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Former Dispatch publisher remembered

By Wayne Hodgkin
The Post Dispatch

Wes Burnett, former publisher of The Post Dispatch, died Thursday in Rockwall after complications from suffering a massive stroke.

He was 72 years old. Since leaving Post City in 2008, Burnett had been owner and publisher of the Rockwall County News in Rockwall, a suburb east of the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex.

Burnett moved his wife and family to post in 1982 after purchasing the Dis-

patch from Jim Cornish.

The Dispatch was the first newspaper Burnett and his wife, Pat, owned and operated on their own.

"Wes was a very dedicated journalist and very honest man," Pat Burnett said Tuesday en route to Lubbock for her husband's memorial service. "He was so honest, he wouldn't let anyone — government official or otherwise — get away with anything.

"You know, people would get so mad at him for some of the stories he would publish and for some of his

opinions. He wasn't afraid to hold their feet to the fire. But what he did, he did with an honest heart and as a fierce champion of the First Amendment and open government."

Sheri Lewis, a former editor of the Dispatch who is now assistant director of student media at Texas Tech University, said Burnett through the years was a tremendous mentor.

"Wes was like an older brother or a second father to me," said Lewis, who up until Burnett's death still continued to freelance for

him. "A good deal of what I have learned through the years came under his guidance. He was a force to be reckoned with in the communities he served, but that force came from a pure love of those communities and a want to see people bettered by old-fashioned, community journalism."

Post resident Merika Strivens, who worked for Burnett and the Dispatch, said Burnett was one of the best bosses anyone could have.

"He was a treasure hunter of sorts," Strivens said.



Wes Burnett

"He recognized qualities in people that they might not have recognized in them-

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Post Notes

Events are listed free of charge for nonprofit civic organizations, schools and community events. Submit listings at least two weeks ahead of the date. Listings will run through the date of the event. Emailed submissions are preferred to thepostcitydispatch@gmail.com.

Antique tractor/car show

The Close City Co-op Gin, 524 County Road 230, will sponsor an antique tractors, cars and toys show beginning at 9 a.m. April 6. Bring your own antiques to sell or trade and visit with other antiquers. For information, contact DeAnn Bryant at 495-2753.

Broom/mop sale

The annual broom and mop sale, hosted by the Rotary Club of Post, will begin at 8 a.m. April 9 at 101 W. Main St. Brooms, mops, brushes and many other items will be for sale, including quality cleaning aids for home, business or industry. All proceeds benefit the Caravan Sales for the Blind.

Fish fry

Trailblazers senior citizens center, 205 E. Main St., Post, will have a fish fry fundraiser from 5 to 7 p.m. April 12. For information, call 495-2998.

Trap practice

5 p.m. Mondays at the Palmer Gun Club. For information, contact Ray Mason at 806-781-8022.

Homestead exemption

Anyone who turns 65 in 2013, or who has a birth date of 1948 or prior, is eligible for the over-65 homestead exemption on their property taxes. Anyone with a business personal property is required to file a rendition with the Garza Central Appraisal District. If a rendition is not filed, a 10 percent penalty will be added to the total tax. For information, or to file an exemption, contact the Garza Central Appraisal District at 806-495-3518 or visit 124 E. Main St., Post. Due date is April 15.

Horse validations

Four-H Connect horse validations will be conducted Friday through May 1. Cost is \$10 through April 15 and \$20 from April 16 through May 1. For information, contact the Garza County Extension Office at 495-4400.

Goat/lamb validations

State goat and lamb validations will be due no later than 5 p.m. April 19. Cost is \$10. For information, contact the Garza County Extension Office at 495-4400.

Steer validations

Steer validations will be due no later than 5 p.m. April 19. Cost is \$10. For information, contact the Garza County Extension Office at 495-4400.

Volunteers needed

Post City Festivals is in need of volunteers to help build a number of the miniature houses on site at Silent Night Village. If interested, call Jackie Cruise at 990-9907.

Corrections

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

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Water, school-testing bills advance

By Ed Sterling
For The Post Dispatch

AUSTIN — House Bill 5, legislation proposing to change public school testing requirements, and House Bill 4, proposing to fund water infrastructure, drew spotlights at the state Capitol last week.

On March 27, the 150-member Texas House debated and approved the bills, which now move on to the Senate for consideration. Conference committees will be called on to work out any differences that emerge in House and Senate versions of the bills.

HB 4 creates a "State Water Implementation Fund" for water conservation and development projects across Texas under the State Water Plan, a sprawling-in-scope program managed primarily by the Texas Water Development Board.

Water planners predict that over the next 50 years, the state's water supply will decrease by nearly 20 percent while water needs will increase by about 30 percent. Using money from the state's so-called rainy day fund, HB 4 would provide local water districts with state-subsidized funding for eligible projects. Primary

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Sheriff's officials crack down on panhandling

By Wayne Hodgkin
The Post Dispatch

Garza County sheriff's officials issued citations to three people recently after semi-truck they were sitting in at a parking lot near the Post ISD campus sat idle for a long period of time.

Sheriff Terry Morgan said after the trio was questioned and indentified by deputies, they all were found to have lengthy criminal histories.

"One of them was wanted by Florida, but they would not extradite him out of Texas on their charge," Morgan said. "None of the mean had a valid commercial license to drive the truck. They had no proof of insurance, and the truck was bearing license plates out of Wyoming that belonged on a car."

In addition, Morgan said, the phone numbers on the side of the truck were non in working order, and the Department of Transportation numbers on the truck did not belong to any registered company.

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Dedication



Wayne Hodgkin/The Post Dispatch

Brendan O'Toole of Alexandria, Va., runs down U.S. 380 East just west of Clairemont on Monday evening. O'Toole began his 3,600-mile journey Nov. 11, 2012, in Oceanside, Calif., and plans to run to Portland, Maine, to bring awareness to combat veteran issues with his Run For Veterans.

Former Marine runs across America for fellow vets

By Wayne Hodgkin
The Post Dispatch

CLAIREMONT — Brendan O'Toole doesn't consider himself a runner, but the 24-year-old former Marine is about a third of the way

through a 3,600-mile cross-country journey on foot to raise awareness for issues that face combat veterans and their families in a post-war society.

"This isn't about me. This is about the hundreds of former military men and women out

there who don't know where to turn to in crisis and the thousands upon thousands of their friends and family members who quietly suffer right there alongside them," O'Toole said Monday at a roadside park on U.S. 380 East outside Clairemont.

O'Toole and two of his hometown comrades — Joey and Timmy Dwyer — all of Alexandria, Va., set out on the cross-country journey from Oceanside, Calif., last Veterans Day — Nov. 11. Each day during The Run For Veterans, O'Toole runs 15 miles on this way to Portland, Maine, and in an effort to raise \$2 million for three nonprofit organizations whose missions are to provide support, whether mental, physical or emotional, to U.S. military veterans.

Last Saturday, the trio rolled through Post after O'Toole was waylaid in Brownfield for about 20 days with an ankle injury — one of at least two major setbacks, another of which includes a days-long layover near Phoenix after a recent blizzard.

