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Poll: Cruz, Romney hold strong leads in Texas

Special to the Dispatch

In the 2012 general election for U.S. senator from Texas, Republican Ted Cruz leads Democrat Paul Sadler by 15 percentage points, according to a University of Texas at Austin/Texas Tribune poll.

Fifty-four percent of likely voters in the poll said they preferred Cruz, with 39 percent naming Sadler. Forty-nine percent of likely voters have a very favorable or somewhat favorable opinion of

Cruz, while 29 percent are very or somewhat unfavorable, and 22 percent are either neutral or don't have an opinion of him. When asked about Sadler, 23 percent have a favorable opinion, 14 percent have an unfavorable opinion, and 63 percent are either neutral or don't have an opinion of him.

"Sadler has not done an enormous amount of TV, did not do an enormous amount of advertising, he didn't have an enormous

amount of money and he didn't have an enormous amount of organization," said James Henson, director of the Texas Politics Project and a lecturer in the Department of Government at the University of Texas, who oversees the survey. "It's hard to become broadly known around the state."

The statewide poll conducted October 15-20 and released



ROMNEY



CRUZ

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Post Notes

Toys for Tots

The Post Lions Club is seeking donations to purchase books for children in Post for the annual Toys for Tots program. Applications from parents of children ages birth through 18 years who may need help with Christmas gifts may be picked up in the elementary school office or obtained from any Post Lions Club member. Donations from area businesses also are welcome. For information, contact Byron Garrison at 990-9898.

Early voting

Early voting for the Nov. 6 general election is underway at the Garza County Courthouse. Polls are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, including the lunch hour. Early voting ends Nov. 2.

Church fundy

Members of Holy Cross Catholic Church will sell gordita and chili relleno plates, including rice and beans and drink, for \$7 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday in the social hall. For information, call Eleanor at 495-1031.

Inside garage sale

The Women's Division of the Post Area Chamber of Commerce will host an inside-garage sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday in the youth room at the Post Community Center. For information, call Betty Posey at 495-2067.

Church fundy

Members of Calvary Baptist Church, 506 W. Sixth St., will have a garage sale from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. All proceeds benefit the mission fund.

Ladies Auxiliary fundy

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Veteran of Foreign Wars Post 6797 in Post will host an inside garage sale from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 10 at the VFW with tables for rent to sell anything — clothing, furniture, crafts, baked goods, etc. Booth rentals are \$25. For information, or to reserve a space, contact Rebecca Jolly at 990-3128 or Janet Ratliff at 495-2026.

GED class

General Education Diploma classes are now in session and are free to the public. Classes meet from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays in Room 18 at Post High School. Enter through southwest doors. For information, email Ed Singletery at esingletery@postisd.net or call 495-2770.

Volunteers needed

Post Elementary is soliciting volunteers for the Campus Improvement Planning committee. This committee is to include two parents of students enrolled within the district, two community members residing in the district and two business representatives who need not reside in nor operate businesses in the district. If you would like to serve on this committee, contact Staci Marts or Kent Price at 495-3414.

4-H Meeting

The next 4-H meeting will be at 6:40 p.m. Nov. 5 at the show barn.

Corrections

If you spot an error of fact, contact Editor Wayne Hodgkin at 806-495-2816 or thepostcitydispatch@gmail.com.

News on the go



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Early voting lags behind 2008 election

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Early voting turnout for the 2012 general election is down from those casting early ballots for the 2008 presidential election, according to the Garza County clerk.

Jim Plummer said one possible reason may be the number of registered voters in the county is 2,824, about 156 less than four years ago.

In the first week of early voting 443 registered voters had cast ballots at the Garza County Courthouse, Plummer said.

"If those figures are consistent in the second week, about 886 voters or 31 percent of registered would have voted early in person," he said.

Final figures from 2008 showed that 35 percent voted early, which included absentee voters. The number of mail ballots sent to absentee voters this election is 73 as of Oct. 26.

Most of those who voted the general election ballot to elect presidential electors, members of Congress, members of the Legislature, and state, district, county and precinct officers, were able to also vote in the Post Independent School District's Bond Election.

In the first week of early voting, 382 voters had cast ballots in the special election that concerns a \$28.5 million bond issue for funds to go toward capital improvements, including a new high school.

The only contested local race on the general election ballot is for the Precinct 3 County Commission seat. Incumbent Republican Ted Brannon and former commissioner and challenger John Valdez, a Democrat, are on the ballot for that posi-

ELECTION DAY POLLING LOCATIONS

Residents of Garza County who are registered to vote and choose to cast ballots on Election Day, must do so in their proper polling location. If you're not sure of where you are supposed to vote, check your voter registration card, or visit Vote-Texas.gov.

Precinct 1 - Presbyterian Church, 910 W. 10th St., Post
Precinct 2 - Post Community Center, 113 W. Main St., Post
Precinct 3 - Citizens Bank, 210 N. Broadway, Post
Precinct 4 - Wells Fargo Bank, 216 W. Main St., Post
Precinct 5 - Southland School, Superintendent's Office, 190 Eighth St., Southland
Precinct 6 - Lake Alan Henry Fire Station, 2699 FM 3519, Justiceburg

Other pertinent voter information, including sample ballots can be viewed and downloaded at the Garza County website at GarzaCounty.net. Sample ballots are also available at the clerk's office at the courthouse.

tion.

Early voting for both elections continues through today at the Garza County Courthouse. The early voting polling place is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., including the noon lunch hour.

On Election Day, Tuesday, registered voters who had not voted early can vote at their precinct polling location that corresponds with the precinct number on the voter registration card.

The polling places will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Election Day.

Post 26, Floydada 16



Jaycee Johnson/For the Dispatch

Bryan Smith (3) hands the ball off to quarterback Pake Jones during last week's game against Floydada. Both Jones and Smith would notch two touchdowns each for the Antelopes in their 26-16 victory over the visiting Floydada Whirlwinds.

Win over Winds clinches Post a spot in the playoffs

By Jerry Pyles

For the Dispatch

The Post Antelopes beat the Floydada Whirlwinds, 26-16, last Friday and, in doing so, clinched a spot in the Class 2A Division II playoffs en route to a district championship.

Post (7-1, 3-0) received the

opening kickoff and went 60 yards on seven plays. Bryan Smith would finish the drive on a five-yard run. The PAT was blocked, and Post led, 6-0, with 8:30 remaining in the first quarter.

The Lope defense appeared to have Floydada (3-5, 1-2) stopped on the Winds' first possession, but Jordan Woody found running

room on the right side, giving the Winds a first down. Woody, who would do most of the running for Floydada, scored from two yards out. He also added the two-point conversion, giving Floydada an 8-6 advantage with 4:46 remaining in the first quarter.

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White River drought status extended

Lake levels continue to decline, officials say

By Wayne Hodgkin

The Post Dispatch

White River Municipal Water District officials have extended the stage 3 drought contingency plan for another three months effective Nov. 1 through Jan. 31.

The first round of the district's stage 3 drought contingency plan had been put into place Aug. 1 and expired Oct. 31.

Tom Fulton, general manager of the water plant and executive director of the district's board of directors, said this week White River Lake has fallen two more feet below what was reported in July, when stage 3 was implemented.

"When we first put stage 3 of our drought contingency plan into place, the lake stood at about 26 feet below the dam," Fulton said. "It's now about 28 feet below. State

water officials consider the lake dry at 32 feet below."

Although he said he doesn't want to sound the alarm, Fulton said lake levels are expected to continue their decline. In fact, Fulton said, the lake is currently at 8 percent capacity.

"We're now moving into what is considered the dry season for West Texas weather," he said. "Although this is the time of year people don't consume as much water and the evaporation rate isn't as high as it is in the summer, our lake still continues to lose water."

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Our Views

School bond will be a boon for entire county

The Post ISD school board has, for the first time in history, called for a \$28.5 million bond to help make a number of improvements to campus buildings and to construct a new high school — all in an effort to bring its facilities into the 21st century for learning.

We urge Garza County residents to support the school board in their endeavor.

The overhaul of campus facilities include building a new high school, track and bus barn, renovating the existing high school to be used as a middle school, expanding parking and drop-off/pick-up sites at the elementary school and demolishing the existing middle school.

In addition, artificial turf will be installed at the high school football field in light of ongoing drought concerns and in an effort to conserve water and money.

The total bond, if approved Tuesday, will be for \$28,480,000. To raise that money, the board will have to raise taxes 22.5 cents per \$100 valuation of assessed property.

For instance, a homeowner with a residence valued at \$100,000 only will pay \$15.94 per month — less than \$200 a year.

Area homeowners who are 65 years and older will be exempted from the tax.

In addition — and a very important facet to this issue — is that all funds collected for this bond are not subject to recapture by the state of Texas, not to be shared with any other school district.

