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### **UPCOMING** EVENTS

COMMUNITY/ **GOVERNMENT MEETINGS** All of these meetings are open to the public.

**Garza County Commissioners** Court April 6 9 a.m. **Garza County Courthouse** 300 W. Main

> City of Post City Council Meeting April 14 6 p.m. **Council Chambers** City Hall 105 E. Main Street

Post ISD School Board Meeting April 14 7:30 p.m. **Administrative Board Room** 501 S. Avenue K NOTE: Video of last month's meeting

at post.k12.tx.us - click on

"Board

of Trustees" Garza County **Health Care District** April 16 6:30 p.m. Citizens Bank Meeting Room

OTHER COMMUNITY **EVENTS** Event info available at press time.

210 N. Broadway

"Judas the Lost Apostle" Ragtown Gospel Theater March 27 7:30 p.m. 877-RAGTOWN for reservations

> Varsity Baseball vs Littlefield March 28 Noon

JV/Varsity Softball Vs Roosevelt March 28 Noon

"Judas the Lost Apostle" **Final Performance** Ragtown Gospel Theater March 28 7:30 p.m. 877-RAGTOWN for reservations

> JV/Varsity Softball @ Shallowater March 31 5 p.m.

Varsity Baseball @ Roosevelt March 31 7 p.m

Trailblazers Senior Citizens Center

Game Night March 31 5:30 p.m. 205 E. 10th

Trailblazers Senior Citizens Center Game Night April 2 5:30 p.m. 205 E. 10th

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## Dispatch Drops Local Rates 25 Percent

The Post Dispatch announced this week it is dropping advertising rates for local merchants.

local businesses, the new rate will now be \$6 per column inch. The paper is also offering an introductory rate for local businesses who want to advertise four times or

"If a local business wants to advertise for at least same at \$8 per column inch. four weeks, we will give them a \$5 per column inch get that introductory rate for two months.

"We hope this new rate will encourage local retailers to use The Post Dispatch to advertise their businesses.

Through discussions with Blackburn Media Group CEO Christopher Blackburn, we determined that the rates es-Instead of \$8 per column inch for a display ad for tablished before the Dispatch was purchased last summer were simply too high for the Post market. We are here in part to help small businesses flourish and this is an effort to get that process started."

The national display advertising rate will remain the

Blackmon added the publication wants to help those rate," associate publisher Jeff Blackmon said. "They will businesses to get the most bang for their buck during a

> The Post Dispatch also has decided to make local classifieds \$5 for the first 10 words and 25-cents each

additional word. The former rate was \$7.50 for the first 10 words.

The rates for legal notices in the classifieds section will remain the same at \$7.50 for the first 10 words or less and 25-cents each additional word.

Blackmon also stated that local retailers and merchants would be approached in coming weeks by a Dispatch marketing consultant.

"We want to provide the best possible service for our clients and this is a step in that direction," Blackmon emphasized. "This is Post's newspaper and it needs to reflect that fact."



Kelly Chapa as Juliet and Chad Miller as Romeo declare their love for each other in the One Act Play presentation of Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet Monday night. The play followed a Renaissance Dinner served in the school cafeteria.

Photo by Susan Strawn

## **City and School Candidates Confirmed**

The filing deadline for write-in candidates passed last week with no one adding their name to the city, school and health care district ballots.

As a result, the candidates for two Garza County Health Care District precincts were unopposed. In a regular meeting held March 19, the Health Care District Board of Directors certified candidates Wyvonne Kennedy, Precinct 3, and Wayne Edwards, Precinct 4. The May 9 Directors Election was cancelled.

In upcoming City elections, two candidates will vie for Mayor: Thressa Harp and T.K. Thompson, Current Mayor Kim Mills is not seeking re-election.

Each of the City Council races also have two candidates. Incumbent Melba Cimental is being challenged by Trena Woods for Ward 1 council representative and Archie Gill will challenge (Continued on Page 4)

## "Moon Over Buffalo" Opens This Weekend At Garza Theatre

By Rosa Latimer News Editor

Mickie Klafka returns to the Garza Theatre this weekend directing the comedy "Moon Over Buffalo." The play, described as a "backstage farce" is written by Ken Ludwig. Ludwig also wrote "Lend Me a Tenor," another comedy that was popular with Garza audiences.

"Moon Over Buffalo" tells the story of Charlotte and George Hay, an acting couple on tour in Buffalo in 1953 with a repertory consisting of Cyrano de Bergerac and Noel Coward's Private Lives. Carol Burnett played the role of Charlotte on Broadway which gives one a vivid idea of the level of comedy offered by this production.

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## Ivan Parker Returns to Ragtown Gospel Theater

Southern Gospel 2008 Soloist of the Year, Ivan Parker, will return to the Ragtown Gospel Theater Sunday April 5 at 3 p.m. All seats are reserved for this special all musical event. Individual tickets for this concert are \$35 and tickets for groups of 12 or more are \$28 each. Group reservations must be made by phone at 1-877-RAGTOWN.

Parker presented a "sold-out" concert at Ragtown last February. In 2007, the Christian recording artist received his first number one hit, "I Choose" and was chosen Male Vocalist of the Year by subscribers of The Singing News Magazine. He also received the 2008 Favorite Soloist Fan Award. For the past decade he has been regularly featured on the Bill Gaither Homecoming Video and Concert

Ragtown will return to its usual format of opening with an hour of Southern Gospel music, followed by a stage presentation on April 17 with the premier of "Magadalene."

Tickets for this production are \$20 for adults, children and students half price and groups of 12 or more, \$15. Visit www.ragtown. com for more information.

## County Commissioners Refine Provisions of Burn Ban

ers approved the item.

ment. Plummer informed the

court that the agreement is the

same as last year with the addi-

tion that the agreement would

end when either party gave 30

day notice to vacate. The com-

missioners approved the agree-

forcement agreement and agree-

ments for other joint ventures

between Garza County and the

and the landfill. Judge Norman

explained that the county "needs

a current contract with the city

so we can negotiate a future con-

tract." County Attorney Mike

Monk added, "This agreement is

much better than what we have.

The court discussed a law en-

By Rosa Latimer News Editor

Garza County Commissioners Court met in a regular meeting Monday and among other agenda items, the commissioners reviewed the provisions of the county-wide 90-day burn ban passed on February 9, 2009. The purpose of the clarification was to use more specific wording in the burn ban regarding an acceptable enclosure for burning and precautions for extinguishing a fire. The court approved the revision as presented by County

Attorney Monk: a. A person violates the order if he burns any combustible material outside of an enclosure which serves to contain all flames and/or sparks, or orders such burning by others. Said enclosures to be enclosed on all sides and having a cover. The cover is to be of a mesh construction having holes small enough to prevent most debris from escaping the enclosure during burning.

b. A person violates this order if while burning he does not possess means for extinguishing a fire, including an amount of water or fire extinguisher device that would be reasonable to extinguish a fire that is a foreseeable result of the intended burning.

In another agenda item, repairs to the Incident Command Unit were discussed by the court. Emergency Management Coordinator Michael Isbell provided a quote from Post Tire and Lube for the installation of a 13,500 BTU air conditioning/ heating unit for \$796.87. Judge Norman explained that with installation the cost would total \$1150 to \$1200. Commissioner



Popular Southern Gospel recording artist Ivan Parker performed to a full house at Ragtown Gospel Theater in February, 2008. He returns to the theater Sunday, April 5.

Post Dispatch Staff Photo

McDaniel explained that the This is certainly a step in the City of Post would be liable for right direction." half the cost. The commission-

The commissioners approved for presentation to the Clerk Plummer presented City of Post the law enforcement agreement in the amount of an agreement already approved by Garza County Health Care \$250,000 and other joint venture District president, Wayne Edagreement between the two entiwards for the continued storage ties ending October 1, 2009. of county owned election equip-

In other business County Attorney Munk explained that with the court's permission he terminated a three year service agreement with Westlaw. When he did, he was issued a cancellation number. Since then he received a letter stating he cannot cancel the contract. He has made many attempts to resolve the issue, but at this point it is still not settled This information was presented for information purposes only City of Post including the airport No action taken.

Judge Norman reported that he is waiting for advisement on the air conditioning system in the old sheriff's office/county jail building from the contractor.

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## Post Notes

4-H Shotgun sports signups

4-H Shotgun sports will begin Monday, March 23rd at 6:00 pm. The location will be Palmer's Gun Club 9 miles west of Post on U S Hwy 380. Bring Parents to sign forms and listen to rules. This is Mandatory! For more information call Ray Mason @ 781-8022 or Mark Kirkpatrick @ 495-2235.

Voter's Forum Scheduled

Be an informed voter! Attend a Voter's Forum sponsored by the Post Area Chamber of Commerce 6:30 pm Tuesday, April 21, location to be announced. Candidates for city and school elections have been invited to attend this non-partisan event to present their platforms. All Post & Garza County residents are invited to attend this free event. Call 495-3461 for more information.

New Bricks to be added to Centennial Plaza

Approximately 30 new commemorative bricks will be added to the Centennial Plaza on the east lawn of the Garza County Courthouse Thursday, April 2 at 6 p.m. Everyone is invited to help with the "laying of the bricks" and enjoy refreshments. The Plaza was created in 2007 and now holds over 800 bricks. New bricks are ordered and installed twice a year. Forms to place an order for engraved bricks will be available.

PCM Scheduled to meet

PCM is meeting on Tuesday March 31 at 6:30 pm at Rockin K located 212 E. Main Street. All members are urged to attend. For more information call 806-495-0608.

Graham Ole Opry

The Graham Ole Opry will be held Saturday March 28 from 7:00 til 10:00 pm at the Graham Community Center, five miles west of Post on US 380 and two miles south on FM 399. There is no admission charge; a hat will be passed for donations to help with upkeep on the center. For more information contact Noel White at 495-3261.