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The Run For Veterans

On Nov. 11, 2012, USMC veteran Sgt. Brendan O'Toole, along with a small support staff, set out on a 3,600-mile run across the United States in honor of the selfless men and women who have served in Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. The Run for Veterans' goal is to raise \$2 million to support U.S. Armed Forces veterans, combat veterans, disabled veterans and their families. Averaging 15 miles a day, The Run for Veterans will take Sgt. O'Toole through cities and towns across America: from Oceanside, Calif., through Washington, D.C., to Portland, Maine. The Run for Veterans will engage local communities, collaborate with existing organizations, and work with local veteran non-profit groups to connect civilian and military personnel. The Run for Veterans invites any and all warriors, veterans and civilians to run alongside Sgt. O'Toole throughout the route, as a show of support for our servicemen and women.

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Deaths

Wes Burnett

Wesley Walker Burnett, 72, of Rockwall, passed away March 28, 2013. He was born January 19, 1941, in Bonham to Roy Edwin and Helen Juanita (Samuel) Burnett.

Mr. Burnett was an Air Force Cadet for two years at Texas A&M University, graduated from the University of Nebraska at Omaha and proudly served his country in the U.S. Air Force until 1973. He married Patsie Ruth Voyles on June 10, 1961, in Bryan, Texas.

Mr. Burnett was the publisher of The Post Dispatch from 1982 to 2008. He then moved to Rockwall to publish the Rockwall County News. Mr. Burnett was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Rockwall.

He is survived by his wife: Pat Burnett of Rockwall; sons Timothy Walker Burnett of Rockwall and James Wesley Burnett and wife, Gail, of



WES BURNETT

Austin; daughter Kimberly Joy Dolberry and husband, Allen, of Mesa, Ariz.; brothers Jerry Burnett of Ladonia and Roy Burnett of The Colony; sister Beverly Bolton and husband, Ron, of Wichita, Kan.; grandchildren Alyssa Hopper and husband, Michael, of Colorado Springs, Colo., Cailee Hope Dolberry, Whitney Faith Dolberry and Lindsey Noel Dolberry, all of Mesa, Ariz.; and great-grandson

Anighus Pierce Hopper.

Mr. Burnett was preceded in death by his parents; maternal grandparents, Bona Brucilla Duke and Bruce Walker Samuel; and paternal grandparents, Rosa Ella Chandler and Wesley Young Burnett.

Funeral services were March 30 at Resthaven Funeral Home in Rockwall with the Rev. Cheryl Taylor officiating.

A local memorial service is planned for 2 p.m. Saturday, April 5, at Combest Funeral Home, 2210 Broadway, Lubbock.

Memorial contributions may be made to the church at P.O. Box 692, Rockwall, TX 75087; Samaritan's Purse Project 010350 by calling Chad at 828-278-1174; or to Rockwall County Helping Hands, 930 Williams Campus, Rockwall, TX 75087, www.rockwallhelpinghands.com.

Wanda Winnell Dodson

Services for Wanda Winnell Dodson, 85, of San Saba, formerly of Post, will be at 2 p.m. today at Hudman Funeral Home. Burial will be in Southland Cemetery under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home of Post.

She died Tuesday, March 26, 2013, at her home near San Saba. She was born on December 23, 1927, in New Lynn to Claude and Tennie Mae



WANDA DODSON

(Scott) Meeks. She graduated from Tahoka High

School. Winnell married Raymond M. Dodson on

December 19, 1946, in Tahoka. He preceded her in death on Dec. 28, 1995. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include daughter Tina and husband, Jimmy Light, of San Saba; sons Dennis Dodson and wife, Susan, of Seattle and Larry Dodson of San Saba; sister Hazel Lovell of Midland; four grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Mildred L. Stewart

Mildred L. Stewart, 89, died Friday, March 29, 2013, in Littlefield. She was born to John and Beulah (Newsom) Dyson January 25, 1924, at Brenham.

Mildred and her family came to Garza County when she was very young. She attended school here and married Wayne Stewart September 14, 1940, here in Post. Wayne preceded her in death June 5, 1984. They farmed here in Post after their marriage. In 1953 they moved to Chelsea, Okla. In 1978 they returned to Garza County. After Wayne's death she continued to farm and raise cattle. Due to health Mildred moved to Littlefield to live and be near her son, Jerry.

Mildred was also preceded in death by her daughter Marie Waters, April 9, 2002,



MILDRED STEWART

and by her son Jerry Wayne Stewart November 23, 2011. Two brothers preceded her in death Jess Dyson on October 26, 1984, and L.D. "Dave" Earick on February 18, 2013. Mildred's long time companion Timp Browning also preceded her in death February 5, 2013. She was a Baptist.

Mildred is survived by her daughter-in-law Joyce Stewart of Littlefield; six grand-

children Cindy Moorhead of Dallas, Teresa McKelvy of Littlefield, Michelle Fullenwider of Earth, Lee Waters of Abernathy, Kelly Waters of Post and Steve Waters of Noble, Okla.; numerous great-grandchildren; and one great-great-granddaughter.

Services were Tuesday at the Trinity Baptist Church with Bro. Glenn Harlin and the Rev. Mike Holly officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery. Arrangements were under the personal care of Dee and Janet Justice, Justice-Mason Funeral Home, Post.

Pallbearers were Dicky Wallace, Bill Aten, Kenith Bullard, Lewis Mason, Bobby Cowdrey and Mike Holly.

Memorial may be made to any children's home of your choice.

The Paperboy A real business partner

Since my wife began working with me several months ago, I've grown to appreciate how strong a person she is and how her talents really make a difference.

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CHRIS BLACKBURN

She's very analytical. I'm a visionary. While we're both strong leaders, our methods are different and complimentary most of the time.

I thank God she is part of my life, even if I do spend half of the day in the doghouse.

I watched "The Bible" series on the History Channel over the past several weeks.

I thought the show brought some good imagery to the book.

I'm a little impressed by the fact they made and aired this production on a major network. Good for them. I wonder if they heard from what seems to be a growing number of skeptics and non-believers.

As a Christian, it's pretty amazing to me how Jesus

handled himself throughout his adult life. How blessed we are.

As I sat there and watched the series, I'd ask myself what I would have thought of Jesus had I been there to witness his power and message. In other words, had I witnessed Christ feeding the 5,000 or healing a leper, would that have made me a believer for good?

Common sense says I would have believed in him and been right by his side. However, even some of his own disciples weren't totally sold upon witnessing his miracles and walking with him daily.

Perhaps that is a testament of why Jesus had to be murdered in such a cruel way. His victory over death — after his body was beaten so severely — gives me chills just thinking about it.

Each day when I get to work I have it in my head that, "Today, I will be like Jesus in thought, word and deed."

Each day I fail — most of the time by noon.

Each evening when I reflect on the day passed, I'm disappointed in myself and thankful Jesus made the ultimate sacrifice for this sorry human. Without Jesus, my afterlife would be bleak.

