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The Post Middle School One Act play group took first place for their production of "The Little Match Girl. Read how they did on page 2 of this issue.

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Bright Friday Nov. 26

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Commissioners issue burn ban

By Rosa Latimer
Correspondent

In a regular meeting Thursday 22, 2010, Garza County Commissioners ordered prohibition of outdoor burning for 90 days, until February 22, 2011. Following the meeting, County Judge Lee Norman stated that the ban was necessary, but the Commissioners Court wanted "to take necessary steps to prevent wildfires and at the same time not be too restrictive."

According to the order "a person violates this 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." The enclosure must be enclosed on all sides and covered. An individual is also in violation of the Burn Ban if "while burning he does not possess means for extinguishing a fire, including an amount of water or fire ex-

tinguisher device that would be reasonable to extinguish a fire that is a foreseeable result of the intended burning."

There are some exceptions to

County...
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We want to say thanks to the City for getting a wonderful Animal Control officer. He has cleaned up our streets so we can take our walks without being chased. He is a caring and understanding person who works with our citizens. Our problem is that the Sheriff's Dept. needs to spend more time catching speeders and people who are running stop signs instead of playing animal control. City ordinances state that dogs can be kept on chains and just because some of us do,

that doesn't mean we should be harassed for it. Thank you Animal Control, job well done.

To all the merchants in town, your Christmas decorations look great! And I am especially thrilled to see that quite a few of you have written "Merry Christmas" rather than "Happy Holidays"...after all, without Christ, Dec. 25th is just another day! So, thank you and Merry Christmas to everyone!

Post Notes

Post-Toasties Express Train ready to begin tours

The Post-Toasties Express will begin its Miracle on Main Street Lights tours on Thursday night with the weather permitting. The train cannot run in inclement weather such as rain or snow. Everyone come on out and ride the train and watch all the beautiful lights flash to the sound of music.

Graham Chapel Church offer help to those in need

For those who are needing assistance, Graham Chapel Church of Christ has a food pantry and clothes closet available. To obtain either food or clothing, contact Noel or Orabeth White at 495-3261, Jane Mason at 495-2980 or Frank Tobias at 495-3057.

GCJLA Meeting

Monday, Dec. 6th, 6:30 pm at the Extension office. Members need to attend and anyone else interested in joining as a new member is encouraged to attend. For more info please contact Amy Pennell at amymasonpennell@yahoo.com.

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Post-Garza County Endowment

This is the season of charitable giving. Please remember the Post-Garza County Endowment when deciding on your charitable contributions this holiday season. Look for details at www.postgarzacountyendowment.org or call (806)762-8061.

PACC Open House

A Christmas open house will be held at the historic depot building on Thursday, December 9, from 4-6 p.m. Everyone is invited to come by for a tour of the future office and Visitor's Center and bring a Christmas ornament for the tree.

Hometown Christmas Open House

Come taste test a few new holiday recipes while enjoying quick & easy holiday decorating and gift ideas. Come and go at the Garza County Extension Office, 215 West Main Street, December 15th from 11AM to 6PM. The 2010 Hometown Holidays cookbook will be available for \$8.00. Everyone

Welcome.

Post Lions Clubs accepting Toys for Tots

Post Lions Club/Toys for Tots is now accepting applications for needy families with children.

Applications can be picked up at any Post ISD Campus office, with any Lions Club member and at some of the drop off locations or by emailing postlionsclub@gmail.com.

For those willing to donate, drop off locations around town are: Wells Fargo Bank, Citizens Bank, United Supermarket, Hometown Pharmacy, Post Elementary and Middle School. The last day to turn in application for toys is December 10th.

Boy Scout Items Needed:

Old Boy Scout pictures and memorabilia needed to be loaned or donated to the Post Historical Museum for a display to be made. Please bring items to the museum Tues.-Sat. 10-12 & 1-5.

Harlem Ambassador Basketball

The PACC will be hosting the Harlem Ambassador Basketball Show on February 27, 2011, at the Antelope Arena. Sponsorships are now available. Contact the Chamber office - 495-3461 or email chamberofcommerce@postcitytexas.com

Bake Sale

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Post High School Calendar

Nov. 24-26 Thanksgiving Holiday
Nov. 29 - 7 PM - OAP Practice
Nov. 30 - 5/6:30/8, G/B-BB vs. Crosbyton
Dec. 1 - College Spirit Day!
Dec. 2-4 - Roby Varsity Tourn. (Girls)
Dec. 2-4 - Sands JV Tourn. (Boys)
Dec 3 - End of the Third 3 Weeks
Dec. 7 - 4:30/5/6/8, G/B-BB vs. Roby & Colorado City
Dec. 8 - NHS Mtg. 9:40 in Library
Dec. 9 - NHS Bake Sale, 9:40 in Library
Dec. 9 - JV/V Plains BB Tournament, 9-11

Post Middle School Weekly Calendar

11/24-26/10-School Holiday-Thanksgiving

Post Elementary School

December 8th- Progress Reports go home
December 9th- Elementary UIL meet at Roosevelt
December 16th- Christmas Musical will be held at the elementary school auditorium at 10:00 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Parents and guests are welcome to each showing. December 16th- Science Fair will be held in the elementary school gym at 5:30 p.m. Parents and guests are welcome.

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Middle school scores big at competition

Post middle school walked away with numerous awards from the One Act Play competition held on November 16.

The competition was held in Post. The students

Competed against Denver City and Roosevelt schools. The competition was the District North Zone One Act Play contest and the Post ISD middle school won 1st place, followed by Denver City in 2nd and Roosevelt in 3rd. The students began practicing in September and practiced until the day of the competition. These kids gave up nights and free time to practice. The play practice came after they had already practiced cross-country, basketball and football. They worked really hard and their hard work paid off by winning 1st place. The students were ecstatic over their win.

The play was about a ragged, hungry little girl who tried to sell matches on the streets

of London 100 years ago. No one would buy her matches because they were malicious or spiteful, but because they were so involved in their own interests they failed to understand the needs of others. In the end Maggie lights her matches to get warm. She doesn't get warm, but somehow her pitiful flame lights up the world around her.

Post MS 1st Place with "The Little Match Girl"

Denver City MS 2nd Place

Roosevelt MS 3rd Place

Best Technical Crew Award - Post MS - Kelbie Oden, Katie Colvin, Blaine Reece, Triston Fannon

All Star Cast from Post MS - Kelsey Griffin, Jayson Waldon, Kaitlyn Waldon, Brogan Macy

Honorable Mention All Star Cast from Post MS - Lauren Record, Trey Havens, Zayra Pizana

Tahoka craft show Dec. 4

Area crafters are gearing up for their Annual Christmas Craft Show set for Saturday, December 4th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Life Enrichment Center in Tahoka.

The popular event will feature the talents of crafters from Tahoka, Lubbock and surrounding communities.

"There will be 25 booths with a wide variety of items," according to Amy Preston of Tahoka, Craft Show Coordinator.

"We've added a few new vendors this year and will have many of our regulars - back by

popular demand", added Preston.

Admission to the Craft Show is free and visitors can expect to find a little bit of everything, including jewelry, Christmas shirts, hand-made soaps, baked goods and much, much more.

Phebe K. Warner Study Club will again be preparing and selling lunch!

Tahoka's Life Enrichment Center is located at 1717 Main Street in Tahoka.

For more information, please contact Amy Preston at 806-759-1690.

Amity Study Club news and notes

Peggy Smith was welcomed as a new member when Amity Study Club met at Joy Dickson's home Tuesday, Nov. 9th. Following a business meeting, Post Animal Rescue Center (PARC) representatives Lynette Thuett and Margie Maestas told the club about plans for the new animal shelter and efforts to help lost, unwanted, or abused animals.

In January concerned Garza County citizens met and discussed the crucial need for a no-kill animal shelter.

At the time animals picked up by the local animal control officer were euthanized after three days to crowded and inadequate conditions.

"We felt that was not enough time to make arrangements for adoptions or to locate the pet's owner," Thuett said. "our goal has always been to save dogs and cats without having them be disposed of, if all possible."

The PARC organization

grew rapidly with now over twenty volunteers donating time to build the shelter, foster animals, and help with the fundraising events, she said.

Both women praised the generosity of citizens in helping the project develop.

"It took one phone call to obtain property that would be suitable for the shelter and comply with city ordinances," Maestas said. "Two acres were generously donated by Argan Robinson Fulcher, whose grandparents were pioneers of Post."

The shelter is now almost completed thanks to generous donations of materials, equipment, and many hours of manual labor. "Public support has been overwhelming," Thuett said.

Since the inception of PARC many notifications of neglected, abused or abandoned animals have been received. When the group takes in an animal, the animal is spayed or neutered and given necessary vaccinations and/or treatment.

