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SHOP LOCAL! SUPPORT POST!

By: Steffi Scott

Last Saturday downtown Post was quite a sight. The streets were lined with vendors selling things from bird houses, to baby girl clothes to turkey legs. The Post Toasties Express even might have an appearance. It was such a fun atmosphere to be in! Someone visiting this area might assume a local fair was going on, but that's not the case. This is simply our Post City Trade Day. Not only is this a fantastic way for local vendors to get their product out there for everyone to see, it's a perfect way for families to spend their Saturdays. I know the "norm" around here is to go to Lubbock and spend our precious

pay check, but it's time to make a change. Shopping local helps our economy tremendously. If our money stays in Post, then it can only benefit Post in the long run. The shops downtown have just as much stuff as Lubbock, if not more and we certainly have enough restaurants to choose from, heck, we even have our very own movie theatre! So, the next time you are thinking about loading the kids up, spending money on gas, driving the 35 minutes to Lubbock and then being honked at by crazy Lubbock drivers... stop, and think! Post Texas has anything anyone could ever want...and more!

Post Notes

Trade Day will be free to ALL vendors in December. It is our way of saying "thanks" for a great year!

The Catholic Church will be selling chili rellenos & gorditas, with rice and beans Saturday November 12th, 2011. Seven dollars a plate.

South Plains Association of Governments Area Agency on Aging is coming to Trail-Blazers November 14, 2011. "Medicare Open Enrollment" Prescription Drug Plan/Medicare Part D. Call to schedule your plan comparison with Ila Workman @ 806-495-2998. Bring your Medicare Card and your prescription medications. There could be some extra help available to you!

Post Lions Club 2011 Christmas Bikes for Tots Seeking Applications

The Post Lions Club is taking applications from families for their '2011 Christmas Bikes for Tots.' Children enrolled at Post Elementary School in grades kindergarten through fifth grade who meet eligibility requirements for free or reduced lunches are encouraged to apply. The Lions Club will select a predetermined number of boys and girls from the application pool to receive a new bicycle for Christmas.

Applications may be picked up at the Post Elementary school office beginning November 1. The deadline to submit an application is Thursday, November 17.

If you have any questions, please call Lion David Baker at 990-9888 or Lion Byron Garrison at 990-9898

Free English classes offered now at the Post High School. Call 495-2770.

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.

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:

Wednesday, November 16th- Report Cards go home
Friday, November 18th- 11:30 a.m.- Lunch in the Hall
Friday, November 18th- 12:30 p.m.- Early Release- buses will run

Monday, November 21 - Friday, November 25- Thanksgiving Holiday

We still have 2010-2011 Post Elementary yearbook's for sale. The cost is \$25.00 per book and can be picked up in the Nurse's Office in the Elementary building. For questions you may contact Mandi Criswell at 495-3414.

On The Road to Victory



Borden County Coyotes District Football Champions 2011.

SPEAK UP



Did you know that you are losing your second amendment rights if you are given a medication that can cause you to lose consciousness or you have a terminal disease like cancer and a psychiatrist sees you, that goes into your file with the FBI and Dept. of Public Safety and you just lost your rights to purchase a firearm or get a concealed carry license. There is a drug that is administered by psychiatrist called Klonopin that is a very dangerous drug that can cause all kinds of side effects and can even kill you, without you even knowing what is wrong until you nearly bleed to death and have to go to the emergency room and you can be declared suicidal from this drug being administered and I can assure you that you lost your constitutional rights right then and there through the Homeland Security and Obama bunch. They are implementing gun control this way. I know because I am a victim of this bureaucracy and you will not find any law firm to take your case and the National Rifle Association will hang up on you in their legal

dept. so don't depend on them for anything or the ACLU as they only represent left wing deals and they are not for gun rights or your constitutional rights being violated by some Dr. or some bad drug causing it all. Also, if you are broke like I am how are you going to get any protection from such actions as this. Also, legal aid will not take you if you are a minority and besides that they are funded by the very government that took your rights to start with, there is a lot more to this story that I can not tell in writing but if anyone out there that knows about bad laws and wants to help an individual that never has had any arrests record or been in any kind of trouble with any law agency, please send a response to this paper as I cannot give my name in fear of reprisals. My recommendation to any of you is that you not see a psychiatrist unless it is absolutely a last resort as it can wreck your whole life and they could care less about it or you in the medical field and once this is in your medicare record you have had it.

I'm writing this letter to speak up about the column itself. The term speak up implies stepping up and speaking your opinion openly, not hiding behind the fence and slinging mud. I believe this column to be an example of irresponsible journalism at its worst. I don't know of another platform that allows hate-filled people to spout misinformed drivel freely and without regard to responsibility. All of it under the guise of freedom of expression and opinion. Sure we all have opinions and the right to express them, but at the end of the day they don't mean much and they become utterly meaningless if there's no name on it. I recently read

a line in one of the letters that said, and I quote "fear of retaliation." Wow! Really? How about fear of accountability? Fortunately I don't believe that this column reflects the God-fearing character of our community as a whole. Why? Because for the most part, there is little or no grace, love or decency associated with the column. Our community deserves better. While I don't harbor any ill-conceived notions that this letter will reach print, I'll still write, that I too am a concerned citizen, but I won't be doing any hiding. This is my opinion only. I claim it and take responsibility for it. My name is Lee Ferguson.

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LEGENDS...

GARZA COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM

BY LINDA PUCKETT

As you drive around town this week, you may have observed two giant (21 ft. tall) arrows located at the Garza County Historical Museum and another at the park entrance to the Terrace Cemetery. These two works of art are courtesy of sculptor and artist Charles Smith of New Home, Texas. Smith and community volunteers from both the City of Post and Garza County installed the outdoor sculptures to highlight the history and legacy of Comanche presence in Garza County, officially placing the County on the Quanah Parker Trail. Most know the Quanah Parker story, and that of his captive mother, Cynthia Ann Parker. He was the last Comanche chief, who surrendered his Quahadi warriors at Fort Sill, Oklahoma in 1875.

A dedication ceremony will be scheduled at a later date. Watch for that information in the Post-Dispatch in the near future.

This occasion reminded me of a story written by Dorothy Dennis, with a catchy title like, "Who's Boots?" She writes;

Sam Blackburn wrote an article in the Big Spring Daily Herald October 24, 1965 concerning some 90 year old boots, believed to have

belonged to a Fort Concho Cavalryman. These boots are in the possession of the Christensen Boot Shop and were given to Mrs. Christensen's grandfather by an early day Borden County ranchman.

The boots are of rawhide, cut in the simplest form, hand-sewn and have the soles and heels fastened by wooden pegs.

This story spurred my interest in trying to find out how the boots could have been left in Borden County and I came up with some mighty interesting tales, all factual.

Fort Concho was established in 1867 at the site of present day San Angelo. The Plains country was a favorite hunting ground for Comanche as the pioneers hadn't ventured into this vast area of level ground, sand and little water. For many decades the Comancheros, or Comanche traders of New Mexico, had been busy trading profitably with the Plains Indians in cattle and horses. The Llano Estacado was their favorite meeting place. The Fort Concho Cavalrymen had been ordered to clean up the last of these Indian tribes.

The first account I found was that of a skirmish between these cavalrymen led by Sgt. W. Wilson and the Comancheros in March of 1872

there was a brisk fight near Mucha Que, with the result that two Comancheros were killed, three wounded, and one captured.

On December 3, 1874, Col. Ronald Mackenzie was returning to Fort Concho from a severe November spent on the Plains hunting Indians. He headed south by Yellow house and Tahoka Lake, down by Mucha Que, where he had a few skirmishes with a small band of Indians.