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

Menus Week of April 8-12

Southland ISD Breakfast

Monday: Pancakes, sausage, fruit, juice, milk

Tuesday: Quesadilla, fruit, juice, milk

Wednesday: Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk

Thursday: Muffins, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk

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

Lunch

Monday: Hot dogs, baked fries, fresh veggie cup, fruit, milk

Tuesday: Ravioli, seasoned corn, garden salad, fresh fruit, milk

Wednesday: Grilled cheese sandwich, vegetable soup, crackers, cookie, fruit cup, milk

Thursday: Chicken nuggets, macaroni and cheese, garden salad, green beans, hot roll, apple slices, milk

Friday: Hamburgers, hamburger garnish, baked beans, baked fries, sliced peaches, milk

Post ISD Breakfast

Monday: Pancake, sausage on stick, syrup, fruit, milk

Tuesday: Donut, sausage link, fruit, milk

Wednesday: Oatmeal, toast, bacon, fruit, milk

Thursday: Cowboy bread, sausage link, fruit, milk

Friday: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday: Pizza sticks, garden salad, baby carrots, apple slices, breadstick, milk variety

Tuesday: Ultimate taco salad, seasoned corn, fresh fruit bowl, milk variety, sherbet cup

Wednesday: Steak fingers, whipped potatoes, gravy, green beans, apple-pineapple d'lite, milk variety

Thursday: Barbecue on bun, black beans, baby carrots, orange smiles, salsa, milk variety
Friday: Pizza choice, garden salad, fresh veggie cup, mixed fruit, milk variety

Trailblazers Lunch

Monday: Goulash, pinto beans, cucumber salad, corn bread, chips

Tuesday: Salisbury steak, roasted potatoes, green peas, roll, peach shortcake

Wednesday: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, stewed okra, roll, apple fluff, milk

Thursday: Meat loaf, scalloped potatoes, squash, roll, Mandarin cake

Friday: Barbecue on bun, potato salad, pinto beans, fruit



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LEGAL

The Post Independent School district is soliciting proposals for:

HVAC Project - Project consists of removing seventeen (17) rooftop units and replacing with thirteen (13) seer units with curb adapters.

Prebid meeting will be held on April 10, 2013, 2:00 p.m., at Post ISD Central Administrative Offices, 501 South Avenue K, Post, Texas. For more information contact:

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Post, Texas 79356
ggraves@postisd.net
806-454-0715

The Post Independent School District reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive all formalities.

LEGAL

Post Independent School District is currently accepting bids for the Depository of School Funds for the 2013-2015 biennium, which begins September 1, 2013, and ends August 31, 2015.

Sealed bids will be received in the Superintendent's office at Post I.S.D.; 501 South Avenue K; Post, Tx. 79356 until 3:00 pm, April 22, 2013, at which time they will be opened and reviewed. The bids will be considered at the School Board Meeting on Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. in the Post I.S.D. Administration Building.

A bid package may be obtained by contacting Shellee Odom, Business Manager, at 806-495-3855 at Post ISD Administration; 501 So. Ave K; Post, Tx. 79356

Post I.S.D. reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

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Rotary chooses students of the month

By Anna Gibson
The Post Dispatch

Torie Whisenant, Nathaniel Gill and Michael Holly, all seniors at Post High School, have been chosen as students of the month for the Post Rotary Club.

Whisenant, the daughter of Eric and Angie Eller, is active in band and art. She says she loves band and is interested in anything that has to do with animals, drawing and learning new things.

Whisenant was chosen to go to state both last year and this year for clarinet. She's participated in the all region and went to the area in vase art competition.

She plans to attend South Plains to get her associates degree for a veterinarian technician and from there continue her studies to better her education as a veterinarian technician.

"I've been working at Pizza

Hut for two years and I'm a very great listener. I am also a student living with dyslexia, and I haven't let that stop me from doing great things" Whisenant said.

Gill, the son of Cheryl and Kenneth Gill, is active in football, basketball, baseball, track and power lifting. The awards and honors Gill has received are, all-district football (offense and defense) 2012; all-state football (second team defensive line) 2012; TSWA Class 2A honorable mention all-state defensive lineman 2012; chosen to play in 2013 Greenbelt Bowl; honorable mention all-district baseball 2012; track regional qualifier 4-by-100 relay 2012; power lifting regional qualifier 2012 and 2013.

Gill plans to become a Marine then attend college to become a coach and play football.

Holly, the son of Mike and Dana Holly, is active in National Honor Society, student council, class officer, UIL mathematics

and calculator, varsity football, varsity basketball, varsity track and field, varsity baseball, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, theater and 4-H photography.

Holly has received the honorable mention all-state defensive back 2012, academic all-state 2012, academic all-district wide receiver 2011 and 2012, all-district defensive back 2012, top 10 in his class, named to 2A all-South Plains football team.

His special interests are being outdoors, participating in athletics, going to youth group and church, participating in any type of sports related event, watching movies, and hanging out with friends, family, girlfriend and her family.

Holly plans to attend Lamar University where he will be in the honors program, will study for a business degree and also run track.

"I've enjoyed volunteering at the Tower Theater and tutoring first-graders at the Post Elementary school," Holly said.



Submitted photo

Post High School UIL regional qualifiers are (front row, left to right): Audree Williams, Mollie Burtch, Katie Dunn, Taylor Osborn, Maritza Alaniz; (back row) Josh Curtis, Ragin Kimmons, Jaime Marquez.

Post students qualify for regional UIL meet

Special to the Dispatch

Post High School students competed at the District 3-AA UIL Academic Meet on March 25 and 27 at Idalou High School. They returned to Post with the following awards

- Mollie Burtch-1st place Editorial Writing, 3rd place Poetry, 4th place Ready Writing
- Josh Curtis-4th place Poetry
- Katie Dunn- 3rd place News Writing

- Cheyenne Gill-5th place Editorial
- Jaime Marquez-4th place Literary Criticism
- Jordan Nabarette-6th place Poetry.
- Taylor Osborn-1st place Headline
- Isaac Stern-6th place persuasive speaking.
- Audree Williams-3rd place Social Studies, 1st place Literary Criticism

Students who place first through third in their event qualify for regional competition. Students that place fourth will attend the regional competition as alternates.

Local students will be participating in the Region 1-Conference AA UIL Academic Meet on April 20 at Odessa College.

The Literary Criticism Team won the district championships. The team members are Audree Williams, Jaime Marquez, Maritza Alaniz, Ragin Kimmons. Leslie Tatum is the coach of Literary Criticism.



Anna Gibson/The Post Dispatch

Dalton Holly, Tori Whisenant and Nathaniel Gill, all seniors at Post High School, have been chosen as Students of the Month by the Rotary Club of Post.

Teacher selected for workshop in Austin

By Wayne Hodgin
The Post Dispatch

A Post teacher was recently selected to participate in a one-day teacher workshop in Austin sponsored by Humanities Texas.

Brian Neese, who teaches Texas and U.S. history at John H. Wood Charter School at the Garza County Juvenile Detention Center, attended the workshop, which offered teachers the opportunity to work closely with leading scholars, studying major aspects of nineteenth-century U.S. history, such as slavery, the Civil War and Reconstruction.

The workshop faculty included distinguished scholars, such as Michael Les Benedict of The Ohio State University and Daina Ramey Berry, H. W. Brands and George B. Forgie, all of The University of Texas at Austin.

During the morning, participants attended dynamic

lectures and presentations. In the afternoons, they joined faculty in small workshops to examine primary sources such as historic documents, maps and photographs.

The workshop was held at the Byrne-Reed House, the Humanities Texas headquarters in Austin. Special emphasis was placed on newly added or revised standards in the state's U.S. history curriculum.

"Humanities Texas was delighted to include an exceptional teacher from Post in this educational endeavor," said Executive Director Michael L. Gillette. "Bringing teachers

together to learn from leading scholars and from each other is an effective way to ensure that Texas students continue to receive the best possible educational opportunities."

The workshop was made possible with support from the State of Texas, as well as from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

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Widow treks across Texas with ashes

By Hanaba Munn Welch
The Post Dispatch

MUNDAY — It wasn't the average funeral procession, and it was not the average urn.