Stitchin' Club learns to knit

The Stitchin' Club will have a knitting instructor at the next few meetings to help members learn to knit. The club meets at the Heritage House, 109 No. Avenue N, every Thursday at 6 p.m. There is no cost to be part of the group. Members provide their own supplies. Call 495-4148 for more information.

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## Letters To The Editor

I know there has been a lot downtown. I can assure you that other travelers through town would and the railroad track, we wouldn't tax. have a downtown.

Post has going for it is its active off of Main Street, but inevitably

of discussion regarding the truck most of the people from out of also take the route in search of a detour route the City Council is town that I have come in contact short cut. Without experiencing considering. Both sides have some with over the past 17 years as a the charm of our downtown, most valid points to their argument. Of business owner on Main Street are of these travelers would not stop or course, we certainly don't want to very impressed with the activity in consider returning to Post. lose the brick streets downtown. downtown Post. The businesses The brick streets are a part of on Main Street are a vital part of makes a final decision on this the appeal of our downtown. our community and contributors to issue, I hope they will consider the However, without the 20 plus the tax base in the form of property businesses between Highway 84 tax, sales tax and hotel occupancy Main Street businesses and on the

Granted, a truck route would be One of the greatest things meant only to keep the large trucks

The Paperboy

By Christopher Blackburn

Before the City Council long-term effect it will have on the economy of Post.

> Sincerely, Janice Plummer

## The Real Meaning of Earth Hour

By Keith Lockitch

Iconic landmarks from the Sydney of energy seem like a big party. Opera House to Manhattan's skyscrapers will be darkened to sixty minutes in the dark, safe in Earth Hour is its symbolic meaning. encourage reduced energy use and the knowledge that the life-saving But that meaning is the opposite signal a commitment to fighting benefits of industrial civilization of the one intended. The lights of climate change.

will admittedly have little effect to what life would actually be what mankind has accomplished on carbon emissions, what matters, like under the sort of draconian in rising from the cave to the organizers say, is the event's carbon-reduction policies that skyscraper. Earth Hour presents symbolic meaning. That's true, but climate activists are demanding: the disturbing spectacle of people not in the way organizers intend.

debate is over on climate change- the construction of power plants. - renounce energy and to rejoice at -that man-made greenhouse cause significant harm.

Politicians environmentalists, including those below 1990 levels. Because global catastrophe. What we really our energy is overwhelmingly carbon-based (fossil fuels provide more than 80 percent of world energy), and because the claims of abundant "green energy" from breezes and sunbeams are a myth--this necessarily means a massive reduction in our energy use.

People don't have a clear view of what this would mean in practice. We, in the industrialized world, take our abundant energy for granted and don't consider just how much we benefit from its use in every minute of every day. Driving our cars to work and school, sitting in our lighted, heated homes and offices, powering our computers and countless other labor-saving appliances, we count on the indispensable values that industrial energy makes possible: hospitals and grocery stores, factories and farms, international travel and global telecommunications. It is hard for us to project the degree of sacrifice and harm that proposed climate policies would force upon

This blindness to the vital importance of energy is precisely what Earth Hour exploits. It sends the comforting-but-false message: Cutting off fossil fuels would be easy and even fun! People spend

On Saturday, March 28, cities torch-lit beach parties; restaurants how indispensable carbon-based around the world will turn off their offer special candle-lit dinners. energy is to human life (including, lights to observe "Earth Hour." Earth Hour makes the renunciation of course, to our ability to cope

Participantsspendanenjoyable

gases are indisputably causing a just the lights off. How about Earth meaning unmistakably clear: Earth planetary emergency. But there is Month, without any form of fossil Hour symbolizes the renunciation ample scientific evidence to reject fuel energy? Try spending a month of industrial civilization. the claims of climate catastrophe. shivering in the dark without And what's never mentioned? heating, electricity, refrigeration; The fact that reducing greenhouse without power plants or generators; gases to the degree sought by without any of the labor-saving, is a fellow at the Ayn Rand Center climate activists would, itself, time-saving, and therefore life- for Individual Rights, focusing on saving products that industrial science and environmentalism. The and energy makes possible.

behind Earth Hour, are not calling must cut off our carbon emissions the philosophy of Ayn Rand, author on people just to change a few to prevent an alleged global of "Atlas Shrugged" and "The light bulbs, they are calling for a catastrophe need to learn the Fountainhead." truly massive reduction in carbon indisputable fact that cutting off emissions--as much as 80 percent our carbon emissions would be a

the hour stargazing and holding need is greater awareness of just with any changes in the climate).

It is true that the importance of are just a light switch away. This our cities and monuments are a While a one-hour blackout bears no relation whatsoever symbol of human achievement, of punishing carbon taxes, severe celebrating those lights being We hear constantly that the emissions caps, outright bans on extinguished. Its call for people to Forget one measly hour with darkened skyscrapers makes its real

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## What's Another Trillion Amongst Friends?

Somebody needs to tackle the Obama Administration and Congress before they start spending my great-great-great grandchildren's money.

Word out of Washington now says they are needing ANOTHER bailout bill to save the big banks. It may cost \$1 trillion in addition to the trillions already spent according to Obama and Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner.

They say they need it to purchase bad assets off the balance sheets of big banks. Same thing they said months ago.

The only "bad asset" we need cleaned up is Washington.

The reality is the Democrats are on the largest spending spree this planet has ever seen. It is almost comical. And what is their defense? Why it's gripping publicly about a few hundred million in bonuses

to AIG. Something top Democrats, including Geithner, have known about for months. The Administration and Congress think by yelling about the bonuses, Americans won't notice

another trillion here and another trillion there.

I wonder what is going to happen when Americans in mass decide to stop paying taxes? What happens when we determine the U.S. Government is a poor investment for our hard-earned dollars. Obama called the latest bailout "one more critical element" in a multi-pronged effort to revive the economy. I wonder how many "critical elements" it is going to take.

And what about transparency?

All during the campaign, Obama spoke of all of the transparency there would be in his administration. Where is it?

Why isn't the proposed budget online for us to see? I would think a someone asking for \$3.6 trillion in a budget would let us see how our money will be spent.

Guess what? No one outside Washington has a clue what's in the proposed budget. Heck, most in Washington don't have a clue either outside of their very own pet projects they had added to it. If you're not counting, the total is \$160,000 per American family we are on the hook for. That

Obama will try and get the rich to foot that bill. Guess what, they can't. It will also take the middle class and the poor.

Mark my words - your taxes aren't just going to increase, they will skyrocket. Maybe not for those out there cheating on their taxes by passing their children's Social Security numbers around (a topic for another day), but for the vast majority of us.

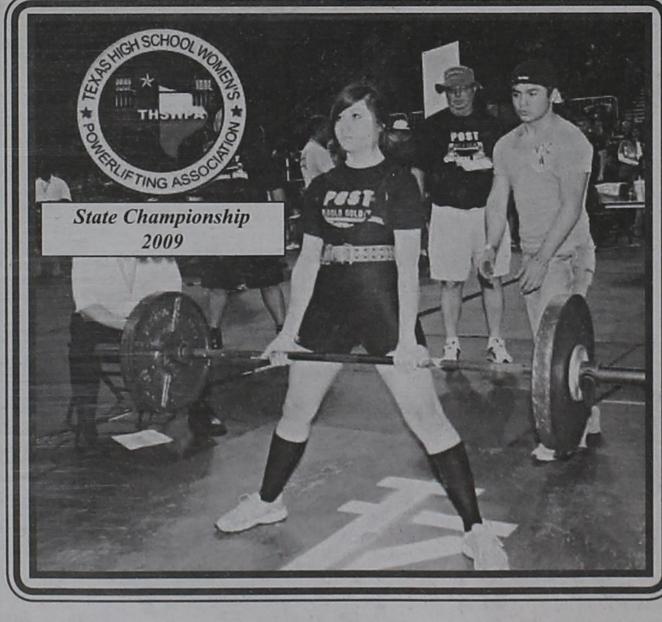
I understand Obama won an election based on change, but this not the change people had in

mind back in November.

Christopher Blackburn is the president of Blackburn Media Group, owner of this publication. Feel free to comment on The Paperboy at http://thenewbastion.blogspot.com/

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## Congratulations Gaby!



Post High School's Gaby Gomez dead lifted 275 pounds at last weekend's State Power Lifting Championships in Corpus Christi. Gaby finished 7th with a total of 640 pounds.



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## White River Weekly Report March 27, 2009

Gauge Reading 2351.30 Feet below spillway 21'2" Rise Rainfall Past Week

Rainfall for 2004 43.58" Rainfall for 2005 15.57" Rainfall for 2006

28.85" Rainfall for 2007 24.19"

Rainfall for 2008 Rain to Date 33.16" .98"

White River Lake has 2,806,554,663 billion gallons left available at the Intake or 27% capacity or 8,613 acre feet. Subtract 19,551,059 MG for evaporation this week in February that leaves 2,787,003,604 MG available as of today. White River's daily average demand for 2008 was 1.23 million gallons per day for all White river customers.

The oil company using water for mining has been stopped until the lake level rises.

White River Municipal Water District is in Stage 1 of its Drought Contigency Plan.

Remember that the water district is there for you if we can assist you in any way let us know.

-Mickey Rogers-GM White River

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Mrs. Mary Lois Stice, age 65, of Colorado City, died at home, March 22, 2009 at 11:55 p.m., after a long battle with cancer. She was born on May 6, 1943 in Levelland, TX to Thelma and Bernice Jones. They moved to Post, TX when she was a child. Mary graduated from Post High School in 1962. She married Jerry Don Nutt of Post. They moved to Tahoka soon after. She married Roy Stice on July 30, 1982. She was a member of the Dorn Chapel United Methodist Church.