On October 12, 1874, Col. Shafter moved with six companies of cavalry and two infantry to the headwaters of Yellow house Canyon here he detached Capt. Baldwin to go south by way of Tahoka Lakes and Mucha Que in search of roving Indians.

On July 4, 1877, Lt. Nicholas Nolan was ordered out of Concho with Company A of the 10th Colored Cavalry. Nolan had led his men north to the Colorado and set up a supply camp on Bull Creek, seven miles northeast of Mucha Que. Here he left a sergeant and 19 Negroes to guard the camp. Then with forty cavalrymen and 22 buffalo hunters who had joined them, they pulled out on July 19, 1877- they camped 158 miles away on Tobacco Creek. While at this spot, Quanah Parker with a band of Comanches,

rode into camp but produced a pass from the Indian Agent at Fort Sill, counter signed by Col. Mackenzie, authorizing Quanah's trip to Texas for the purpose of bringing back Indians who had left the reservations. Nolan hated to let the elusive Quanah out of his sight but could do nothing to stop him. The Cavalrymen pulled out next morning for an expedition that was proved to be quite costly. In their search for Indians they became lost and wandered around looking for the Double Lakes (near Tahoka) the men going without water and food for 86 hours. This experience was one of the most horrifying ever recorded. In their wanderings the men killed and drank the blood from 22 of their horses. Five men died and the others suffered pitifully. On August 5th Nolan gathered together what was left of his men and headed back to the supply camp at Bull Creek... This episode in history is now referred to as "Nolan's Lost Negro (sic) Expedition."

There is no doubt that the boots belonged to a Fort Concho Cavalryman engaged in one of the above forays. However, we will have to draw upon our imagination as to what befell the owner.

PACC News

This weekend, Ragtown Gospel Theater will open its Christmas play "Bethlehem". Shows will be Friday evenings at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday at 3:00 p.m. through December 17.

Our Lighted Christmas Parade will be here before you know it. Get your floats ready for this event on December 3. The Community Christmas Sing is scheduled for Wednesday, December 7, at 7:00 p.m. Also, mark your calendars for

our PACC Christmas Open House on Thursday, December 8. This year our sponsor is Xcel Energy.

As the Christmas shopping season approaches, be sure and remember our local businesses. Post has a great variety of stores, restaurants, merchants and other service related businesses with lots of great Christmas gift ideas.

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November 7, 2011

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Major Stock Show Entries- All other major stock show entries due in the office by November 30th

4-H Meeting- The next

4-H meeting will be Monday, November 28th at 6:30 p.m. at the Extension Office

4-H Hog Validations -Monday, November 28th @ 5:00 p.m. at the show barn. The date is a change from the 4-H Newsletter. All hogs to be shown at majors or county show must be validated. Call Greg if this time will not work for you to make other

arrangements.

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

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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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9	1	2	6	3	8	7	5	4
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ANSWER:

United Supermarkets

Thanksgiving Early Deadlines

To insure our readers receive their Post Dispatch before the Thanksgiving holiday and so our staff can enjoy Thanksgiving with their families we will have early deadlines for the Thanksgiving week issue.

Nov. 23rd issue Advertising & Editorial Deadlines are Monday, Nov. 20th, 5pm

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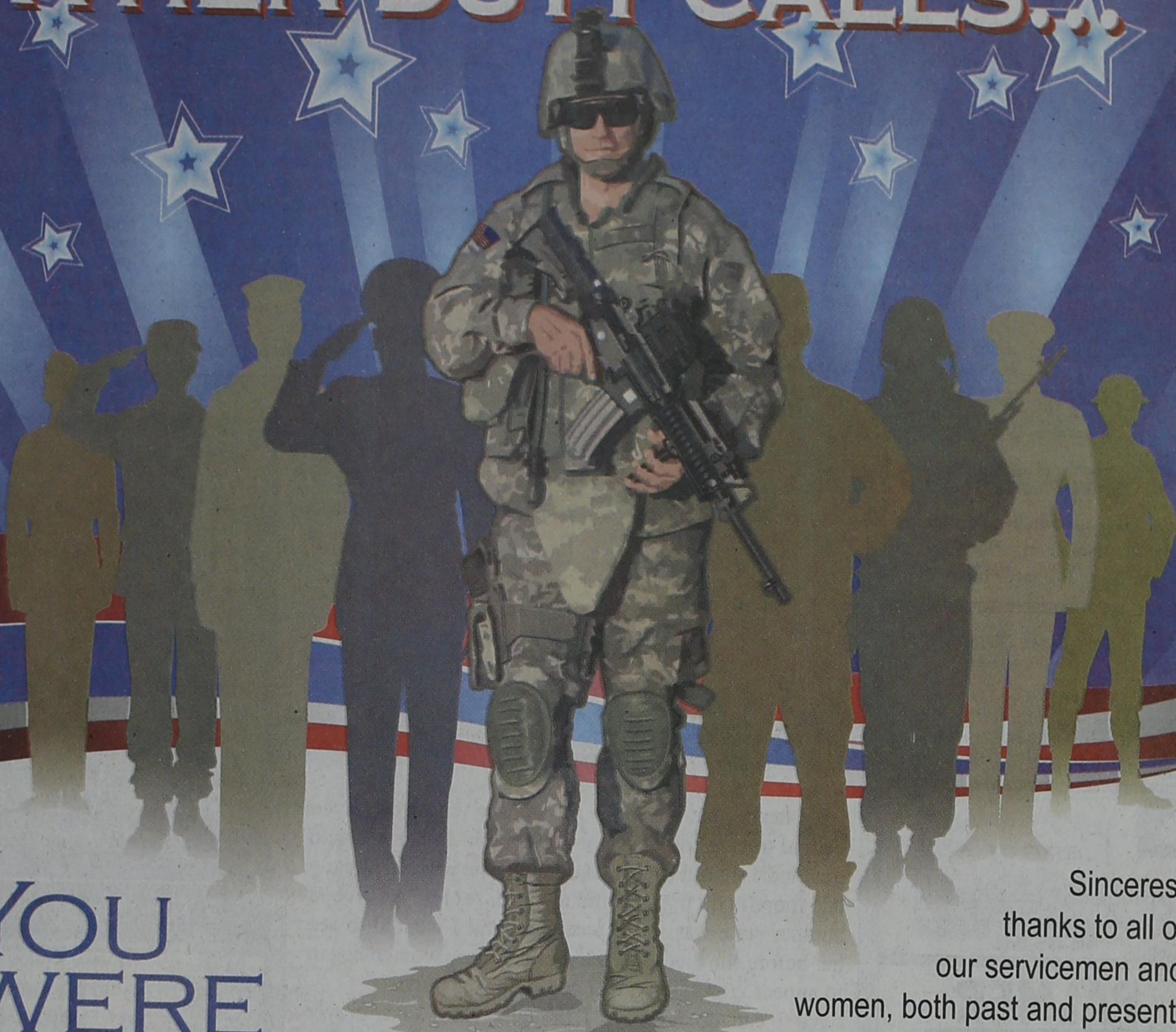
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In and Around Close City

by Traci Freeman

News

Slowly but surely our bale count is rising each day.... as of Wednesday at noon we were at 358. Weather has been nice other than a few windy days.

I have a little bit of Graham news for ya'll this week. I wanted to commend all the guys that have helped to harvest Delwin and Kathy's cotton for him this year. I have heard that there are two many to names to even mention and I don't want to risk leaving someone out so kuddo's to all of you!