The approval of this bond is a long time coming as the facilities issue has been an ongoing concern for a number of years.

The renovations to the track and football stadium has a great potential to bring in more revenue for the county as outside events will assuredly be held at these state-of-the-art facilities.

Although money has to be pinched by all of us these days, the extra funds generated by this bond will go a long way in improving the education of our children and bringing local facilities up to 21st century standards.

Brannon for Precinct 3 commissioner

Incumbent Republican Ted Brannon is seeking his second term on the Garza County Commissioners Court. In the last four years, Brannon has worked to be a conservative voice on county issues facing residents in Precinct 3.

We urge voters in this precinct to keep Brannon in office.

Although no real foreseeable issues are facing the commission at this point in time, Brannon said he would keep a watchful eye on a number of ongoing issues, including talks with the city of Post to deannex the prison from the city limits.

The city's plan to deannex the prison will keep the city's population below the 5,000 threshold, which avoids unnecessary and costly state regulatory measures.

Brannon said commissioners will continue to closely monitor the process and said a contract with the county to ensure the city continues to provide water to the prison will be needed.

The prison brings in an estimated \$250,000 in annual revenue for the county.

An effort by commissioners to continue to monitor the county's drought situation is also a top priority for Brannon, he said, as is the continued litigation between the state and a number of schools across the state — including Post ISD — regarding equalization funding.

"Those are issues that while not entirely specific to the county, have a great impact on all of our residents," Brannon said.

Brannon said he has been proud to serve the county and his precinct during his last term of office.

"I feel like I have represented not only my constituents but all the residents of Garza County fairly and conservatively during these last four years," he said.

Deaths

Nina Morris

CLOVIS, N.M. — Judy "Nina" Carolyn Gossett Morris, 70, passed away Thursday, Oct. 25, 2012 after a short illness. Memorial services were Oct. 26 with only family members attending at her own request.

She was born Nov. 18, 1941, in Post, Texas, and attended Post High School. She married Ronnie Morris

on Feb. 21, 1959.

Survivors include her husband; son Ronnie Jr. and Gina Morris; daughter Lisa and Steve Devore; and grandchildren Devin Adrian, Randy Adrian, Blaine Morris, Brandt Morris.

Judy's favorite thing to do was be at a table with her children and grandchildren playing games. She was always so funny and enjoy-



NINA MORRIS

Letters to the Editor

GCJLA fundy a success

The Garza County Junior Livestock Association held its annual fundraiser Saturday at the Garza County Trailblazers building. Everyone attending was treated to a brisket supper and live auction.

This year's door prizes and raffle winners were Roxanne Osborn, Tori Huckaby, Dusti Osborn, Koltan Wink, Glenna Reiter, Peyton Smith, Diane Graves, Addee Williams, Tiffany Graves, Jim Ellis, J.C. Stelzer III, LaVena Palmer, Rocker A Girls, Jerry Osborn, and the grand prize of the night went to Kurt Chapman

The association would like to thank the following for donating to the auction: Judge Lee and Marsha Norman, Holly's Drive In, Buffalo Creek Threads, Texas Treasures, Sonic Drive In, Jackson Brothers Meat Locker, Cheryl Gill, Hurst Farm Supply, J. Cruse Gallery, Caprock

Heirloom, Twins' Fashions, Sam's Club, Citizens Bank, Dennis and Nancy McDonald, The Jersey Lily, Southland FFA Ag Students, Garza County Animal Hospital, Dusty Osborn, Diane Graves, Chad Huckaby Horseshoeing, Grassland Butane, Glenna Reiter, Channa Jones, Steve and Beverly Miller, A Wink-N-A Smile, Tanner's Place, Matt Hamel Ag Products.

A special thank you is extended to Jerry and Wanda Osborn for cooking the briskets, Bubba Smith for being our Auctioneer and to Garza County Trailblazers for the use of their building. The biggest thanks go to all the people that donated to GCJLA to help the youth of Garza County. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by the board and members.

JANECE WILLIAMS

Secretary, Garza County Junior Livestock Association

Letters to the Editor Policy

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Menus: Week of Nov. 5-9

Post ISD

Monday: Breakfast pizza, fruit, milk

Tuesday: Churros, sausage link, fruit, milk

Wednesday: Cream of wheat, sausage, toast, fruit, milk

Thursday: Cinnamon rolls, sausage link, fruit, milk

Friday: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday: Toasted ham and cheese sandwich, broccoli bites, garden salad, orange wedges, baked potato chips, milk

Tuesday: Crispy tacos, garden salad, charro beans, salsa, cinnamon applesauce, milk

Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, gravy, carrot coins, strawberries and bananas, roll, milk

Thursday: Spaghetti with

meat balls, garden salad, savory green beans, sliced peaches, milk

Friday: Turkey and cheese wrap, sweet potato rounds, cucumber dippers, fresh seasonal fruit, milk

Southland ISD

Monday: Pancake on a stick, fruit, juice, milk

Tuesday: Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk

Wednesday: Breakfast bar, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk

Thursday: Biscuits, sausage, gravy, fruit, juice, milk

Friday: Cereal, muffins, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday: Pizza, garden salad, corn, fruit, cherry bar, milk

Tuesday: Taco salad, refried beans, garden salad, salsa, fruit, milk

Wednesday: Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot roll, apples, pineapples, milk

Thursday: Chicken quesadilla, black beans, baby carrots, oranges, chips and salsa, milk

Friday: Thanksgiving lunch

Trailblazers-Senior Citizens Center

Monday: Ham, lima beans, spinach, cornbread, cookie, milk

Tuesday: Barbecue chicken, mash potatoes, green beans roll, Jell-O, milk

Wednesday: Chili, cornbread, veggies, fruit, milk

Thursday: Chicken and dumplings, peas, salad, strawberry cake, milk

Friday: Baked fish, potato wedges, beans, fruit, milk

Cryptogram

A cryptogram is a puzzle where a sentence is encoded by substituting the actual letters of the sentence with different letters. The challenge of the puzzle is to 'decode' the sentence to reveal the original English sentence. We have provided a few of the decoded letters to help get you started.

Hint: Quote by Steve Jobs

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Steve Collins

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Photo submitted by Tim Tatum

Members of the Post High School drama team rehearse for their upcoming weekend performances of "All Shook Up," a musical based on the hit of Elvis Presley. Performances will be Saturday and Sunday in the high school auditorium. Tickets are available by calling the high school.

Elvis lives in PHS musical

The Post Dispatch

The Post High School drama department will perform a full Broadway-sized production of "All Shook Up" on

Saturday and Sunday at the Post ISD auditorium. About 50 students will perform in the musical built around songs Elvis Presley made famous.

Students and directors have been gearing up for the performances since summer with student choreographers Janice Curtis, Stephen Rodriguez, Joshua Curtis and

Kelsey Griffin working since July.

The storyline is set in a small town in the 1950s. A young roustabout, Chad, played by Stephen Rodriguez, comes into town and gets things all shook up, including young female mechanic, Natalie, played by Rosetta Taylor, who instantly falls for him.

Mayor Matilda, played by Kelsey Isbell, has recently instituted the Mamie Eisenhower Decency Act, which doesn't allow rock 'n' roll among other things. Chad determines to help rid them of the law.

Other lead actors are Zach Quinonez, Griffin, Jessi Isbell, Curtis, Kayla Comeaux, Isreal Gonzales and Nathaniel Gill. There are many others who perform as barflies, chorus and dancers.

If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please email Tim Tatum at ttatum@postisd.net or call the school at 495-2770.

Extension names new South Plains administrator

Special to the Dispatch

LUBBOCK—The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will gain a new administrator for county programs for the South Plains District effective Nov. 15.

Michael Clawson will assume the role of district AgriLife Extension administrator for District 2, said Darrell Dromgoole, the Extension's associate director for county programs at College Station.

"Mr. Clawson brings extensive experience to this position, having served as an AgriLife Extension agent in Ector, Swisher, Sherman and Motley counties, and as an assistant agent in Liberty County," Dromgoole said. "Michael has distinguished himself throughout his career as an individual who truly embraces the mission of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. He is highly respected for his ability to work with people, his vision for program excellence and for his leadership skills."

Clawson's office will be in the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center at Lubbock, which serves as the headquarters for the 20-county district.

He earned a master's degree in agriculture education from Texas Tech University, a bachelor's degree in animal science from West Texas A&M University and an associate's de-

gree in business administration from South Plains College.

Clawson has been with AgriLife Extension since 1990. Throughout his career he has garnered a number of awards and recognitions based on his AgriLife Extension work. Those earned this year include both the National Association of County Agriculture Agents Association and the Texas County Agricultural Agents Associations' distinguished service award and the communication state winner award, also presented by the Texas County Agricultural Agents Association.

