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Post ISD calls for bond election

Wayne Hodgin
 The Post Dispatch

The Post ISD board of trustees will call for a bond election on November's general election ballot.

The board voted unani-

mously at Tuesday night's meeting to move forward with the plan to overhaul many campus facilities, including building a new high school — all pending voter approval.

The improvements agreed

upon and that have been discussed for the better part of a year include building a new high school, new track and bus barn, renovating the existing high school to be used as a middle school, expanding parking for the elemen-

tary school and demolishing the existing middle school.

In addition, the board agreed Tuesday to install artificial turf at the high school football field in light of the ongoing drought concerns.

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

The board also discussed

the proposed budget and tax rate for the 2012-2013 fiscal year. The \$10.7 million budget and a proposed \$1.04 tax rate is expected to be approved in a special called meeting at noon Aug. 30.

District moves forward in water grant process

By Wayne Hodgin
 The Post Dispatch

The White River Municipal Water District still will be eligible to receive a \$12 million grant from the state, even though contracts between it and its member cities might not be approved before a crucial deadline early next month.

White River MWD officials are in the process of applying for a 50/50 grant from the Texas Water Development Board, but the application must be submitted flawlessly by noon Sept. 4.

At last Thursday's local water district meeting in Spur, officials said contracts between the district and its member cities ¾ Post, Crosbyton, Ralls and Spur ¼ must be approved and signed.

The cities have been in ongoing negotiations with the district for the better part of two years, but on Tuesday, during the regular meeting of the Post City Council, it was said that although the contracts may not yet be approved ¾ as long as they are "administratively complete," the state water board can still approve the district to receive

the grant funds.

For weeks, the member cities have been very close to approving a contract, but hiccups throughout the negotiation process have caused some hang-ups along the way.

Most recently, changes have been made to give the cities more authority over the water district's decisions.

In July, the district's decision to move to Stage 3 in its drought-contingency plan was met with some resistance

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Wayne Hodgin/The Post Dispatch

Ronnie Dunn checks his cotton Tuesday afternoon in a field a couple of miles north of the Close City Gin off Farm Market Road 399. Dunn, who has been farming for more than 50 years, planted about 750 acres of mostly dry-land cotton this year. While his cotton looked good, he said, "It could go south really fast if we don't get some rain soon."

Cotton production expected to nearly double

By Mary Jane Buerkle
 Special to the Dispatch

Cotton production across the High Plains is expected to be back near the 10-year average of 4.35 million bales this year, despite the lack of moisture that still plagues a significant portion of the area, according to the federal government.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service released its first estimates of the

state's cotton crop production for 2012 on Aug. 10. According to the numbers, the number of bales produced across the High Plains is expected to more than double the 1.8 million bales produced last year.

Statewide, the NASS report estimates Texas grower will produce 6.7 million bales of cotton from 6.8 million acres planted. In 2011, 3.5 million bales of cotton were produced in Texas.

Yield per acre is estimated

at 859 pounds per acre in the northern counties of the South Plains, and 566 pounds per acre in the southern counties, which includes Garza. Statewide yield is estimated to be 618 pounds per acre.

Steve Verrett, executive vice president of Plains Cotton Growers, said these production figures seemed optimistic.

"Current conditions remain

COTTON PRODUCTION...
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See THE POST STAMPEDE RODEO AND PARADE, Pages 6 & 7



Wayne Hodgin/The Post Dispatch

Teck Benfer of Tupalo, Okla., competes Saturday night in the saddle bronc event at the 72nd annual Post Stampede Rodeo. See more photos on pages 6 and 7.

Commissioners making revisions to 2012 budget

By Wayne Hodgin
 The Post Dispatch

Garza County commissioners are in the process of making changes to the fiscal year 2012 budget.

The \$2.94 million budget does not yet contain raises to most county departments, but, County Judge Lee Norman said, that's not out of the question.

Commissioners last year decided to forego any cost of living increases because of the economic slump, but this year many departments have requested up to a 6 percent salary increase ¾ nearly double the normal from year to year.

COMMISSIONERS...
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Correction

The partial burn ban Garza County commissioners instituted at their July 9 meeting includes roughly half of the county east of the Caprock. Until further notice, the ban is in effect from one mile west of the Caprock all the way to the eastern border of Garza County. An article in the July 13 Post Dispatch contained inaccurate information.