She was a volunteer at the Heart of West Texas Museum. She was a supporter of the Relay for Life since first being diagnosed with cancer in 1998 and served as chairperson of the "survivor lap committee" for many years. She was treasurer for Mitchell County Historical Society. She was a regular visitor to Valley Fair Lodge nursing home where her church group had Bible study.

Mary was a beautician for many years. She was a member of the Appaloosa Horse Club and 4-H for many years. She loved all animals, but horses were her biggest love.

She is survived by her loving husband of twenty-six years, Roy Stice; a brother, Lamar Jones and wife, Karen of Post; her children: Jerry Glen Nutt of Colorado City and his girlfriend, Rita Dauth of San Angelo, TX and a daughter, Jackie Sue Jackson of San Angelo, TX; four step children: Candy McDonald and husband Ross of Waco, TX, Wylie and wife Angie Stice of Kingwood, TX, Cody Stice and wife Kris of Boling Brook, IL and Chris Stice of Maryneal, TX. She is also survived by fourteen grandchildren and one great granddaughter. Mary also leaves behind many loving friends, including a special friend and caretaker, Shirley Delaney. Mary was preceded in death by

her parents. Services were at 2 PM Wednesday in the First United Methodist Church in Colorado City with Rev. Kiefer Cauble officiating. Burial will followed in the Terrace Cemetery in Post,

Memorials may be given to Relay For Life at City National Bank in Colorado City, TX.

The Post Dispatch was founded in 1926 Gary E. Welch

Gary E. Welch of Waco passed away Sunday, February 22, 2009. Memorial services were held at 1:30 pm Wednesday, February 25 at First Baptist Church of Waco with Dr. Tom Parrish officiating.

Welch, born May 23, 1939 in San Angelo, was the third child of Ralph House Welch and Helen Martin Welch. The family moved to Post in 1943, and School on May 23, 1957, having been active in football and FHA. He earned a BBA degree from Texas Tech University, paying his way by working on holidays Letterman's Association, and a member of ROTC. In his senior year at Texas Tech, Gary married in Ballinger, Texas on Society, First Baptist Church of May 4, 1963.

After graduation from Texas Tech, Gary reported for active duty at Ft. Benning, Georgia, and then was assigned to the Second Armored Division in Fort Hood, Texas. During his Army career, Gary received the Expert Infantry Badge, Jump Wings, and was a football team, swimming and February 17, 2009. triathlon team, and wrestling team, winning the 4th Army Championship in Swimming and Triathlon.

Upon leaving active duty with the Army, Gary became a national bank examiner of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, U. S. Treasury Department, stationed in Amarillo, Abilene, and Waco, Texas. In October, 1969, he left the Comptroller's office to become Vice President of the First State Bank, Riesel, TX beginning August 1973, and purchased controlling interest in the bank in January, 1979. Upon selling his interest in The First State Bank, Riesel in September, 1993, Welch served on the board of the First National Bank of Hamilton, where her served also as interim President for six months in 1999.

Civic duties included serving as an officer and director of the Waco Jaycees, president of the Masonic Lodge No. 835 where he was an endowed member, a 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree Mason and endowed member of the Scottish Rite of Free Masonry. He was also a life member of the National Smokejumpers Association and

regularly attended reunions held every three years or four years in the U.S. Northwest. He was he especially enjoyed attending in Garza, Sterling, McLennan, Home. and Falls counties, and enjoyed working to improve the ranches 2009 in his home. He was born during his ownership. Welch was September 1, 1931 in Mexico.

He is survived by his wife, and wife, Nanette; daughter, Stacey and sons Wilson and was a smoke jumper for the U.S. Jackson of Indianapolis, IN; and of Mexico. Forest Service in Oregon. While daughter Whitney Welch of Salt at Texas Tech, he was a member Lake City, UT. He is also survived of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity, a by his sister, Wilma Carey of 4-year letterman on the swimming Covington, TX; and mother-inteam, a member of the Double law, Mrs. Charles Hambrick of

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to met Nancy Hambrick, and they Fuzzy Friends, Waco Human Waco, or a charity of the donor's

> Brooke Nicole Brinkley

Brooke Nicole Brinkley, infant daughter of Misti Renea and Chase Tyler Brinkley, passed away at the Midland Memorial Philippines. member of the Ft. Hood Tankers West Campus on Tuesday,

Funeral services were at 1:00 pm on Monday, February 23, 2009 at the funeral home with Rev. Mike Wright, officiating. Interment followed at Evergreen Cemetery in Stanton.

She is survived by her parents, Misti and Chase Brinkley of Midland; maternal grandparents Darlene and Mark Tyler of Midland; paternal grandparents Micki and Jessie Flores of Iraan and Bruce Brinkley of Ranger; grandparents, Mike and Sue Funeral Home. Munn of Midland, Vertie Fulks

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Jose Macias

Rosary for Jose Macias was held at 4 p.m. Monday, March a member of the First Baptist 23 at Hudman Funeral Home. Church in Waco since 1969 where Burial will be in San Jacinto Cemetery, San Jacinto, Mexico. the McCall Bible Class. A lifetime Local arrangements were under rancher, Gary owned ranches the direction of Hudman Funeral

He died Friday, March 20, preceded in death by his parents. He worked for BJB for 30 years.

Survivors include 9 children: Gary graduated from Post High Nancy, and their four children Luis Macias of Post, Ricardo and their families: Lance Welch Saucedo of Post, Ezequiel Saucedo, Irma Saucedo, Imelda Remington and son, Ryder of Munoz and Manuel Saucedo all Boerne; Cam Welch and wife, of Colorado; one brother, Roberto Saucedo of Mexico and three and weekends in the oilfields Ross of Dallas; Cody Welch and sisters: Eulalia Saucedo, Carmen near Post. In the summers, he wife, Erin and sons, Sterling and Saucedo and Socorro Saucedo all

Walter Savage

Graveside services for Walter (Cotton) Savage, 91 of Lubbock were held at 1 p.m. Sunday, March 22 in Terrace Cemetery with James Allen of Calvary Baptist Church officiating. Burial was under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

He died Friday, March 20 at his home. He was born August 2, 1917 in Lindale, Texas to Thomas John and Minnie Mae (Mathews) Salvage. He married Mary Pauline Storie on January 2, 1939 in Slaton. He was a WW II Navy Veteran serving in the

He is survived by his wife of 70 years, Pauline Savage of Lubbock; one son, Don Savage and wife Marie of Ft. Worth; two daughters: Mary Fern Patrick and husband Cecil of Irving and Lavern Easter and husband James of Burkburnett; 7 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and 2 great great-grandchildren.

Barbara Ethridge Services for

Barbara Ethridge, 70, of Post were held at 2 p.m. Monday, at the Post Church of Christ with Travis Sweet and aunts and uncles, Sarah and Charles McCook officiating. Arthur Marts, Haley Bays, Jaycee Burial in Terrace Cemetery was Tyler and Jess Flores; great- under the direction of Hudman

She died Friday, March 20 in of Odessa, David and Nellie Lubbock. She was born December Tyler of Post, Ernestine Brinkley 26, 1938 in Slaton to Henry and of Dumas and Jesus and Lupe Posey (Leggott) Wheatley. She Flores of Mertzon; great-great- married Daymon Ethridge on grandmother, Nancy Phipps of July 1, 1960 in Post. She was a Midland; many other family and homemaker and active member of the Post Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, Daymon Ethridge of Post; two daughters: Debbie Hanks and husband Edward of Seymour and Betsy Painter and husband Mike of Albuquerque; one sister, Patricia Webb of Plainview and one brother, Kent Wheatley of Austin. She was preceded in death by her parents and by a brother: Paul Wheatley in 2009.



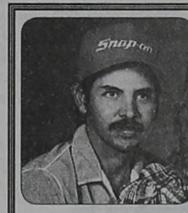
Hannah Beth Abraham

Joseph and Amy Abraham would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Hannah Beth. She was born Friday, March 13, 2009. She weighed 8 lbs and was 21 in long.

Proud grandparents are Roger and Debbie Norman of Temple and Cain and Anita Abraham of Post.

Great grandparents are Wayne and Patsy Causey of Ruston, LA and Cecil Norman and the late Lillian Norman of Bastrop, TX.; Olin and Betty Looney of Post and Gloria Abraham and the late Abel Abraham of Post.

The Post estate pledged \$75,000, and the city of Post raised \$35,000 in 1916 to bid unsuccessfully to become the site of the proposed West Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College, later known as Texas Tech University.



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### Methodist Church planning celebration

Anyone who has any information regarding former pastors, members, or who may have a connection to the First United Methodist Church of Post, please contact either the church office at 495-2942 or JoAnn Miller at 748-3812. FUMC Post is planning a 100 year celebration for Labor Day weekend, 2009, and would like to include all who have or have had a special connection or memory of the church.

Garza County Tax Office needs update information

If you have recently changed your name or address, please contact The Garza County Tax A/C Office. We need to update your information so you will be able to vote in the upcoming city elections and Post ISD School board election.

Little League Tryouts scheduled March 28

Post Little League baseball tryouts will be on Saturday, March 28th at 10 am at the Post Little League field. There will be makeup tryouts on March 30th at 5pm for those who did not make it to the tryouts on March 28th. Anyone who is interested in volunteering, please contact Terry Morris 474-8153 or Liza Taylor 778-5449.

PHS Class of '79 Reunion

The Post High School Class of 1979 is looking for contact information for all classmates that attended Post High School with this class. Please contact Danny Gunn at dgunn@idalouisd.net or call 806-201-1475.