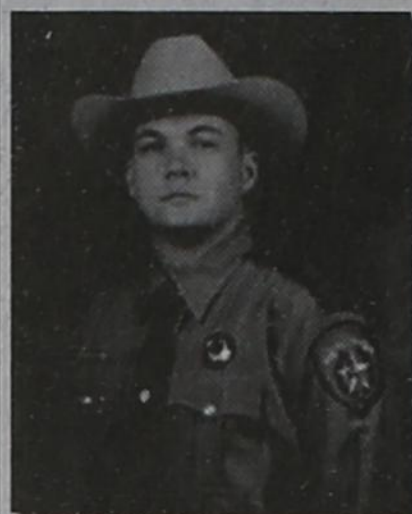
The adoption process for those animals includes an approved application and home inspection plus a \$50 fee to cover a small portion of the expenses.

To date, approximately 30 dogs and 15 cats have been adopted and 10 are with foster families, said Maestas. For inquiries about PARC contact Janice Plummer at 781-6766 or e-mail Postarc@yahoo.com.

Following the program, each Amity member and guests shared a pet story. Hostesses for Dickson and Jane Davis served refreshments to the guests and members, Marilyn Mason, Kathy Rankin, Inez Seabourn, Patsy Bilbo, Beth Cook, Luanne Terry, Joy Pool, Peggy Smith, Sandra Alexander, Jane George, Ruth Ann Young, Naomi Matsler, and Carolyn Sawyers.

Thanks for reading

Obituaries



Jonathan Thomas McDonald

Jonathan Thomas McDonald of Post, Texas went to be with our Savior in Christ on Monday November 15, 2010. Jonathan was 28 years old at the time that he made the ultimate sacrifice while performing his duties as a Highway Patrol Trooper.

Jonathan was born to Cindy and John McDonald on July 24, 1982 in Lubbock, Texas. He grew up in the community of Greenwood, a suburb of Midland, Texas. Jonathan graduated Greenwood High School in 2000. He received a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration and Marketing from Texas Tech in 2005. Jonathan worked for United Supermarkets for five years while attending Texas Tech and preparing for his future. Jonathan had achieved his potential with United Supermarkets and was a manager at the time that he decided to dedicate his life to serving others. Jonathan was a strong Christian man and valued the gifts that God had gave him. In 2008, with support of his wife and family, he joined the Department of Public safety and became a Highway Patrol Trooper. Jonathan used the gifts that God gave him and dedicated his life to protect the lives, rights, and privileges of the people of Texas.

Jonathan was stationed in Post, Texas upon graduation from the DPS Academy in September 2008. Jonathan immediately became a loved member of the community and was active in attending the First Baptist Church in Post. Jonathan fell in love with the community and loved the people he lived with. Jonathan loved his work and was loved by his co-workers. Jonathan was the consummate example of a true professional, a devout Christian, and a fine family man. Jonathan's greatest gift to his friends and family is the example he left us on how to live our lives.

Jonathan met his future wife Laura Michelle Thornton while attending High School in Greenwood. Jonathan's favorite memories were of courting and dating his High School sweetheart, Laura. Jonathan and Laura were wed on June 24, 2006 at the First Baptist Church in Lubbock, Texas. Jonathan and Laura's love produced the proudest day of their lives on May 14, 2010; the day their beautiful baby girl Kacyn Shae McDonald was born.

Jonathan cherished his role as a family man and enjoyed providing for his family.

Jonathan is survived by his wife Laura Michelle McDonald, his daughter Kacyn Shae McDonald, his parents Cindy and John McDonald, his brothers Mark and Jared McDonald, his grandmothers Florene Conner and Frances Sanders, Mother and Father-in-law Donny and Kathy Thornton, his DPS family, as well as family and many dear friends.

Jonathan is preceded in death by his grandfathers, Thomas Conner and Olen McDonald and a step-grandfather Stanley Sanders.

Funeral services will be held at 2pm on Friday, November 19, 2010, at First Baptist Church in Lubbock. Burial will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park. The family will receive friends and loved ones on Thursday from 6pm to 8pm at Resthaven Funeral Home's Abbey Chapel. Please join us in celebrating Jonathan's life by visiting his memorial at www.resthavenfuneralhome.com.

Pallbearers for the service will be: Sgt. Ruben Garcia, Trooper Veronica Garcia, Trooper Michael Thomas, Trooper Jeffrey Jinks, Trooper Bo Brown, Trooper Brandon Tidmore, Trooper Aaron Fritch, and

Trooper Richard Villanueva. Honorary Pallbearers will be: Mark McDonald, Jared McDonald, Stuart Blalock, Kevin Thornton, and Bryan Jarzombek

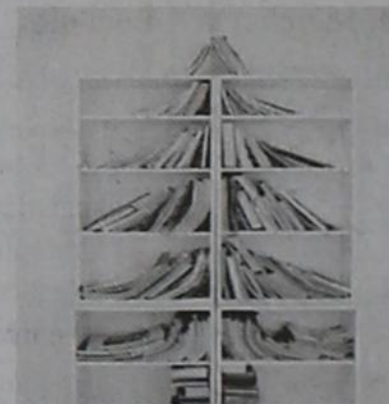
Memorial donations can be made to a Scholarship Fund established for Kacyn Shae McDonald at Citizens Bank in Post, Texas.

Jonathan's life can best be described in the words of President Theodore Roosevelt's speech, "THE MAN IN THE ARENA": It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs, who comes short again and again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; but who does actually strive to do the deeds; who knows great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat. (Theodore Roosevelt)

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Christmas Party
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Snacks will be provided and we will have a scavenger hunt for canned food for our Community Service Project.

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Major Shows

The deadline for most major stock shows is December 1, 2010.

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Have a Happy Thanksgiving!

Weekly Inspirations

AN APPLE FOR CINDY'S DESK

By: Michael F. Taylor

Several years ago, I met a young woman who had just graduated from Wayland Baptist University with a major in Elementary Education. She attended the church that my father Pastored and was a very bright and energetic lady who was ecstatic one Sunday as she explained to the congregation that she had been hired by the local School District.

I overheard Cindy speaking with my mother that afternoon about how she was slightly intimidated to begin her first day the following week teaching a sixth grade class.

My mother, being the quintessential Pastors wife (should I also say with years and years of experience teaching young children in Sunday School and Children's Church) gave her some sage advice. Mom told her to be firm and consistent with the children, but also to show them compassion and empathy.

Cindy took the advice to heart and set out to be the very best teacher that she could possibly be.

As Monday morning arrived, Cindy had prepared her classroom just so so, and did all that she could to contain her nervousness over first day jitters. When all the students had sat down Cindy began her introduction to the kids.

Wanting to show that she was not going to be a teacher that the children could buffalo, she pointed out to each of the students that her class would not be a classroom where simply bringing the teacher an apple would result in a good grade.

Cindy informed each of the children that she expected them to do all of their homework and complete their studies as was required.

The day seemed to go well and she was optimistic about Tuesday class as she turned off the lights and walked out of the schoolhouse.

Tuesday morning, Cindy arrived and happily opened up her classroom. **Her smile turned to one of perplexing amusement as two of her kids walked through the door carrying a WATERMELON and gingerly sat it on her desk!**

I guess the children got the message that an apple was not sufficient!

Each of us has no doubt heard that old adage, "An apple a day, helps to keep the doctor away" as well.

It seems to me that "apples" have a mixed review throughout history.

Apples were given the rap for being the temptation fruit of Adam and Eve fame, and yet seem to be the soothing balm for teacher's desks and doctor's offices.

This week I would like to look into scripture and see what the Lord has to show us about the old APPLE.

In Deuteronomy Chapter 32, we read, "9 For the LORD's portion is his people, Jacob his allotted inheritance. 10 In a desert land he found him, in a barren and howling waste. He shielded him and cared for him; he guarded him as the apple of his eye, 11 like an eagle that stirs up its nest and hovers over its young, that spreads its wings to catch them and carries them aloft." NIV And in Psalms Chapter 17, David sings this prayer, "6 I call on you, my God, for you will answer me; turn your ear to me and hear my prayer. 7 Show me the wonders of your great love, you who save by your right hand those who take refuge in you from their foes. 8 Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings 9 from the wicked who are out to destroy me, from my mortal enemies who surround me." NIV

So maybe the old APPLE isn't too bad a fruit after all.

Isn't it encouraging for us to know that we are the APPLE of God's eyes! Maybe that is why He chose to send his Son, Jesus Christ as a Babe in a Manager to offer Himself as the pure and perfect atonement for our sins.

May the Lord bless each of you this week; and don't forget to have an APPLE to remind you that We are truly the APPLE of God's Eye.