Jim has discovered that Donkey.....yes that is the Morris donkey's name, likes apples. Jim had us "roll'n" out here when he told us the story so if you see him on the street ask him to tell ya.

This Saturday in Gail there will be a benefit roping put on by the Borden County High School Spanish Club... "Lassos For Love" from 12:00 to 3:00. All proceeds will go to help two area young ladies, Brook Ballard, 5 years olds and currently awaiting a new heart at Childrens Medical Center

in Dallas and Elora Rosales, 18 that has been diagnosed with stage 3 ovarian cancer. There will also be a craft bazaar in the barn, raffle for a propane cooker as well as concession stand and some great team rope'n. Come out and enjoy some great fun for a great cause!

Did you know...

There are more than 16,400 parking meters in Manhattan, New York.

Quote of the week...

You can be anything you want to be, do anything you set out to accomplish if you

hold to that desire with singleness of purpose.....
Abraham Lincoln

Get Wells

Arlie Nelson, Shirley Bland, Delwin Fluitt, Troy Nelson, and whoever else feeling under the weather that I may not know about..... get well soon!

Close City Birthdays

Belated Happy Birthday to Quova Nelson who celebrated her birthday on November 4th
November 12th - Chuck Morris, Ruby Jones
November 13th - Jace Alaniz, JD Young

November 14th - Jimmy Ellis, Linda Alaniz
November 16th - Tino Alaniz
November 17th - Pacey Blevins

Visitors

Ronnie and Addi stopped by to visit and get a lil snack. Bobby Terry and Mack came out Wednesday... Good to see ya Mack! 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 remember are.....

Marj Caffey in Marble Falls; 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.

Keep rain, our crops, our troops and our country in your dailey prayers..... See ya next week!

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Faithful Prayer

Read Luke 7:1-10

The prayer of a good person has a powerful effect.

James 5:16 (TEV)

My heart went out to the missionary wife who stayed behind to care for a special-needs child as her husband traveled. I should visit her, I thought. But when? I already had more to do than I could manage. A close relative in another state was in hospice care, and I wanted to see her before she died. Visits to both of these women began to appear impossible. All I could do was pray.

All I can do is pray? I thought. Do I take prayer seriously? Isn't God, through prayer, able to meet needs in these situations without my physical presence or input? Do my prayers lack power if I am unable to do anything to help God answer them? No wonder I felt overwhelmed with the needs of others! I was taking on responsibility that is God's!

I asked God to help me trust that my prayers would be answered--not by my action but by God's. Prayer is, indeed, more powerful and important than anything else I can do. Sometimes I am part of the answer in a physical way, but more often the answer comes without my involvement.

Yet in response to our prayers God reaches out to the lonely and to the dying. Our prayers have a powerful effect.

Marion E. Gorman (Pennsylvania, USA)

Prayer: Watchful and caring God, keep us faithful in prayer, and help us trust you to answer. Amen.

Thought for the day: When we can't be with those in need, we can still pray..

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

2 Timothy 3:16-17

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

Deuteronomy 6:5

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

These poinsettias cousins can extend the 'color season' in home landscapes

By: Robert Burns

COLLEGE STATION – Find the lack of fall colors this year depressing because of the drought? Texas Superstars newest selections, cool-season euphorbias, can brighten up landscapes throughout the winter, said a Texas AgriLife Extension Service expert.

Cool-season euphorbias can add splashes of lime green, cream, pink and maroon with either solid or variegated foliage, said David Rodriguez, AgriLife Extension horticulture agent in Bexar County.

Moreover, fall is the perfect time to start planting the perennials.

"The keys to getting cool-season euphorbias off to a good start and ensuring they last through our winters are good bed preparation and early planting," Rodriguez said.

There are seven Texas Superstar cool-season euphorbia selections: Ascot Rainbow, Tiny Tim, Rudolf, Glacier Blue, Purpurea,

Blackbird and Ruby Glow.

Cool-season euphorbias take full sun to partial shade, and because they have been through the Texas Superstar selection process, they are "Texas tough" and adapted to conditions throughout the state, from the Panhandle to South Texas, said Rodriguez, who is based in San Antonio.

Doing well throughout the state is the first prerequisite for a plant to be admitted to Superstar ranks, said Dr. Brent Pemberton, Texas AgriLife Research horticulturist and chair of the Texas Superstar executive board. A plant must not just be beautiful but perform well for consumers and growers throughout Texas.

"Superstars must also be easy to propagate, a requisite that ensures designees are not only widely available throughout Texas, but reasonably priced too," Pemberton said.

Cool-season euphorbias were chosen only after extensive tests in East Texas,

Lubbock, San Antonio and College Station by AgriLife Research, AgriLife Extension and Texas Tech University horticulturists, Pemberton said.

"We were looking for another type of plant that we can grow through our typical mild winters into early spring," Rodriguez said. "They look wonderful as a stand-alone plant as well as plants for borders. What people like to do nowadays is to use a combination of plants in large containers on the patio. With cool-season euphorbias they have a uniquely different foliage."

"In fact, they can be at their best in containers," Pemberton added. "They will survive unprotected in large containers on a patio unless the temperatures dip below 15 degrees. If the temperature does dip below 15 degrees, they will need some protection from the wind and cold weather in the ground or in containers. This will be more of a factor in northern Texas than in the

southern part of the state."

Euphorbia is a genus of plants that includes thousands of species, many of them not widely cultivated, but some well known, Rodriguez said.

"The common euphorbia that we all know during the holiday season is the poinsettia," Rodriguez said. "Poinsettias are very tender when it comes to cold weather, of course."

Unlike their poinsettia cousins, once established, the Texas Superstar cool-season euphorbias are very tough plants, tolerant of cold weather as well as diseases and pests. They are affected by cooler temperatures, but in a good way, he said.

"The foliage of some of the species tend to take on a kind of cool-weather or winter tinge," Rodriguez said. "You get a kind of pinkish or light-red appearance or greenish or light-green color of the foliage and the leaf margins. It's a unique characteristic of these plants, I believe."

There are lots of choices, Pemberton said, depending upon the effect wanted in the home landscape.

"For a tight mounding plant, select Tiny Tim," Pemberton said. "If you wish for more of a red or dark maroon color, try Blackbird. Rudolf has dark-green foliage with red accents. Ascot Rainbow and Glacier Blue are notable for excellent cream and green variegated foliage."

As with any seasonal planting, good bed preparation is essential for success with the plants through the winter, Rodriguez said. He recommended incorporating "liberal amounts" of organic material in the form of compost, working it in to the native soil.

Another essential step is to apply a substantial amount of pre-plant granulated fertilizer to help them get established and root early. Rodriguez recommended two to three pounds of "a slow-release granulated fertilizer containing a 19-5-9 analysis

per 100 square feet of flower bed or copious amounts of Osmocote 19-6-12 for containers."

This winter is predicted to be mild though on the dry side, so it's also a good idea to dress the beds with a couple of inches of good organic mulch, he said.

"The organic mulch will help regulate not only the soil temperature but also help hold moisture," he said. "Every second or third week, apply a good water-soluble fertilizer to keep the plants in a growth-positive mode. This will give them accelerated growth spurts and get them rooted as quickly as possible. Once they are established, they are somewhat drought-tolerant, as well as pretty much low maintenance."