Auditions for "Bed Bugs scheduled for March 28

Auditions for the childrens show "Bed Bugs" and "Wooing Wed Widing Hood" will be held at Monterey Church of Christ in Lubbock, Saturday March 28. Hours are 12-2 pm. There will also be auditions held at the Garza Theatre on April 5 with hours from 5-6 PM. This is for all children ages 6-16 both boys and girls. Laura Bryan is the director. The show runs June 5 thru June 20, 2009. Please call the Garza Theatre for more information at 806-495-4005.

Bake sale scheduled April 4

Garza County Trailblazers will have a bake sale on Saturday, April 4, 2009 at United Supermarket from 8:30 am til all gone. Proceed to benefit the Garza County Trailblazer Center.

Annual broom and mop sale

Post Rotary annual broom and mop sale will be on April 7, 2009 from 8 am - 5 pm. The sell will be located at 110 West Main Street.

Holy Cross Catholic church fish fry

Holy Cross Catholic Church will be having a fish fry every Friday during lent from 5-7 p.m. The cost is \$7 a plate and the plate includes fish, beans, potato salad, slaw, drink.

Post Book Club

The Post Book Club will meet Tuesday, April 21 at the Heritage House, 109 No. Avenue N. The book selection is "Angels and Demons" by Dan Brown who is also the author of "The Da Vinci Code". For more information call the Heritage House, 495-4148 or Ruby Lane Books, 495-2665.

Quilt show

The Cotton Trail Quilters of Terry County are accepting entries for their Third Annual Quilt Show April 23-25. Comtempary and antique quilts are being accepted at teh Texas AgriLife Extension Service, 209 S. 5th St., Brownfield, TX 79316. Each entry must be accompanied by an Entry Form. The form can be found at http://www.terrycountyquilts.com. Or, call 806-637-4060 to have an Entry form mailed. There is not entry fee. There is no limit to the number of quilts that a individual can enter. The deadline to turn quilts in will be 5 p.m. April 20. The Quilt Show will be in the building on the corner of South 5th and West Tate Streets in Brownfield from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. each day. There is not admission fee and no judging; the purpose of the show is to enjoy quilts, salute quilters and appreciate cotton.

Class of '98 Reunion

The Post High School Class of 1998 is looking for a few classmates to contact for our upcoming reunion. If you have information regarding the following, please contact us at phs\_class98@ yahoo.com or call Macee at 719-260-8312. We are missing home and e-mail addresses for the following people: Willie Bell, Danny Bilbo, Shad Bradford, Richard Cade, Trey Conner, Luke Cooper, Michelle Cotter, Bobbie Jo Davis, Joseph DelosReyes, Patricia DeLuna, Micaela Eagle, Johnny Espitia, Jodi Foreman, Creselda Garcia, Troy Gilbert, Homer Gomez, Anthony Gomez, Imelda Gonzales, Jerry Graham, Chris Guerrero, Aaron, Hanna, Jamie Hernandez, Sharlene Hymes, Clay Johnson, Chris Kagey, Erick Lopez, Amanda Martinez, Kayla Moore, Emilio Moreno, Bryan Navarro, Brando Patschke, John Perez, Amanda Pierce, Javier Ramos, Katrina Reed, Brian Reidel, Christy, Reiter, Leonard Rodela, Michael Sanchez, Brenda Simental, and Sam Woods.

Special account at Wells Fargo

A special account has been set up at Wells Fargo for Justin and Holly Willson to help with funeral expenses for the daughter, the granddaughter of Cy and Charity and the great-granddaughter of the late Georgie Willson and Johnnie Willson. For more information contact Susie or Carol at Wells Fargo Bank at 495-2804.

"Reflections of Spring"

OS Museum invites you to view "Reflections of Spring" from 10 am to 12 and from 1 pm to 5 pm Monday thru Saturday. The location is 201 East Main Street and Ave I upstairs. Elevators for your convenience. For more information call 495-3570.

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Taylor shared concern with an- Ward 2 opening. other department or office having access to the probation office election has four candidates vy- Day is May 9. when utilizing the jail cells for storage. He will seek input from his district supervisor. No action was taken.

Three line item transfers were approved by the court: EMC office for \$1342; Road & Bridge 2 office for \$1848.75; EMC budget for \$796.87.

The court also approved the minutes from the March 9 regular meeting and the March 10 special meeting. Precinct and countywide accounts payable for March 10, 2009 through March 23, 2009 were approved.

Reading

Dispatch!

"Moon Over Buffalo" runs 4005.

Chief Probation Officer Brandt incumbent Dicky Odom for the rently serve on the school board. Early voting begins April 27

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Fate has given Charlotte and March 27 through April 11. Fri-George one more shot at starring day and Saturday night perforroles in The Scarlet Pimpernel mances begin at 8 p.m.; the Sunepic and director Frank Capra day matinee on April 5 begins himself is en route to Buffalo to at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for catch their matinee performance. adults; \$8 for children age 12 and Will Charlotte appear or run off under. The theater also offers a with their agent? Will George be student rate and a senior adult sober enough to impress Capra? rate of \$10 per person and a mili-Will Capra see Cyrano, Private tary discount with military ID of Lives or a disturbing mixture of \$10. Group rates are also avail-

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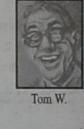
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Upon completion the following changes will take place: The Admitting desk, located in the main lobby, will be staffed from 7:00am - 6:00pm, Monday through Friday. Customers coming in to register for outpatient testing, surgery, etc. will need to enter through the main lobby during these hours of operation. Registration for outpatient services after normal hours of operation will take place in the Emergency Department.

Visiting hours for family and friends of patients will remain between the hours of 8:00am - 9:00pm, seven days a week. On weekends and after the hours of 9:00pm on weekdays, visitors will need to go to the Emergency Department to request a visitor's pass.

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## by Traci Freeman

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News

and Sharron's house this past weekend. This time they were celebrating Dylan's birthday. Dylan turned 10 years old on March 21. Those on hand to eat hamburgers and hot dogs were; Charles and Sharron, aka, Mims and Poopsie of Close

Brooke of Post; Chuck, Kristi, Dylan and Rylan of

Also celebrating a birthday on the same day was Andrew Quintana, he turned 7. Andrew got to go to Lubbock and pick a new bike then out to The Morris' had another cook out at Charles eat. Enjoying the day with him were his parents, David and Melinda; Patrick, Laura and Ramiele Gonzales. On Saturday they had a party at the park with all of his family. Andrew is the grandson of Tino and Linda Alaniz and the great-grandson of Mike and Eva Gonzales.

City; Tim and Diane of Midland; Barry, Amy and Before coming home to celebrate his birthday Andrew and his family traveled to Louisiana to watch Darby Pearson play college softball. Darby is a cousin of theirs, while there they spent some time with Melinda's brother, Eric and his family of Bossier City and sister Amanda of League City.

We want to send out our sympathies to the family of Barbara Ethridge. Barbara passed away last Friday. She was a very special lady, by the look of the number of people attending her funeral last week, many people thought of her that way. Our thoughts and prayers will continue to be with

Daymon, Debbie, Eddie, Betsy, Mike and her entire family.

Just a little FYI....Ok I am not a political person but I had to throw this little bit of info in. Did you know that the government has spent 140 billion dollars on the farm program over the past 40 years. And they just gave AIG 180 billion at one time????

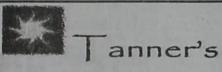
Visitors

Judy Bush came by Tuesday afternoon to visit

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## THE OPEN DOOR

Weekly Inspirations

By: Michael F. Taylor

As I was studying for this week's article, the Lord reminded of a story I once heard a pastor friend of mine relate. I believe that this illustration has great spiritual meaning behind it and would like to share it with each of you now. It seems that a young lady was experiencing some very difficult times in her life and that every junction; job, marriage, children, and personal fulfillment, simply caused heartache and distress. She became so dejected that everything in her being began to scream, "You should just give up!" When attempting to improve the job situation, it felt as if the boss would lower the boom. When she tried to improve the relationship with her adolescent children, they seemed to be uninterested. Finally, at the point of desperation, joy in her life seemed to be a thing of the past.

And then earlier one morning, sitting at the kitchen table, drinking a cup of early morning coffee and feeling very sorry for herself, she noticed a small humming-bird which had somehow flown into her kitchen. And, she began to observe that hummingbird as he attempted to escape from the confinement of the room and return to freedom. She opened the door, believing that he would simply fly out of the opening. But sadly, she noted that the hummingbird would ignore the open door and fly directly into the window over the kitchen sink. The impact would knock the small hummingbird down and after several attempts to fly away she noticed that the tiny bird was beginning to lose his strength and his determination to escape. She also noticed that each time the hummingbird would hit the window he was flying just a little lower. Finally, so weak and discouraged, the frail little bird could only walk. Now unable to fly, the hummingbird slowly walked out of the open door. And a strange thing happened! The tiny bird began to recover and flew up into the air. It was at that very moment that the Lord seemed to open her eyes. She was in fact behaving much like that wee little bird. In her own attempts to free herself from the confining situations of life, she would be knocked down in utter defeat. Not giving her best at work- knocked to the ground! In responding angrily to her children-knocked to the ground! In returning a hateful spirit to those who had wronged her-knocked to the ground! Now, unable to fly any longer, God began to do His work in her life. Revealing how to walk in the strength of God's grace and His understanding!

Isn't it wonderful to realize that if we put our trials and our heartache into God's hands and quit attempting to resolve all the issues of life on our own, HE SHOWS US THE OPEN DOOR. Psalms 18:1-6 assures us, "1 I love you, O LORD, my strength. 2 The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge. He is my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. 3 I call to the LORD, who is worthy of praise, and I am saved from my enemies. 4 The cords of death entangled me; the torrents of destruction overwhelmed me. 5 The cords of the grave coiled around me; the snares of death confronted me. 6 In my distress I called to the LORD; I cried to my God for help. From his temple he heard my voice; my cry came before him, into his ears." NIV I am so excited this week to know that when it seems to me that everything is pressing upon me, I can cry to the Lord and He will hear my voice and show me the open door. God bless and have a great week.