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2 Timothy 3:16-17



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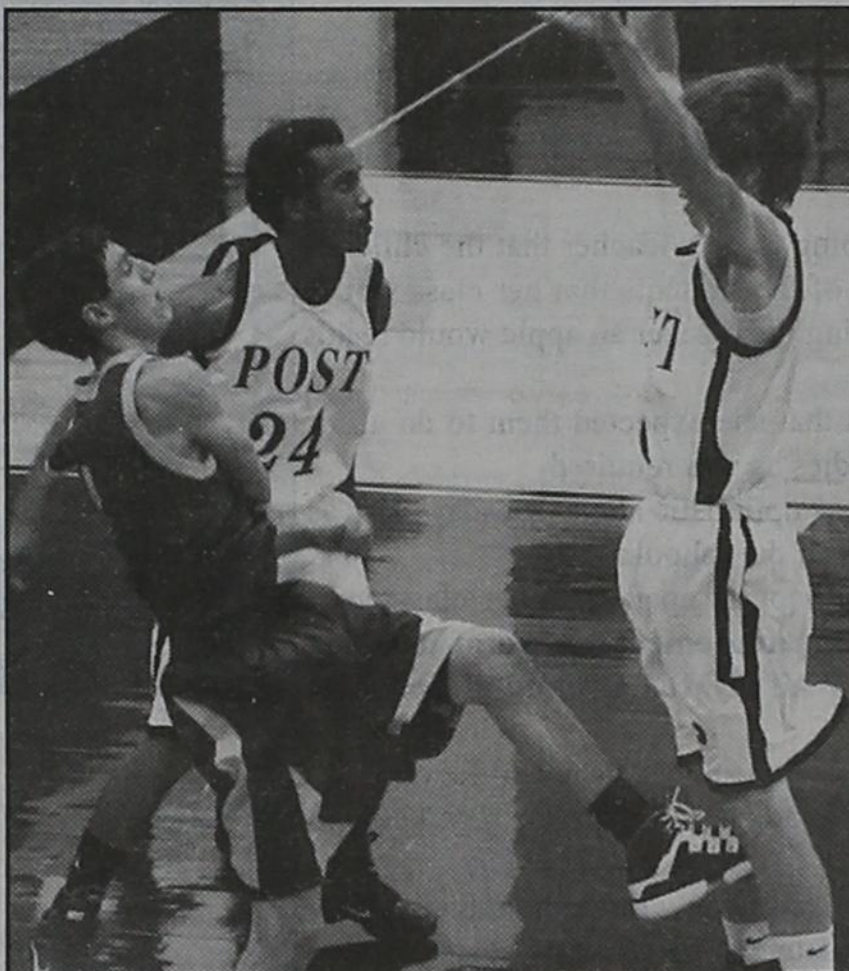


Caitlin Cravy shoot a free throw as #10 Shirely Araiza and #14 Morgan Williams look on .
photo by PHS photography class



A scrappy bunch of Lady Lopes use team work and hustle to defeat LCHS #21 Katelynn Short #4 Haily Berry #32 Taylor Osborn #11 Macy Blair and #10 Shirley Araiza
photo by PHS photography class

Corbin McDonald and Dalton force a turnover against LCHS
photo by PHS photography class



Boys lock up season opener, 55-51

By Jim Plummer
PostSportsPage.com

After an unorthodox way to psych-out an opponent, the Bold Gold closed the Antelopes Arena with a 55-51 win against the Lubbock Christian High School Eagles.

The opening tip-off of the first game of the season, was delayed almost thirty minutes on Tuesday, November 16th because the visiting Eagles could not get out of their locker room due to a faulty door lock.

Whether it was intended or not, the event proved to be an effective tactic for Post.

The Eagles were not stifled by the temporary confinement. In the first quarter, LCHS came out shooting and couldn't miss dousing the Lopes with 21 points to Post's 4. Eagle post Tanner Pylant muscled his way to six points in the opening period that sparked his way to a game high 15. He made seven of eight from the charity stripe.

In the second, the Antelopes warmed up and closed the gap making it 36-24 at half. Manuel Lopez found success under the boards chipping in five of his team high 12 points. Taylor Soto contributed five and finished the game with ten and Chess Postell had four of his seven total points in the second quarter.

Post took the lead in the third period with Lopez's seven points and Dalton Holly's five pitching-in to a 19 point quarter.

The Bold Gold full court press shut down the Eagles allowing them just seven in the third and only 15 for the second half.

In the final period, the Lopes got enough production from Corbin McDonald (5), Henry Apolinar (4) and Chess Postell (3) to

keep LCHS from staging a come back.
(Reporters note: There is no hard evidence that the visitor's locker room door was tampered with. But, it was a first time experience for all those in attendance, especially the LCHS Eagles. You gotta laugh.)

POST 55, LCHS 51

LCHS 21 15 7 8-51
POST 4 20 19 12-55

Scorers: LCHS - Pylant 15, Brown 10, Rogers 9, Bryant 9. POST - Lopez 12, Corbin 11, T. Soto 10, Postell 7, Holly 6, Apolinar 4, Blair 3, Perez 2.

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Scorers: ANTON - Wianeki 33, Hayston 22, Sells 11. POST - Lopez 9, Apolinar 8, McDonald 8, Postell 7, Tav. Soto 7, Tal. Soto 6, Holly 5, Osborn 3, Perez 3. Records: Anton 2-0, Post 1-1.

JV Boys @ Anton (11/19/2010)

ANTON 38, POST 35
POST 6 12 8 9-35
ANTON 14 8 9 7-38

Post Scoring: Chris Yarbrough 10, Mondo Martinez 7, Nathaniel Gill 6, Campbell Kirkpatrick 5, Pake Jones 3, Josh Curtis 2, Travis Greathouse 2. Coach Lackey - Got off to a slow start in the first. But fought back in the game and had a chance to tie at the end of the 4th. Just came up a little short. Good effort by our boys.

They played a hard fought game to the end.

Meet coach G

By Jim Plummer
PostSportsPage.com

Ladies and Gentlemen, please welcome Patricia Gutierrez to Post, Texas.

Tricia, as she prefers, is known to the students and fellow coaches as Coach "G".

She comes to the Lady Lope helm as Girls Athletic Coordinator and head basketball coach from a year off from coaching as she relocated with her husband and family from the Houston area to Levelland.

Her husband Gary, the athletic director for the Levelland Independent School District doubles as the head coach for Lobos varsity football team. The Gutierrez's have three children: Jackson 4, Claire 3,

and Miles James 1.

Tricia, who graduated from Steven F. Austin University, is in her fifteenth year of coaching with head coaching experience at Westwood High in Round Rock.

She also coached in San Antonio and Humble.

Coach "G" hopes to improve on a 2009-10 tough year that saw the Lady Lopes finish 3-11 in district and went 8-19 on the season.

The Does will look to its five veteran seniors for leadership in 2010-11.

They are Macy Blair, Kaitlyn Cravy, Katelynn Short, Morgan "Tiny" Williams and Amber Wilson. The supporting cast of players is juniors Shirley Araiza and Skylar Jones; sophomore



Coach Patricia Gutierrez

Haily Berry and freshman Taylor Osborn.

The coaching staff preparing the players is newcomer Brettne Reed and second year coach Toby Allen who comes off an undefeated football season with the 7th grade team.

May this year be the first of many successful seasons for Coach "G" and her Lady Lopes.

Lady Lopes get first win

By Jim Plummer
PostSportsPage.com

Coach "G" and her Lady Lopes recorded their first win of the young 2010-11 season On Tuesday, November 16th at the Antelope Arena.

The pre-district game against Lubbock Christian High School showcased Post's senior leadership and its youth.

Junior center Shirley Araiza was the game's top scored with 12 points, all from the field, leading the team to a decisive 42-30 victory. Meanwhile both senior Amber Wilson and sophomore Haily Berry scored 11 each. The duo combined for 8 points from the free throw line, making 8 out of eleven. As a team, the Lady Lopes shot 63 percent for the game from the line.

The Does trailed by only one point at the end of the first period, 10-9. But at halftime, Post took a 21-17 lead into the locker room and never looked back.

Post outscored the Eagles in both the final two quarters discouraging a comeback attempt. Wilson and Araiza dominated the boards and put in seven and six points respectively.

POST 42, LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN 30

LCHS 10 7 6 7-30
POST 9 12 10 11-42

LCHS - Ryan 12, Hall 6, Roberts 4, Mack 3, Schrader 2, Kar. Stephenson 2. POST - Araiza 12, Berry 11, Wilson 11, Jones 1, Williams 3, Short 2, Cravy 2. 3-point goals: LCHS 3 (Hall 2, Ryan). Total fouls: LCHS 18, Post 20. Record: Post 1-2. JV score: Post 31, LCHS 26.

ANTON 64, POST 40 (11/19/2010)

Post 4 9 13 14-40
Anton 19 14 21 10-64



The Southland varsity boys took home the top prize at the Wilson Tournament.
courtesy photos

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CASE NO. 0266072
October 7, 2010
STATUS NO. 696801

NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the public and to all interested persons that under the legal authority and jurisdiction of Title 3, Oil and Gas, Subtitle A, B, and C of the Texas Natural Resources Code, Chapters 26, 27 and 29 of the Texas Water Code, and TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. §§ 2001 et seq. (2010), the RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS will hold a hearing on **DECEMBER 1, 2010, at 9:00 a.m.** at the William B. Travis State Office Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. This hearing will be conducted in conformity with the TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. §§ 2001 et seq. (2010). For room assignment, on the date of the hearing please check the bulletin

board in the 1st Floor lobby. Persons planning to attend this hearing are urged to contact the applicant (see service list) immediately prior to the hearing date to be sure that the hearing will proceed on the scheduled date.