The sign on the side of the lead wagon doesn't say "Palo Duro Canyon or Bust" but rather "Len Williams Trail Ride." In the third wagon, driven by Williams' widow, J Williams, is the deceased man's graniteware coffee pot. It holds his ashes.

"This is the longest funeral procession you will ever see," said outrider Larry Finley.

Start to finish, Breckenridge to Palo Duro Canyon, the ride will be about 300 miles. On March 25, it rolled into Knox County.

For Len Williams, the proverbial "end of the trail" came April 18, 2012. The cowboy and chuckwagon cook died at age 52 from lung cancer. He and his wife raised horses on their ranch, the Yellowfork, at Breckenridge. Before the drought, they also ran cattle. J Williams still has the horses, and she has memories.

"If you came into our camp, he'd serve you coffee," Williams said, displaying a picture of her husband, smiling and mustachioed — not one image but a series she keeps on her cell phone.

He didn't serve just black coffee. "You got peach cobbler and Dutch-oven biscuits with butter," she said.

It was Len Williams' wish to be cremated and have his ashes left at one of the couple's favorite sites at Palo Duro Canyon, and he wanted the ashes to make the trip in a wagon train. Williams grew up at Pampa, not far from the canyon, and he cowboied in the rough Palo Duro region.

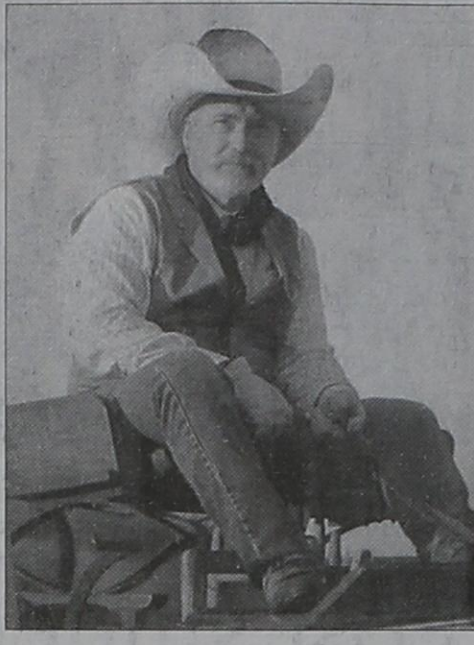
"He told me 13 years ago that's where he wanted his ashes spread," she said. "Everybody here is going to spread some."

Every wagon is carrying some of the ashes, but most are in the coffee pot, and Williams doesn't leave it unattended in the wagon.

In Munday, the big coffee pot sat near her as she and some of the other trail riders at lunch together at the Li'l Red Hen.

"That was his favorite coffee pot," she said.

Len Williams also wanted some of his



Family photo

The late Len Williams, chuckwagon cook and cowboy.

ashes scattered in two other places — the Holy Land and Grand Canyon, places he always wanted to visit but never did. J Williams already has made a trip to Israel, where she cast some of his ashes into the Sea of Galilee. Grand Canyon will be next.

"That won't be by wagon train," she said. "It'll be a motor home full of women. He loved women. He was a great guy."

Len Williams' death happened over a two-year period.

"He planned his entire funeral in those two years," J Williams said.

Even so, the trail ride has taken much more planning since his death by his wife and friends.

"This took over a year to plan out," Finley said.

The original funeral service itself involved a shorter procession.

"We took him to the church in wagons from my ranch," J Williams said. "We did a service and then rode back and had a chuckwagon set up at the ranch and fed everybody."

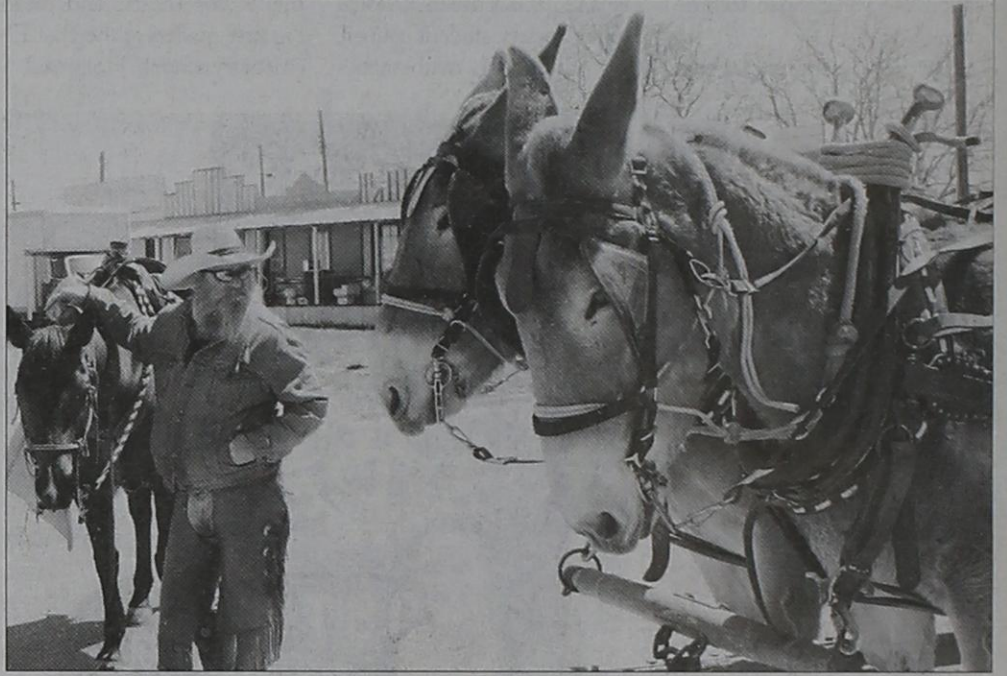
J Williams had no difficulty rounding up a group to make the ride.

"I told them the date, and they all decided on their own to come," she said. "This is when you know you have friends."



Photos by Hanaba Munn Welch

A mule-drawn 1831 Democrat rolls through Munday on March 25, part of a wagon train funeral procession with a destination of Palo Duro Canyon in the Texas Panhandle. Driver and passenger are John and Anna Armagost of Mexia. In every wagon and buggy making the trip are cremated remains of Len Williams, a chuckwagon cook whose dying wish was to have his ashes scattered at the canyon.



Tom Duke, wagon train outrider, casts a look at Sam Gill's mules — Peaches, who's looking resolutely ahead, and Ellie. En route to Palo Duro Canyon, the wagon train stopped for lunch March 25, in downtown Munday. Draft animals ranged from draft horses to mules, and wagons and buggies ranged even more in appearance and design. Duke and Gill are from Bennington, Okla. The group spent Monday night on Kenneth Baker's wheat patch on the edge of Haskell County on State Highway 222, and was headed for the Johnson Watermelon Farm to spend Tuesday night.

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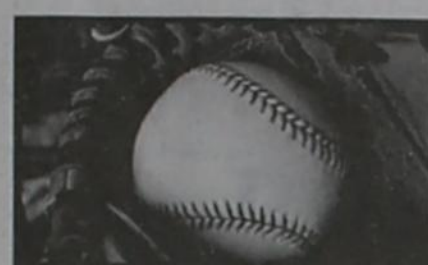
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High School Track

Post girls, JV team fair well at A-Town Relays

ABERNATHY — The Post High School varsity and junior varsity teams competed March 28 at the A-Town Relays. The varsity girls claimed a second-place spot in overall competition, and the junior varsity was named team champions.