Rain Totals		City of Post	Lake Alan Henry	White River Lake	White River Lake
Aug. 8 :	zero	Aug. 8 :	zero	Aug. 8 :	zero
Aug. 9 :	zero	Aug. 9 :	zero	Aug. 9 :	zero
Aug. 10 :	zero	Aug. 10 :	zero	Aug. 10 :	zero
Aug. 11 :	zero	Aug. 11 :	zero	Aug. 11 :	zero
Aug. 12 :	trace	Aug. 12 :	zero	Aug. 12 :	zero
Aug. 13 :	zero	Aug. 13 :	zero	Aug. 13 :	zero
Aug. 14 :	zero	Aug. 14 :	zero	Aug. 14 :	0.04
Month to date :	0.05 inches	Month to date :	0.33 inches	Month to date :	0.36 inches
Year to date :	15.92 inches	Year to date :	19.86 inches	Year to date :	21.07 inches
Normal :	13.99 inches	Normal :	22.65 inches	Normal :	14.67 inches

Source: National Weather Service, Lubbock.

Varsity volleyball

Lady Lopes drop first game to Plainview Christian

By Wayne Hodgin
The Post Dispatch

The first ever Lady Lopes varsity volleyball team dropped its first game of the season Monday to the Lady Eagles of Plainview Christian Academy.

In a five-game decision, the Lady Eagles led the series 3-2.

Lady Lopes head volleyball coach Charlyn Hohman said despite the loss, she was proud of her team's first effort.

"Our girls did very well. They played awesome," Hohman said. "Each game, they put up a big fight."

The Post team won games one and three, then dropped the second, fourth and fifth games.

Hohman said a controversial call that ended the second game probably would have tilted the series in Post's favor.

"We really should have won that second game," she said. "We had a first-year official make a call that probably should have gone the other way. But our

girls rebounded and got really fired up for that third game."

Hohman admitted some "dumb mistakes" in the fourth game might have caused the girls' confidence level to wane in the latter part of the series.

"I knew whatever happened during this game, I would be very proud of my girls because it was the first varsity game they had every played," Hohman said. "I think we can only get better from here."

In Wednesday's game against Olton, the Lady Lopes lost the five-game match 3-2.

Post-Plainview Christian (Monday)
Game 1 3/4 25-22
Game 2 3/4 24-26
Game 3 3/4 25-18
Game 4 3/4 16-25
Game 5 3/4 17-19

Post-Olton (Tuesday)
Game 1 - 24-26
Game 2 - 25-19
Game 3 - 25-13
Game 4 - 15-25
Game 5 - 11-15



Lance Dunn/Special to the Dispatch
Haily Berry (1) gets the ball over the net during Monday's game against Plainview Christian as teammates Lauren Record (9), Matti Smith (3) and Kayla Comeaux (4) look to assist.

Latest West Nile case reported in Hale County

By Greg Jones
For the Dispatch

The West Nile situation continues to get worse around the state. The latest case of West Nile virus fever has been reported in Hale County. The West Nile virus is very active this year in some areas of the state, and, according to some health experts, could get worse.

We should all take precautions to reduce the risk of contracting West Nile virus, a mosquito-borne illness. People should use insect repellent when outdoors and avoid going outside at dusk and dawn. The virus cases have been reported in people ages from 6 to 92. So everyone is at risk, especially if the proper precautions are not taken.

The higher than usual number of human West Nile cases in Texas this year is because of the warm winter and recent rains, particularly in the North Texas region. Statewide there have currently been 381 human West Nile virus cases and 16 deaths reported to the Department of State Health Services this year. Of those, 224 were West Nile neuro-invasive disease cases, and 157 were West Nile fever cases. About 80 percent of the cases reside in Dallas, Collin, Tarrant and Denton counties.

Humans can contract West Nile virus from a mosquito bite. Infected mosquitoes get the virus from feeding on infected birds and mammals. The virus can cause serious illness or death. West Nile neuro-invasive disease symptoms include stiff neck, visual problems, body tremors, mental confusion, memory loss and seizures. The milder form of the illness is West Nile fever, symptoms of which include fever, headache, muscle and bone aches, nausea and drowsiness.

People with the milder form of illness typically recover on their own, although symptoms may last for several weeks. Up to 80 percent of people infected with West Nile virus will have no symptoms and will recover on their own.

The intensity of West Nile virus activity in Texas fluctuates from year to year and depends on a variety of factors, including the weather, the numbers of birds and mosquitoes that maintain and spread the virus and human behavior. The season can last up until the first hard freeze of the year.

There are no medications to treat or vaccines to prevent West Nile virus infection. People older than 50 years old and those with compromised immune systems are at a higher risk of becoming

seriously ill when they become infected with the virus. If people have symptoms that cause them concern, they should contact their healthcare provider.