The Commission will consider the application of Merit Energy Company for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of 16 Texas Administrative Code §3.37 (Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37).

Applicant seeks an exception to the distance between wells requirement of the field rules for the Storie (San Andres) Field, because the proposed well is closer than allowed by the field rules to existing wells in the same field on the Storie, S.C. Lease, Storie (San Andres) Field, Garza County, Texas.

Applicant has made application for a recompletion permit for Well No. 5, Storie, S.C. Lease, Sec. 1303, Blk. 1, EL&RR RR Co. Survey, A-295, Storie (San Andres)

Field, Garza County, Texas being within 8 miles northwest of the city limits of Post, Texas.

The location of this well is as follows:

1140 feet from the south line and 1140 feet from the west line of lease

1500 feet from the north line and 1500 feet from the east line of the EL&RR RR Co. Survey

The distance to the nearest well on this lease and this reservoir is 425 feet

Field rules for the Field are: 467 feet from the nearest lease line and 1200 feet between wells on the same lease in the same field and reservoir on 40-acre proration units

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 9300 feet.

If you have access to the Internet you can view the documents filed by going to our website at www.rrc.state.tx.us and accessing Data & Statistics, then go to Drilling Permits Application Query and enter the Status Number in the appropriate box.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Michael E. McElroy, at 512-327-8111. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Railroad Commission, Office of General Counsel, at (512) 463-6848.

IF A CONTINUATION IS NECESSARY, this hearing will proceed at the William B. Travis State Office Building, Austin, Texas, and, to the extent possible, on subsequent working days. The room number and exact time of the continuation will be announced on the record in this proceeding and recorded with Docket Services, Office of General Counsel, Railroad Commission of Texas.

PURSUANT TO SAID HEARING, the Commission will enter such rules, regulations, and orders as in its judgment the evidence presented may justify, including placement of the proposed well at a different location from that requested by

applicant, and the establishment of the amount of acreage on the applicant's tract that can reasonably be considered to be productive of hydrocarbons for the purpose of assigning an allowable.

ANY REQUEST FOR POSTPONEMENT of this hearing must be received no later than five (5) working days prior to the scheduled date shown above. Copies of such request must be forwarded to all parties shown on the service list.

TO APPEAR IN SUPPORT OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO THIS PROCEEDING, a party other than the applicant must file with Docket Services, Office of General Counsel, at least five (5) working days in advance of the hearing date, a notice of intent to appear. A copy of the notice of intent to appear should be served on the applicant and any other parties of record.

IF ANY PARTY DESIRES A WRITTEN TRANSCRIPT of the hearing by a Court Reporter, that party should notify Docket Services at (512) 463-6848, at least five (5) working days in advance of the hearing date. If a written transcript is requested, the Commission may assess the cost of the transcript to one or more parties. Unless any party requests a written transcript, the record will be made by audio

recording.

ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY who needs auxiliary aids and services in order to have an equal opportunity to effectively communicate and participate in this hearing must request such aids or services at least two weeks prior to the scheduled hearing by notifying the Personnel office of the Railroad Commission of Texas by mail at P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967, or by telephone at (512) 463-7327 or TDD No. (512) 463-7284.

ALL EXHIBITS FILED AS A PART OF THE RECORD in this cause must be submitted in duplicate. Data in Commission records may be incorporated by reference, but the reference must be specific, and if it includes exhibits filed in prior proceedings before the Commission, a copy of such exhibit properly identified shall be submitted for this record.

THE APPLICANT MUST review this notice and the attached service list for accuracy and completeness. The applicant shall immediately notify Docket Services, Office of General Counsel of any discrepancy or omission.

THIS HEARING REQUIRES NOTICE BY PUBLICATION.

Post Classifieds

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Post Group Alcoholics Anonymous 10th and Avenue K, behind United Supermarket Tuesday night, 8 p.m. Book Study Thursday night, 8 p.m. Closed Meetings For more info: 806-781-1156 or 806-495-5371 Monday, 8 p.m., Community Recovery Center, 405 S. Ave. C. For more information about the Monday meeting, call 495-3173.

Al-Anon

Family Group meeting meets Monday at 8 p.m., Historic Presbyterian Church, 10th & Ave. K, behind United Supermarket in separate room from AA meeting. For more information call 495-3053.

The Safe and NA Serene Group of Post now meets on Fridays at the Community Recovery Center, 405 S. Avenue C. For meeting information please contact Chris, 806-312-0121.

Notice of Entry

On 11/18/2010, a light red brindle Hereford cross cow with a black heifer calf was reported as an estray to the Garza County Sheriff's Of-

fice. The cow has brands of "WN", Lazy F and a "P" on her left side and horns which have the ends cut off. A yellow tag is in the left ear. The cow weighs approx. 1,000 lbs. and the calf is approx. 350 lbs. The location of the cow/calf pair when found was the "Whiskey Pete" pasture located due south of the E. W. Williams pasture south of the 1600 blk. of C. R. Wilson Road 134. If the owner of the estray is not determined before December 9, 2010, the pair will be sold at public auction at the Lubbock Stock Yard in Lubbock, Texas.

Notice of Entry

On 11/18/2010, a Hereford cow with a black bald-faced bull calf was reported to the Garza County Sheriff's Office. The cow, which has no horns, has a brand of a Lazy R on her left hip and weighs approximately 1,000 lbs. while the calf is approx. 400 lbs. The location of the cow/calf pair when found was the "Whiskey Pete" pasture located due south of the E. W. Williams pasture south of the 1600 blk. of C. R. Wilson Road 134. If the owner of

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Rest assured, you don't need to make everything from scratch to create a great holiday meal. Guests won't notice if you use some off-the-shelf ingredients (and if they did, they won't hold it against you). For example, instead of dinner rolls from scratch, buy ones that you just heat in the oven.

You can also use packaged items like soups, stocks and even pre-made stuffing, and simply add your own personal touches to make your

dishes distinctive. Add some dried cranberries here or some chestnuts there and it becomes your home-made specialty.

Here are two easy holiday recipes that incorporate store-bought ingredients to help lighten your holiday load:

Moist & Savory Stuffing
1 package (14 ounces) Pepperidge Farm Herb Seasoned Stuffing
2 1/2 cups Swanson Chicken Broth
Generous dash ground black pepper
2 stalks celery, coarsely chopped (about 1 cup)

1 large onion, coarsely chopped (about 1 cup)

Heat the broth, black pepper, celery and onion in a 3-quart saucepan over medium-high heat to a boil. Reduce the heat to low. Cover and cook for 5 minutes or until the vegetables are tender. Remove the saucepan from the heat. Add the stuffing and mix lightly.

Spoon the stuffing mixture into a greased 3-quart shallow baking dish. Cover the baking dish and bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes or until the stuffing mixture is hot. Makes 10 servings (about 3/4 cup each).

Holiday Brie en Croute

1 egg
1 tablespoon water
1/2 of a 17.3-ounce package Pepperidge Farm Puff Pastry Sheets (1 sheet), thawed
1/2 cup apricot preserves or seedless raspberry jam
1/3 cup dried cranberries
1/4 cup toasted sliced almonds
1 (13- to 16-ounce) Brie or other soft cheese round
1 package (13 ounces) crackers
Heat the oven to 400 degrees. Beat the egg and water in a small bowl with a fork.
Unfold the pastry sheet on a lightly floured surface. Roll the pastry sheet into a 14-inch square.

Spread the preserves on the pastry to within two inches of the edge. Sprinkle with the cranberries and almonds. Place the cheese in the center of the pastry. Fold the pastry up over the cheese to cover. Trim the excess pastry and press to seal. Brush the seam with the egg mixture. Place seam-side down onto a baking sheet. Decorate with the pastry scraps, if desired. Brush with the egg mixture.

Bake for 20 minutes or until the pastry is golden brown. Let stand for 45 minutes. Serves 12.

For more ideas for easy holiday dishes, visit PepperidgeFarm.com.

Get your kitchen ready for the holidays

There's hardly a home chef who hasn't had a holiday horror story. From ice maker mishaps to oven meltdowns, kitchen appliances can get taxed or appear to go on strike right in the middle of preparing a holiday meal.

"Broken appliances can really ruin a holiday," says Jamie Breneman, contributor to TheSavvyShopperBlog.com and spokesperson for N.E.W. Customer Service Companies. "But by following a few simple steps, you can prevent com-

mon failures and extend the life of your appliances."

Protect Your Oven

Self-cleaning options can be real time-savers, but they also stress your oven. During the holidays, wait to run the self-cleaning cycle until after the major meals

are done.

Also, purchase an oven thermometer to make sure the oven is heating properly. If not, you may want to have a professional technician from a vetted service vendor come and check it before the holiday cooking

begins.