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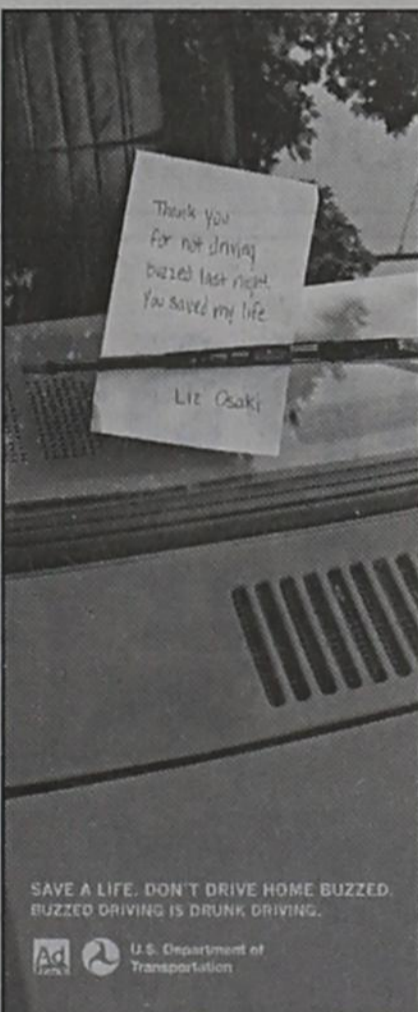
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A number of years ago, oil was discovered on the property of an old farmer. All his life the old man was basically poverty stricken save the yearly crop he produced and sometimes that did not even make. The sudden discovery of oil made him a very wealthy man overnight.

The first thing he did was go out and buy a brand new convertible Cadillac touring car. He bought a new tuxedo and an old fashioned Abraham Lincoln stovepipe, beaver felt hat, and boxes of the best cigars money could buy.

Every day he would drive into the hot, dusty, little West Texas town so he could see everyone in the community and everyone could see him and what he had become. He was a friendly old soul, so when riding through town he would turn right and left and speak to everyone he saw. In fact, sometimes he would run all the way around yet he never ran into anything or anyone and never did he do any damage to any property anywhere.

The reason was simple. Directly in front of that big ole beautiful automobile, were two big work horses pulling it!

The old man, having never used a machine of any sort, never learned how to drive the car, much less turn it on. He did not even know all he had to do was

insert the key and turn the switch. Inside that big ole car was hundreds of horses raring to go, but the old man was using the some old two horses that had carried him, pulled him and plowed for him for years on the outside of the car.

There are powers inside of you which, if you could discover and use, would make of you everything you ever dreamed or imagined you could become.

Orison Swett Marsden Such it is with most people. We search in vain for something outside that will work for us but if we should look inside of us, we would find much more power at our disposal. Psychologist even tells us that humans only use 5 to 10% of the brain and about the same amount of the total ability we possess. Oliver Wendell Holmes said, "The biggest tragedy in America is not the great waste of natural resources we often see, but the greatest tragedy is the waste of human resources."

I used to think that the most tragic thing that could happen to a man during his lifetime would be to discover an oil well or a gold mine on his property as he lay on his death bed. Now I know it is infinitely worse to never have discovered the individual personal wealth that each of us have already endowed within us.

It is like a penny and a gold bar both resting at the bottom of an ocean in a sunken ship. At the bottom of the ocean, they have the same absolute value as long as they are down there. Their real worth and value only manifest themselves when they are raised to the surface and used for their intended purpose. As it is with us, our purpose in

life and the life the good Lord intended for us is only manifested when we use our abilities and work towards our intended purpose. Humans have enormous potential for success and hopefully you will discover this treasure of ability and spirit and utilize it like a gold mine or oil well inside you.

Unlike natural resources which run out and become scarce, your own natural abilities are endless. In fact the only way to waste it is to not use what you have been given. There is no doubt about the potential and talent that you have, so put it into action and you and others can benefit from what you have to offer. We carry within us the wonders we seek outside of us. We need to look under our own hoods and see the horsepower we have just waiting to be used. You have to want to be all you are capable of becoming.

You are the master of your own destiny. Use your strengths well. They are the keys to your destiny and your success in life. Once you know yourself and take action to realize your dreams, you can unlock the doors to your own potential. Many of us are like Clark Kent, walking around but rarely showing anyone our red capes and are literally pulling about 400 horse power race car with a horse and cart mentality. We all want to be everything we are capable of becoming so go to work and explore your potential and strive to make use of your ability and you will discover your own treasure within you and the means to having a happy successful life.

You have that Turbo engine inside of you. All you have to do now is to Turn It On. Be Bold. Strive for Gold. Turn It On.

OAP Tryouts

By Leslie Tatum

On Monday, November 7, 2011, the Post High School Theater Department held auditions for their UIL One Act Play, "The Shadow Box." Twenty-three kids showed up to vie for 12 parts, five crew members, and four alternates.

After vocal warm-ups and a game to loosen up everyone, auditions started. Students started out with memorized monologues from the play. Then small groups were called to cold read the script and different parts than those for which they were auditioning.

While actors enjoyed a coffee and cookie break, the directors went to a private room to deliberate.

"That was the toughest [deliberations] we've ever had. In the end, we relied on

experience when we had a question," Tim Tatum said about determining the cast.

Laurel Tatum announced the cast to the group of anxious students. With such a large group turning out for tryouts, there were many disappointed.

Those making the cut were seniors: Kari Dunn, Shirley Araiza and Kambry Mason; juniors: Kelsey Isbell, Steven Howard and Kayla Comeaux; sophomores: Stephen Rodriguez, Jordan Barboza, Katie Dunn, Israel Gonzales, Jose Rodriguez, Joshua Curtis, Andrea Soliz, Christian Pena, Mondo Martinez, Maritza Alaniz, Zach Quinonez; Freshmen: Kelsey Griffin, Rose Taylor, Lily Maldonado and Jaime Marquez.

The OAP's first festival is February 16th in Post. An audience is always welcome.

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Lasagna, Garden Salad, Pineapple Tidbits, Garlic, Toast, Milk
FRIDAY
Sloppy Joes, Pickle Spears, Corn Cobbette, Fresh Apple, Multi-grain Chips, Milk

I've been thinking

By Leslie Tatum

Home is where the heart is

Lately I've been thinking quite a bit about the idea of home. I guess with Thanksgiving on the horizon, home is on a lot of folks' minds.

Growing up, we never had a hometown per se. We were migrant most of my growing up years, chasing from one harvest to the next.

I moved to Post when I was 15. I can remember meeting certain people from the start. At church that first Sunday, it was Mendy Tatum (Dalby) who bounced up and welcomed me into the youth group. On Monday, the first day of school, it was Tanya Bland (Vernon) who became my first friend. I held onto her with both fists

because I was scared to be once again in a new school and she was nice enough to let me. Just two weeks after moving here, I was in the grocery store with my mother and Mr. Shivers came up to talk to me and called me by my name. I was so impressed that the superintendent knew my name.

Post quickly became home. I had never been so welcomed anywhere I'd lived. I determined to make Post my home, and it has been home ever since.

Those of us who live here are so blessed to call this community our home. When we go to the grocery store, the pharmacy, or any one of the

fine shops in town, we meet our extended family. When we go to one of the athletic events or to church, we see more of our kin.

I always find it so funny when ladies come up to me and ask me my name. When I tell them, they always ask for my maiden name. Then the standard response is, "You're not from around here, are you?" I'm more from around here than anywhere else. I've lived here for the last 30 years and that's by choice.

I'm always proud to tell people where home is. Post is just the kind of town anyone is proud to call home.

Camp visits her alma mater

Frances Duckworth Camp, 91, travels to Austin, TX this weekend to celebrate the 70th anniversary of her graduation from the University of Texas in

1941 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Home Economics. She will be joined in Austin by her son and her daughter-in-law, Roger and Linda Camp, and their two daughters, Sarah and Stephanie Camp, as well as her daughter, Carol Camp DeVinny and her two children, Shelly and Jason DeVinny.