To reduce exposure to West Nile virus:

- Use an approved insect repellent every time you go outside and follow the instructions on the label. Approved repellents are those that contain DEET, picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus.
 - Regularly drain standing water, including water collects in empty cans, tires, buckets, clogged rain gutters and saucers under potted plants. Mosquitoes breed in stagnant water.
 - Wear long sleeves and pants at dawn and dusk when mosquitoes are most active.
 - Use air-conditioning or make sure there are screens on all doors and windows to keep mosquitoes from entering the home.
- West Nile Virus is not preventable in humans with a vaccine, but there is a vaccine for horses. For information on vaccinating your horses, contact your veterinarian.

Greg Jones is the agent for the Texas AgriLife Extension Service in Garza County.

Yesteryears

10 Years Ago August 15, 2002

A 40 year-old Snyder man died Sunday after jumping into Lake Alan Henry to pull a frightened child from the water. Fernin Areola was pronounced dead upon arrival at the hospital.

A total of 15 acts are scheduled to appear in this year's KPOS Radio Colgate Country Showdown. The biggest professional country music talent show in West Texas will be held in Post, featuring two Garza County talented contestants. Jose Ladinos and Vance Guthrie of Post will appear on stage in their first step toward winning the national award prize of \$100,000.

Growth at Lake Alan Henry, a potential economic boom for Garza County, carries with it additional burdens for government, as county commissioners are discovering. The matter consumed a "big chunk" of Monday morning regular meeting. Constable Daniel Yarbrough said the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife lists Lake Alan Henry as the fourth biggest lake attraction in Texas.

20 Years Ago

August 19, 1992

Floyd B. Whitehead was charged with attempted murder in district court and has posted a \$10,000 bond.

Shawna Poe of Post has been awarded a four-year \$4,000 Carl B. and Florence E. King foundation scholarship by the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation.

30 Years Ago August 19, 1982

About 1,000 worth of assorted drugs, and \$50 in cash, was taken from Bob Collier Drug during a break-in sometime Saturday night.

Tom Bouchier served as marshal for the 42nd annual Post Stampede Rodeo. The stagecoach was driven by Jimmy Moore and Riley Miller. Pointing to the list of entries that could have covered one wall of the rodeo office, Tommy Young estimated that almost 400 contestants had competed in the Post Stampede rodeo, the largest in several years.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Ambers Parrish, 411 W. Main St., received Yard of the Week.

Randy Wade Teaff of Post was among 156 recent graduates of Texas State Technical

Institute in Sweetwater, who received diplomas in commencement exercises held August 6. Teaff was awarded an Associate Degree from the Electronics Servicing Technology department.

Mr. and Mrs. G.L. Perkins celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at their home with a reception, hosted by their children.

40 Years Ago August 17, 1972

E.J. Platt of Idalou has purchased 200 acres of land around Two Draw Lakes, on the northeast edge of Post and plans to launch an intensive lot-selling campaign.

"Soggy Sunday" produced a reported 8.1 inches of rain in the Graham area and reportedly up to 12 inches somewhere between Post and Snyder, with the Scurry County seat experiencing a flash flood that left estimated damages at more than \$1.5 million, and one woman drowned.

Garza will be one of the counties honored Saturday, Aug. 19, at the annual West Texas Pioneers and Old Settlers reunion at the Pioneer Memorial Building in Crosbyton.

50 Years Ago August 16, 1962

E.R. (Buster) Moreland, head of Brown Brothers operation here, predicated to Rotarians on Tuesday that more than 60 million barrels of oil produced to date in Garza County represents but a third of what finally will be recovered.

Two Post buildings, tied in closely with the town's history, have been approved for Texas Historical Building Medallions, it was announced today by Rupert Richardson of Abilene, chairman of the Texas State Historical Survey, committee. The buildings are the original C.W. Post home, 615 W. Main St., and the main building of Postex Mills.

The 0.23 of an inch of rain that fell here late Monday night helped thirsty cropland in the immediate Post area and eased the city of Post's water shortage threat.

Johnny Valdez is home for the Big State Boys Baseball Summer camp at Meridian, where he won this summer's Sportmanship Award.