"I am honored for the opportunity to serve District 2 as the District AgriLife Extension Administrator," Clawson said. "I grew up on the South Plains and spent the majority of my career in the area, so I'm well aware of the deep roots our agency has across the region. I am looking forward to working with county commissioner courts, county AgriLife Extension agents, specialists, and other AgriLife faculty in District 2 to develop and deliver quality educational programs to the area's residents."

Clawson fills the position formerly held by Miles Dabovich, who transferred to Vernon as the AgriLife Extension administrator for the agency's Rolling Plains District on July 15.

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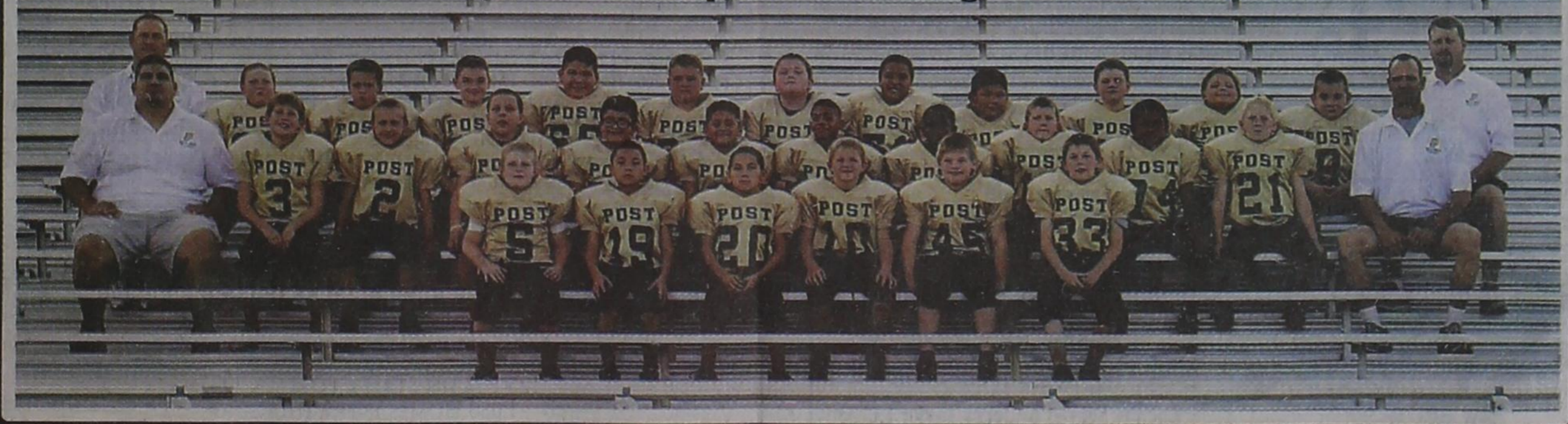


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The Post Dispatch

Legends

Area camp meetings fondly recalled

The John Coleman family history was written by Mrs. John Coleman and published in The Post Dispatch Golden Jubilee Edition. As I write her story, I am forever amazed that none of the women of that



LINDA PUCKETT

time had names. Were they as offended by that as I am? Oh well, on with the story. Mrs. Coleman came to Garza County in 1895 in a covered wagon with Mrs. Ken Elkins and her small children, traveling from Coleman in central Texas to visit her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. George Elkins, who lived on a ranch

near Polar. Although people of the area all went to dances for recreation, Mrs. Coleman remembers best the camp meetings: Clairemont, the major town around here besides Snyder, was the site of one such meeting and the schoolhouse on her sister's ranch was the site of another. The ranchers would take a cook and would contribute the beef and all the people would eat together. The camped separately, Mrs. Coleman recalled. An arbor was built, and residents of the area spent a week at a time at the meetings.

Mrs. Coleman had three other sisters in this vicinity. Soon after she came here, one sister married George Bradley and lived on a ranch 20 miles north of where Post is now. Another was married to Joe Stokes who lived on the Spur Ranch. The third was Mrs. Tom Byrd, who lived

on the ranch 25 miles northeast of Post. When the families visited each other, it was a day's ride by buggy. She remembers her first visit to the Plains and her first sight of Post. She came with the Elkins family when they moved their cattle to a pasture on the Plains. Besides the three sisters, Mrs. Coleman had a brother, John Mason, who ranched five miles from the Elkins place.

For the first six years of her marriage to Mr. Coleman, she lived in Snyder. Her oldest three children were born there. They went back to Tennessee, and ended up staying for four years. During that time Post really opened up. Her family kept writing about the amount of work available for carpenters, and Mr. Coleman was a carpenter. Much to her relief they moved back to West Texas. The family came on the train to Fluvanna, and then rode the mail hack to Post.

Mr. Coleman was farming near Close City and keeping on with his carpenter work. He built many of the houses on the Plains. In the meantime the family bought a farm in the Graham area and moved there. Mr. Coleman was Garza County treasurer from 1916-1918. He died in 1918. Mrs. Coleman served out his term of office and ran for reelection on her own. She was elected and held that office until 1926. There were few women in public office at that time.

Post and Garza County today are quite different from the sparsely populated

section Mrs. Coleman found all those many years ago. In recalling her memories, she mentioned a big Fourth of July picnic in 1912. The Coleman family loaded into the wagon and came into town where they picked up the George Samson and the Mop-pin families. They drove a pair of not-so-gentle mules to the picnic, which was on the Yellowhouse River. A big storm came up during the picnic so the three families got hurriedly back in the wagon. Lightning flashed and roared. A hard rain began to fall. It was too much for the mules. Although everyone there was having similar runaways in the hacks, buggies, surries and wagons, no one passed the Colemans and their flying mules. It was almost a riot, she recalled.

Mrs. Coleman had seven living children (as of this writing), Lewis Coleman; Dee Coleman, who ranches northwest of Post; Mrs. Walter Boren; Mrs. Burney Francis; and Mrs. Thurman Francis, all of Post; and twin daughters Mrs. W.B. Bush of Post and Mrs. Gilbert Griffin of Grandfalls. Coleman children who attended school at Graham were Gwendolyn; Bruce, who was struck by lightning his senior year, Johnnie; Maurice; and Maurice.

Hope you have enjoyed looking back with me. See you next week.

Linda Puckett is director of the Garza County Historical Commission and museum.

Nancy's Notions

Top 10 food trends

As many of you know, I recently received my master's degree in animal science. Along with that degree came many hours of reading emerging research from all areas of the industry. An interesting bit of information crossed my desk Monday morning about food trends.



NANCY MCDONALD

Sterling-Rice Group (SRG), a consulting firm, has identified and released what it sees as the top 10 food trends to be served on restaurant menus and line the supermarket shelves across the United States in 2013.

Chefs watch your weight: Chefs are changing their habits and exchanging their butter and bacon for broth and beets. The result, better-for-you food that actually tastes good.

Asian infiltrates American comfort food: The spicy and fresh flavors of Thailand, Vietnam and Korea will give consumers a new take on comfort food.

Veggies take over the plate: No longer prepared as just a side or salad, vegetables will get their chance to star as the main dish.

Kid menus grow up: Mac and cheese and chicken nuggets take a back seat to kid-friendly versions of adult-dining options.

American artisans save you a trip to Europe: With

the emergence of local artisans budding in cities across America, why fly to Paris when you can go to Philly? Foodies can think globally, but travel locally.

Small plates for me only: Small plates for sharing will be replaced with smaller, singular servings of meat, veggies or starches — for a truly customized dining experience.

Savory fruit: Look for fruit used with savory flavors, incorporated as a touch in appetizers, soups and meat dishes.

No diner left behind: From gluten-free to vegan, more and more restaurants will offer all-inclusive menus and services to accommodate all eaters.

Popcorn is the snack of 2013: Sweet or savory, the all-time favorite (and healthy) snack will pop up everywhere — in ice cream, as croutons.

SRG's 2013 Top 10 Food Trends were compiled with the expertise of SRG's culinary council — a team of more than 100 chefs, restaurateurs and foodies.

Our challenge as consumers is to buy into this movement of more vegetables, lower calories and smaller serving sizes to encourage these market places to continue offering nutritional choices because of demand.

Hopefully, we see a few of these changes in our area by summer.

Nancy McDonald is the family and consumer sciences agent for the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Garza County.

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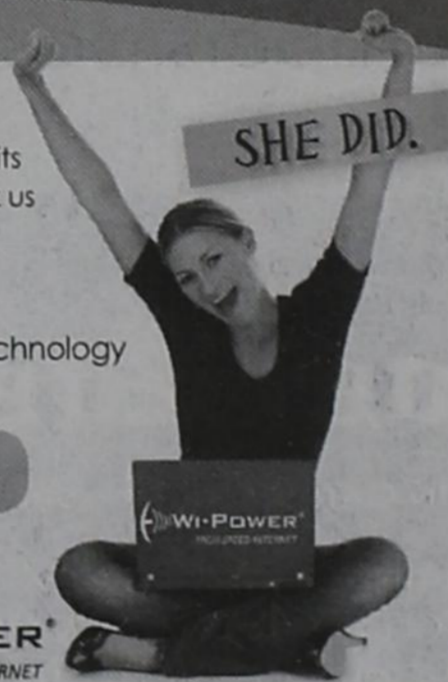
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The Paperboy

Romney will rebuild trust in Americans

Once upon a time, Texas and Oklahoma had a say in the presidential election. Not so much anymore.