During their time in Austin, Mrs. Camp and her family will be participating in a tour organized by the Texas Exes Alumni Association. They will be visiting many of the places where she spent time while at the University, including her collegiate dorm (Scottish Rite Dormitory) and Gregory Gym. The tour will also

include the Home Economics (now Human Ecology) building where Mrs. Camp attended classes. Here, current professors will have the opportunity to discuss how the curriculum has evolved since the late 1930s and early 1940s. An afternoon dessert reception will be held at the Texas Exes Alumni Center for Mrs. Camp and her family. During the tour and reception, Mrs. Camp will have the opportunity to recount her days at the University of Texas. Saturday, following a lunch at the new AT&T Conference Center on campus, a tour will also be taken of the University of Texas Tower. It promises to be a special weekend of recognition and memories for both Mrs. Camp and her family.

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The Paperboy

By CHRIS BLACKBURN

I don't know how into numbers and polls you may be, but Gallup.com is the place for you if you like data.

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For instance, I compared presidential approval ratings from Obama all the back through Truman's term. You can even compare them from one president to another.

When studying the trend lines of the presidents (on the website's Presidential Job Approval Center), it gives you a look at history. For example: George W. Bush had an approval rating of 51% from Sept. 7-10, 2001. It soared to 91% Sept. 21-22 following 9-11. By contrast, President Reagan dropped from 63% in Oct. 1986 to 43% by March 1987. Guess what was taking place? The Iran contra scandal.

President Nixon went from 65% to 24% when he left office following the Watergate scandal.

I could go on and on, but it's worth a visit if you get the time.

I had just gone through the house setting my clocks back Saturday night and sat in the recliner to finish watching a show. I sat there and the chair started moving back and forth.

I live close to the highway, so a slight rumble is expected from time to time. This was different. This was a

swaying sensation which lasted 5-10 seconds.

The blinds moving next to the chair made me think something else was happening.

I went to the other room where my oldest boy was still awake and asked if he felt anything strange. He confirmed that he had felt it too.

I told him I thought we'd just experienced a slight earthquake. I got online and sure enough, we'd felt the same earthquake which occurred in Oklahoma.

Oklahoma has had several quakes this year, but this is the first one I have felt.

While we think of the Pacific Rim when we think of earthquakes, there have been severe inland quakes, most notably near New Madrid, Missouri, on Feb. 7, 1812. This followed large quakes in the same region on Dec. 16, 1811 and Jan. 23, 1812. Those three quakes were 7.9, 7.7, and 7.6 respectively and the Feb. 7, 1812 quake ranks as the most severe in the history of the continental U.S.

With my very brief history with earthquakes I can make one astute observation: you are definitely not in control during one and that is a strange and scary thought.

I wrote a few weeks ago on the rising of Herman Cain in the GOP. Well, Cain rose to the top of the field and then came the dink. He's been under siege for two weeks

about sexual allegations and he's yet to shake it off.

Should Cain's accusers, one of which works in the Obama Administration, prove to be less than above board, his campaign might get back on track. But it better be quick because the damage is done and he has not been able to get in front of this.

It should be noted that Cain has been the boss of thousands of women during his time at Godfather's Pizza and the National Restaurant Association. But, if he's acted inappropriately, he'll be in trouble because the mainstream media will stay on the attack.

Character should count in politics, but are the candidates vetted alike? Of course not. And really, it comes down to how the candidates deal with the skeletons in their closet, not the fact there are skeletons.

Consider this, the last three presidents have admitted to either alcohol and/or drug abuse. One engaged in sexual misconduct in the Oval Office; one was arrested for drunk driving and one has admitted to using cocaine.

I'm not saying Herman Cain should be let out of the doghouse, but it does seem our ideal candidates certainly don't turn out to be the good boys we think we're electing or else we simply choose to turn a blind eye on past indiscretions.

Time will tell if Cain can get his campaign on track or if he's another Gary Hart.

Yesteryears

10 YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Francis celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

Southland celebrated its 90th anniversary on the 22-27 of October.

Garza County veterans were honored for service to the nation and recognized; Lewis Earl, Bill Case, Andy Stelzer, Charles Ratliff, Bill Thomas, Carol Light, Marion Mathews, John Strubhart, George Reece, and Ray Little. More than 500 Garza Coun-

ty citizens jammed the community center, to celebrate America in expressions of patriotism.

20 YEARS AGO

Imogene and Albert Stone were honored as Pioneer Lady and Boots celebration at the U Lazy S Ranch.

Post Lions Club sponsored the Caprock Golf Course Annual Individual Golf tournament.

PFC-E3 Eddie Ray Slay and his wife Barbara visited

Post following Slay recent return from duty in Saudi Arabia and desert Storm.

Mr. and Mrs. James Mitchell II celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Oct. 19, 1991.

30 YEARS AGO

Maudie Justice Smith celebrated her 85 birthday.

Kerri Layne Pool of Post was one of 47 Baylor University coeds nominated for 1981 Homecoming Queen.

Gamma Mu Sorority enjoyed a showing of fall fashion

at Jan.

Mrs. Edith Ramsey was honored with a 20-year plaque from Post Music Club.

40 YEARS AGO

Know White and the Seven Dwarfs, was presented by the Post Music Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Windham were honored with a 25th wedding anniversary reception at Graham Community Center.

Ice Cold Kisses will be one of the attractions at a Hallow-

een spook show at the Tower Theatre.

Henrietta Nichols returned home from a tour of Canada, the District of Columbia and 21 states.

50 YEARS AGO

Welcome, Norman to Garza County Norm Cash Day, Oct. 20, to honor Our Star Detroit Tiger First Baseman and American League Batting Champion.

Postmaster Harold Voss received a new 50-star American Flag, during the new post

office dedication.

Mrs. Francis Camp was chosen queen of the Post Ex-Students Association, was crowned by Norm Cash, one of the association distinguished members.

60 YEARS AGO

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3. Above
4. Residential suburb of Washington, D.C.
5. His "4" was retired
6. Frock wearer
7. Imaginary
8. Type of guitar
9. Carpenter's groove
10. Blue book filler
11. Computer's interval between request and delivery (2 wds)
12. Mariner's aid
13. Clothing
21. Claim
23. Lower surface
25. Forgive

27. Final-notice

28. Lover of Aeneas

29. Vertebrate's brain

31. Iroquoian language

35. Aces, sometimes

36. Chipper

38. Bags with shoulder straps

40. Excessive desire to eat

43. Those who steal

46. Forte

48. Backgammon piece

50. ___ de menthe

51. Abandon

52. Algonquian Indian

54. Gray wolf

55. "Shoo!"

56. Hawaiian tuber

59. Bolivian export

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ASSISTANCE TO HELP RANCHERS IMPACTED BY DEVASTATING WILDFIRES

Applications being accepted through Nov. 18 to help rebuild lost fences critical to securing livestock

AUSTIN — With one of the most destructive wildfire seasons in Texas history scorching nearly 4 million acres and destroying approximately 6,200 miles of critically needed ranch fences, Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples today thanked Farm Credit for a generous donation of \$35,000 to the Texas Department of Agriculture's STAR Fund and encouraged ranchers to apply for Round 2 of assistance available through the fund. Created solely with monetary donations from private individuals

and companies, the STAR Fund helps ranchers rebuild fences through an effort called "Operation New Fences."