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Cryptogram

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

Hint: Quote by Michael Phelps Cryptogram Solution on page 5

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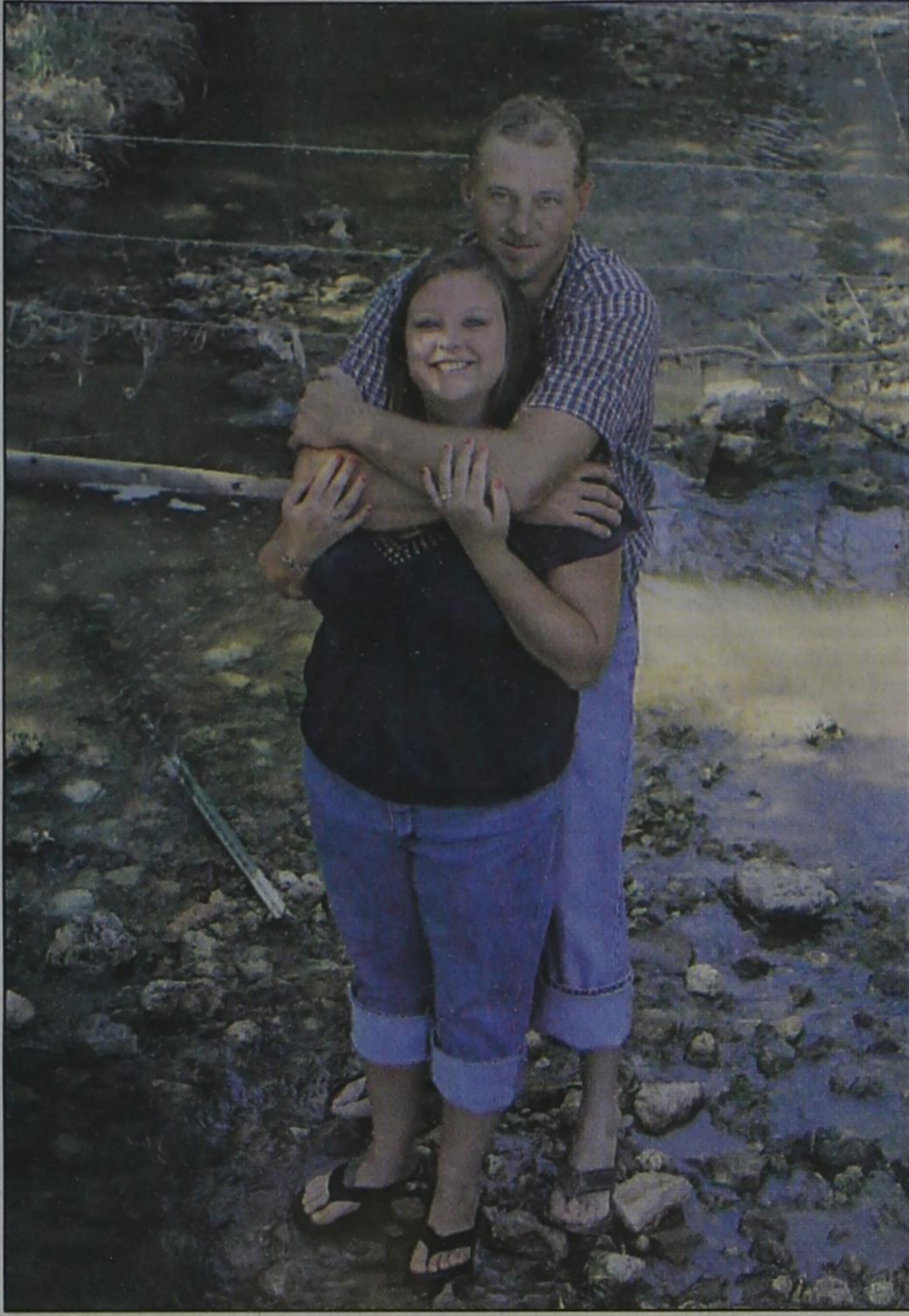
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Celebrations



Dunn's history of Southland remembered

By Linda Puckett
Lengends

I was out running errands the other day, and when I returned I found a nice gift on my desk. It was a copy of "Southland-Lest We Forget, Garza County, Texas, 1900-1915" by Edgar L. Dunn. He did a great job telling the history of Southland. With that in mind, here is the history of the L.A. Dunn family as written by (E.L.'s father) Herbert Dunn:

My Dad, L.A. Dunn, with his oldest sons, Vernon and Alexander, came up from Polar, Texas, to Southland, Texas, to find a place of business and a place to live. After buying the City Garage, Dad returned to Polar to bring the rest of the family. L.A. Dunn with his wife, Lula, and the rest of the children, Dewey, Naomi, Laura, Herbert, Dillard, and Woodrow moved their household goods on two flat-bed T-Model trucks. One of the trucks had solid rubber tires. They made the trip through the open country of mesquite and cactus with only a cowtown to break the scenery.

We purchased a home and a few acres south of the present school, in the west part of town. The family lived there with the exception of four years in Dawson County and 14 months in Palo Pinto County.