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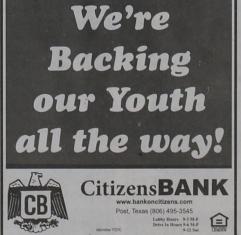
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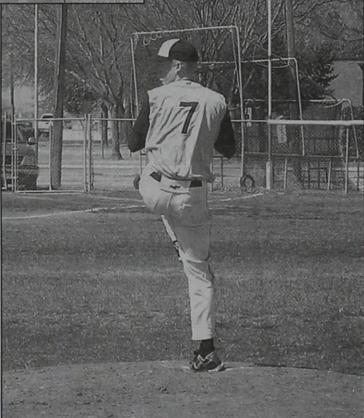
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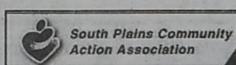
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Post ISD March 30

Breakfast - Biscuits, sausage, gravy, fruit, milk Lunch - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, carrot coins, fresh apple, hot roll, milk

March 31 Breakfast - Cinnamon roll. sausage link, fruit, milk Lunch - Crispy tacos, salad, Spanish rice, pinto beans, fancy gelatin, milk

April 1 Breakfast - Malt-o-meal, toast, sausage, fruit, milk Lunch - Grilled cheese, stew, broccoli w/ranch, strawberries & bananas, saltine crackers, milk

April 2 Breakfast - Biscuit, egg omelet, fruit, milk Lunch - Spaghetti w/meat sauce, seasoned corn, tossed salad, bread sticks, peaches,

April 3 Breakfast - Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk Lunch- Chicken patty sandwich, tater tots, western beans, orange smiles, milk

> Southland ISD March 30

Breakfast - Churros, sausage links, juice, milk Lunch - Pizza, corn, salad, sliced peaches, milk

March 31 Breakfast - Cinnamon roll,

fruit, juice, milk Lunch - Corndogs, carrots w/ ranch, oven fried potatoes. beans, jello, milk

April 1 Breakfast - Eggs, bacon, juice,

Lunch- BBQ chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot roll, desert, milk April 2

Breakfast - Cereal, fruit, juice, Lunch - Frito pie, salad, corn,

April 3 Breakfast - Biscuits, sausage, juice, milk Lunch - Sack lunch, milk

grated cheese, orange, milk

TRAILBLAZERS March 30

Liver & onions, chicken strips, macaroni/tomato salad, cobbler March 31

Brisket, baked beans, augratin potatoes, roll, peach cake April 1 Spaghetti /meat sauce, salad,

garlic toast, brownies April 2 Beef enchiladas, beans, rice,

chips & salsa, Mexican wedding cake April 3

Chicken fried steak, southwest potatoes, green beans, roll,

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Gill will be the sole candidate for Young and Sheryl Anderson, the mayoral seat this May. Ward was in Canyon last weekend 1 Councilwoman Juanita Pantoja for a meet at West Texas State will run unopposed. Marion University. Cruse, who was appointed to fill the unexpired Ward 2 term, will president, and Fred Humble, be challenged by Dick Odom for secretary, when the Post Roping the council seat.

The local clinic operated 22 under the authority of the Garza Memorial Hospital District will Texas Boys' Ranch Roundup no longer be open 24 hours per announced the appointment of day after May 1.

Williams Casey congratulated by Sonic's Jose Alvidrez on winning the drawing for the Sonic Coca-Cola bicycle during Sonic's anniversary "Scarecrow" won first place, and celebration.

### 20 Years Ago March 28, 1989

one-act play "What I did Last to the All-Star cast were David Summer," after advancing Hamilton, Paula Cravy, Don in University Interscholastic Collier and Kippy Payne. Other League district competition in cast members were Joey Lee, aboard the USS Missouri. Brownfield, advanced to area Karen Potts, Chip Polk, Barbara competition and will travel to Lucas and Mike Criswell. Kermit. In Brownfield, cast Brent McDonald were named explain to local merchants how the project, according to R. H. to the All-Star cast and Jimmy the bank's new BankAmericard Dawson, postal inspector from received Honorable Mention.

Amy Easterling won the Jelly Bean Guessing Contest at Danish Imports with a guess of 3,200. The actual count was 3,340.

Benny Jackson received the Post Main Street Project sponsored "Hospitality Award" for February from Lana McRae. Mayor Giles McCrary shared the congratulations to Jackson, who owns The Olive Branch. The Main Street Project award is designed to recognized businesses for their outstanding service to customers.

Bruce and Mary Crenshaw proudly announced the birth of their daughter, Emily Katherine on February 15 at Carswell AFB.

30 Years Ago March 29, 1979 Katharine Cathcart

County's senior advocate to participate in the plan. Locals participating in Monday administer federal programs for

The PHS speech team, composed of Randy Hudgens, Former city councilman Archie Tim Tatum, Rhonda Rogers, Jay

> Tommy Young was elected Club was reorganized on March

Chairman of the West billy Carlisle as wagon Boss for was Garza County.

### 40 Years Ago March 27, 1969

Post's one act a cast members, Stephanie Davis, was named best actress in the District 4AA one-act play contest The cast of Post High School's at Frenship High School. Named

appointed to the post of Garza credit responsibility if they

The 25 cent maximum tax rate for the proposed Garza Hospital The 1979 Taba'na Yuan'e wind District would be 17 cents neighboring hospitals districts in Post ISD trustees voted Joe 11 counties, according to figures released by the Garza County Commissioners' Court and Garza Memorial Hospital trustees.

Norman Tanner, Texas Tech freshman from Post, placed fourth in the shot put in a quadrangular track and field meet in Lubbock.

### 50 Years Ago March 26, 1959

Wayne Schmidt and Terry Power were the first place winners out of 63 entries in The Post Dispatch's first annual Easter Coloring Contest.

The PHS Choir, under the direction of George M. Willson, won the special sweepstakes award at a regional Interscholastic League contest in Littlefield by receiving superior ratings in concert and in sight reading.

Vernard Alexander was named head coach and athletic director at Post High School and would take over his duties in time for fall football drills.

Novis Furr of Post, left this week for Bremerton, Washington after a 20-day leave here. In Washington he was stationed

Post can expect to qualify of city mail delivery and parcel The First National Bank will delivery by truck if enough Post members Cheryl Thompson and host a luncheon this week to citizens express their interest in

If you spot a mound of dirt

a bunny burrow may be near

underground. When a family,

or colony of rabbits connect

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by. Rabbits dig burrows

## March 31, 1949

60 Years Ago

Despite the housing shortage and a possible small increase in the number of school-age children here, Post's population is estimated to be several hundred persons less than it was a year

Cletus Graves, Everett Sugg, Jack Shepherd, Moody Graham, Bobby Jones and Don El Dale were inducted into Boy Scout Troop 16.

Bobby Pennington and J. G. Cash will represent Post in the doubles division i the tennis playoff in Slaton.

Dr. and Mrs. Glenn Kahler showed their new home, on West Main Street to their friends at an open house.

Victor Hudman was among the 62 people attending a meeting of the South Plains Area Boy Scout Council executive board at the Hilton Hotel in Lubbock.

Charlotte Brown represented the Garza County 4-H girls and Jerrel Stone represented the 4-H boys at a Youth Forum in Lamesa.

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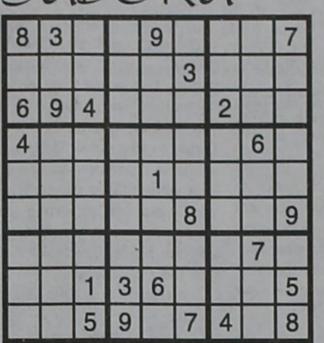
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Fun By The Numbers

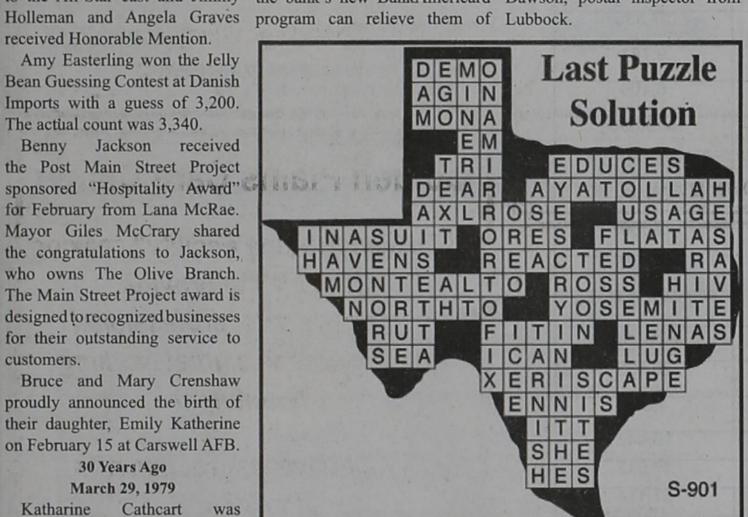
Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

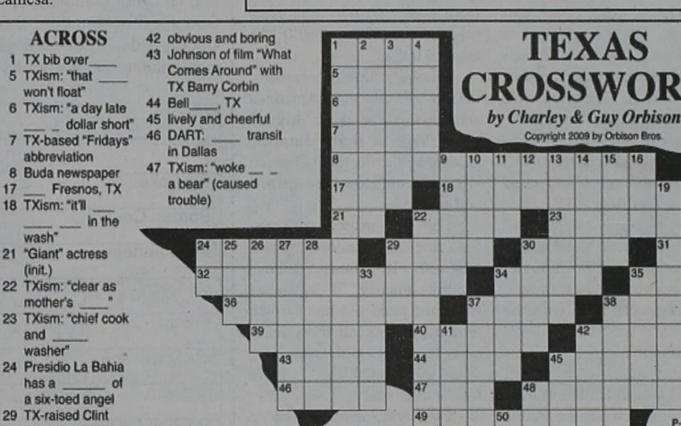
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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in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



**ANSWER**:





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Denver (abbr.) DOWN 36 TXism: "was 1 TXism: 'he'd be a silver

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11 moose-like deer 12 computer (abbr.)