Replace the Aged

When gearing up for the holidays, take an inventory of major appliances to see if anything needs repairs or replacing. Gas ranges usually last about 15 years, fridges for 13, while dish-

washers and microwaves usually have a lifespan of nine years.

If any of your appliances need replacing, make sure to do your research so you buy the most energy-efficient model that fits in the space allocated for it.

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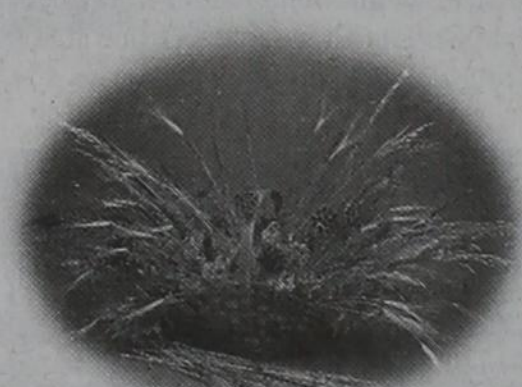


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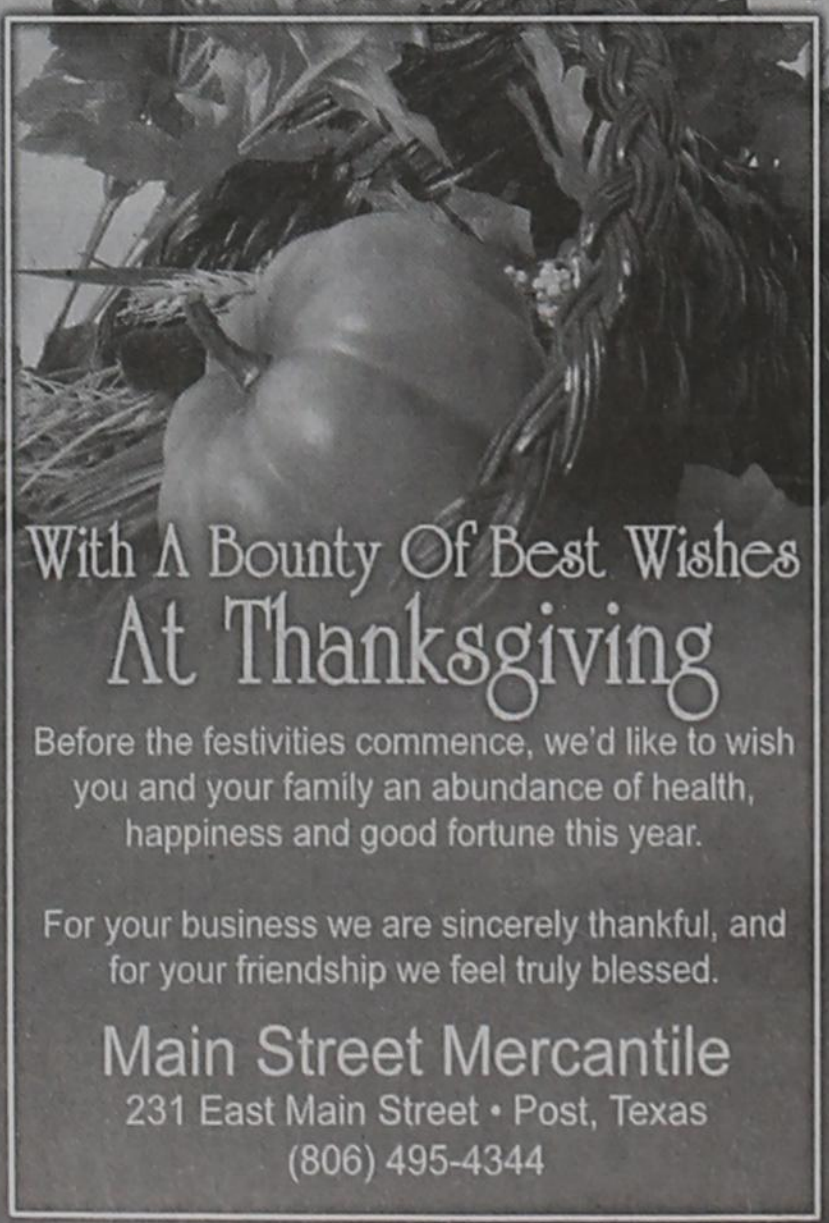
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As temperatures drop, the Salvation Army rises to meet needs

The Salvation Army is increasing efforts this weekend to make sure the Thanksgiving holiday is a warm, safe and cheerful time for all.

As temperatures drop below freezing The Salvation Army's shelter is expected to be filled to capacity (83 beds).

The Salvation Army will also be serving a hot, traditional Thanksgiving meal to over 600 individuals tomorrow. 40 turkeys have been prepared, but more are needed. Over 100 volunteers are scheduled to help, but we welcome any individual who wants to give a hand tomorrow. Volunteers can come to The

Salvation Army shelter at 1614 Avenue J any time after 11:00 AM.

Thursday evening, The Salvation Army will hit the streets through its Survive the Night program to provide a hot Thanksgiving meal to everyone who did not make it to the shelter for dinner.

This program will run on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights this weekend because of the expected cold weather.

Volunteers will provide blankets, scarves, hats, socks and gloves to individuals who choose to stay on the streets. A hot meal will also be provided.

For more information about this or other stories, please contact:

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Manage your finances and avoid regrets

The holidays are upon us, bringing all those personal and family images and sensations we cherish. But for many of us, there are a few not-so-joyous holiday sights (a purse overflowing with credit card receipts) and sounds (the cashing! of the cash registers marking our escalating debt). These negatives can easily outweigh all that we love about the holiday season, especially during this less-than-prosperous economic period.

"Overall, the recession has brought about a renewed dedication to saving," says Eric Tyson, author of *Personal Finance for Dummies, 6th Edition*. "Before the recession, our national personal savings rate was close to zero, and now it's around five percent. But it is very important that you not let your holiday spending zap all of the saving progress you made during the year."

"Whether it's a dedication to the gift-giving tradition, a sense of obligation, or a feeling that the holidays entitle us to have a little more fun than usual, too many of us seem to turn a blind eye to the budget-busting reality of all that spending over just a couple of months," says Tyson. "Don't let excessive holiday spending cause any unnecessary financial stress for you and your family."

What if you could have a

wonderful, memorable holiday and avoid the financial hangover afterwards? Tyson provides great tips on how to keep your holiday spending in check.

Find an alternative to gift-giving during the holidays. Many people feel they have to give gifts during the holidays, either because it's a family tradition or because they know their friends and relatives have gotten gifts for them. There are plenty of great ways to trade in this tradition for another one that is even more meaningful, and chances are your family and friends will be happy to save gift-buying dough as well.

"Instead of exchanging gifts, your family members might want to pool their money and spend it on a holiday outing," says Tyson. "If you have kids, you'll probably want to get them a little something, but set strict spending limits. Instead of piling up the toys, let each child choose an outing or event that he or she gets to spend with you one-on-one. Kids will look back on the valuable time you've spent together a lot more fondly than they will any toy or video game they use a couple of times and then toss aside."

If you must buy gifts, cut your expenses elsewhere as necessary. Perhaps you'd rather dine out or go to the

movies less, or maybe you can forego that new pair of shoes you've been wanting for yourself in order to afford gifts for the grandparents. "It doesn't matter where you make cuts, just that you make them," says Tyson. "Keeping your other spending under control while you're out there doing your shopping can be a challenge, but just keep repeating to yourself the importance of not over-spending. That way

when it comes time to actually pass out those presents you've purchased, you can do it without grimacing as you think about the damage they did to your bank account."

Set a budget and keep tabs on what you are spending. While you're doing your holiday shopping, your new best friends should be your checkbook register, credit card statements, and all of your receipts. It's easy to get

into a spending rhythm when shopping for yourself or others, and that's why you need to physically write down every purchase you make and make sure you don't go over your budget. "When you start to add up everything you're spending, you may be shocked at what all those expenses from this store and that store add up to be," says Tyson. "And don't forget about all those 'necessary' holiday

extras. Most people don't budget their shopping and don't realize that by the time you buy all the presents, plus wrapping paper, cards, decorations, etc., it's added up to a ridiculous amount. Having a budget that you know you must stick to will help keep your impulse spending from getting out of hand and will help you hone in on the most reasonably priced holiday items."