Vernon and Alexander operated the City Garage, located at the north end of Main Street near the railroad. Vernon worked in the parts and accessories, also selling gas and oil. Alexander was a mechanic and sold parts for all cars,

but mostly Model-T Fords. There was room to store cars for people in town, with some paying storage. In the back of the garage was a grist mill where feed and corn were ground. Many farmers brought their corn to be ground into meal for home use. Also located in the garage was a small Delco Electric Plant, which furnished electricity for the garage and the dwelling adjoining, and the drug store that was across and down the street, owned and operated by Albert and Bee Basinger.

Dad purchased a dry goods store from M.J. Malouf, which was located on the east side of the street. There was a wooden sidewalk and hitching rail. The store stocked all kinds of clothing, high button shoes for men and women, bolts of cloth, needles, pins and thread and a few velvet hats with bright feathers on them. After the west side of the street burned and was rebuilt, Dunn Dry Goods moved to the west side next to Gregory's Grocery Store. At this time more items were added for sale, such as leather goods and harnesses, and some things for the ladies was added. There were curling irons, rats, nets for the hair and cream for the face.

The children all attended Southland School. In 1923-1924, Mrs. Vernon Dunn taught first and second grades. In December of 1923, I think it was, Dewey died from a ruptured appendix. This was at the time of the smallpox epidemic, so the younger Dunn children had the small-

pox and didn't get to attend the funeral services.

In 1924, the Dunn family sold the City Garage, Dunn's Dry Goods and their home and moved to Pride, Texas, in Dawson County. Southland was such a nice place, we returned in 1930 to the old home place, which had been vacant for some time. We repaired, cleaned and move in. Naomi, Laura, Herbert, Dillard and Woodrow were the children still at home now since Vernon and Alexander had families of their own and had chosen to live elsewhere. The remaining children entered school and settled down to life in a small town. Dad opened a grocery store on the west side of the street, at the north end of Main Street. Southland had lost the bank in 1929, and some of the business houses began to close and move to new locations in other towns. The Dunn Grocery Store held on and rode out the depression of the early '30s, but when the highway missed town and business dwindled, Dad moved the store to the highway west of town.

As of this writing, (1973) Dad, Mother, Vernon, and Alexander have passed on but the rest of the Dunn children who have families of their own, have fond memories of Southland and Garza County.

[Linda's note: For the rest of the story, you need to read "Southland-Lest We Forget" by E.L. Dunn]

Linda Puckett is the director of the Garza County Museum.

Hays, Angerer to wed

Steve and Karen Hays announce the engagement of their daughter JoBeth to Adam Angerer, son of Mike and Carol Angerer of Slaton. Grandparents of the bride to be are Beryl and Corrine Reagan of Lubbock and Bill and

Donna Smith of Lake Fork. Grandparents of the groom are Bill and Gayle Angerer of Slaton. Hays graduated from South Plains College at Reese. She lives in New Deal and works for Inspirations IOP.

Angerer graduated from Slaton High School. He also lives in New Deal and is a farmer. The couple plans a Sept. 22 wedding at the Four Bark K in Lubbock. They plan to live in New Deal.

Keeping Busy



Photo submitted by Dan Hodges

Blaine Osborne, Seth Babb and Paden Babb, all students at Post High School, are completing a summer work program with the George R. Brown Partnership this summer. In addition to other duties, the three boys have been painting pump jacks for the local company.

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In and Around Close City

by Traci Freeman

Hi everyone! I hope this week finds everyone well. Sorry I missed last week. It was just a crazy week I guess. As of Wednesday we have missed out on the rain. Hopefully by the time you are reading this we will have had a little moisture fall. Our crops could really use it now.

School is just around the corner. I think the kiddos start on the 27th. Where did the summer go? I am, however, ready for some cooler temps, and it won't be long until our winter comes knocking.

I am going to use my column to vent a little bit this week. Shame on all of you who could have participated in the parade and didn't. Where were all the floats, four-wheelers, bicycles and such?

We have many choices in life, and one of the ones I am adamant about is not letting good ol'-fashioned fun die. That parade should have lasted at least half an hour and it lasted about 10 minutes.

I do have one suggestion that might help — put the parade in

the morning when it is cooler. I think that would help with participants as well as people getting out and watching.

But for those of us who did participate — great job! I do have to add that Close City Community received "Best of Show." We are very proud! And thanks to those who did brave the heat and come out and watch. Last, but not least, thanks to the Rodeo Board for putting on a great rodeo this year. Loved it!