These two states, along with several others, basically rubber-stamp the conservative agenda and vote to put Republicans in office.



CHRIS BLACKBURN

In this part of the country, President Obama is about as popular as the West Nile virus. The man is absolutely loathed by a large majority throughout rural North America.

If you look at the United States as a whole, President Obama won't win many counties. However, he will win most of our heaviest-populated counties.

In not-so-scientific conversations with conservatives and liberals, I've come to the conclusion the disconnect between the two mindsets has much to do with the fact neither feels respected by the other.

Without going into it through the issues, neither President Obama nor Mitt Romney are going to be successful unless they extend a hand to the other side.

It starts at the top.

In 2008, Obama promised Americans he would fight for everyone. He did not. He pandered to his base and rammed through legislation massively unpopular even with many Democrats.

Had it not been for the immense pressure placed on members of the House and Senate by Nancy Pelosi and Harry Reid, you would have seen many Democrats stand with Republicans against legislation and the manner in which it was passed.

As it turned out, the Democrats sided with the progressives in the party and voted with them. That cost many Democratic House and Senate members their jobs in 2010; flipping the House majority to the Republicans and nearly the Senate.

Now it's two years later and gridlock remains in Washington.

When Obama was elected, I thought, "If he'll govern from the center, he could one day be regarded as one of the greatest presidents of all time."

Unfortunately, he did not govern from the center. He chose progressives for his Cabinet, appointed czars to circumvent law and shut Republicans out of important meetings.

President Obama once again has promised to reach across the aisle. Based on his first term, does anyone believe that he is sincere?

When you look across this country and see the various issues before us, do you believe we can recover? I do not.

I firmly believe the times when this country has thrived are the times when we were united. History has proved this over and over.

Mitt Romney has now promised to reach across the aisle and had to as the governor in one of our bluest states. Romney is also a moderate, which may not be ideal for conservatives, but could prove better for the country.

I love this country. Liberals love this country. Conservatives love this country. There is much work to be done to heal this country. I'm voting for Mitt Romney with the hope he will reach across the aisle and begin the process of rebuilding America.

If elected, I expect Romney to govern from the center.

I expect him to be inclusive.

I expect him to unite us.

These are the most serious of times. President Obama has been stressing trust on the campaign. He could have had a point had he delivered on the promise to reach across the aisle to begin with. Fool me once ...

Christopher Blackburn is publisher of The Post Dispatch and CEO of Blackburn Media Group.

The 501

Leading from behind

Lead from behind. As memorable presidential election year sayings go, those words may rival "Read my lips: No new taxes."

Time will tell. Actually, I missed "Lead from behind" the first time around. But since campaign rhetoric has a way of getting repeated, both in and out of context, inevitably I heard the



HANABA MUNN WELCH

quote, although I wasn't listening closely enough to know which candidate said it first. Then suddenly all campaign wrangling faded in significance as my husband and I faced the task of taking a cow to the vet. They don't go willingly.

Nope, it's not that easy to load just one cow out of the whole herd, unless you're a cowboy with a good horse under you. Even then, you've got to know what you're doing — or at least the horse must — and a good outcome is not guaranteed.

I remember what one cowboy said one day after he and I somehow managed to load the right cows, with me not helping much. When it was all over, he said, "Well, the cow gods were with us."

Anyway, there my husband and I were on foot, eye to eye with the cows, no lassoes in hand — just feed cubes. Nor had we formulated a strategy

for persuading the big heifer with the swollen jaw to step into the trailer. That's how it is when the cows unexpectedly come up for water and the vet closes his office in just 90 minutes and there's one flat on the trailer and you don't even have it backed up to the chute. There's always one flat.

To get the cows going in the right direction, my husband walked behind some of them, target heifer included, not exactly driving that part of the herd into the corral but rather tossing cubes over their heads so that they landed in front of them, thereby luring them to move forward.

Then it struck me. I was seeing "lead from behind" in action.

If my husband had been in front of those cows handing out cubes, they would have followed him just as well. But then he wouldn't have been in good position to close the gate behind them, which he did.

Lead from behind? When

it comes to cows, I guess it works. If you polled the cows, they might have a different opinion.

Sorry, I couldn't help but mention polled cows.

Back to politics.

We did load the cow, and nobody got Gored. But there for a while we were just Biden our time, hoping she would hop into the trailer on her own, even as we closed in on her with a swing gate (rhymes with swing state). By the time she finally obliged, we were Bushed, but we made it to town in time for the vet to see the cow. He pronounced her fit enough either to keep or sell at a discount.

Whatever my husband decides will be fine with me. One more debate would be one too many.

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Yesteryears

10 Years Ago Oct. 31, 2002

Garza County voters will join voters across the state Tuesday in filling a variety of political offices. At the county level, there are no contested races. Giles W. Dalby is running uncontested as the Democratic Party candidate for county judge. Other uncontested Democratic candidates seeking re-election are Jerry Hays, county treasurer; Mason McClellan, Precinct 2 commissioner; Mike Sanchez, Precinct 4 commissioner; Sheila Melton, justice of the peace for Precinct 1-2; and Dee Justice, justice of the peace for Precinct 3-4.

Andrew Hermann, a native of Budapest, Hungary, is an exchange student and senior at Post High School. His host family is Sandy and Gaylen Powell. Andrew says he will take a tour of the United States with his parents upon graduation from Post in May. He will return to Hungary and complete another year of high school there before enrolling in collegiate studies to become a lawyer.

20 Years Ago Oct. 28, 1992

In a meeting with Mayor Jim Jackson, City Council members Jimmy Holleman and Maxine Conoly, Garza County commissioners Monday morning approved a resolution supporting the city of Post in providing funding guarantees for a new landfill permit. The resolution did not specify limits on funding but the court and city will enter into an "interlock agreement" limiting the county's financial share to 25 percent of the new landfill operation.

Post Middle School social studies teacher Debra Adams guided eighth-grade students through the electoral process

beginning with a mock voter registration Oct 19-23. Eighth-graders plan to vote for their favorite candidates Nov. 2 on Election Day. The students have been studying the U.S. elections process and are involved in campaigning for their candidates with posters throughout the school building. Each student is making an "Election '92" booklet and studying the election procedures, including qualifications for presidents, the issues, terminology and the electoral-college. "These students will be informed voters when they reach voting age," Adams said.

Diana Basquez announces the birth of her daughter, Courtney Alexandra. Courtney was born Aug 27, 1992 at UMC.

30 Years Ago Oct. 27, 1982

Tom Middleton of Post was recently re-elected to the Garza County Soil and Water Conservation District board of directors. Middleton represents Zone 4 of the district.

Herman McVay, first shift supervisor in the Carding and Spinning Department, was presented a 30-year service certificate, pin and award by former Postex Plant Manager Don Smith in a staff meeting Oct 8. Mr. McVay came to Postex from Bonham, Texas, on Oct 6, 1952, and has been a supervisor since 1960. Mrs. Sara Ault was also honored for completion of 20 years continuous service. She received a certificate, pin and an award.

Dee Caylor, local Shell gas owner, brought in a beet he had grown in his garden, into The Post Dispatch to be weighed. After weighing it on trusty scales here in the office, the whopper weighed in at 15 pounds.

40 Years Ago Oct. 26, 1972

Post Junior High drum majors and twirlers won a first-place trophy in Brownfield during the Harvest Festival parade. This is the second trophy they have won. The "SparkPlugs" are Donna Josey, Peggy Jackson, Kelly Mitchell, Donna Giddens, Donna Ammons and Debbie Wyatt.

The Post Public Library is now a full member of the Texas State Library System, the Rev. George Miller told The Post Dispatch.

Demolition of the old Levi's Restaurant building, just off Main Street on North Broadway, began Tuesday. The building, which was condemned by the City Council after having been declared a fire hazard, is being torn down by a crew headed by Spike Strofer.

The U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas has ordered that William Ray Woods, now serving a 50-year sentence from Garza County for murder with malice, be given a new trial within 120 days for being released from custody.

50 Years Ago Oct. 25, 1962

Ten-year old Kay Herron, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis C. Herron, showed her reserve champion shorthorn steer last Friday at the State Fair of Texas Junior Livestock Show in Dallas.

A year-long harvest of some \$18 million from the production of crude oil is one of the stabilizing factors in the economy of Garza County, according to Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association.