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15 stage constructions at Casa Manana

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brook or "crick"

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WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

likes shrubs & tall
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28 George H. was not

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41 TXism: " situation 29 TXism: "\_ in the bud"

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English poet, John 50 rear a young'un

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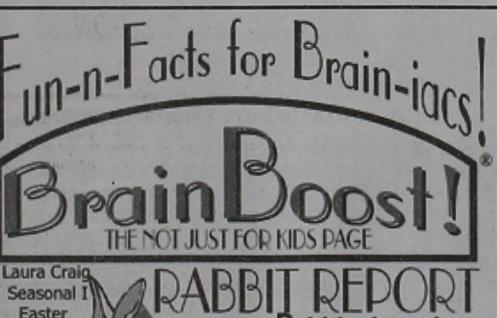
37 TX Guy Clark

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Easter Rabbits have long n symbols fertility Rabbits have eyes on the side of their heads so they can The lifespan of

a wild rabbit is

only 1 year.

Rabbits can not run but can hop for short burst up to 18 mph. During high speeds their back legs land before their front legs.

Rabbits eat only plants. They have two Hares dig sets of front teeth, shallow nests perfect for cutting and called tearing tough grasses.

forms. ANSWERS: Bugs Bunny, Peter Rabbit, Watership Down. Tortoise & Hare, Velveteen Rabbit, White Rabbit, Energizer Bunny, Roger Rabbit, Thumper

Humans kill rabbits for sport, food & fur. They are the rabbit's worst enemy.

see behind them.

They do not see as

well straight ahead.

KILLER RABBIT?

9 TXism:



**CAN YOU** FIND 11 RABBITS /HARES ON THIS PAGE?

- What's up Doc?

- Mr. McGregor's pest

- He got framed.

- Bambi's friend

Rabbit, rabbit

Can you identify these famous

rabbit characters or books?

3. W\_t\_r\_h \_p D\_w\_-Life in a rabbit

4. \_o\_t \_i\_e & H\_r\_ - Aesop's tale

5. V\_l\_e\_e\_n \_a\_b\_t - He became real

7. E\_e\_g\_z\_r \_u\_n\_ - Keeps on going

6. W\_i\_e R\_b\_i\_ - Alice in Wonderland

read all about it!

President Jimmy Carter was fishing in a Georgia swamp when Carter reported his small boat was attacked by a "deranged rabbit". Carter defended himself with a

Didrikson

April 20, 1979,

photographers of the bad bunny.

handy oar but not before Whitehouse snapped a picture

**ACROSS** 

7 Baby hares

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8 Worst enemy

- smaller than a hare male is called a buck, female: does babies are called kits or kittens stick close to the burrow

RABBIT

born hairless,

blind & helpless

grass

- bables are called leverts - travel far have smaller ears - have larger HAPPY EASTER! Tittp://www.brain-lacs.com

RABBIT CROSSWORD 4 Is helpless when 6 Has larger feet

ground tunnel 2 Female hare 3 Rabbits connected homes 5 Male rabbit CROSSWORD HINT: LOOK FOR BOLDED UNDERLINED WORDS

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## This week in Post City

By Rosa Latimer

the most used term on the news hearing this term I decided to learn more about it because it didn't make much sense to me. The news stories were not as in the sound a bird makes.

As best I can tell, the term "twitter" is a new social network similar to Facebook or MySpace. Keep in mind that I'm not speaking as any kind of authority - I have no experience with either of these. I do, however, "tweet" my profile to find out have experience with Twitter. what I'm doing. At least a couple of days. According to Wikipedia, twitter means to "communicate and stay connected through the exchange of short status messages."

Besides the acronym AIG, profile. I even downloaded a have any followers or friends, I this week, I believe, has been "download" was a mystery to me. read books. "twitter." After 5 or 6 days of I'm making progress!) When I tried to find some "followers" on Twitter is "What are you (same as friends on Facebook) I doing?" That's it. You type in kept getting the message "There what you are doing and then you was a problem importing your referring to chirping or tweeting followers." What a boost to why there is a problem. You see, I'm doing at any given time, why I don't have any followers on don't you just give me a call? Or

for me to "test" Twitter because meaningful exchange than if we needed followers who will Besides, City! everyone likes to have friends. I called a friend in Dallas and asked her to log on to twitter.com and sign on as my follower. Once again, this action is evidence that

more stuff? So why not make

way for something valuable like

tobacco -- a powerful American

combination for these difficult

times. Yep, all thrifty smoking

gardeners should plant tobacco

tobacco? It almost sounds

healthy. Phooey, if cigarettes

were just plain old homegrown

tobacco without all those extra

toxic chemicals in the mix, they

it's about time. Someday, if they

live long enough (not likely) for

arthritis to rob them of manual

dexterity and they're sitting

outside at the nursing home in

the designated smoking area

with the nurses and aides who

smoke too, they'll appreciate the factory-mades. They'll deserve

But for now, what about the

hazards of no-filter smoking?

Right or wrong, here's an answer

that should make any smoker

think twice about lighting up every time a nicotine pang hits.

Therefore, the roll-your-own

crowd will smoke less, thereby

lessening global warming and

For all I know, the surgeon

Rolling cigarettes is a task

Of course, smokers who've never rolled their own would

For that matter, isn't the

Garage sales, gardens,

tobacco leaves?

least not so bad.

I actually signed on to www. I have progressed enormously. twitter.com and established a In junior high school if I didn't picture. (A few years ago the term locked myself in my room and

The question you are asked "tweet" your friends and find out what they are doing. Actually, if my confidence! I actually know any of you want to know what stop by the store and visit a while. This fact made it impossible I am confident we'll have a more "tweet" each other.

That's it for this week in Post

Congratulations to our kids that competed in Golf at Tahoka the week prior to Spring Break as well. Many of our students improved tremendously from Arguello for being named to their first meet.

Student Council who did a tremendous job of presenting the program Shattered Dreams Region Team. to our students prior to Spring Break. Many of our students commented on how serious they took that due to the message and the consequences of not listening. Ms. Roe and all of the kids who participated did an outstanding

parents who helped make this a very successful event.

Congratulate the Texas Six-Man Coaches Congratulations to our Association All-Region Team, and also to the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches All-

District 6-A Div. II MVP-Lauren Arguello, 1st Team-Jade Zeleznikar, Newcomer of the Year- Travis Arguello, 1st Team- Patrick Martinez

**Events for this Week:** Friday- High School Track at

Dawson -FFA Judging at West Texas A&M, Canyon.

**Events for Next Week:** 

Monday- Junior High ZoneTrack Meet- O'Donnell Wednesday- 4th Six Weeks Pride Side Trip- Bowling Thursday- HS UIL meet at Loop Friday- Science Fair at Texas Tech University Saturday- Area round FFA Judging at Texas Tech

Science Fair at Texas Tech University

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Albany	≅13,000
Baird	8,898
Big Lake	11,340
Borden County	208,667
Breckenridge	29,240
De Leon	15,508
Friona	27,335
Lockney	9,781
McLean	6,100
Mitchell County	≅15,000
Monahans	128,082
Morton	28,140
Nazareth	2,080
Parmer County	17,675
Post	42,321
Roscoe	≅10,000
Shallowater	20,133
Swisher County	1,614
Tahoka	16,942
Tulia	17,012
Ward County	67,114
Whiteface	9,163
Total Square Yards	≅705,145

The Owners shall be those cities and counties herein identified and for which the construction services and work is being performed. Oller Engineering, Inc. and Enprotec / Hibbs & Todd, Inc., shall be the agent/agents for the Owner(s) and shall collect, analyze and recommend a Contractor based on their bid submitted and previous experience.

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Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and to inform themselves regarding all local conditions under which the work is to be done.

Payment for the work performed on this project will be paid for by the Cities and Counties of Albany, Baird, Big Lake, Borden County, Breckenridge, De Leon, Friona, Lockney, McLean, Mitchell County, Monahans, Morton, Nazareth, Parmer County, Post, Roscoe, Shallowater, Swisher County, Tahoka, Tulia, Ward County, and Whiteface, Texas.

Information for Bidders, proposal forms, plans and specifications are on file at the offices of the various City Managers, County Judges of the Cities and Counties of Albany, Baird, Big Lake, Borden County, Breckenridge, De Leon, Friona, Lockney, McLean, Mitchell County, Monahans, Morton, Nazareth, Parmer County, Post, Roscoe, Shallowater, Swisher County, Tahoka, Tulia, Ward County, and Whiteface, Texas, and Oller Engineering, Inc., 2517 74th Street, Lubbock, Texas, 79423, (806) 748-5700 and Enprotec / Hibbs & Todd, Inc., 402 Cedar Street, Abilene, Texas 79604, (325) 698-5560.

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If I smoked, I'd grow my Anyway, isn't that what garage sales are for - to clear space for

Whatever cigarettes cost nowadays, I'm guessing it's a lot. Smokers who've lost their jobs in these hard times must be finding it hard to support nicotine addictions. So, why not plant a few seeds in the flowerbed and end up with a tobacco row?