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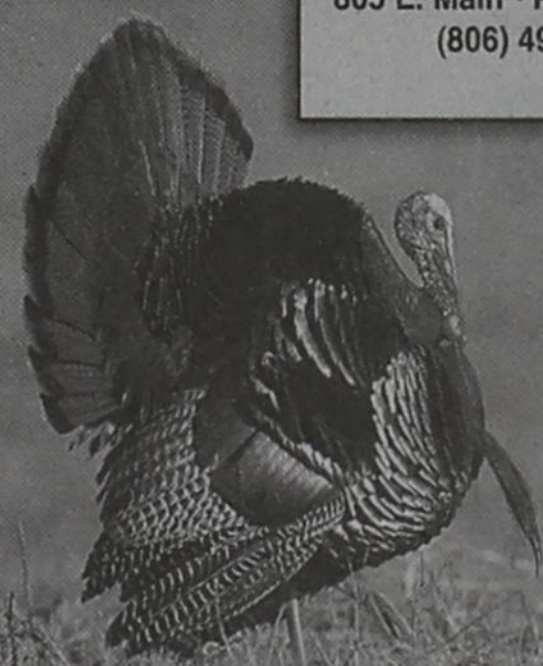
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This Week In Texas History by Tom Higley

NOVEMBER 26

In 1998, convicted murder Martin Gurule, 29, of Corpus Christi, became the first inmate to escape from Texas' death row since July 22, 1934.

In 1948, Pulitzer Prize winning cartoonist Ben Sargent was born in Amarillo.

In 1908, the cornerstone to the Childress Masonic Temple was laid.

In 1864, the first Battle of Adobe Walls ended near

present-day Borger when the Indians withdrew. It was one of the largest Indian battles on the Great Plains.

In 1868, Maj. Joel Elliott

was killed at the Battle of the Washita in Western Indian Territory. Fort Elliott in the Panhandle was named in his honor.

In 1835, James Bowie and 100 Texans intercepted a Mexican pack train on its way to San Antonio. The pack train was thought to be carrying silver to pay Mexican soldiers occupying the town. Ripping open one of the captured packs, Bowie discovered they held only grass and forage for the Mexican horses and mules. As a result, the battle has become known as the "Grass Fight".

On this day in 1821, Austin Colony pioneer Abner Kuykendall and his family crossed the Brazos River into Texas via the La Bahía Road. At Nacogdoches they were joined by another brother, Robert H. Kuykendall Sr. The brothers were among the first of Stephen F. Austin's Old Three Hundred colonists.

NOVEMBER 27

In 1985, Energas Co. of Amarillo offered \$17.50 a share in a takeover attempt of TransLouisiana Gas Company.

In 1966, the City of Amarillo began municipal bus service with used buses purchased from the City of Dallas. Fare was 20¢ for adults and 10¢ for children.

In 1942, 10 AT-10 military trainer airplanes arrived at the Pampa Army Air Field.

In 1881, grading operations began on construction of a railroad track from Fort Worth to Denver began at Hodge, five miles north of Fort Worth. The first spike was driven on Feb. 27, 1882.

In 1528, Cabeza de Vaca's shipwrecked group came ashore near Galveston island.

NOVEMBER 28

In 1992, retired nurse Janie Kallus of Schulenburg, won \$21,760,794 in the first Texas Lotto jackpot when she picked the winning numbers—9, 17, 21, 24, 28 and 50. She received \$1,088,000 per year for 20 years. The odds for picking the correct numbers were 1-in-15,890,700. Daily lotto ticket sales on this date were \$7.1 million—a world record at that time.

In 1976, the new Amarillo Public Library opened.

In 1974, billionaire oilman H.L. Hunt died in Dallas.

In 1938, Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys recorded "Spanish Two Step" which later became "The San Antonio Rose."

In 1835, a publication for newcomers to Texas, "Texian and Emigrants Guide," was published in Nacogdoches.

NOVEMBER 29

In 2007, 100th District Judge David McCoy was indicted by a Childress County Grand Jury on charges of theft by public servant and abuse of official capacity. McCoy pleaded not guilty to the charges at his arraignment one day later.

In 1982, an Amarillo truck driver, Vern Neil Aldrich, was arraigned on involuntary manslaughter as a result of the death of police officer Delbert Wayne Miller.

In 1946, a \$1,500 iron lung arrived in Childress and various city officials were trained in its use. Also on this date, a \$500,000 fire occurred at the Dallas Neiman-Marcus store.

In 1936, the Texas Centennial Exposition closed. It opened in Dallas on June 6, 1936.

In 1868, Maj. Joel H. Elliott was killed at the Battle of the Washita in Oklahoma Territory. Fort Elliott near Old Mobeetie in Wheeler County was named in his honor.

In 1862, Gen. John Magruder assumed command of the Confederate District of Texas with headquarters in Houston.

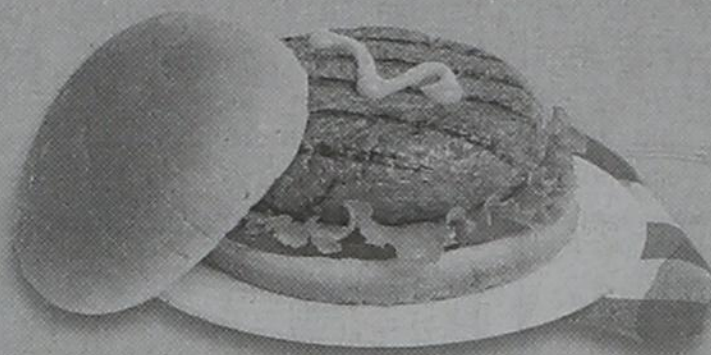
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Under The Siege of Toy Commercials

By CHRIS BLACKBURN

Made the mistake of watching some children's shows with my children the other day.

This time of year the vast majority of commercials during that programming are for toys. The percentage of toys wanted by my 5-year-old from those ads is staggering.

When I was a kid, I'd get my hands on the Sears catalogue and daydream of playing with those wonderful toys. Of course there were toy commercials as well, however, there was not 10 channels dedicated to children.

I sat watching the other night trying to explain why the moon sand would not be the ideal thing for inside playing so he might want to ask for something else.

"Don't worry Dad, I'll just ask Santa for it," Sutton Hawk said.

Great. My response:

"Son, Santa is very busy trying to make sure kids around the planet are happy. If you ask for too much, some child in the Philippines might not get what he wants because of how much you're asking for."

Sutton gave this serious thought.

"Okay Dad, you can get it for me."

Guess my lesson on greed backfired on me.

Times change in a year.

This time last year my wife remained ill following a colon rupture, and I was her caregiver. Today her health has been restored. We're very thankful indeed.

Sometimes it's hard to be thankful or we may question what we have to be thankful for.

My advice is to keep it simple.

If you have a roof over your head, be thankful. If you have a job, be thankful. If you are getting the opportunity to give thanks with family and friends, be thankful.

There are no guarantees in life and frankly, no guarantee of happiness. Some people seem to have blessed lives while others appear to have it pretty rough.

It is hard sometimes not to question why, despite the fact we are told to accept that and move forward.

If you're down, I hope you can find a reason to be thankful. And if you have an abundance to be thankful for, I hope you will reach out to someone in need.

I remember when flying was fun. I looked more forward to the actual flight than the destination. That was decades ago.

Today, customers are treated like cattle. The hoops you

have to jump through just get yourself and your luggage on a plane are more of a hassle than ever.

If you've been paying attention to the news, you know that people are getting frustrated with the scanners and searches one has to incur in order to board a flight. It's getting pretty personal.

In order for airlines to be successful, they are going to have to be less intrusive. That means technology needs to be implemented which makes customers feel more like passengers and less like perpetrators.

We have the technology available, it's just a question of implementing it in a cost effective way. It could be made affordable, but there needs to be a consistent plan. The jury is still out on whether the Transportation Security Administration has the ability to get out of its own way and make flying less of a hassle.

Right now, the TSA is beginning to look like every other entity in the federal government: a bloated bureaucracy incapable of doing what it is designed to do.

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Other Opinions

ACORN Affiliate Listed as "Not in Good Standing" But Still "Active"

By KEVEIN MOONEY

Apparently there is at least one ACORN affiliate that has declined to drop the organization's tainted name. The ACORN Community Labor Organizing Center (ACLOC), which is registered in Louisiana and also maintains a strong presence in Texas, has served as a major conduit for political operations and could play a prominent role in the 2012 elections.

The affiliate was prominently mentioned in a House Oversight Committee report that probed into ACORN's financial transactions and political activities.

"According to a document provided by former ACORN employees, the ACORN Community Labor Organizing Center ('ACLOC') led important campaigns including the Texas for Obama Campaign," the report said. "According to the document, ACLOC raised 1.3

million dollars from political campaigns and delivered the funds directly to ACORN offices.

The document noted, '[d]oes the ACORN association board want Wade [Rathke] to be this intimately involved in coordinating campaigns this close to ACORN?' ACORN readily acknowledged its partisan behavior."

ACLOS is categorized as an "active" organization on the Louisiana Secretary of State's web site, but it is also listed as being "Not in Good Standing for Failure to File Annual Report."

Jacques Berry, the press secretary for Louisiana Secretary of State Jay Dardenne, said in an interview that ACLOS and other ACORN affiliates that have declined to submit their report could potentially lose their legal status.