Varsity Boys: Team finished 7th with 25 points
 3200 M Run; 6th Place, Isaac Stern, 12:08.86
 1600 M Run; 6th Place, Isaac Stern; 5:17.20
 110 M Hurdles; 4th Place, Campbell Kirkpatrick; 17.65

400 M Dash; 6th Place, Dalton Holly; 55.21
 300 M Hurdles; 6th Place, Campbell Kirkpatrick; 45.16
 High Jump; 6th Place, Nathaniel Gill; 5'6"
 Long Jump; 3rd Place, Nathaniel Gill; 20'1"
 Pole Vault; 5th Place, Paden Babb; 10'0"
 Discus; 2nd Place, Travis Greathouse; 140'8"

Varsity Girls: Team finished 2nd with 111 points
 100 M Dash; 5th Place, Madison Carr; 13.52
 200 M Dash; 2nd Place, Haily Berry; 26.76
 200 M Dash; 4th Place, Taylor Osborn; 27.84

400 M Dash; 5th Place, Kelbie Oden; 66.78
 1600 M Run; 6th Place, Andi Soliz; 6:16.64
 300 M Hurdles; 2nd Place, Miranda Apolinar; 49.70
 4x100 M Relay; 2nd Place, Kelbie Oden, Bethany Curtis, Miranda Apolinar, Haily Berry; 50.89
 4x200 M Relay; 3rd Place, Miranda Apolinar, Cheyenne Gill, Sarah Stinson, Taylor Osborn; 1:54.67
 4x400 M Relay; 2nd Place, Kelbie Oden, Bethany Curtis, Taylor Osborn, Haily Berry; 4:17.63
 Long Jump; 1st Place, Haily Berry; 17'0"
 Long Jump; 3rd Place, Kelbie Oden; 15'6.25"

Long Jump; 4th Place, Cheyenne Gill; 15'5"
 Triple Jump; 1st Place, Haily Berry; 35'5.25"
 Triple Jump; 2nd Place, Kelbie Oden; 34'2"
 Discus; 4th Place, Taylor Osborn; 96'8"

JV Boys: Team Champions with 182 points.
 100 M Dash; 2nd Place, Blaine Reece; 11.73
 100 M Dash; 6th Place, Dylan Pearson; 11.96
 200 M Dash; 1st Place, Dylan Pearson; 24.53
 200 M Dash; 6th Place, Cambry Gilbert; 25.34
 400 M Dash; 3rd Place, Bryan Smith; 55.44
 400 M Dash; 5th Place,

Sammy Soto; 57.02
 800 M Run; 5th Place, Alejo Rodriguez; 2:24.14
 110 M Hurdles; 2nd Place, Shandon Wiley; 18.48
 300 M Hurdles; 2nd Place, Aron Lopez; 44.98
 4x100 M Relay; 2nd Place, Blaine Reece, Aron Lopez, Cambry Gilbert, Bryan Smith; 45.69
 4x200 M Relay; 1st Place, Blaine Reece, Dylan Pearson, Ethan Self, Austin Garza; 1:38.97
 4x400 M Relay; 2nd Place, Aron Lopez, Sammy Soto, Cambry Gilbert, Bryan Smith; 3:44.49
 Long Jump; 2nd Place, Dylan Pearson; 17'11.5"
 Long Jump; 4th Place,

Jarred Curtis; 17'6.75"
 High Jump; 2nd Place, Cambry Gilbert; 5'6"
 High Jump; 3rd Place, Ethan Self; 5'4"
 Pole Vault; 5th Place, Wyatt Gray; 8'6"
 Triple Jump; 1st Place, Jarred Curtis; 38'7.5"
 Triple Jump; 2nd Place, Ethan Self; 37'10.5"
 Triple Jump; 3rd Place, Dylan Pearson; 37'4"
 Shot Put; 1st Place, Bryan Smith; 45'9.5"
 Shot Put; 4th Place, Jayson Walden; 36'5.5"
 Discus; 1st Place, Bryan Smith; 120'6"
 Discus; 2nd Place, Alejo Rodriguez; 115'5"



Post varsity Antelopes Dalton Holly hands off to D.J. Brown during the sprint relay event in Abernathy last Friday.



Post varsity Antelope Caden Dean runs the 100-meter dash last Friday in Abernathy.



Post Lady Lope Andi Soliz runs the mile in Abernathy last Friday.

High School Baseball

Despite Holly's performance, Post falls to Slaton

Dalton Holly did all he could to give the Antelopes a boost, but it wasn't enough to get past Slaton, as Post lost 10-7 in seven innings at Post last Friday.

Holly racked up two RBIs on two hits for the Antelopes. He singled in the first inning and doubled in the second inning.

Even though Roland Cardenas allowed seven runs over 6 1/3 innings, he still recorded the victory.

He struck out five, walked three and surrendered six hits.

Quaylor McDaniel, Nate Guerra, Tyler Jones and Toby Perez helped lead Slaton. They combined for eight hits and five RBIs.

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MARINE

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"We've met some really pretty amazing people and had some lifetime experiences over the last five months," O'Toole said. "The support we've seen from those we've met along the way has just been absolutely incredible."

"We could have already completed the journey by now if I was to have run, you know, 45 miles a day or something. But limiting myself to 15 miles a day allows me to meet all these people and highlight the needs and issues facing our combat troops when they return back home."

O'Toole enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps right after his high school graduation and served two tours in various places, such as Haiti, the Horn of Africa and Afghanistan, before being honorably discharged as a sergeant in 2012.

"One of my duties was that I was in charge of helping many military men and women transition back into

civilian life after they had left the service," O'Toole said. "I saw a tremendous need for their mental, emotional and physical support — needs that weren't being sufficiently met by Veterans Affairs."

Not only do these issues affect veterans, but they also affect their family members as well, O'Toole said.

"Since I've started this project, I have a woman who heard about the Run for Veterans contact me and tell me her husband — a former combat veteran — was seriously considering taking his own life," O'Toole said. "He was suffering from acute post-traumatic stress disorder. We put him in contact with the organizations we're helping to raise money for, and I just talked to him last week. He's doing much better."

O'Toole said the Run for Veterans isn't about the running as much as the awareness.

"Every day I'm on the road, we're helping to bring attention to a serious issue that's facing our combat veterans

today," O'Toole said. "We're not only bringing awareness, but inspiring others to do the same — giving hope to a lot of families out there who've been torn apart by war."

The trio so far has raised \$60,000 en route to their \$2 million goal. The money raised will be split evenly between Give An Hour; Team Red, White & Blue and the USO — all nonprofit organizations whose missions are to assist veterans and their families.

While hoping to be running into Portland, Maine, sometime this fall, O'Toole right now is making his way — 15 miles a day — down U.S. 380 East toward Dallas. He hopes to be in Haskell by Saturday.

"At each leg of our journey we meet more and more people and continue to spread hope to these veterans who are finding it hard to adjust to civilian life for whatever reason," O'Toole said. "Even if we help just one person out there, this whole thing will be worth it to me."

Nancy's Notions

Make it a religion

Last week's challenge to strive to be purposefully positive drew many good comments and a few "ugh!" I heard everything from, "But you don't understand who I work with" or "I've tried being positive but ... " Well guess what? Dr. Boleman referenced additional resources and suggestions in his presentation that will ultimately make life easier and again, it begins with you. It begins by looking inward and determining how you want to react to situations.



