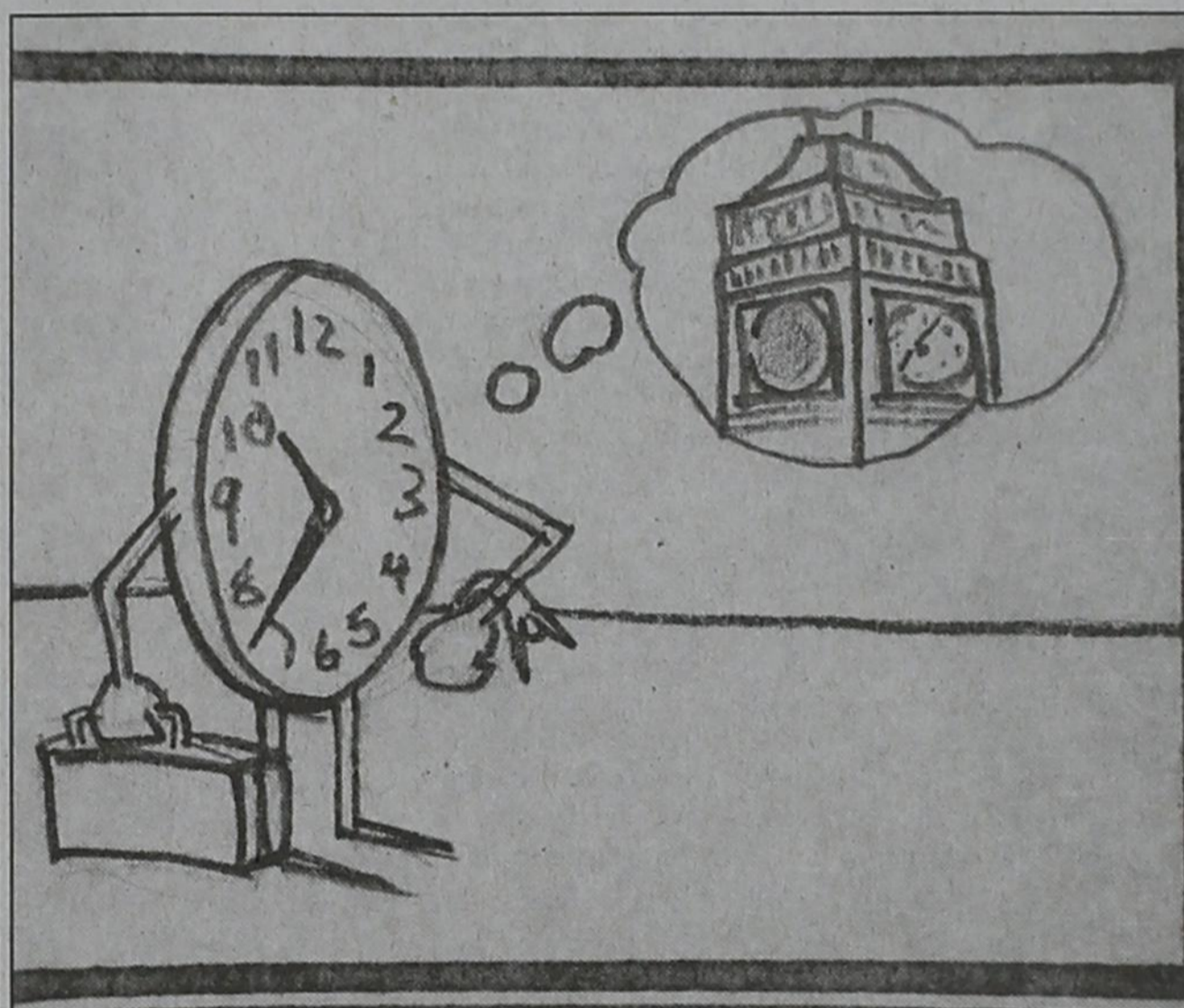


Illustration by Amondo Chapa, PHS Senior

Southland ISD Menu

Breakfast Menu for

Oct. 17 - Oct. 21

Monday

Pancake on a Stick
Fruit
Juice
Milk

Tuesday

Ham & Egg Burrito
Fruit
Juice
Milk

Wednesday

Breakfast Pizza
Fruit
Juice
Milk

Thursday

Muffins
Cereal
Yogurt
Fruit
Juice

Milk

Friday

Biscuits & Gravy
Sausage
Jelly
Fruit, Juice
Milk

Lunch Menu for
Oct. 17 - Oct. 21

Monday

Hamburger
Burger Salad
Ranch Flavored Potatoes
Carrots w/Ranch
Chocolate Pudding

Tuesday

Milk
Fish Plank
Macaroni & Cheese
Green Beans
Fresh Fruit

Hot Roll

Milk

Wednesday

Beef Chalupas
Refried Beans
Tossed Salad
Orange Smiles
Brownie
Milk

Thursday

Frito Pie
Corn
Lettuce & Tomato
Fruit Cup

Jello

Milk

Friday

BBQ on a Bun
Baked Beans
Baked Chips
Fruit
Pickle Spear
Milk

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Phil Wilson TxDOT Executive Director



AUSTIN — During their regular monthly meeting Thursday, the Texas Transportation Commission selected Phil Wilson as the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) 19th executive director, effective October 17, 2011. Wilson currently serves as senior vice president of public affairs for Luminant, an electric generation company headquartered in Dallas, and previously served as Texas Secretary of State.