"We are not an enforcement agency," he explained. "We just change their designation

of an organization if they miss their annual report anniversary and if they miss it three years in a row then we revoke their legal ability to do business in Louisiana. The annual report is not a financial document. It just includes basic information like name, address and if there's any changes to any changes to pertinent information such as the makeup officers. Even if no changes are made, they need to file every year. We don't get into financials at all, that's for the state department of revenue."

ACLOC was founded in 2005 for purpose of building and fostering partnerships between community activists and organized labor, according to the group's now defunct web site. In Canada, ACLOC provided "basic training" for recruits with Service Employee International Union (SEIU) who then moved into "Organizer Apprentice" positions. ACLOC has also partnered with the SEIU in

Houston and Boston.

The ACORN labor group has also allied with the United Federation of Teachers (UFT) to provide "community support" for daycare providers. It also joined with the United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW) "to put pressure" on a grocery store chain in Arizona to allow for unionization.

All told, organized labor has contributed over \$10 million to ACORN since 2005, with the Service Employees International Union (SEIU) contributing about \$8.7 million of this sum, according to Labor Department records.

Other ACORN affiliates that are listed as being "Not in Good Standing" for their failure to file annual report include: ACORN International, ACORN Fair Housing and ACORN Television in Action for Communities and the ACORN Fund.

Krugman's Conspiracy Theory

By ROBERT ROMANO

The world is plotting against Paul Krugman's economic central planning scheme. At least, that's what we're supposed to believe, based on his recent contribution to the national political dialogue, "Axis of Depression."

In this piece, Krugman has a theory about recent Republican criticism of the Federal Reserve's planned purchase of \$600 billion of U.S. treasuries: Republicans know Fed Chair Ben Bernanke's policies will work to improve the economy, and so they oppose them because if they are not implemented they will win elections.

Krugman quotes Stan Collender, who says, "with Republican policy makers seeing economic hardship as the path to election glory... [they will be] opposed to any actions taken by the Federal Reserve that would make the economy better."

Krugman writes, "Republicans want the economy to stay weak as long as there's a Democrat in the White House", adding, "In short, their real fear is not that Fed actions will be harmful, it is that they might succeed."

Although Krugman acknowledges that "some of Mr. Bernanke's critics are motivated by sincere intellectual conviction," they only operate on the periphery in his fantasyland. The real motive is "self-interest" in the case of Republicans, who want a weak economy to bolster electoral returns. And also in the cases of Germany and China, both Fed critics who, Krugman maintains, want to keep running trade surpluses.

There's a few problems with this line of analysis. Namely, all of Krugman's boogymen have perfectly valid reasons to oppose the Fed's monetary expansions.

Take China. Because it keeps the yuan on a fixed exchange rate to the dollar, the Fed's dollar depreciation merely has the effect of simultaneously devaluing the yuan. If cheap currencies are the route to cheap exports, then the U.S. action might actually help boost Chinese exports. So, it's not the balance of trade that might motivate a Chinese protest of the Fed's money-printing.

Perhaps China is being sincere about its objections to the Fed's purchases of U.S. national debt. Its credit rating agency, Dagong, recently downgraded U.S. debt, writing that the \$600 billion of Fed treasuries purchases "entirely encroaches on the interests of the creditors, indicating the decline of the U.S. government's intention of debt repayment." So, they're actually worried about all the cash they have lent us being

repaid with monopoly money.

For Germany's part, its Finance Minister Wolfgang Schäuble actually said, "With all due respect, U.S. policy is clueless... [The problem] is not a shortage of liquidity. It's not that the Americans haven't pumped enough liquidity into the market and now to say let's pump more into the market is not going to solve their problems." Okay, so they think more paper and ink simply won't work to create "a stronger pace of economic recovery," as the Fed claims.

Then there's the Republicans. In order for Krugman to be correct, conservatives would have to have a secret conspiracy to wreck the U.S. economy all to undermine Barack Obama, and land whoever the GOP nominee is in 2012 into the White House. The means? Stop the Federal Reserve from implementing its money-printing "stimulus".

Only, Republicans are in no position to stop the Fed or Bernanke from doing anything. Nor have they prevented the Fed from taking a single action since the central bank began blowing up the housing bubble in 1990's and 2000's. Back then, the king could do no wrong. Alan Greenspan was a monetary wizard, an alchemist who could sprinkle his magical fairy dollar dust into the economy, and poof! Prosperity would ensue.

At least, inflation ensued.

According to the True Money Supply index from the Ludwig Von Mises Institute, the money supply, which the Fed controls, rose from about \$1.787 trillion at the end of 1990 to about \$5.268 trillion by the end of 2007, representing a 195 percent increase. For comparative purposes, in that same period, gold rose from \$386.20 an ounce to \$695.39, a 80 percent increase, oil rose from \$23.19 a barrel to \$64.20, a 177 percent increase, and the national debt rose from \$3.23 trillion to \$9 trillion, a 178 percent increase.

As for mortgage debt, its growth dwarfed even that of the actual money supply. In 1990, outstanding mortgage debt held was \$3.805 trillion. Suffice to say, by the end of 2007, total mortgage holdings rose to \$14.568 trillion, a staggering 283 percent jump. Those jumps were all accommodated by the Fed's pump priming. Combined with weak lending practices, low down payments, lower-than-justified interest rates, and shoddy underwriting standards, the rapid government-induced expansion of mortgage markets was followed by an awful wreck.

In that sense, the Fed had an awful lot to do with the financial crisis. Afterward, its prescription was to print more

money to paper over the bad debts of others, like Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, whom they purchased some \$1.25 trillion of mortgage-backed securities from and \$150 billion of agency debt, all to prop up a housing market they helped to ruin.

Perhaps that's why Republicans and others are skeptical of the Fed's new actions to now paper over the national debt with \$600 billion of new treasuries purchases. It's not as if the Fed has had a stellar record prior to and after the financial crisis began. The central bank is not beyond reproach.

So, what to make of Krugman's conspiracy theory? Perhaps his motives are the ones that are "highly suspect". He partially reveals his motive when he writes, "the main concern reasonable people have about the Fed's plans — a concern that I share — is that they are likely to prove too weak, too ineffective."

Krugman is worried that the "stimulus" will not work because it actually is not big enough. Except that's what he's been saying all along. In 2009, he was claiming that Obama's \$787 billion "stimulus" was too small to fill a \$2.1 trillion hole. The fact is, the total money put into the economy is at over \$3 trillion from fiscal and monetary authorities since the crisis began: \$300 billion of treasuries purchases by the Fed in 2009, the \$787 billion fiscal "stimulus", \$1.25 trillion of Fed purchases of MBS plus another \$150 billion of GSE debt, and now \$600 billion more for treasuries.

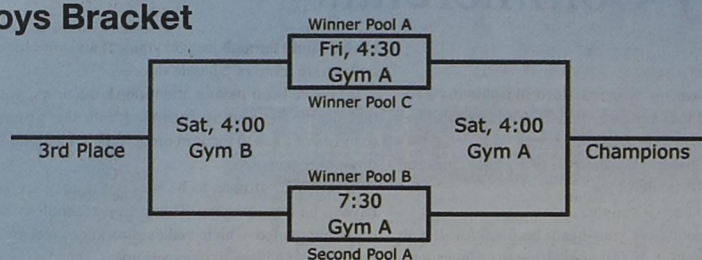
So, even if the total spending and money printing is more than he ever prescribed, perhaps Krugman is worried that his Keynesian ideology is running the risk of being completely discredited. Maybe he wants to keep his esteemed position as an economic guru.

By Krugman's own admission, the "stimulus" has not worked yet. And so he is neatly constructing a narrative whereby the reason the government action fails is because his boogymen "bull[ied] the Federal Reserve into calling off its efforts to create jobs." Or, if the Fed goes ahead with its plans, and it still doesn't work, his excuse for failure will become because the bullies scared the central bankers into scaling back their efforts into mere half measures.

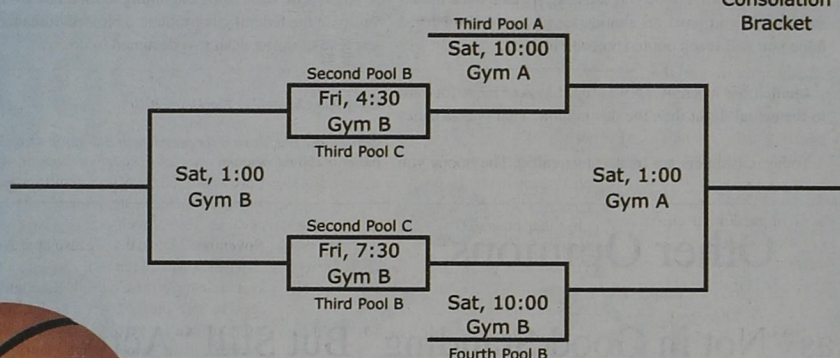
You can almost hear Krugman now at the end of a Scooby Doo episode saying, "And the 'stimulus' would have worked, too, if it wasn't for those meddling kids." Right, tell us another one.