"This year Texans have struggled with unprecedented wildfire damage and the losses continue to be counted," Commissioner Staples said. "While our farmers and ranchers have been hit especially hard, it's important to remember their losses impact all Americans who depend daily on food, fuel and fiber. It's been an extremely difficult wildfire season, but thanks to Farm Credit and the spirit of generous Texans, we are able to provide assistance to those who provide for us."

Thanks to generous

contributions and donations from Texans across the state, those approved for STAR Fund assistance may be awarded a voucher for fencing supplies worth up to \$500 (exact voucher values will be determined based on the number of eligible producers applying).

"Farm Credit lenders throughout the state have a proud history of supporting the agriculture industry," said Stan Ray, on behalf of the Farm Credit Bank of Texas. "The recent wildfires have been devastating to many farmers and ranchers this year, and the Texas Department of Agriculture is doing a great job collecting donations and getting that money where it's needed. We are proud to

support this effort and encourage others to donate to the STAR fund, as well."

"Texas farmers and ranchers are a vital part of the state's economy and crucial to the cooperative system in Texas," said Marc Adams, on behalf of the CoBank Regional Agribusiness Banking Group. "The devastating effects of the drought and wildfires are hurdles these tough people will overcome. We are proud to support the Texas Department of Agriculture and the good work they are doing through the STAR Fund, we hope the Farm Credit contribution will spur others to donate to the STAR Fund."

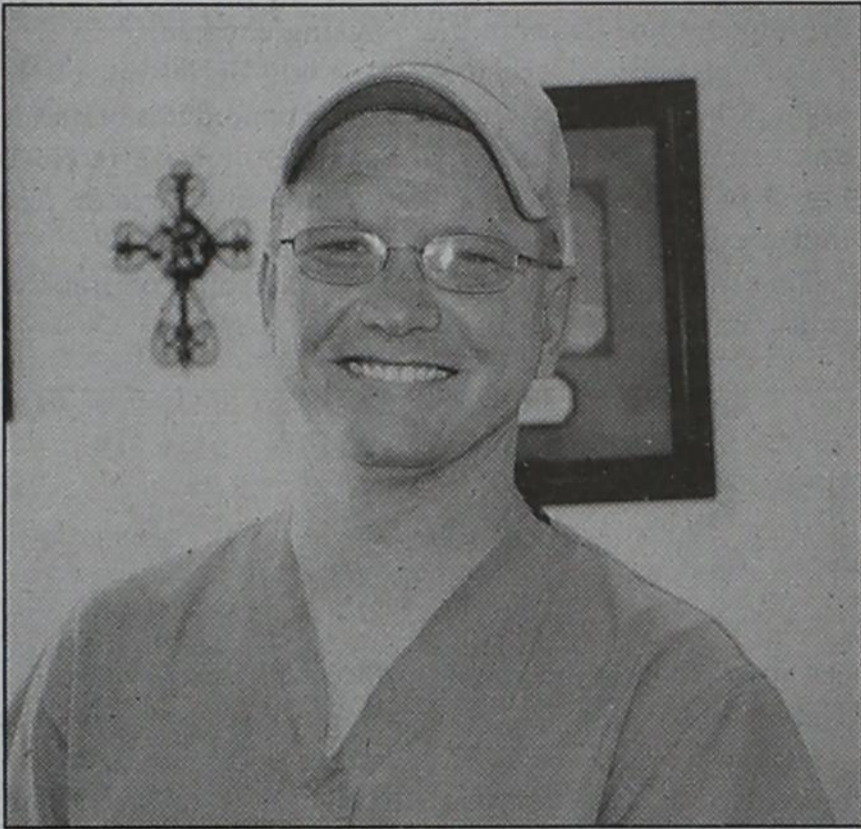
To be eligible, applicants must submit a completed

FSA 848 application for federal assistance through the Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) to certify that agriculture fences were damaged or destroyed due to wildfires. The following counties are eligible; Archer, Bastrop, Baylor, Brewster, Caldwell, Clay, Coke, Cottle, Crockett, Crosby, Dallam, Dickens, Fisher, Foard, Freestone, Garza, Hartley, Haskell, Hutchinson, Jack, Jeff Davis, Kent, King, Libscomb, Lime-stone, Midland, Mitchell, Moore, Motley, Nacogdoches, Nolan, Palo Pinto, Pecos, Potter, Presidio, Randall, Scurry, Stephens, Stonewall, Taylor, Terrell, Terry, Throckmorton, Tom Green, Trinity, Val Verde,

Wichita and Young.

Applications for Round 2 of STAR Fund grants are being accepted Nov. 1-Nov.18. STAR Fund applications may be downloaded at www.TexasAgriculture.gov. Applications are also available at the AgriLife Extension office in Post. All applications must be mailed to TDA and postmarked by Nov. 18, 2011.

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By Dr. Wink

What is your first thought when someone mentions Thanksgiving? Is it the amount of preparation into the meal? Or perhaps it is the dreaded time of the year you have to endure the in-laws? (Please note I am NOT one of those people who dread my in-laws. I just want to clarify this before I see them in a few weeks.) I also need to stop right here and share a secret tradition in my family. After our wonderful family time and stuffing ourselves until we are sick, Thanksgiving all boils down to Black Friday shopping. Yup, we are crazy that way. Whether it's food, family, or Black Friday the majority of our homes can sum up Thanksgiving with one word... turkey!

Along with turkey comes the topic of feeding bones to our pets. Today I want

No Bones about it...

to talk bones... bones you should NEVER give your pet; what type of bones can be given depending on your size of dog; and which bones are safe and can give your pet anytime.

I have seen many problems throughout my career caused by bones. The worst bones you could ever give your pets are bones that can splinter easily... like rib, chicken, and yes, turkey bones. Dog can chew and break these bones very easy. As these bones break they develop very sharp points that can cause damage to the dog's mouth, throat, esophagus, stomach and or intestines. These bones can also become lodged in the dog's mouth or throat after swallowing. I've seen a little chicken leg result in a \$300 surgery to remove a bone lodged in the throat.

Many pet owners think since rawhide bones are made for dogs they would be safe for them. This accusation could never be more wrong. Here's where I recommend certain bones can be safe depending on your dog. Most dogs love rawhide! Perhaps they love them a little too well. For example, if your dog devours a rawhide within minutes of you giving it to them, I DO NOT recommend giving them rawhide anymore. The problem rawhide causes is the dog can't 'digest' the rawhide. The rawhide sits in the dog's stomach and 'balls up' together. This mass' will have to pass in its whole form thru the digestive tract. On the other hand if you give your dog a rawhide and it takes him several hours to consume, then rawhides are

ok for your dog.

If you want to give your dog a Thanksgiving 'treat', give them a safe and healthy option. The best bones that you can give you dogs are large, hard bones that dogs cannot swallow. Ham bones are an excellent choice for your smaller dogs. Femur, tibia and humerus bones from cattle are good for our medium and large dogs. You can get these bones right here in Post at Jackson's Brothers Meat Locker! Just bring your own shopping bag and they will fill it up for you.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns about your pet, give us a call at Garza County Animal Hospital, 495-3726. We are available 24-7 should you have any emergencies...yes, even at Thanksgiving!

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Garza County, Texas

March 6, 2012, Primary Elections For Republican and Democratic Parties

Because of challenges to the Texas' legislative and congressional redistricting plans adopted by the 82nd Legislature earlier this year, Friday, Nov. 4, a three-judge federal panel in San Antonio issued an order that significantly alters deadlines for candidate filing and other county election procedures for the upcoming March 2012 primary elections.