NANCY MCDONALD

Dr. Boleman referred to the following list of "Have You's?" adopted from Tom Peter's book, *The Little BIG Things*. "Have You":

- thanked someone for a small act of helpfulness?
- called a friend today?
- celebrated in the last week a "small" milestone reached?
- met with someone that works with you to discuss what is going right?
- discussed something interesting, beyond work that you ran across or read?
- followed someone on Twitter who is happy?
- sent a text message to say KEEP PUSHING?
- liked someone's status on Facebook that is making a difference?

Tom Peters has a blog and website with some purposefully positive ideas. Check out his website at tometers.com or follow his tweets on Twitter @tom_peters for "those essential little things on the road to excellence."

He began the month of April with the Winner's Daily Dozen. OK, I know you have seen

hundreds of lists just like it but perhaps one of these will challenge you this week.

1. Your call and yours alone: Consciously choose the attitude you take to work this morning. (Bingo: Positive, enthusiastic — regardless of how you feel inside.)
2. Realize that each day literally offers up on a silver platter a dozen leadership opportunities, regardless of your age/experience/rank/seniority/status. (So grab ONE.)
3. Arrive early. Leave late. (Out work 'em ... it works.)
4. Listen aggressively: Formally practice and improve listening skills. (Effective listening is the No. 1 long-term differentiator.)
5. Learn something new today. Meet someone new today. (Reside permanently on the edge of your discomfort zone.)
6. Cherish your boo-boos. (No more screw-ups.)
7. Civil. Always! (Make it a religion.)
8. Unbidden, help someone with some little thing. (Make it a religion.)
9. Take a nanosecond to say "Thanks" for the tiniest atoms of helpfulness. (Make it a religion.)
10. Smile. (Make it a religion.)
11. Eye contact. (Make it a religion.)
12. EXCELLENCE. Always! (Excellence is not an "aspiration." Excellence is the next five minutes. Or not.)

Chris Boleman, program director for Texas 4-H and Youth Development, has released a new book this week titled "Lead on the Brightside!" He is a master motivator as well as an outstanding writer, speaker and leader.

God gave us a gift of 86,400 seconds each day. Have you used one to say "thank you"?

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

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 Queen Elizabeth

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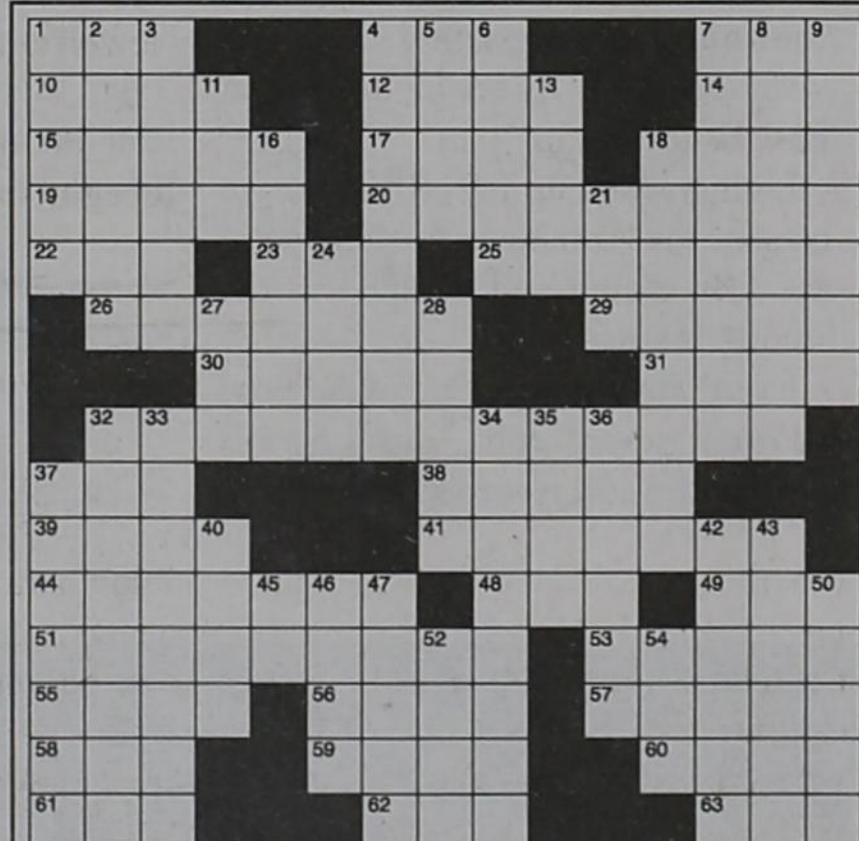


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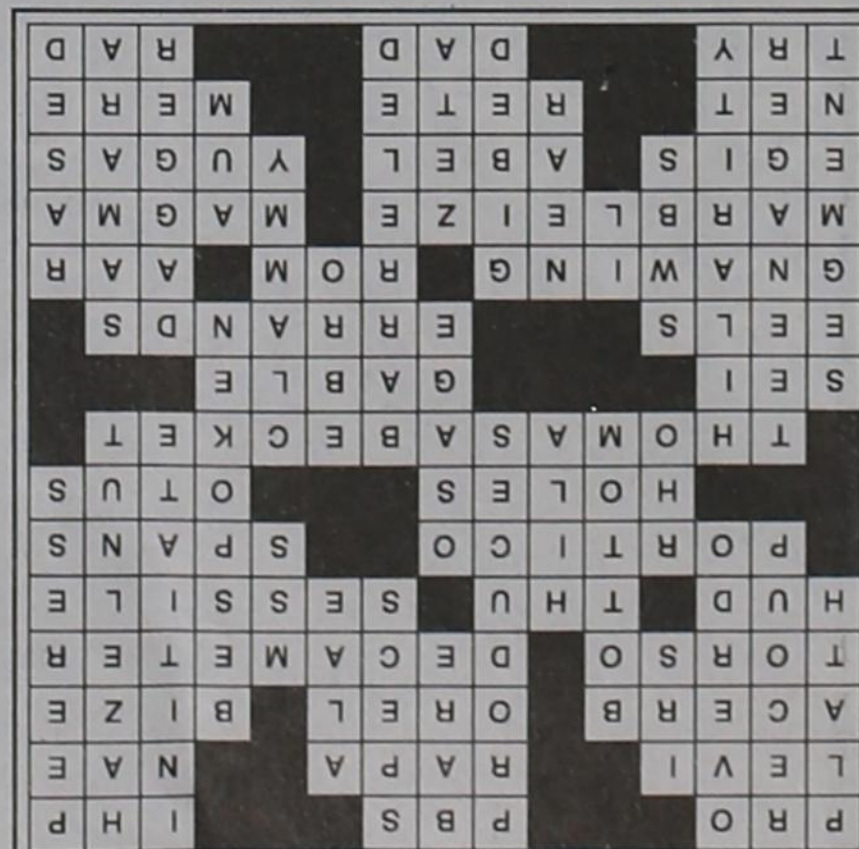
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 10. Strauss, jeans maker
 12. Nui, Easter Island
 14. No (Scottish)
 15. Sour or bitter in taste
 17. Russian city on Oka River
 18. A dry cold north wind in SE France
 19. Upper body part
 20. Metric linear unit
 22. Cabinet Dept. est. 9/65
 23. 4th. day (abbr.)
 25. Stalkless
 26. Porch or walkway
 29. Extends across
 30. Cavities
 31. Screech owl genus
 32. Canterbury Archbishop 1162
 37. Type of whale
 38. Film actor Clark
 39. Snake-like fish
 41. Short purposeful trips
 44. Chewing
 48. Memory hardware
 49. Swiss river
 51. Make to look like marble
 53. Molten rock material
 55. Protects the chest
 56. Cain and
 57. Ages of time (Hindu)
 58. Yield as profit
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 61. Make an effort
 62. Male parent
 63. Radioactivity unit