Don't say tobacco won't grow alongside tomatoes and carrots anywhere but Virginia. I once and squash. saw several plants growing tall and green right next to someone's time ripe for organically grown house in plain old West Texas. Makes me want to try it myself, but what would I do with the crop when it was ready to sell? Call for Philip Morris?

Nevertheless, if I myself might even smell good - or at smoked I'd be thinking seriously about getting a crop in the ground this spring.

Knowing the power of have to learn how, but maybe nicotine against ants - kills 'em dead – it seems logical that tobacco plants might keep all sorts of insects at bay, fire ants included. That would be a plus.

Disclaimer: I don't know what I'm talking about and have no current connection to the Internet to become an instant expert on grow-yourown tobacco. Indeed, this is one of those times when knowledge could get in the way. So let's just keep going while we're on a for that concern too: roll.

My guess is that you cut tobacco leaves when they're at their prime and then just hang them up to dry, like from garage rafters. That might keep insects out of the garage too - not that anyone normal has room in the offsetting the harmful effects garage for tobacco leaves. I do of inhaling unfiltered smoke by know one person who actually has room for her car on one side of her garage. She's the general would agree. exception.

Gray Receives All-Conference Honors

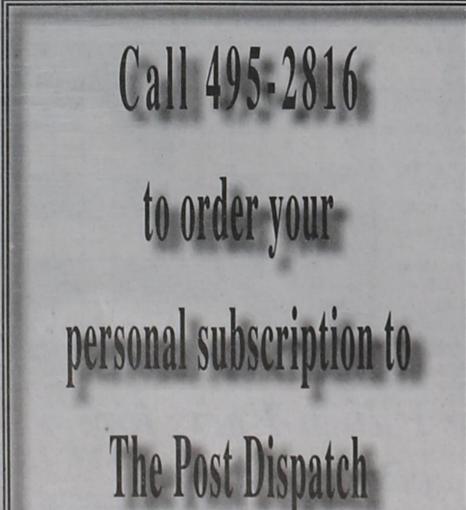
inhaling less of it.

Athletic Conference Conference for 2008-2009. Gray SPC Lady Texans and scored 7.6 points per game.

Other Lady Texans Taniqua 24-8. Ards and Chasity Workman were

Post graduate, Rachel Gray named to the All-Conference was named to the Honorable team. Ards, a graduate of Mention Western Junior College Lubbock Estacado, led the team All- in scoring, averaging 15.2 points per game. Freshman guard averaged just under 33 minutes Sajoyia Griffin also received of playing time per game for the Honorable Mention recognition.

The Lady Texans finished the 2008-2009 season with a



## Local Coaches Hold Benefit Golf Tournament

Hellums and Chris Jones of Post "We had a phenomenal day at in the "Tanner 24" benefit golf and Jesse Garza of Tahoka held the tournament. We had a great tournament. "Being part of a golf tournament March 18 turnout and the weather was District 3-2A along with Idalou, at Meadowbrook Golf Course terrific," said organizer Chris we felt we wanted to do something in Lubbock to benefit Tanner Jones. "The best part of the from a coaches standpoint to help Cook and his family. Cook, an whole tournament was having Tanner," Jones continued. "We a debilitating injury near the end It really reminded all of us why our respective towns competing of a in December of 2008 and we came to play." continues in rehab.

Proceeds from

Sixty-eight the including coaches, ex-coaches to help the Cook Family."

Three local coaches, Jay tournament exceeded \$10,000. and football officials, participated Idalou football player, suffered Tanner and his family out there. spend a great deal of time from against each other and we wanted players, to try and bring everyone together



Tanner with Tournament Organizers (from left) Chris Jones, Jesse Garza, and Jay Hellums



The Post Church of the Nazarene hosted a children's quiz invitational in February. Children from Post, Lubbock and Abernathy participated in quizzing over the book of Exodus.

Kelbie Oden received a 1st place ribbon, McKenna Campbell 2nd place ribbon, and Rebecca Taylor received a 3rd place ribbon.

These three also participated in Zone Quiz in Lubbock on February 28th.

Rebecca Taylor received a gold coin for her arts & crafts entry and a silver coin for her quizzing

entry. Kelbie Oden received a silver coin for her arts & crafts entry and a gold coin for her quizzing. Both

girls were eligible to advance to district Quizzing in Lubbock at the Children's Festival held on March 13th. At that event Kelbie Oden received a silver medal for her arts & crafts entry and a bronze medal for

The Post Church of the Nazarene will be forming another quiz team in May to get started on the next book of the bible to be studied for Children's Quizzing.

# TEXAS TIMES

Davy Crockett once famously help of an organization called the other variety of bluebonnet not said that Texas is ithe garden National Society of the Colonial heretofore recorded.î As it turns spot of the world.î If thereis one Dames of America in the State of out, three other species have been icon that helps Texas live up to Texas. When Green rose to the discovered. Mr. Crockettis compliment, itis podium to suggest the bluebonnet, our state flower, the bluebonnet. someone on the floor called out, one thing: Texans were passionate Every spring, the bluebonnet iWhat the devil is a bluebonnet? about bluebonnets. Over the years, covers miles of Texas countryside One explanation was given this bright blue flower, which in a sea of blue. As it is always said, in Texas sunbonnets worn by Texas women early April, has been a source of

Our state flower is no exception. faces from the sun. Another called In fact, Texas has five different tail of a cottontail rabbit. species of the bluebonnet as our official state flower.

favorite species.

Texasí lead crops. Clement called March 7, 1901. the cotton boll the "white rose of commerce."

Uvalde, State Representative the Texas Legislature. Different stateis floweroin any of its five John Nance Garner, fought for groups argued that the Lupinus forms. Indeed, the bluebonnet runs the prickly pear cactus, lauding subcarnosus was not the most wild throughout Texas and deep in its durability and the beauty of attractive of the bluebonnet family. our state's history. its blooms. He ultimately did not They claimed another species, the win the debate, but because of his Lupinus texensis, was bolder, more enthusiasm for the prickly pear, beautiful and should be named Finance, Judiciary and Budget he was dubbed iCactus Jackióa the official flower. For the next Committees. He serves as the nickname that stuck with him for 70 years, this debate would ensue. top Republican on the Judiciary the rest of his life. Cactus Jack In 1971, a solution was finally Committee's Immigration, Refugees went on to serve as Vice President reached. Governor Preston Smith and Border Security subcommittee. to Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

Green, of Cuero, Texas, with the state flower, along with "any District Judge.

comparing the bluebonnet to the usually peaks in late March and we do things bigger and better. in the pioneer days to protect their inspiration for artists, poets, and Having just one state flower, as the bluebonnet by its Spanish Highway Department was moved

the Colonial Dames organization traveling throughout our state can In 1901, the Texas stepped up to make their case for see fields of bluebonnets alongside Legislature took on what might the bluebonnet with the help of most of Texasí major highways have been an easy task in a less a visual aide. They presented a every spring. diverse stateóselecting the state painting of bluebonnets by Miss flower. Debate was heated, with Mode Walker of Austin, which developed wildflower different groups and legislators brought on a ideafeningî round of and festivals to showcase their lobbying intensely for their applause. The bluebonnet had stolen bluebonnets as the best and most the show. A resolution making colorful in the state. Every April, One legislator, Phil Clement the bluebonnet, specifically the thousands of visitors flock to the of Mills, Texas, made an Lupinus subcarnosus, the official historic cotton town of Chappell emotional argument for the cotton state flower of Texas was signed Hill for the official iTexas boll, because cotton was one of by Governor Joseph D. Sayers on Bluebonnet Festival,î complete

The debate did not end crafts. there, however. Not everyone signed a resolution on March 8, He served previously as Texas The most compelling 1971, designating both species Attorney General, Texas Supreme argument was made by John M. of the bluebonnet as the official Court Justice, and Bexar County

The 70-year debate did prove photographers. Even the Texas other states do, was not good nickname iel conejoî or ithe rabbitî to incorporate the bluebonnet in enough for the State of Texas. because of its resemblance to the a landscaping and beautification project in the 1930s. As a result Finally, representatives from of their efforts, Texans and those

Towns across Texas have with bluebonnet contests and

I hope this spring we can all Another legislator from was content with the selection of pause to enjoy the beauty of our

Sen. Cornyn serves on the



The Garza County 4-H Photographers went on a field trip to the Abilene Zoo and Frontier Texas on

Wednesday March 18th.

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The following participated: Pacey Blevins, Kelbie Oden, Rebecca Taylor, Blaze Smith, Jackie Milton, Cheyenne Morris, Chelby Morris, Chase Morris, Victoria Huckaby, Ragin Kimmons, Morgan Lynch, Kylee Dean, Kenley Dean, Jayden Parsley, Sarah Palmer, Colter Smith, Payton Smith, Latham Huckaby. Adults attending were: Anita Morris, Barbara Palmer, Paige Huckaby, Jaquita Blevins, Marci Oden, Stephanie Smith.

4-H photography participant will enter their photographs in the county photography contest this week and the first place winners will advance to the next level of competition at district or state 4-H photograhy contests.

### Extension Extras Congratulations! To all the Extension office if you are

major livestock exhibitors on preparing a presentation. representing Garza County 4-H. San Antonio: Michael Porter, Dakota Greer, Jarrett Blevins, Steer Validation Deadline for Pacey Blevins, Heath Palmer, ordering tags is Friday, April Skylar Jones, Pake Jones; 2nd Lt Gert. San Angelo: Audree \$10.00. Williams, Houston: JaD Young, Audra Johnson, Jarrett Blevins, Pacey Blevins, Heath Palmer; meet on Tuesdays, 4:00 at the 14th Lt Hvy Chi, Skylar Jones; 4th Hvy ABC, Pake Jones; 2nd Mdl ABC. Rabbit Project youth exhibiting in San Angelo: Kara every-Thursday after school at Grace Egan, Madison Fluitt, the GCJLA show barn. Graves, M'Keison Guerrero, Victoria Huckaby, Jessi Isbell, and Jackie Milton.

held Thursday, April 9th at Palmer at 470-1295. Brownfield High School.

be held with the April 6th 4-H of socioeconomic level, race, Club meeting at Citizens Bank beginning at 6:30 p.m. Notify

2009-2010 Texas 4-H/FFA 17, and the cost for each tag is

Entomology Project will Extension office.