We had a nice visit with Wayne Hodgkin, the Dispatch editor, he came out on Tuesday to visit a bit. I correspond via email or phone for my column in each week, so I had never actually met Wayne in person. It was nice to put a face with a voice. Come back anytime, Wayne.

We have several around the area in need of prayers. Please pray for them and their needs in your daily prayers as well as moisture for all of us.

Quote of the week: "No matter how you feel, get up and

fight for your dreams" — taken from Lisa Morrow's Facebook page.

Did you know: Rain contains vitamin B12.

Close City Birthdays
Happy Belated Birthday to those I missed last week.

August 10th — Deana Watson

August 11th — Grey Beasley

August 12th — Joel Lopez

August 13th — Amy Bush

August 14th — Misty Bartlett

Kawasoe, Devon McClain

August 15th — Maria Contreras

August 17th — Fabian Marquez

August 19th — Pop Aten

August 20th — Bailey Girl, Gunner Beasley

August 21st — Robert Contreras, Rusty Morris

Ragtown folks in the nursing homes we need to remember are: Claudine Tipton; Carmen Abraham; Mary Gayle Young, Velma Long Brown in Post; Jean Tipton in San Angelo; Jewel White in Lubbock. Others are, Mack Ledbetter in Slaton; John and Mary Gist in Lubbock in Lubbock. Please let me know if there is anyone I need to add to this list.

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

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

Post Notes

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

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local Extension office at 495-4400.

4-H enrollment

Enrollment for the 2012-2013 4-H year will begin Aug. 15 on 4-H Connect. Those interested are asked to contact the Extension Office at 495-4400 for information. Current members must re-enroll at 4-H Connect. Registration will continue through Oct. 31.

Goat/lamb validations

Tag orders are due in the Garza County Extension Office no later than 5 p.m. Aug. 22. For information, call 495-4400.

Achievement brunch

The annual recognition event showcasing 4-H participation and successes for the previous year will be at 9:30 a.m. Aug. 25 at the Heritage House. Everyone who participated in stock shows, photography, shooting sports, horse shows, horse play days, consumer decision making, healthy lifestyles, fashion show, fashion story board, Roundup or Power Camp will be recognized. Everyone welcome. Please call the Extension Office at 495-4400 to RSVP.

Bold Gold Mania

The coaching staff and athletic booster club is asking for donations of water and soft drinks. Donations may be dropped off at the coaches office by noon Aug. 28. For information, contact Ron Holson at rholson@postisd.net or call 990-9871.

Beef cattle management

The Texas AgriLife Extension Service will have its annual beef cattle seminar from 9 a.m. to noon Aug. 29 at the Scurry County Coliseum, 900 E. Coliseum Drive, Snyder. Cost is \$10 per person. For information, contact the

Blood drive

United Blood Services will conduct a blood drive at United Supermarket, 123 N. Broadway, from 3 to 7 p.m. Aug. 31 in the bloodmobile. All donors will receive a T-shirt and be entered into a drawing to win an iPad. To schedule an appointment, call 797-6804 or visit bloodhero.com sponsor code: lolpost.

Graham Ole Opry

Events are canceled for the months of July and August. Next event will be Sept. 22.

Post Elementary

Summer office hours are 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Preregistration for the 2012-2013 school year is still open. If your student attended this year they are automatically pre-enrolled for next year. Any child who will be 4 on or before Sept. 1 is eligible for a full-day prekindergarten program. Stop by the school office or call 495-3414 for information.

Parkinson's support

The West Texas Parkinsonism Society meets at noon the first Tuesday of each month in the library at the Covenant Neuroscience Institute, 3610 22nd St., Lubbock. Lunch provided.

Donations needed

Five-Stone Ministries, a nonprofit 501c3 organization, is in need of the following items: men's work clothes, men's work shoes, workable washers and dryers. Some women's items also are needed. For information, contact O.L. Ferguson at 806-781-1156. Monetary donations welcome at P.O. Drawer 669, Post, Texas, 79356. All donations are tax deductible.

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May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you.

- Psalm 67:3 (NIV)

"What are our chances of ordering something that is not on the menu?" As I finished speaking, the expression on the server's face said, "Are you kidding me? You want to order something that is not on the menu?" He looked at me as if it were clear I could not honestly expect that.

But I was serious. I asked him to check, and I was able to order something that was

not on the menu. The cook had no problem preparing it, and I paid a fair price.