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 5. Naked
 6. Eyeglasses
 7. Cause to begin
 8. Cobnut
 9. A woman of aristocratic family
 11. Tax collector
 13. Wings
 16. The 2nd half of an inning
 18. Betrothed
 21. Manuscripts (abbr.)
 24. Scars on a seed
 27. 17th Greek letter
 28. A tributary of the Missouri River
 32. Ages 13 to 19
 33. Fun
 34. Done to age wine
 35. River in NE Spain
 36. Dump & unpleasant
 37. One part of an orange
 40. Compass point that is one point S of SW
 42. A short pointed weapon
 43. Silver Maple winged fruit
 45. Lincoln's state
 46. Close by
 47. Jeered
 50. Tore down
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BURNETT

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selves and he worked at bringing out those qualities in them."

Strivens said Burnett often waxed poetic about giving the news away for free.

"He didn't care as long as he thought he could get more readers," she said. "I heard him say more than once that he didn't care who he upset with what he reported, as long as it was the truth. To him, it was all news, and I think people respected him for it, whether they loved him or hated him."

Burnett's legacy in Post, Strivens said, will not soon be forgotten.

"If most of the people in Post had the opportunity to know the Wes Burnett I knew, they'd have a much different understanding of what kind of person he was," she said. "He was the least selfish person I've ever known."

Prior to his tenure in Post, Burnett worked for a number of dailies, including the Bryan-College Station Eagle, the Hamilton (Ohio) Journal-News and the Daily Iberian in New Iberia, La., before venturing into the realm of weekly newspapers, including those in Sonora, Stephenville, Dublin and Ballinger.

Burnett attended Texas A&M University and was a graduate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha. He also was a U.S. Air Force veteran.

Burnett is survived by his wife of 51 years; three grown

children; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were March 30 at Resthaven Funeral Home in Rockwall. A local memorial service is planned for 2 p.m. Saturday at Combest Funeral Home, 2210 Broadway, Lubbock.

BILLS

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author of the bill is Rep. Allan Ritter, R-Nederland, chair of the House Natural Resources Committee.

HB 5, for Texas schoolchildren and their teachers, reduces the number of end-of-course "high-stakes" tests from 15 to five. The purpose is to let classroom teachers expand the amount of time devoted to gains in student learning as opposed to drilling children with a focus on test performance. HB 5 also modernizes the school ratings system and high school graduation requirements. Primary author of the bill is Jimmie Don Aycock, R-Killeen, chair of the House Public Education Committee.

In floor debate, questions arose over adequate funding of public education, given the Legislature's decision in 2011 to reduce state dollars in support of secondary and primary schools by \$5.4 billion.

It was the chair's decision that funding is a separate issue not within the scope of HB 5 and therefore would have

to be introduced as separate legislation that could not be brought up without approval by the full House.

Drug-screening bill

Applicants for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program would have to submit to a drug screening under SB 11, a bill passed out of the Health and Human Services Committee on March 27.

SB 11, authored by Senate Health and Human Services Committee Chair Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound, does what federal law allows — the drug screening of applicants and the sanctioning of those who fail. Currently, adult recipients must sign a personal responsibility agreement not to use or sell illegal drugs.

According to the Senate news service, "the first time an applicant fails a test, he or she loses personal benefits for six months, but family-related benefits will continue. The second failure results in a loss of benefits for 12 months with an option to reapply after six months if the person enters or completes a drug rehab program. If a person fails a third test, they are out of the program permanently. The bill was amended to add a protective payee provision to make sure that children don't lose money because of a parent's drug abuse."

New Education chief

The Texas Senate on March 27 unanimously confirmed the nomination of Michael L. Williams as commissioner of education and head of the

Texas Education Agency.

A former member of the Texas Railroad Commission, Williams, who grew up in Midland, was appointed to the post by Gov. Rick Perry in September.

Air-controllers paid

The Texas Department of Transportation on March 28 announced its intention to fund continued service of air traffic controllers who work at 13 municipal airports in Texas.

Loss of funding as a result of federal budget sequestration that recently took effect was given as the cause.

Affected municipal airports on the list include New Braunfels, Brownsville, Easterwood Field at College Station, TSTC Waco, Lone Star Executive Houston, Georgetown Muni, San Marcos Muni, Dallas Executive, Sugarland Regional, Stinson Muni San Antonio, Collier County Regional, Tyler Pounds Regional and Victoria Regional.

Site gets No. 1 rank

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs' "Texas Transparency" website and other measures earned top national recognition, Combs' office announced March 26.

The U.S. Public Interest Research Group ranked Texas number one in its fourth annual "Follow the Money" report on government spending.

The group called attention to the Texas comptroller's www.texastransparency.org and its

multiple levels of spending and financial information.

SHERIFF

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The truck was pulling a trailer that was loaded with asphalt equipment used to put in small driveways, according to reports.

"While interviewing these individuals, it was learned they were going door-to-door trying to sell paving services," Morgan said. "They had not contacted the city nor did they have a permit to solicit door-to-door in the city of Post."

Sheriff's officials seized all the equipment until proof of insurance, permits to operate in Texas and a person with a valid license could be obtained.

Morgan said the following day the men purchased a 144-hour permit, proof of insurance and hired someone to deliver the truck and equipment to them in Snyder.

"It was strongly recommended to them they search for work elsewhere," Morgan said.

All three men were cited for panhandling under a new ordinance passed by the Post City Council.

"People who run these types of operations commonly come into town and perform

one really good looking paving job, then go around using that as an example of their work," Morgan said. "They will try to convince people to hire them promising them the same quality job that they have shown them. They will ask for money in advance. They generally perform a very poor quality job or no job at all."

After the incident, Morgan said, Dickens County sheriff's officials contacted the local authorities inquiring about the same individuals and equipment.

"They were operating in their county and their equipment had once again been seized for no permits and no one with a license to drive the truck," Morgan said. "We also learned that they had conned at least one elderly individual out of \$3,000."

Morgan also reported that under new city ordinances, during the month of February seven vehicles were seized throughout the city until the owners could show valid proof of insurance and had paid fines and fees associated with the new ordinance.

Three tickets also were issued during February to individuals panhandling. All had criminal records, Morgan said.