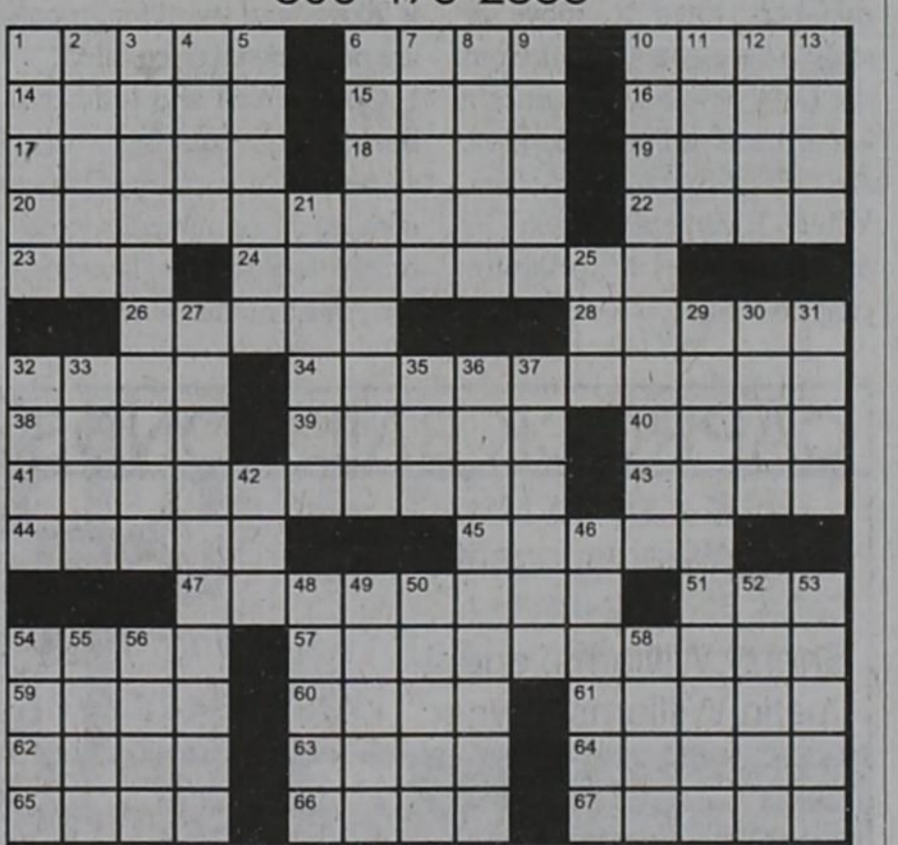
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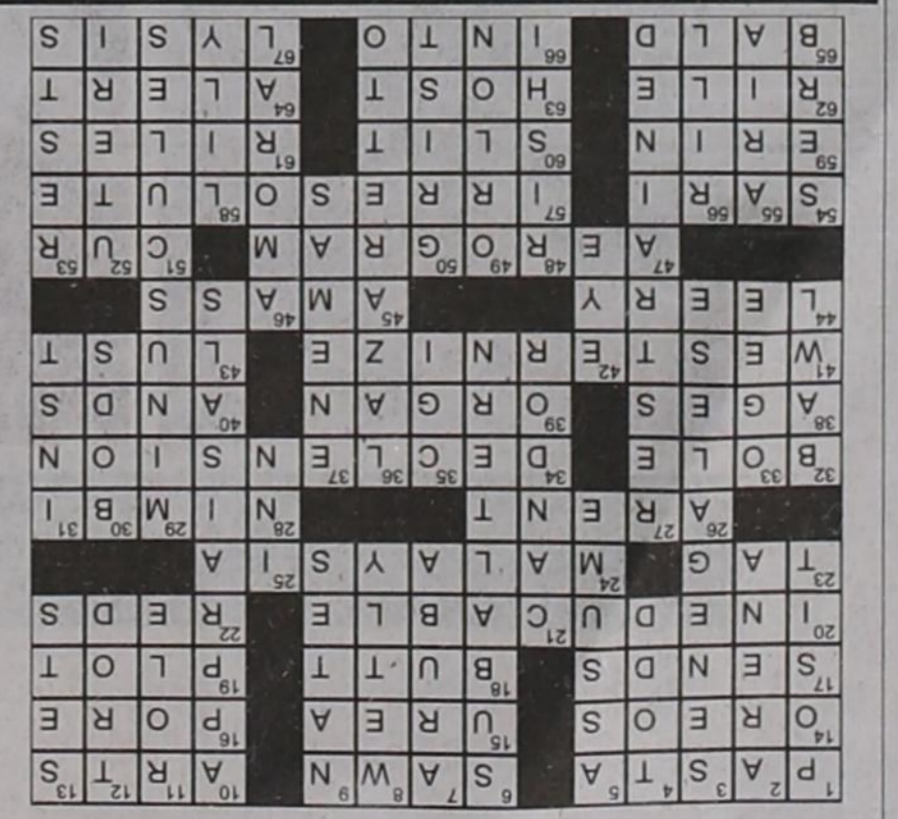
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PUZZLE SOLUTION



Dispatch asking for veterans' photos

The Post Dispatch

The Post Dispatch is soliciting area residents to submit photos of their loved ones who have served in any war past to present in anticipation of the annual Veterans Day edition, which will be published Nov. 9.

Readers are encouraged to

email photos and no more than 250 words to the newspaper for publication. Information also may be dropped by the office, 123 E. Main St., Post.

There is no charge for publication, and any one who submits the information will be given one free copy of the newspaper that week.

"Local veterans are our most celebrated residents here in

Garza County," Dispatch Editor Wayne Hodgin said. "We want to honor those living and remember those lost who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom."

Deadline for submissions will be 5 p.m. Monday, Nov. 6.

For information, call 806-495-2816 or email thepostci-tydispatch@gmail.com.

Salvation Army needs local program facilitator

The Post Dispatch

The Post chapter of the Salvation Army is in need of a local program facilitator for Garza County.

Charles Addington, spokesman for the Region 4 service area, which stretches all across the South Plains and Panhandle areas, said the organization's main office in Lubbock has been handling local requests for some time now.

"We could really use someone in Post to help us out, especially with the holiday season upon us," Addington said.

The Salvation Army of Lubbock has been serving the Lubbock and surrounding areas since 1922 in providing for the physical, mental, social and

spiritual welfare of people all across the area.

Addington said the local program facilitator would be on hand to help monitor requests for any and all local assistance, including family services, seasonal assistance, disaster aid and to organize local Red Kettle campaign drives throughout the holidays.

The Red Kettle season runs from Nov. 16 through Dec. 24 at some of the most prominent business locations throughout the area.

For information about volunteering for the Salvation Army contact Addington at 806-441-2971 or email charles_addington@uss.salvationarmy.org.

Wayne Hodgin

Punt, Pass and Kick



Photo submitted by Kim Lott

Borden County Elementary students participated in the Punt, Pass and Kick sectional competition in Lubbock on Oct. 27. Those who advanced to the sectional round were Callie Edwards, Trey Edwards, Zeke Lott, Olivia Reyes, Corbin Sumners and Maddie Sumners. About 1,320 children participated in the event, in which only 77 advanced. Callie Edwards finished in third place in the 6- and 7-year-old girls division. Lott placed third in the 10- and 11-year-old boys division. Corbin Sumners won a silver medal in the 12- and 13-year-old boys division.

DROUGHT

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Fulton said the yearly average daily consumption rate at White River for all four municipalities — Post, Crosbyton, Ralls and Spur — combined is about 1.5 million gallons per day, or about 1,000 gallons per minute.

"In the summertime, Post's consumption rate is upward of 3 million gallons per day just from White River, and they have alternative water sources," Fulton said.

In July at the district board's regular monthly meeting, members voted to move to stage 3 based on a report from the Longview-based engineering firm of Johnson & Pace. According to the firm's data, White River Lake would be dry by February if no significant precipitation were to fall.

"Based on what we're currently seeing, their prediction was right on the money so far," Fulton said this week.

The move to stage 3 came on the heels of a board meeting the month prior in which the district voted to move to stage 2.

Each stage in the district's drought contingency plan is increasingly stringent upon member cities' conservation efforts.

Under stage 3 guidelines, the use of water is prohibited for all landscape watering, both residential and commercial, including parks, athletic fields and golf courses. No residential washing of vehicles is allowed, and swimming pools are not allowed to be filled.

Commercial and industrial businesses requiring water as a basic function of business, such as nurseries, commercial car washes, laundries, etc., must obtain written per-

mission for the intended use from either the member city's officials or the district's general manager.

The initial move to stage 3 back in August drew the immediate ire of members of the Post City Council — who said they felt bullied by the district to move to more stringent conservation measures — and refused to approve the measure.