When we pray, we can pray knowing that God does not answer only the prayers that are "on the menu." We see our situation and think about what we want from the Lord. We may pray with specific answers in mind, limiting the Lord to a "menu." We forget the words of Jesus, "With God all

things are possible!" (Matt. 19:26)

Jesus taught that we can ask God for anything (John 14:13-14). However, while making our requests known to God is right, we can remember that God is able to answer our prayers in ways we never thought about. We restrict our prayer life when we ask God for answers so specific that we close our eyes to some other response.

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The 501 by Hanaba Munn Welch

Eat more fried chicken

Fast-food fried chicken strips, cream gravy, fried okra, mashed potatoes, more gravy. Yum.

That's the kind of food a prisoner on death row somewhere in the Deep South might order for his last meal. Or her last meal. Except I think a woman might opt for something more costly and sophisticated. My gut feeling.

The aforementioned meal is what our daughter brought to our house last night so I wouldn't have to fix supper. Knee surgery yesterday morning put me on crutches, or, better said, on the sofa. Love that sofa.

The choice vittles were much appreciated by me and my husband, who, doubtless, put in a special request for the okra. Fine by me. We added cantaloupe and Coke to the menu. Good.

What is it about Death Row and a post-op situation that makes it seem like it's OK to eat what you want instead of what's good for you? Maybe not everybody feels that way, but I did yesterday, and I still do today. I'm drinking a small Pepsi with a dash of half-and-half - my version of a Dairy Queen cream Coke.

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Sure enough, here's what an Alabama guy, who spent 32 years on death row, ordered:

Chicken leg quarters, french fries, American cheese (no kidding), orange drink, coffee and chocolate pudding.

As for condemned women, one in Virginia asked for fried chicken, sweet peas, German chocolate cake or apple pie and a Dr Pepper. So much for my theory about gender-related differences in last-meal preferences. Hmmm. Wonder why she didn't ask for black-eyed peas? Makes more sense. That's what I'd want, along with steak and lobster and watermelon. And a Dr Pepper.

Yes. Eat, drink and be merry, for tomorrow you must die.

That philosophy jibes with the last meal tradition for the condemned. By the way, it's biblical.

Here's how the preacher says it in Ecclesiastes, King James Version:

"Then I commended mirth, because a man hath no better thing under the sun, than to eat, and to drink, and to be merry: for that shall abide with him of

his labour the days of his life, which God giveth him under the sun."

The concept comes across differently in the Gospel of Luke when the rich guy tells himself, "Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry."

Whether he was consciously quoting Ecclesiastes, the man was erroneously assuming he was in control of his life. Cocky and self-assured, he didn't realize he was on his own death row and wouldn't even make it to sunrise.

In essence, that's where we all are, even if we're not confined to a cell or restricted to a prison menu and don't have an execution date circled on the calendar.

An illness or a surgery ¼ sometimes even someone else's - reminds us of the brevity and uncertainty of life.

Gather ye roses while ye may. Eat fried chicken.

I'm gonna have another cream Coke.

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The Paperboy

By CHRIS BLACKBURN

Charlie Daniels said what we're all thinking

Charlie Daniels has gotten some mileage out of a recent opinion piece he wrote in The Washington Times last week.

Daniels, known for his fiddle and singing talents, is interested in seeing this country unite - as should we all.

The following are excerpts from Daniels' piece, headlined "I just won't shut up and sing." "Because I'm part of the Nashville music community, my mostly conservative views do not make me the anomaly or oddity I would be in the more urbane entertainment capitals. As many of my compatriots expound the value system of God, family, country and work just as I do, and as I tend to spend my off time among a mostly blue-collar crowd, I have very few face-to-face confrontations.

"Most of my more vocal critics tend to hide behind Twitter avatars and email names, and most of them make ridiculous

assumptions, such as if you oppose Obamacare, you want to sit back and watch all the poor people in the nation die, or if you want to see sanity at the border, you hate all Hispanics.

"I am not a man of letters and have no claim or ties to academia, no degrees and actually feel extremely blessed to have made it through high school. But my opinions are all my own, based on 75 years of experience and what I call cowboy logic, which is 2 plus 2 is always 4; water never runs uphill; and if there's smoke, there's a fire somewhere.

"I personally believe that man-made global warming is an international scam; I happen to think the United Nations is an anti-American, corrupt and toothless debating society that has violated its charter and its very name, for that matter; and I'm firmly convinced that the Southeast-

ern Conference is the greatest football organization ever instituted by mankind.

"With all her wrinkles and warts, the United States of America is still the most exciting place in the world. Waking up in a nation where every day a cure for cancer, a workable biofuel or a mind-numbing discovery at the bottom of the sea could be announced is unparalleled. We live in a place where a new technology or computer chip could propel the economy into hyperspace all over again, and that can't happen just anywhere.