Thanks for reading The Post Dispatch

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Proclamation

Whereas, the recent drought has devastated our region economically, and has affected each business, community and family in some way; the need for rain is an intense craving felt by all of the communities and citizens of the South Plains;

Whereas, the Lord; proclaims in 2 Chronicles 7:13-14 "When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command locusts to devour the land or send a plague among my people, if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked way, then will I hear from heaven forgive their sin and will heal their land"; and

Whereas Philippians 4:6 commands us, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God" and

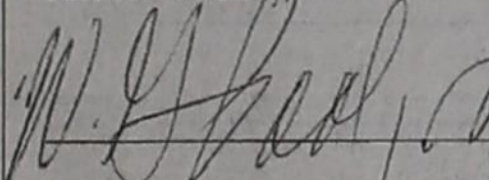
Whereas the South Plains should join together praying that God will grant us provision of water to fill our creeks, streams, lakes and reservoirs in the right amounts at the right time; and

Whereas it is appropriate for White River Municipal Water District Board of Directors and the communities we serve the value of corporate prayer,

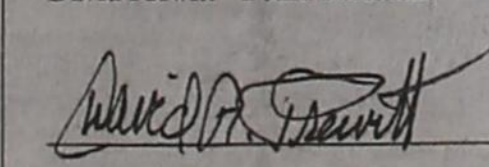
Now, therefore, we the Board of White River Municipal Water District do support a Week of Prayer and fasting for rain on the South Plains for April 14-21, 2013 by signing this proclamation on March 14, 2013.

Resolved this day March 14, 2013 by the Board of Directors for White River Municipal Water District.

Bill Pool - Secretary/Treasurer



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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

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http://waterdata.usgs.gov/tx/nwis/uv?cb_all_00062_00045=on&cb_00062=on&cb_00045=on&format=gif_stats&begin_date=2012-06-08&end_date=2012-06-15&site_no=08080910

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Post's Seven Day Forecast

						
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Local UV Index



0-2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11+

0-2: Low, 3-5: Moderate, 6-7: High, 8-10: Very High, 11+: Extreme Exposure

Detailed Local Forecast

Today we will see sunny skies with a high temperature of 81°, humidity of 31%. South southeast wind 10 to 15 mph. The record high temperature for today is 92° set in 2010. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 52°. South wind 15 to 20 mph. The record low for tonight is 29° set in 1970. Saturday, skies will be mostly sunny with a high temperature of 84°, humidity of 17%. Southwest wind 10 to 15 mph. Skies will be mostly clear Saturday night with an overnight low of 53°. West southwest wind 10 mph.

Weather Trivia

Based on average wind speed, which location in the U.S. is the windiest?

ANSWER: Mt. Washington, N.H., with an average wind speed of 35.3 mph.

Peak Fishing/Hunting Times This Week

Day	Peak Times		Day	Peak Times	
	AM	PM		AM	PM
Fri	7:06-9:06	7:36-9:36	Tue	10:18-12:18	10:48-12:48
Sat	7:56-9:56	8:26-10:26	Wed	11:04-1:04	11:34-1:34
Sun	8:44-10:44	9:14-11:14	Thu	11:52-1:52	---
Mon	9:31-11:31	10:01-12:01			

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April 6, 1987 - Rain and melting snow caused flooding from New England to Ohio. Flooding in the Merrimack Valley of Massachusetts was the worst in 50 years, causing 42 million dollars in damage.

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Fri	7:26 a.m.	8:09 p.m.	4:22 a.m.	3:49 p.m.
Sat	7:25 a.m.	8:10 p.m.	5:00 a.m.	4:51 p.m.
Sun	7:23 a.m.	8:10 p.m.	5:36 a.m.	5:51 p.m.
Mon	7:22 a.m.	8:11 p.m.	6:11 a.m.	6:51 p.m.
Tue	7:21 a.m.	8:12 p.m.	6:45 a.m.	7:50 p.m.
Wed	7:20 a.m.	8:12 p.m.	7:20 a.m.	8:47 p.m.
Thu	7:18 a.m.	8:13 p.m.	7:57 a.m.	9:44 p.m.

Last Week's Almanac & Growing Degree Days

Date	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Farmer's Growing Degree Days			
					Date	Degree Days	Date	Degree Days
3/26	63	26	69/39	0.00"	3/26	0	3/30	15
3/27	79	41	69/39	0.00"	3/27	10	3/31	10
3/28	83	41	70/40	0.00"	3/28	12	4/1	17
3/29	80	52	70/40	0.00"	3/29	16		
3/30	85	45	70/40	0.00"				
3/31	71	50	70/40	0.00"				
4/1	86	48	71/41	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.

Dixie Divas Charlie's diaries

(Editor's note: This is the second installment of a three-part series. It is running over a five-week period rather than three consecutive weeks. The first installment appeared March 15.)

Thirty notebooks in pristine condition lay about me on the bed in Los Angeles after my husband had surprised me with the diaries of his great-grandfather, Charlie Tinker, a White House telegrapher who had been friends with President Abraham Lincoln.



RONDA RICH

Gingerly, I picked up the wonderments of history and found them to be in exceptional condition as though they were only a few decades old not a 150 years in age. In precise handwritten script, each notebook was numbered and dated such as: No. 18, February 15, 1865, to May 19, 1865. "What a treasure," I marveled quietly. I soon learned from reading the diaries that Charlie was a typical Tinker. At least typical of the one to whom I am married. He meticulously recorded each day in a clear, perfect script, sticking mostly to facts and

stirring away from opinion or emotional evaluation. And just like my Tinker, Charlie proved to be well organized, even compulsive. Not only had he been mindful enough to record some of the most important days in our nation's history, he made copies. His original diaries are written with quill and ink. Later, he must have thought of the significance these would be to history so he penciled an entire duplicate set. "Tink, if these were in a library, we would have to wear white gloves to touch them," I remarked, telling the story of how I once had the privilege of a private showing at the University of Georgia library of Margaret Mitchell's first book, she of "Gone With the Wind" fame, written when she was 11. I had been allowed to hold it and read about a little girl named Margaret who had helped to fight off the Indians, but I had to wear white gloves. Tink picked up a diary and began to read loudly. Charlie was recounting a telegraph from Gen. Sherman that day. "He was close to," Tink paused and pointed. "Can you make out the name of this town?" I gasped. "Milledgeville! My beloved Milledgeville! Home of Flannery O'Conner. And my column runs there. Oh, that Sherman!" I was agitated, mad all over again about that 60-mile swath he cut from Atlanta to Savannah. After I calmed down, I recommenced to read. It was March 6, 1865. "Lizzie and I attended the inauguration ball in the patent office," he penned. "The ballroom was so crowded that it was almost impossible to dance." He described the room and who was seated with the Lincolns on the raised platform. "During the evening, the president recognized me in the crowd and sent Robert (Lincoln's son) to ask me if I had any news from (Gen.) Sheridan, or from any other source since he was in the (telegraph) office that afternoon. I accompanied Robert back to the platform and gave the President the information for which he thanked me, and learning that Mrs. Tinker was present said he would be pleased to speak to her." President Lincoln visited the telegraph office several times a day, eager to know the latest news from dispatches. He seemed to consider himself more of the staff than their commander-in-chief. Often he would wander in, stroll over to the basket filled with dispatches and read through them, disappointed if nothing new had been wired since last he was there. April 9: "General Grant telegraphs this evening that General Lee has surrendered the Army of Northern Virginia to him accepting terms proposed by Grant. Glorious news and everybody happy." April 11: Lincoln had come to the office and told a story. "To illustrate the point, he gathered his coattails under his arms and taking long strides passed out of the office laughing loudly and leaving me convulsed by his story and ludicrous performance." Imagine Lincoln being high spirited. But the war was over. His burden had been lifted. Then came Charlie's entry on April 15. That is another story for another day.


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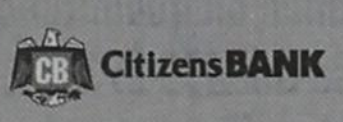
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