Rabbit Project will meet

Easter Rabbit "Eggstravaganza" Saturday, April 11 at the Show Barn beginning at South Plains District 2 10:00. For more information 4-H Fashion Show will be call Extension office or Barbara

Extension programs serve Garza County Roundup will people of all ages regardless color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.



## Russell Graves Outdoors

## **Bomb Hunting**

By Russell A. Graves

Last June a visitor from San Angelo stopped by my house for a visit. Bill Yeates is many things: he's a retired seismologist for the oil industry, a private pilot, a photography enthusiast, and a World War II buff whose encyclopedic knowledge of everything pertaining to the old Texas Army Airfields west of the 100th meridian is staggering.

When he was at my house last summer he asked if I had every visited any of the old World War II era

bombing targets in the area. "Targets?" I quizzed, knowing I'd missed something in my fifteen years of living in Childress. Turns

out, his query had merit and a simple question set in motion a personal research project that connected the latest consumer technology with some old fashioned detective work and ended in a glorious afternoon outdoors in the Texas Rolling Plains. By the time we first met, Bill had already done a bit of research and found the rough coordinates of

some of the targets - information he'd garnered from pouring over old war maps.

Using the software program Google Earth, we honed in on a few of the areas were the targets presumably lay. A bit of scrolling and we found the tell-tale outline of old targets that time and hi-tech satellite imagery couldn't hide. While the target shapes vary by location, the one in which we're interested looks like a giant crosshairs precisely laid across a

hardscrabble piece of Panhandle ranchland. "I think I can get us on this place," I tell Bill. "If I am correct, I know who owns this property. While Bill had to leave and head back for San Angelo, I promptly sent an e-mail and confirmed the location of the targets and turns out, I did get permission.

Seven months later, Bill and I are winding our way across powder-dry ranch roads navigating our way to where the target ought to be. Using a GPS, a print-out of the Google Earth screen, and a measure of country savvy we wander into the unknown. While Bill stared as his GPS, he was just about to speak when I interrupted him and said, "Look there!"

Tilted in the same fashion as the Easter Island monoliths, the tower at Pisa, Italy, and the Cadillacs in Amarillo, the back end of a concrete bomb jutted mightily from the caliche mound that marked the target's center. It's lasting monument of some unknown bombardier trainee who, at least for a moment, mastered the Norden bomb sight because of his training at the air base in Childress. Then, at the precise moment, he released the practice bomb from the AT-11 trainer and it sailed silently on a downward arc until it's final, unceremonious thump into the dirt.

To the untrained eye, you might think that the concrete pieces and metal fragments from the faux munitions scattered amongst the cactus and mesquite are just scrap dumped by someone. To me and Bill, though, these pieces of World War II flotsam represent much more than that.

Each hunk of aggregate, chicken wire, and cement were made by American hands, placed in the bombers by American servicemen, and dropped by the same Americans who make up the greatest generation the world has ever know. Men like my Uncle L.D. Hall from Bonham, Texas and others who fought and defeated perhaps the greatest evil to ever lay scourge upon the earth. And they did it not for the fanfare or the fame and glory. Instead, they did it because as Uncle L.D. once told me, "...I'm an American."

Before Bill and I leave, I walk over to where we started our mission and visit the lone bomb atop the mound one more time. Instinctively I touched the bomb and wonder about the person who dropped this over 60 years ago. While I may never know the contribution that the bombardier made to the overall war effort, I do know this: because of him and servicemen and women like him, I can snap one more picture and walk away proudly knowing, I am an American.

Any questions or comments? Contact Russell at russell@russellgraves.com or visit his website at www.russellgraves.com

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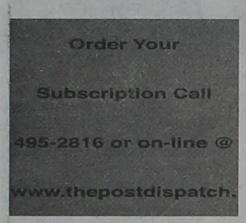
or maybe just check up on us, I'm not sure. (ha) Robbie Gossett came by Wednesday morning. Cecil Stolle stopped in and got caught up on things. That's all the people we've had this week other than our regulars. Y'all come out and see us some time. Birthdays

March 28 - John Bill Hedrick

> March 30 - Robert Craig March 31 – Oneita Gunn April 2 – Mack Terry April 2 – Kayla Morris

Don't forget our Ragtown Folks in the nursing homes; Doug and Claudine Tipton and Carmen Abraham all in Post. Keep our troops in your daily prayers and check out our blog at http://closecitycoopgin. blogspot.com don't forget to send me your recipes so I can post them on the blog.

Be sure to call and let me know about any happenings going on, birthdays, anniversaries or any one that may be sick. If you don't tell me, I don't know to write about it.





Former Post resident, Alvin Davis will be inducted into the Texas Rodeo Cowboy Hall of Fame as the recipient of the Johnny Boren Award in Belton, TX this week. Davis, who currently heads the National Cowboy Symposium & Celebration in Lubbock, is the founder of the American Junior Rodeo Association. He was also a rodeo contestant and announcer for many years and was the first secretary/ manager of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association.

Courtesy photo

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To better serve our patients at Cogdell Family Clinic, lab services will be moved to the hospital effective March 26, 2009. The patient flow for lab services at the clinic has doubled over the past year causing congestion and long delays in patient wait time. After long and careful consideration, we believe our patients will be better served by directing all laboratory testing through the hospital lab. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

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Chief LaBlanc indicated the direction of the wind at the conclusion of the Taba'na Yuan'e ceremony Sunday. Over 100 observers gathered at the City Park for the traditional ceremony. The event is held annually on March 22. At the point of sunrise this year, the wind was blowing from the southwest which indicates a bad year for crops and the economy.

Photo by Victor Ashley

## Range Welcomes New Breed

By HANABA MUNN WELCH

ABILENE, Texas - A whole new breed is making its debut on the Texas range. And it's not a new kind of cow. It's a to what it was like 150 yearsnew kind of rancher.

Much Texas ranch land is changing hands, some of it being carved into 20-acre ranchettes and some of it staying intact but being managed more for recreation than ranching. Many of the new breed - the "new ruralists," for is Kniffen's area of expertise. lack of a better buzz term - also want to do the right thing by the land, and some want to try their hand at raising livestock.

Billy Kniffen, extension program specialist at Menard, has witnessed the phenomenon and has worked with some of the new types of landowners, especially in the Texas Hill Country.

Kniffen spoke Wednesday at the Texas Farm-Ranch-Wildlife Expo in Abilene at a seminar for happened, Kniffen said. small acreage landowners.

"They're knowledgeable in certain fields," he said, describing the typical new landowners in the area around San Marcos - and no doubt describing many of the people in his audience as well.

But agriculture isn't the new landowners' area of expertise. They're professionals dentists, doctors, whatever - but not professional ranchers.

The changing trend in land ownership isn't restricted to the Hill Country, Kniffen said. It's also happening north of I-20 in parts of West Texas where hunters and other outsiders are buying large tracts of lands for to take this thing." other purposes than ranching.

Generally, landowners of the new breed appreciate the often at the mercy of someone

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land, Kniffen said. An emerging philosophy is to let the land do what it was designed to do essentially to take the land back

It's not a bad philosophy, Kniffen said.

"I'd like to beat lots of this into the heads of some of our big landowners as well," he said.

Water resources management

Range science is a young discipline, and the idea of restoring the land - instead of wearing it out - needs acceptance, he said. To underline his point, he referred to a cartoon he saw in 1949 - one that showed a farmer piling his belongings into an old wagon and onto a pickup truck.

"I wore out another farm," read the caption.

And that's how things often

Kniffen introduced David Embry, Natural Resources Conservation Service agronomist, who talked about forages for small acreage, and Allan McGinty, range specialist, who talked about brush management.

for big landowners work for small ones, Embry said.

But the owners of small properties often have more resources to devote to range

improvements. "Most folks with small acreages aren't trying to make a living on it," Embry said. "A lot of it is just how far do you want

But the owner, absentee or not, of a small farm or ranch is

else to do the work, meaning that it's harder to be sure that everything is done at the optimal

How many acres of range it takes to support livestock, whether cows, horses or goats and sheep, depends greatly on management. A cow requires four and a half to 13 acres, per Embry's rule of thumb. Horses take more: five acres to 16. Goats and sheep get by on less than an acre each up to two and a half acres per head.

When forage runs out, supplemental feed is costly, Embry said, mentioning his own niece, who has four horses on 13

"The feed bills are just eating her alive," he said.

Several types of grass make good forage, Embry said, listing the attributes of several, from different varieties of bermuda to imported bluestems.

But he ended on a note that resonates with the trend mentioned by Kniffen - going back to the way it was. A disadvantage to re-

Texas AgriLife Extension Service establishing native grasses is the cost and time involved. But native grass is durable,

The same forages that work cheap to maintain and wildlifefriendly.

"I'd not consider them if your production expectations are

too high," he said. After Embry's remarks on forage, McGinty talked about brush control - not as a one time

endeavor but a way of life. The most efficient use of herbicide and labor is on smaller brush and trees - fields where mesquites and cedars haven't yet grown large and completely

taken the land, McGinty said. The rule is true whatever the size of the ranch, he said, citing a change in the way the managers of the King Ranch are approaching the issue.

Meanwhile, everyone whether they're managing a million-acre ranch or a weekend one-horse ranchette - has access to much of the same information on how to do it best.

Bring on the buffalo.