Under the cities' water-purchase contract with the district, an increased step in the drought contingency plan is not binding on member cities.

The move to stage 3, however, has opened the district up to receiving at least \$1.4 million in state funds to be used for various improvement projects throughout the district, including upgrades to water lines and at the district's plant at White River Lake.

Fulton said he expects at least another million dollars in state aid by February.

In addition, the district has applied and been approved, Fulton said, for a 50 percent grant from the Texas Water Development Board for \$12 million, half of which will be funded by the local municipalities.

The money is to be used for improvements and to rehabilitate old water wells and add new wells within the district.

POLL

From Page 1

Tuesday surveyed 800 registered Texas voters and has a margin of error of plus or minus 3.46 percentage points. Of the 800 registered voters in the poll, 540 were identified as likely voters based on self-reported interest in politics and certainty of voting in the election (margin of error for the likely voter sub-sample is plus or minus 4.22 percentage points).

Likely voters were nearly split on their opinion of Gov. Rick Perry. Forty-five percent had a very favorable or somewhat favorable opinion of the governor, while 42 percent indicated a very unfavorable or somewhat unfavorable opinion. When asked whether they would vote for Perry if he were to run for governor again in 2014, only 22 percent of likely voters said they would cast a ballot for Perry. Forty-two percent said they would vote against the governor, while 35 percent said they would "wait and see" who would run against him.

Attorney General Greg Abbott, who may run for governor in 2014, was given a very favorable or somewhat favorable rating by 30 percent of likely voters, and a somewhat or very unfavor-

able rating by 19 percent. Fifty-two percent of likely voters were either neutral toward Abbott or couldn't rate him at all.

The poll showed continued strong support among Texans for former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney in the U.S. presidential race. If the general election were held today, 55 percent of likely voters said they would vote for Romney, compared with 39 percent who would vote for President Barack Obama. The margin is similar to a poll taken in May that showed Romney leading 55 to 35 percent.

Fifty-two percent of likely voters said they had a very favorable or somewhat favorable opinion of Romney, compared with 39 percent for Obama. Fifty-seven percent said they had a very unfavorable or somewhat unfavorable opinion of Obama, compared with 41 percent for Romney.

Among vice presidential candidates, the numbers were almost identical to their top-of-the-ticket counterparts. Fifty-three percent of likely voters said they had a very favorable or somewhat favorable opinion of U.S. Rep. Paul Ryan, compared with 39 percent for Vice President Joe Biden. Fifty-six percent said they had a very unfavorable or somewhat unfavorable opinion

of Biden, compared with 36 percent for Ryan.

Opinions of Obama's job performance are slightly negative overall. Forty percent of respondents approved strongly or approved somewhat of Obama's performance as president, with 53 percent disapproving strongly or disapproving somewhat. The performance of Congress continued to fare extremely poorly in the eyes of Texas voters, with 69 percent of respondents disapproving strongly or disapproving somewhat. Only 1 percent said they "approve strongly" of Congress.

"One percent strongly approve of Congress — that's my favorite stat in the poll," says Daron Shaw, professor of Government at The University of Texas at Austin, who also oversees the survey. "Texans really, really don't like those guys."

This is the latest in a series of online polls conducted by the Texas Politics Project and The Texas Tribune. Comprehensive poll results, information about methodology and the survey dataset will be available at the Texas Politics Project website later this week. Additional poll results will be released and available at the website throughout the week.

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Bryan Smith (40), Paul Martinez (52) and Dylan Pearson (3) try to take down a Floydada Whirlwind during the Lopes' 26-16 win last week that helped clinch Post's playoff berth.

LOPES
 From Page 1

The Bold Gold would begin its next possession at midfield and on fourth-and-5. Quarterback Pake Jones appeared to get the first down, but a penalty would force the Lopes to punt.

The Lopes' defense would force the Winds to punt, ending the first quarter with Post trailing, 8-6.

The Lopes would be forced to punt on their first possession of the second quarter. The Winds would drive inside the Post 20 before the defense toughed and on fourth down forced Woody's pass to fall incomplete.

The Antelopes would begin at their own 15-yard line. Jones would finish the eight-play, 85-yard drive, with a nice 45-yard run. The Lopes missed the extra point but took the lead 12-8.

The defense held the Winds on third down forcing the punt, but the punt hit a Lope defender giving Floydada a new set of downs with 1:43 remaining in the half.

The Winds would be hoping to take the lead, but D.J. Brown had other ideas as he intercepted the Woody pass. Post would run out the clock and head into half with a 12-8 lead.

The Lopes and the Winds were unable to put points on the

board in the third quarter, but Post would find the end zone on their first drive of the fourth quarter as Jones scored his second touchdown on a five-yard run. Aron Lopez added the extra point giving the Bold Gold a 19-8 lead.

Floydada, trying to keep their playoff hopes alive, drove 70 yards and added a two-point conversion to pull within 19-16.

The Antelopes would respond in championship manner.

Needing to make first downs and run the clock, the Lopes went into their four-minute offense on a 12-play, 65-yard drive to seal the victory. Smith ended the drive covering 25 yards for the score. Lopez added the kick.

The Winds would try scoring quickly, but Lope double-back Dylan Pearson picked off the pass. The Lope offense went onto the field and lined up in the victory formation to win the game.

With the win, Post moves to 3-0 in District 2AA and clinched a spot in the playoffs for the first time since the 2009 season. They will play the Olton Mustangs (1-7,0-3) in Olton at 7:30 p.m. tonight.

A win tonight would buy the Lopes a bye in the first round of the playoffs.



Jaycee Johnson/For the Dispatch
Antelope Dylan Pearson holds off a Whirlwind defender during last Friday's game. Post would go on to win the game against Floydada, 26-16, to secure the home team's spot in the District 2AA playoffs.

BOXSCORE	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Floydada	8	0	8	0	16
Post	6	6	7	7	26

TEAM STATS	Floydada	Post
1st Downs	17	14
Total Net Yds	339	329
Avg. Gain per Play	6.8	7.0
Net Yds Rushing	218	329
Rushes	42	47
Avg. per Rush	5.2	7.0
Net Yds Passing	121	0
Passes Attempted	19	0
Passes Completed	8	0
Yds per Pass	15.1	0.0
Had Intercepted	2	0
Punts	2	2
Avg. Punt	25	38
Penalties	5	7
Penalty Yds	55	50
Fumbles	1	1
Fumbles Lost	0	0

INDIVIDUAL STATS	Rushes	Yds	Avg.	TD
D.J. Brown	14	81	5.8	0
Bryan Smith	17	136	8.0	2
Pake Jones	16	112	7.0	2
TOTAL	47	329	7.0	4

DISTRICT STANDINGS	Record	Record
Post	7-1	3-0
Abernathy	7-1	3-0
Tulia	4-4	1-2
Floydada	3-5	1-2
Roosevelt	1-7	1-2
Olton	1-7	0-3

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Sports Roundup

Post JV defeats Floydada, 40-8

The Post Antelopes junior varsity team (7-1, 2-0) defeated Floydada, 40-8, on Oct. 25.

Christian Saucedo got Post on the board early in the first quarter. During the opening quarter, Saucedo scored on runs of 1 and 4. Jared Curtis and Blaine Reece also added the two-point plays after each score.

Saucedo and Reece would continue scoring for Post during the second quarter. Reece would have a 50-yard run for a touchdown. The PAT failed. On the Whirlwinds' next possession, Saucedo would strip the ball from the running back and race 55 yards the other way giving Post a 28-8 halftime lead.

The Antelopes would receive the second-half kickoff. Christian Perez would be credited

with a 62-yard kickoff return, but he actually covered about 90 on the play.

Perez caught the ball in front of the Lope sideline and ran to get behind the wall. He was forced across the field, where he found running room in front of the Winds bench.

Perez made a cut across the field before scoring the touchdown. Saucedo would add another four-yard touchdown run to close out the scoring.

Due to injuries, Post made some changes on the offensive line. Tristan Fannon, Blake Boren, Jabren Rodriguez, Edel Sanchez, Alex Ramirez, David Hernandez all played well.

The defense put pressure on the Winds the entire game.

The Lopes were scheduled to face Idalou on

Thursday as another district opponent canceled its JV season.

Post	16	12	12	0	= 40
Floydada	0	8	0	0	= 8

Jerry Pyles

Post girls volleyball season ends with losses

The Post High School girls varsity volleyball season ended Oct. 23 with a loss to Colorado City on the road.

The Lady Lopes lost in three games, 10-25, 18-25, 11-25.

Their season record was 2-15 and was 0-8 in district.

In junior high action the day before at Lamesa, the Post eighth-grade A team won a two-game match against Brownfield, 25-13, 25-21. In a back-to-back game against Lamesa, Post lost 15-25 in both sets.

The team's record is 5-10 and 1-5.