As secretary, Wilson was responsible for elections and acted as the governor's chief liaison on the Texas-Mexico border and issues with Mexico. He has also served as Chairman of the Governor's Competitiveness Council, where Wilson helped identify ways the state could improve its economic position for continued long-term success. Wilson's public service also includes time as an aide to U.S. Senator Phil Gramm and on the senior staff of Governor Rick Perry.

"Phil's experience as a public servant and member of the Texas business community has prepared him well to lead the department as it continues to modernize," said Ted Houghton, Texas Transportation commissioner and chair of the commission's executive director search committee. "While TxDOT is certainly a national leader in transportation infrastructure development, there are opportunities for Phil to guide

the department through this period of transition, emerging a more responsive and efficient organization."

"I am honored to be selected as the next executive director of TxDOT. This is an agency with a rich history in successfully building for our future with dedicated employees," said Wilson. "I look forward to working with the agency, Commission, Legislature and local communities on the most efficient and effective ways to build infrastructure for Texas."

During his time as secretary of state, Wilson led a number of transportation-related programs, including the Border Colonia Access Program and the Texas Interagency Work Group on the Texas and Mexico Border Affairs initiative. The secretary of state also serves as the state's chief economic development officer, and in that role, Wilson worked with TxDOT professionals in bringing new opportunities to the state.

As a chair of the Governor's Competitiveness Council, Wilson and his colleagues made several transportation recommendations to improve the state's competitiveness, including proposals to reexamine public-private partnerships, expand inland ports, repair and maintain the state's existing infrastructure and advancement of rail relocation efforts.

Wilson succeeds Amadeo Saenz, Jr., who retired from state service at the end of August. Wilson is the department's first executive director since legislation was passed in 2009 removing the requirement that the position be occupied by a professional engineer. He holds a bachelor's degree from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene and a master's degree in business administration from Southern Methodist University.

Drought confuses some smart-irrigation controllers

By ROBERT BURNS

COLLEGE STATION — Confounded by Texas weather? So are most "smart" electronic irrigation controllers, according to a Texas AgriLife Extension Service expert. "Over the last two years, in a testing program, we found that Texas' variable and erratic weather confuses many of the controllers being sold in the state," said Dr. Guy Fipps, AgriLife Extension irrigation engineer, College Station.

Smart controllers refer to irrigation units that use weather data to calculate and apply the correct amount of water needed by lawns and landscape plants. Ordinary "dumb" controllers rely on timers and require human intervention, which, due to human error or lack of management, often apply two to three times more water than necessary, Fipps explained.

Among the weather factors smart controllers use is evapotranspiration, commonly abbreviated as ET, which is an estimate of the total amount of water needed by plants. Smart controllers either use historical ET data or calculate it from weather sensors measuring rainfall, heat, amount of sunlight and other factors.

For more than three years

at a College Station site, Fipps and Charles Swanson, AgriLife Extension landscape irrigation specialist, have been testing various brands of smart controllers sold in Texas. They have found that although the controllers are smart in theory, in actual use, some over-irrigate as often as their human counterparts who use guesstimates rather than calculations, according to Fipps.

However, the smart controllers have become smarter as manufacturers continue to tweak designs in response to such tests, he said. Still, during the third year of tests — which spanned 238 days from March 29 through Nov. 22, 2010 — many controllers still did not perform as consistently as expected.

"The 2010 results showed an increase in controller performance compared to the year-one and year-two results," he said. "However, we continued to see controllers irrigating excessively; some irrigated in excess of ET, even though 17 inches of rainfall fell during the 2010 study."

And that was before the drought worsened. During the drought of 2011, most of the controllers' performance was erratic, Fipps said.

"Three of the eight smart

controllers over-compensated and applied excessive amounts of water, and the remaining five did not apply enough irrigation water for all the irrigation zones and plant materials, although two of the controllers provided adequate amounts of water for five out of the six zones," he said. "The problem is likely due to which weather factors the controller uses."

The summer of 2011 was not only hotter and drier than normal, but conditions interacted to cause plants to use from 30 percent to 50 percent more water than they would in an average year, Fipps explained. While the amount of solar radiation (total energy received from the sun) remained close to normal levels, temperatures and wind were significantly higher.

In the 2010 tests, it was too much rain that caused problems with some smart controllers, he said. The 2010 work tested eight controllers from six different manufacturers.

"In 2010, it was only the smart controllers that were equipped with tipping-bucket rain gauges that were able to accurately provide the right amounts of irrigation," Fipps said.

For the tests, Fipps and Swanson programmed each

controller for a typical Texas irrigation system and landscape that included ornamental plants, shrubs and turf. They also considered various soil types with different root-zone depths.