The court order changes the filing period for candidates to file applications for the primary election. Dates of particular interest to counties include:

- Nov. 28, 2011, is the first day to file an application for a place on primary election ballots;

- Dec. 10, 2011, is the last day a vacancy for an unexpired term may occur and appear on primary ballots;

- Dec. 15, 2011, is the last day to file an application for a place on primary election ballots.

Candidate filing: FILE WITH THE CHAIR OF THE PARTY OF YOUR CHOICE:

Democratic Party County Chair - Bebe Boren, (806) 629-4475, beberjim@yahoo.com

Republican Party County Chair - Trevor Thuett, (806) 777-8388, trevorlthuett@gmail.com

THINKING ABOUT RUNNING FOR OFFICE?

WHAT: Seminar for prospective candidates for Garza County countywide and precinct offices.

WHEN: Thursday, November 17, 2011

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: CitizensBANK Community Room, 210 N. Broadway, Post, TX

Get more info online at GarzaCounty.net.

Information provided by Jim Plummer, District and County Clerk, Garza County.

THE POST LIONS CLUB IS SEEKING DONATIONS TO PURCHASE 100 BIKES @ \$60.00 FOR THE 2011 CHRISTMAS BIKES FOR TOTS.

Due to the generous gifts received last year, The Post Lions Club *Toys for Tots* program served 150 local needy children. The program is designed to help parents provide Christmas for their kids.

This year the Post Lions

have decided to target kids without bikes. Applications from parents of Kindergarten through 5th grade (K-5), who are on the Free and Reduced Lunch Program, may be picked up at the Post Elementary school office.

Lion Jason Porter is

heading up our efforts to purchase as many bikes as funds will allow. Lion Byron Garrison and David Baker are working on collecting applications, and a panel of local Lions will review all applications, selecting children most in

need of a new bike. If you or your company would like to help, please contact any Lion or Post Lion treasurer Shad Sturgeon at P.O. Box 264.

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Hay Selection

By: Greg Jones
Garza CEA-Ag Agent

In this time of drought and short hay supplies, cattle and horse owners should be careful when shopping for hay. There have been some interesting stories about hay dealers making unusual claims about hay quality and quantity, including nutrient values, protein amounts in hay or weight of hay bales without testing or weighing the bales.

Important considerations should be considered prior to purchasing hay. What are my goals with this set of livestock and what stage of gestation are the currently in or will be in later in the feeding period. Another thing to think about is the amount of moisture content in hay, which will also affect its

weight and nutrient breakdown and the possibility of molding.

Find out all the information you can prior to purchasing a load of hay. Ask questions; the dealer should be able to answer most or all of them. Check out the entire lot of hay you are purchasing before unloading if possible or buy from a reputable dealer. Ask for references from the dealer. Many type of hay are suited for cattle feed but not as many are recommended for feeding horses.

In South Texas, coastal Bermuda is very popular but in central, west and north Texas alfalfa, timothy, orchard grass and alfalfa/grass mixes are more popular. Around here in West Texas Sudan grass and sorghum Sudan hybrids are the most common. Due to potential

health problems, Kleigrass, Johnson grass, Sudan grass and sorghum hybrids are not recommended for horses. This can be potentially cause muscle weakness, or urinary problems. Most importantly feed hay that is clean, free of dust and mold to horses; they are more susceptible to problems utilizing this type of hay than cattle. It can inflame their respiratory tracts and impair their breathing ability.

Another consideration in feeding horses is to make sure that alfalfa fed is insect free, particularly blister beetles. If a horse eats a blister beetle, a chemical in the beetle can cause colic, fever or possibly eventually death.

Color is often used to determine hay quality, yet it can be deceiving and overestimated as an indicator of quality.

The biggest factor that affects nutrient content of a type of hay is the stage of maturity at harvest. Hay cut early in the forage growth stage often has a soft texture, it very leafy, and has a higher nutrient density and is more palatable. In contrast forages harvested late in maturity will have coarse, thick stems and less leaf material.

The best way to evaluate nutrient value of hay samples is to have a chemical analysis performed at a lab.

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THANK YOU

Dear Editor,

I cannot begin to thank everyone for their prayers, monetary help, and cards. Had it not been for the above, I would not have been able to make that life saving trip to Mayo Clinic in Arizona. Although I have to go back December 19th, the first trip was what turned this thing around. With a few prayers, mine is supposed to be curable. So we'll just sit back and see where God goes with it. Again, thank you to everyone.

-O.L. (Ferg) Ferguson

THANK YOU

The family of Giles McCrary would like to express their gratitude and thank you to the following people during their time of loss, Dr. Edwards and his staff, Elizabeth Abraham, Father Malcolm, the EMS team and Jerry Cook. They would also like to thank everyone for their prayers, food and flowers.

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Date: Saturday November 12, 2011

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Units contain misc. household items unless otherwise specified:

- #2- No Name Misc.
- #4- Susan Williams Parks
- #8- Henry Cruse
- #9- No Name- Misc. and beer signs
- #15- Imogene Land- furniture
- #16- No Name
- #19- Jessica Levario
- #21- Imelda Gonzalez
- #23- Shyla Johnson- elec. stove, entertainment center, furniture
- #26- Brenda Price
- #27- Lance and John Goen- antique radio and & misc.
- #31- No name - tools and exercise bike
- #37- Cody Fox- Bedroom furniture
- #41, #108, #109- Deanna Bruton- antique stove and sewing machine
- #44- Chad Overton- Big screen tv
- #45- Desmond Ayala- Furniture
- #46- Bob Cortez- fog machine, beer signs, weight bench
- #48- Grace Paiz
- #53- Jessie Raben
- #54- Carolyn Cruse- TV, dryer
- #55- Robby Blair- 2 washers, 2 dryers
- #61- No Name
- #62 and # 100- Kyran Moore
- #68- Carmen Martinez
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Contact : Sanders Storage
Samantha Jones- bookkeeper
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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

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COUNTY OF GARZA \$

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 106th Judicial District Court of Garza County, on the 7th day of November, 2011, by the Clerk thereof, in the case(s) styled as follows:

Cause No.	Styling	Legal Description
90-12-4579-CV	Garza County v. Perez, John Jessie	1. Lots Eleven (11), Twelve (12), Block Fifty-two (52), Original Town of City of Post, Garza County, Texas.
96-03-05200-CV	Garza County v. Gomez, Emetris, et al	2. Lots Fifty-Two (52) and Fifty-Three (53), Block Two (2), Hart Addition to the City of Post, Garza County, Texas
97-12-05,364-CV	Post Independent School District v. Basquez, Antonio c/o Paula B Flores	3. Lots Fifteen (15) and Sixteen (16), Block One Hundred Forty-Five (145) of the Original Town Addition to the City of Post, Garza County, Texas.
02-06-05,786-CV	Garza Central Appraisal District v. Cole, Tommy, et ux Ind/DBA Rosie's	4. Lots Twelve (12), Thirteen (13) and Fourteen (14), Block One Hundred Forty-five (145), Original Town of City of Post, Garza County, Texas.
03-11-05898-CV	Garza Central Appraisal District v. Gonzalez, Rafael et ux Gonzales, Martha	5. Abstract One Thousand One Hundred Sixteen (1116) Section Two (2), Block Fifty-five (55), S. E. Harper 781/2"x152'.272 acres, Garza County, Texas.
03-11-05900-CV	Garza Central Appraisal District v. Manuel, Nathan	6. Lot Four (4), Block Thirty-One (31), Original Town Addition to the City of Post, Garza County, Texas. 7. Lot Six (6), Block Forty (40) of the Original Town Addition to the City of Post, Garza County, Texas. 8. Lot One (1), Block One Hundred Eighteen (118) of the Original Town Addition to the City of Post, Garza County, Texas.
08-02-06286	Garza Central Appraisal District v. Menchaca, Joe	9. All of Lots Sixty-Three (63) and 140'x45' joining Lot Sixty-four (64) on East Half (E 1/2), Block Two (2) of the Clarence Hart Addition to the Town of Post, Garza County, Texas. County, Texas.
		11. Lots Eight (8) and Nine (9), Block One Hundred Sixteen (116) of the Original Town of Post, Garza County, Texas.

and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 a.m. on the 6th day of December, 2011, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the East door of the Courthouse of Garza County, in the City of Post, Texas.