The seventh grade and eighth-grade B team would combine in back-to-back games, both against Brownfield. In the first game, Post would lose two of three matches, 27-25, 8-25, 21-25.

In the next game, Post would lose in two matches, 11-25, 16-25.

The team's season record was 0-7 and 0-6.

Wayne Hodgins

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN WATER QUALITY PERMIT RENEWAL

PERMIT NO. WQ0013048001

APPLICATION. City of Post, 105 East Main Street, Post, Texas 79356, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to renew wastewater disposal Permit No. WQ0013048001 to authorize the disposal of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed a daily average flow of 790,000 gallons per day via irrigation on 209.24 acres of non-public access pastureland. The domestic wastewater treatment facility is located 1/2 mile east of the plant entrance which is located approximately 1,200 feet south of the intersection of South Avenue F and East 5th Street and the irrigation site is located approximately 1/3 mile east of Pond 3 in Garza County, Texas 79356. TCEQ received this application on September 4, 2012. The permit application is available for viewing and copying at the Post City Hall, 105 East Main Street, Post, Texas. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=33.181388&lng=-101.364444&zoom=13&type=r>

ADDITIONAL NOTICE. TCEQ's Executive Director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After technical review of the application is complete, the Executive Director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. **Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the county-wide mailing list and to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the deadline for submitting public comments.**

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting on this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. **Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments, and the Executive Director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court.**

TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name, address, phone number; applicant's name and proposed permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the proposed facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and, the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. **TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. All written public comments and requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at www.tceq.state.tx.us/about/comments.html. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from City of Post at the address stated above or by calling Ms. Deana Watson at (806) 495-2811.

Issuance Date: October 29, 2012

Borden County v. Klondike Mercy rule ends Coyotes' district-opening win

By Trey Richey
For the Dispatch

The motto for the 2012 Borden County Coyote football team is "Start Fast...Finish Strong," but that is not what the Coyotes did in their district-opener Friday at home.

The visiting Klondike Cougars played with a lot of confidence as they came out and took the opening kick and commenced to drive the ball down the field for a quick touchdown aided by a 55-yard pass play to take a 6-0 lead over the hometown team.

But, as has been the case all year long, the Coyote offense exploded as Tanner Richey followed the blocks of Matt Roberson, Helio Rosales, Kurt Shafer, T.J. Basquez and Jared Smith untouched from 32 yards out on the first offensive play of the game for the Coyotes.

Rosales hit the extra point to give the Coyotes their first lead of the game. The Cougars would not go away as they converted two fourth downs on their next drive, the second allowing the visitors to regain the lead with 4:49 left in the first quarter at 12-8.

Again, Richey and the Coyote offense scored on the first offensive play, this time on a 45-yard run. Another Rosales kick gave the Coyotes a 16-12 lead.

The Coyotes finally got into the act as Frank Banman came up with his third interception of the season, and three plays later Basquez extended the Coyote lead to 24-12 with his 10-yard touchdown run and Rosales kick.

On the next defensive possession, Steven Howard inter-

cepted a Cougar pass, and two plays later Richey extended the lead with a nice 62-yard run to put the Coyotes up 30-12.

On the next Cougar possession, it looked as though the Coyotes would stop the visitors, as the Cougar quarterback squirted out of the grasp of a Coyote defender on fourth down and found a receiver in the back of the end zone to cut the Coyote lead to 30-18 with 5:08 left in the second quarter.

The Coyote offense immediately responded as Richey sprinted 46 yards to regain the 18-point lead at 36-18 with 4:58 left in the period. On the next defensive possession, Smith came up with the first of his two interceptions. Two plays later, on a run-pass option play, Richey took off and looked to be hemmed in but a bone-crushing block by Basquez paved the way for Richey and the Coyotes to take a commanding 44-18 lead following the run and Rosales kick.

On the next defensive possession, Smith turned his second interception into another Coyote touchdown using another crushing block by Basquez to reach the end zone. Rosales again connected on the PAT to extend the lead to 52-18.

The defense continued to flex its muscle and gave the Coyotes the ball again following a sack by Basquez that caused a fumble that Matt Proulx fell on to give the Coyotes the ball again.

After scoring on a bruising 37-yard run called back for Basquez, he got it to count for real from seven yards out and a commanding 58-18 Coyote lead. Rosales connected once again to push the lead to 60-18.

The Coyote defense again responded as Smith blitzed for a sack and then after forcing a Cougar punt, the Coyotes got into their two-minute cheetah offense and for the fifth time during the night scored in one play as Richey hit Smith on a nice 38-yard pass-and-catch play with 38 seconds left in the half and a 66-18 lead.

It appeared that with the second-team defense the game would end at half, but on a 41-yard hitch-and-pitch play on the final play of the half, the Cougars managed to extend the game to the third quarter cutting the lead to 66-24 heading into the locker rooms.

The Coyotes, however, received the second-half kick-off and, after having a touchdown called back on the second play of the half, made it stand for good and bring a close to the district-opening victory as Richey scampered 41 yards to pay dirt and a 72-24 mercy rule victory for the Coyotes.

Basquez finished with 105 yards and two scores on seven carries and was in on nine tackles, two for loss, a caused fumble and two bone crushing blocks.

Richey had 362 yards on 11 carries, six touchdowns and was 2-of-2 passing for 57 yards and a score while making 12 tackles, two for loss, and a pass break up.

Smith had a 38-yard touchdown catch, two interceptions, one for a score, and was in on three tackles, a sack and tackle for loss.

Shafer had a nice 18-yard reception and was in on four tackles with a tackle for loss.

Howard had five tackles, an interception and a blocked extra point. Matt Ham had three tackles. Banman had five tackles and an interception.

Proulx had a tackle and a fumble recovery. Korbin Martinez had four tackles. Tristen Benavidez had three tackles. Helio Rosales had 14 tackles, two for loss, a sack and was 7-of-9 on extra point kicks.

Borden County next will host the Grady Wildcats on Friday with a district title on the line.

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In and around Close City

Hello everyone. Whew, I have been a busy bee. Sorry I have missed two weeks! I have had many phone calls and emails wondering where my column was. For that, I am thankful to you all. I'm glad to know you enjoy reading "In and Around Close City." Now let's get to all that has gone out here the last few weeks.



TRACI FREEMAN

The ginning is going really good. As of Wednesday, our bale count was 1,580 and it's coming in every day. We've got a really good crew this year. Charles and Sharron Morris

held their annual fish fry at the barn a few weeks ago. Poopsie said they had a good turnout and enjoyed plenty of fish and all the fixings, including dessert.

Rhonda Norman and some of her Vibes crew attended "Party in Pink" in Lubbock a few weeks ago. All proceeds went raise money and awareness for breast cancer.

Ronald and Shirley Storie have had some good news to share. Their son Greg attended an Enduro bike-racing event in Colorado and brought home first place; and their daughter Jordan was a nominee for homecoming queen for Coronado High School in Lubbock.

As most of you know, Steven Fluitt passed away last week. Steven was my cousin and was very dear to mine and Robbie's heart but more so to his immediate family. Our thoughts and prayers go to all of them. We love ya!

A few we would like to send get-wells or feel-betters out to are: Gene Kennedy, Claudine Tipton and anyone else that might be feeling under the weather.

Our folks in the service we need to remember are Reece Belongia, Kyle Gunn, Eric Alaniz.

Ragtown folks in the nursing homes we need to remember are: Claudine Tipton; Carmen Abraham; Jewel White in Lubbock. Others are, Mack Ledbetter in Post; John and Mary Gist in Lubbock.

Please let me know if there is anyone I need to add to either of these lists.

Visitors

We have had many visitors out the last few weeks; Ja D, Ryan, Bobby Terry; Ferin, Ryan, Kerry, Laurie, GiGi, Carolyn Goss, Joyce McNew, E.C. Smallwood, Ken, Scott — I'm sure I left someone out but ya'll come out and see us sometime.

Did you know: Most elephants weigh less than the tongue of the blue whale.

Quote of the week: "A successful person is one who can build a firm foundation with the bricks that others have thrown at them," taken from DeAnn's Facebook page.

Close City Birthdays

Since I missed a few the last few weeks I want to wish a happy belated birthday to: Aron Lopez, Kim Norman, Bryan Justice, Laverne Aten, Cruz Beth Contreras, Alicia Lopez, Ben Justice, Kasterine Bullard, Terry Aten, Claudine Tipton and Abby Guerro.

November 1st — Shawnee McCampbell, Mark Short

November 3rd — Uncle Ricky

November 4th — Quova Nelson

November 7th — Haven Baca, Steve Collozo, Lil Nelson

November 8th — Blace

Stevens, Greg Massey Anniversaries

November 7th — Robert and Patsy Craig, Chuck and Kristi Morris

Everyone have a great week. Keep rain, the crops, our troops and our country in your daily prayers. See ya next week!