"Programming these controllers was no easy task as only two controllers allowed us to input all the landscape parameters that were needed," Fipps said. "Each manufacturer was allowed to come in and provide assistance in programming to ensure the controller programming most accurately described the landscape, which most manufacturers did."

In the 2010 test, Fipps and Swanson added a "goldilocks" protocol, which interprets performance results to whether the controllers put on too much, too little or "just the right" amount of water.

"Adequate, inadequate and excessive categories make the testing results easier to understand by consumers and irrigation contractors who are trying to determine which controller to purchase," he said.

The full results are included in the recent report on smart controller testing and performance found on the Irrigation Technology Center website at <http://itc.tamu.edu/smart.php>.

Research project shows calibration is key to spreading manure for maximum effectiveness

AMARILLO — Manure, managed correctly, is a valuable natural fertilizer. Researchers and the cattle industry are joining forces to make sure those spreading the manure know how to do so in the "greenest" manner.

Texas Cattle Feeders Association, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Texas AgriLife Research and West Texas A&M University cooperatively are conducting the project, titled "Development and Implementation of an Environmental Training Program for

Manure and Compost Haulers/Applicators in the Texas High Plains."

Dr. Brent Auvermann, AgriLife Extension environmental systems specialist, said the main purpose of the project is to demonstrate how best management practices can be used to protect water quality.

The project is operating under the authority and funding of the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's 319 nonpoint source water quality

program.

"This is about nonpoint source pollution, which is any pollution you cannot trace to the end of a discharge pipe of some kind," Auvermann said. "Diffuse runoff from agricultural fields falls into that category. So we are trying to prevent or mitigate nonpoint source water pollution through the use of beneficial management practices for manure and compost application."

"Feeding cattle has been an integral part of the Texas High Plains economy for the past 40-plus years," said Ben Weinheimer, Texas Cattle Feeders Association vice president. "Custom manure and compost haulers are important to the long-term success of cattle feeders."

A number of companies in the region provide manure/compost removal, hauling and spreading services, Weinheimer said. These independent contractors market manure and compost, primarily to farmers in the region. In recent years, feedyards have been able to sell manure due to its increased competitiveness with commercial fertilizer.

"TCFA's interest in this project is to assist a key supporting industry by demonstrating field-proven techniques for proper application of manure and compost," he said. "These include proper calibration of spreading equipment, best management practices for environmental protection and training resources for owners and employees of manure/compost companies."

Auvermann said they are developing and refining management techniques of manure application, including developing a system by which manure haulers can easily calibrate their trucks and the applications they make if they don't have electronic management capability.

The project has sites on watersheds in Wheeler, Donley and Deaf Smith counties along the Sweetwater Creek, Buck Creek and Palo Duro Creek, respectively.

"The No. 1 environmental challenge is making sure feedyards have enough land to put manure on," Auvermann said. "One way to do that is off-site or third-party manure transfer. These transfers to third parties are really a critical component of a feedyard's nutrient management planning exercise."

"In order to preserve that conduit for manure off the feedyard, we have to make sure that everyone involved in spreading manure knows how to spread manure uniformly, how to hit the target application rates and what areas of the

field to avoid. That's what this demonstration project is all about," he said.

Dr. Paul DeLaune, AgriLife Research soil scientist in Vernon, said the project is looking at different rates of manure and compost applications, and documenting the effect of different rates of soil nitrogen and soil phosphorus and how it correlates to crop yields.

"And then also we want to monitor not only the soil nutrients, but how much nutrients we are losing in runoff water," DeLaune said. "We have an automatic water sampler to collect water runoff samples during a storm event or even an irrigation event."

He explained that if irrigation or storms produce runoff, the water runs through a flume on the backside of the sampler and they are able to calculate runoff volume based on that. In addition, they are able to take water quality samples.

"We have four rates: 20 tons raw manure per acre that is applied once every three years; five tons per acre of compost annually; commercial fertilizer applications annually, which is about 125 pounds of nitrogen; and then we have

10 tons per acre of raw manure application, which occurs annually," DeLaune said.

The initial reports in year one with no storm-driven events, but with irrigation-driven events, indicate there is potential to move small amounts of nutrients off the plots even through irrigation, he said.

"We've seen as much as 11 pounds of nitrogen lost and about 7 pounds of phosphorus lost from a site - less than 2 percent of applied and soil nitrogen and phosphorus - just due to irrigation that is moving off site," DeLaune said.

"The most important thing is to soil and manure sample," he said. "Know how much nitrogen and phosphorus you have in your soil profile and how much is in the manure before you go and apply more."

"Manure is a great source of macronutrients, micronutrients and organic matter," Weinheimer said. "By providing these companies with the resources needed to be informed and making training resources readily available to them and their employees, we can ensure that manure is not at a competitive disadvantage to commercial fertilizer."

"Farmers should have the freedom to obtain crop nutrients from manure, compost or commercial fertilizer," he said, adding they should also feel comfortable that the product has been applied in accordance with best management practices.



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