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SHERIFF GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS

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THANK YOU!

Thank you for all the prayers, calls, cards, visits and flowers during and after my recent hospital stay. It sure is good to be home right here in good ole Post, Texas. Y'all are all so special to me and I love all of you. Thanks for thinking of me.

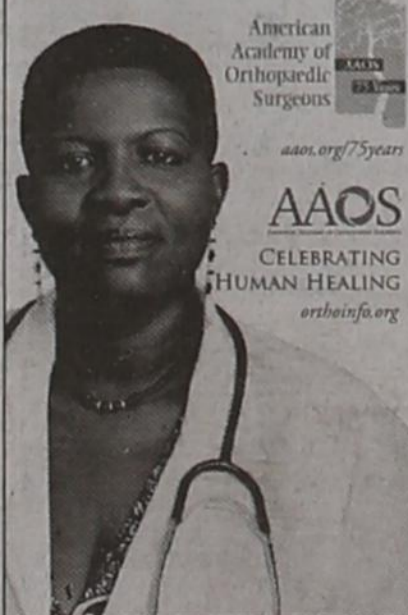
-Debbie Mason

LAST YEAR, IT HURT TOO MUCH TO STAND. TODAY, SHE CARRIES A NATION ON HER SHOULDERS.

At her clinic in Freetown, Sierra Leone, Dr. Olabisi Claudius-Cole treated patients of all ages with any condition, and would often take no payment in return. When arthritic hips and knees kept her from the rigors of daily patient care, a disaster loomed.

Dr. Claudius-Cole's sister led her to an American orthopaedic specialist, who had just heard rocker/activist Bono issue his mandate for caring people everywhere to step up and make a difference. As he listened to Dr. Claudius-Cole, he saw his own chance to do just that. Donating his own surgical services, he helped mobilize an entire medical team to get Dr. Claudius-Cole back on her feet. He even arranged free hip and knee implants.

Today, Dr. Claudius-Cole is fully recovered, and back at her vital healing practice in West Africa. Her story truly brings new meaning to the term "pro-Bono." We share it here because it sends two of the most contagious messages we know. Don't give up, and remember to give back.



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Jordan Storie (fifth from left) competed in her Senior Hip Hop group last weekend representing her studio Raider X. Storie is the daughter of Greg and Karen Storie of Lubbock, and the granddaughter of Ronald and Shirley Storie of Lubbock.

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DEADLINE 5PM FRIDAY NOV. 18

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Pet of the week



My name is Lucy and I'm the newest addition at Post Animal Refuge Center. They don't know exactly what kind of dog I am, but they do know I'm a real sweetheart. I like playing with the other dogs, but my favorite thing is to have my belly scratched. I'm medium sized with short hair and less than a year old. If you want to adopt me, contact the shelter at poster@yahoo.com or on Facebook at Post Arc. Some of my "shelter mates" will be at PetSmart this weekend, so stop by if you can.

Trailblazers Menu

November 14th-November 18th

Monday

Green Chili Chicken, Mexican Hominy, Beans, Salad, Fruit

Tuesday

German Sausage, Cabbage, Oven Potatoes, Biscuit, Brownie

Wednesday

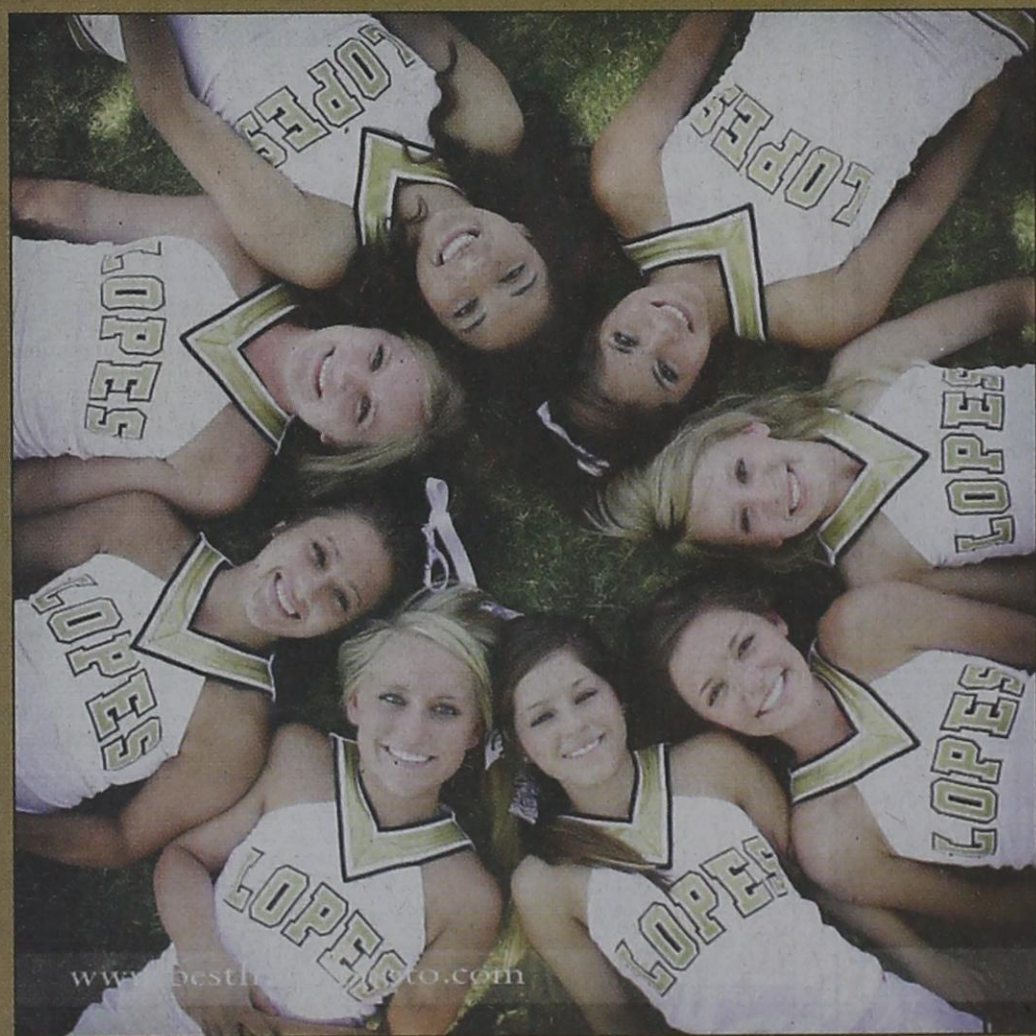
Lasagna, Fried Zucchini, Salad, Garlic Toast, Cobbler

Thursday

Pork Chops, Navy beans, Spinach, Cornbread, Jello

Friday

Swiss Steak, Scalloped Potatoes, Brussel Sprouts, Biscuit, Peach Cake



We're rooting for our cheerleaders!
Good luck in the KCBDs news channel 11 cheer competition!
We will be closed Friday, November 11

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