Traci Freeman is a resident of the Close City community. Email her at close.city.coop@pcca.com.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

THREE "R" OIL COMPANY, P.O. Box 65, POST, TEXAS 79356

is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the GLORIETA POST MONTGOMERY "20" Lesage, Well Number 1W. The proposed injection well is located seven (7) miles northeast of POST, TEXAS, in the ARLENE (GLORIETA) Field in GARZA COUNTY.

Field will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 3,482 to 3,516 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application, should be submitted in writing, within fifteen (15) days of publication to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas, 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals addressed to the Honorable Mayor and City Aldermen of the City of Post, Texas for the construction of approximately 1,000 linear feet of 12-inch water main, and associated appurtenances, entitled:

WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS REPLACEMENT OF 8-INCH WATER MAIN SANDY CREEK CROSSING

will be received at the office of the City Manager, 105 East Main Street, Post, Texas 79356 until:

11:00 A.M.

November 20, 2012

A cashier's check, certified check or acceptable bidder's bond, payable to the City of Post in an amount equal to not less than five percent of the bid submitted, must accompany each bid as guarantee that, if awarded the contract, the Bidder will, within fifteen days after receipt of Contract Documents, enter into a contract with the City of Post and will execute bonds on the forms provided in the Contract Documents. Any bid received after the time and date listed above will be returned unopened and will not be considered.

Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and inform themselves regarding all local conditions.

Contract Documents are on file and may be examined in the office of the City Manager, City of Post, 105 East Main Street, Post, Texas, 79356, phone (806) 495-2811 and the offices of Brandt Engineers, Consulting Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, telephone (806) 353-7233.

Plans and Specifications may be obtained from the Engineers, Brandt Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, phone (806) 353-7233 in the following manner:

Cost: Fifty five dollars (\$50.00), non-refundable, for each set of plans and specifications.

Performance and Payment bonds shall be set forth in the Contract Documents.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities in the bidding. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness, the Owner reserves the right to adopt such interpretations as may be most advantageous or to reject the bid as informal. No bid may be withdrawn until the expiration of 30 days from the bid opening date.

The City of Post is accepting resumes for the position of City Manager

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System Priority for water service shall be based on the following priority list: 1 Hospitals, 2 Residential family dwellings, nursing homes, assisted living centers, 3 Schools, 4 Industrial, Commercial businesses, 5 Recreation
Daily White River Lake levels may be viewed at this website
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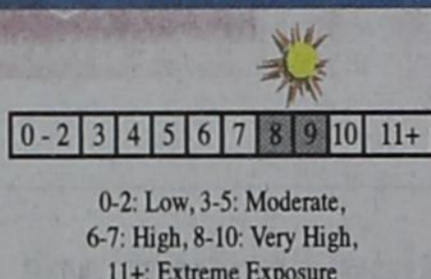
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Post Dispatch Weather Summary

Post's Seven Day Forecast

Friday Sunny 84 / 52	Saturday Partly Cloudy 71 / 48	Sunday Partly Cloudy 68 / 43	Monday Sunny 70 / 47	Tuesday Sunny 74 / 48	Wednesday Sunny 75 / 44	Thursday Mostly Sunny 72 / 41

Local UV Index



Weather Trivia

How high do thunderstorms reach?
Answer: Most reach heights of more than 20,000 feet.

Weather History

Nov. 2, 1989 - Squalls in the Upper Great Lakes region the first three days of the month buried Ironwood, Mich. under 46 inches of snow and produced 40 inches at Hurley, Wis. Arctic cold invaded the Southern Plains region. Midland, Texas reported a record low of 22 degrees.

Nov. 3, 1989 - Cold weather prevailed in the central United States. Six cities in Texas, Minnesota and Michigan reported record low temperatures for the date. The low of 7 above zero at Marquette, Mich. was their coldest reading of record for so early in the season.

Detailed Local Forecast

Today we will see sunny skies with a high temperature of 84°, humidity of 29%. South southwest wind 5 to 15 mph. The record high temperature for today is 88° set in 1973. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 52°. South wind 10 to 15 mph. The record low for tonight is 21° set in 1991. Saturday, skies will be partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 71°, humidity of 49%. Northeast wind 5 to 15 mph.

Peak Fishing/Hunting Times This Week

	Peak Times		Peak Times		
	Day	AM	PM	Day	AM
Fri	1:13-3:13	1:43-3:43	Tue	4:23-6:23	4:53-6:53
Sat	2:01-4:01	2:31-4:31	Wed	5:09-7:09	5:39-7:39
Sun	2:49-4:49	3:19-5:19	Thu	5:56-7:56	6:26-8:26
Mon	3:36-5:36	4:06-6:06	www.WhatsOurWeather.com		

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Last 11/6	8:05 a.m.	6:53 p.m.	9:47 p.m.	11:21 a.m.
Sat	8:06 a.m.	6:52 p.m.	10:39 p.m.	12:07 p.m.
Sun	7:07 a.m.	5:51 p.m.	10:33 p.m.	11:49 a.m.
Mon	7:08 a.m.	5:50 p.m.	11:29 p.m.	12:28 p.m.
New 11/13	Tue 7:08 a.m.	5:50 p.m.	No Rise	1:05 p.m.
Wed	7:09 a.m.	5:49 p.m.	12:26 a.m.	1:40 p.m.
Thu	7:10 a.m.	5:48 p.m.	1:25 a.m.	2:14 p.m.
Full 11/20				

Last Week's Almanac & Growing Degree Days

Date	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Farmer's Growing Degree Days			
10/23	87	59	72/44	0.00"	Date	Degree Days	Date	Degree Days
10/24	83	64	71/44	0.00"	10/23	23	10/27	0
10/25	68	44	71/43	0.00"	10/24	24	10/28	0
10/26	55	33	71/43	0.00"	10/25	6	10/29	4
10/27	56	26	70/42	0.00"	10/26	0		
10/28	62	29	70/42	0.00"	Growing degree days are calculated by taking the average temperature for the day and subtracting the base temperature (50 degrees) from the average to assess how many growing days are attained.			
10/29	71	37	69/42	0.00"				

Dixie Divas Rotten parents

One day I asked a friend how her son was doing in college. She smiled then began a discourse on how he was enjoying his field of study and what he could do with his degree when he graduated. Then she sighed deeply. "I've got to find him an internship for this summer."



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alone twice, about finding an internship for me. They threw me out to wolves and made me find one for myself.

Boy, what rotten parents. Back in those days, college students didn't get paid for interning. In fact, I'm a bit surprised now that we didn't have to pay for the privilege. After all, we were working earnestly at learning our craft and getting class credit for it. Since my rotten parents refused to do the legwork, I had to screw up the nerve, pick up the phone and call the newspaper to ask for a job. Now, newspaper folks are not stupid. Never have been. So the offer of a free worker was somewhat easily snapped up but — get this — there was a line of students willing to work for free. Go figure. It's hard to get some kids to work for money these days. I imagine if they had to work free.

Nonetheless, I got the "job" and was immediately put to work, inputting copy into the system. Eventually, I got so good at typing that I was moved up to occasionally writing birth announcements and obituaries. When I complained to Mama and Daddy that school work, two part-time jobs that did pay and the internship were wearing me out, I got no sympathy.

"It's better than havin' to work out in the fields for a livin'. You're in air-

conditioning. Imagine if you had to hoe or pick cotton under the hot sun. Be glad for what you've got."

Boy, what rotten parents. Mama sewed in the spare bedroom of our house, earning \$25 for a dress that would take two days to make, and used practically every dollar of it to send me to college. Daddy saw to it that I had a car, lunch money and gas to get me to and fro. When I talked wistfully of a new dress I wanted or a wrist watch, both were firm. "Get a job and buy it yourself."

Boy, what rotten parents. Because of them, I had to learn the value of earning money and accumulating enough to buy what I wanted. I had to personally experience the trauma of standing on my feet — in heels — in retail for eight long hours at a time. I had to learn early to stand on my own two feet, both literally and figuratively.

As college graduation approached, both stood in unity as they echoed each other, "Get a job. It's time to earn your own way. We saw to it that you got a good education, now use it."

Boy, what rotten parents. To think they actually expected me to pay for my expenses at the age of 22 is unfathomable. Child abuse, really. They did other terrible things, too. As long as I lived in their house, I had to go to church on Sunday. No excuses. And when I made a mistake because of my own youthful misjudgment (and sometimes arrogance), I had to clean up by own mess.

"So, you'll learn and never do it again," Daddy said.

Boy, what rotten parents. And because I had such rotten parents, I learned the value of hard work, the importance of a dollar saved, the comfort of prayer in times of need and wisdom that cannot be bought but must be learned as only life can teach.

Boy, I'm glad I had such rotten parents.

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