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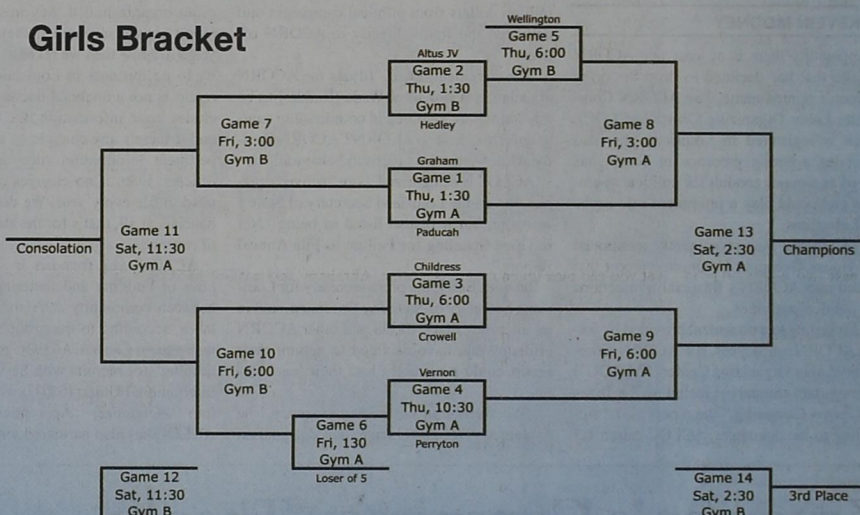
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Colder temperatures and your health

HOUSTON — Some people pile on the sweaters, socks and blankets during the colder months and still can't seem to get warm. A Baylor College of Medicine (www.bcm.edu) physician says this only rarely signals a larger health issue.

"Most of the time when patients come in my office complaining of feeling cold, it's just how they are and there is nothing wrong with them," said Dr. Brian Reed, vice chair for community health and an associate professor of family and community medicine (www.bcm.edu/familymed/) at BCM. "Sometimes, however, we may order some lab tests based on our clinical judgement."

Some of the health issues that could be related to this include:

Endocrine/Glandular disorders

Underactive thyroids, or hypothyroid, can slow down metabolism, and the body produces less heat. Blood work can determine if this is the cause of the chills. A disorder of the pituitary gland, which is found in the base of the brain and controls hormones, is even more rarely the culprit.

Anemia/Low blood count

Anemia, a condition in which the body does not

produce enough red blood cells, as well as other disorders and diseases that cause low blood count, may cause a person to feel cold frequently. Again, this can be detected through a simple blood test.

Low body weight

Many times people who are too thin are frequently cold.

Conversely, there are also conditions that can make a person feel warm. Hyperthyroidism, or an overactive thyroid, and excess body weight are two conditions that can make a person feel too warm.

Who's at risk during cold weather?

There are groups of people who have trouble regulating their body temperatures and are more at risk of during colder months — young children, the elderly and people who suffer from chronic illnesses.

"The young are still developing and may need more layers of clothing to stay warm," said Reed. "The elderly may have a different set of problems. The systems in their bodies that regulate body temperatures may have started to deteriorate."

Additionally, inside cold, unheated houses during winter cold blasts seniors may not be able to gauge how

cold their body is getting and do not realize they need more coverage, he said. As hypothermia develops a person may not shiver as a result of exhaustion. As their body temperatures drop they can become confused more easily.

"Over half of those who come into the emergency room suffering from hypothermia are over the age of 65," Reed said.

The winter season is peak flu and cold season, which can further compromise the immune systems and make someone from these risk groups more susceptible to the cold. In addition, infants are at risk for RSV during the winter months.

"If a person is already has chronic medical conditions such as asthma, emphysema or heart disease, coughing and wheezing will add to the problem," Reed said.

There are a few important reminders during this time of year, Reed said. Make sure to get the flu vaccine and take other precautions, like washing hands, to stop the spread of viruses. People need to be careful when using space heaters. He also adds that it is important to check in on elderly family, friends or neighbors to make sure they are staying warm.

Post Elementary School posts honor roll

Post Elementary School Staff would like to congratulate the students listed below for their academic efforts during the second six week cycle of the 2010-2011 school year. The students listed below made the A Honor Roll list. In order to make the A Honor Roll list, the student may have NO grade below 90%. Congratulations and keep up the good work! We are proud of you!

**Denotes that the student is still eligible to make the A Honor roll list for the entire 2010-2011 school year (they have made the A Honor list for each cycle so far this year).

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Jayden Carroll**

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Maria Gonzalea-Murillo**
Kyna Hudman
Briley Miller**
Brody Molnoskey
Jocelyn Moore
Jakob Morris
Jason "Drew" Porter
Carter Rankin**
Haylee "Skylar" Smith
Kalem Soto**
Addee Williams**

Second Grade

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Cayce Britton**
Carolina Carrillo
Karla Cruz**
Michael "Blake" Parrott**
Sterlin Self**
Nathan Taylor**
Chelsea Thomas**
Bailey Tidwell**
Kolton Wink**

Third Grade

Paulina Ceja
Chris Dihenia**

Dillon McKee**
Alicia Rivera
Alexandra Turner**

Fourth Grade

Malina Gomez**
Sydney Quinn**
Kara Thomas**

Fifth Grade

Brooke Blair**
Pacey Blevins**
Austin Britton
Ezra Gill**
Leslie Gill**
Isaac Gonzales
Marco Gonzalez**
Ian Haworth**
Jaycee Moore
Courtney Ramirez**
Lucas Record**
Chloe Reiter
Elizabeth Tanner**
Amber Taylor**
Lesli Whetzel**

County ...

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the Burn Ban that can be found in the complete document posted on the county web site (www.garzacounty.net).

In other business before the court, an application for assistance from the county was reviewed and the Commissioners approved payment of \$352 on a delinquent gas bill upon proof of an invoice.

The Court also reviewed and approved engagement letters between Garza County and Joe F. Hays, CPA.

This agreement includes annual audits of Financial Statements of the Dalby Correctional Facility-Trust Funds (\$3,300 fee) and Financial Statements of the Dalby Correctional Facility for the year ending December 31, 2010 (\$6,500 fee).

Minutes from the November 8, 2010 regular meeting and the November 15, 2010

special canvass/executive session meeting were approved; two line item transfers were approved; precinct and countywide accounts payable for November 9, 2010 through November 22, 2010 were also approved.

The Court entered into Executive Session as it "relates to the Court's deliberations concerning the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, where deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the Court's negotiating position with a third party." After returning to open session, the commissioners voted to authorize Judge Norman to negotiate with the owner of the property in question about a lease-purchase agreement.

The next Commissioners' Court meeting will be December 13, 9 a.m. at the AgriLife Extension office.

In and Around Close City

by Traci Freeman

In and around Close City

Bale Count

As of Wednesday morning we were just shy of 5,000 bales.

News

I think I need to contract my news out during ginning season, I think my brain may be on overdrive because I've gotten a few names wrong the past two weeks. David and Melinda Quintana and Jibber and Cindy HerridgeI apologize.

Remember the table we were giving away? Well... we drew for it back in October but kept it a secret of who won it since we weren't for sure if it was going to be a Christmas gift or not. We were told that it is ok to tell now; Tanya Vernon won the table and she gave it to her mom, Shirley Bostick Bland who attended school at Ragtown.

A big thanks from all of us to Velta Carpenter King for making the wonderful Strawberry Bread for us; all three loaves lasted about a day on the counter. Yummo!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving,

I know many of you have family in so be sure and let me know about all of your happenings so we can share them with everyone else.

Cookbooks and T-Shirts

The first order of T-shirts are in, if you ordered some you can pick them up at the gin or call us and we'll be glad to deliver them to you. If you haven't gotten one yet you can pick up an order form at CoCar's as well as get a cookbook from there. Christmas is not far off at all and either of these would be a great gift.

Visitors

Mark Short, Grady Shytles, Ronnie Gradine and Gene King all came out to visit We love visitors so come out have a snack and visit sometime.

Get Wells

Joe Abraham has been in the hospital but is home now and feeling better.

Close City Birthdays this week

November 22nd – Johnatan Esparza
November 26th – Tammy Bland

November 27th – Amanda Alaniz

November 30th – Tanya Bland Vernon, Steve Norman, Patsy Craig

Ragtown folks in the nursing homes we need to remember are.....

W.C. and Marj Caffey in Marble Falls; George Miller in Lubbock; Doug and Claudine Tipton and Carmen Abraham in Post; Odie Kemp in Tahoka; Jean Tipton in San Angelo; Jewel White in Lubbock. Others are, Mack Ledbetter in Slaton; Joyce Overton in Post; Doris Wilson in Castorville; John and Mary Gist in Lubbock; Lula Jo Stewart also in Lubbock. **Please let me know if there is anyone I need to add to this list.**

Don't forget to check us out on Facebook, and feel free to post pic's if you want. Also send in your news; you can email it to me at close.city.coop@pcca.com or call me at the gin 495-2753

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