"This is a place where diversity makes us colorful but unity makes us strong, and when we reason together, it becomes stronger still."

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

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More on basil- and a hearty ragout

By Nancy McDonald
For the Dispatch

Basil is a popular sweet herb of the mint family esteemed for flavoring and formerly used for medicinal purposes.

An annual of the tropics, it is tender and should not be attempted outdoors until the weather is warm.

The small flowers are white or purple, but the plant is grown for its sometimes purple-tinged leaves, which are cut during the growing season and used fresh or dried in bundles.

Basil is known to attract bees and butterflies and has very aromatic foliage.

Basil grown outdoors prefers full sun but will grow indoors satisfactorily under standard fluorescent lamps, and exceptionally well under high-output fluorescent, compact fluorescent or high-intensity discharge (metal halide or high pressure sodium) plant-growing lights.

Water regularly, being careful not to overwater. Allow soil to go completely dry between watering, and

then soak thoroughly. Basil plants whose leaves have wilted from lack of water will normally recover if they are watered thoroughly and immediately placed in a sunny location.

The following recipe received good reviews and can easily be adjusted to suit your family's taste.

Sausage and Bean Ragout

Ragout is a fancy name for a hearty soup! Enjoy!

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 pound ground beef
- 1 pound hot Italian pork sausage (casing removed)
- 1 large chopped onion
- 4 cloves minced garlic
- 3 1/2 cups chicken broth
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh basil leaves
- 2 (14.5-ounce) cans diced tomatoes seasoned with garlic, oregano and basil
- 1 (16 ounce) can white kidney beans, rinsed and drained
- 1/2 cup uncooked elbow pasta
- 1 (6 ounce) package fresh baby spinach leaves, washed
- 1/3 cup grated Romano



Nancy McDonald

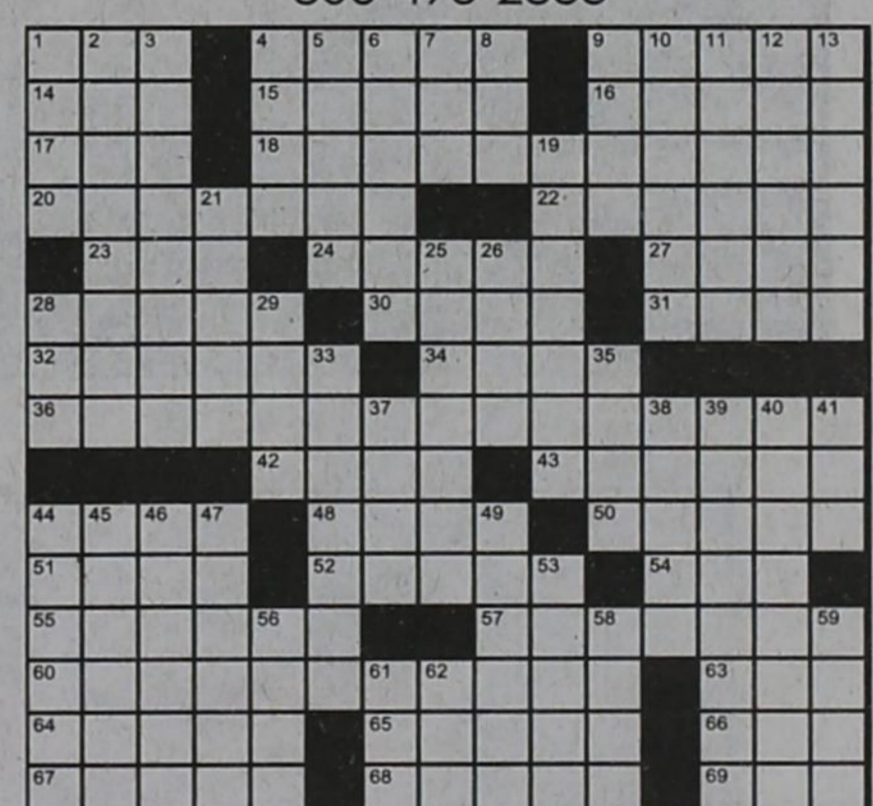
cheese
Directions: Heat oil in saucepot over medium-high heat. Add beef, sausage and onion and cook until meats are browned, stirring to separate meat. Add garlic and cook 30 seconds. Next add broth, basil, tomatoes and beans, heat to a boil. Cover and cook over low heat 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add pasta and cook until pasta is done. Finally add spinach and cook just until spinach is wilted, stirring occasionally. Remove from heat and stir in cheese. Serve with additional cheese.

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

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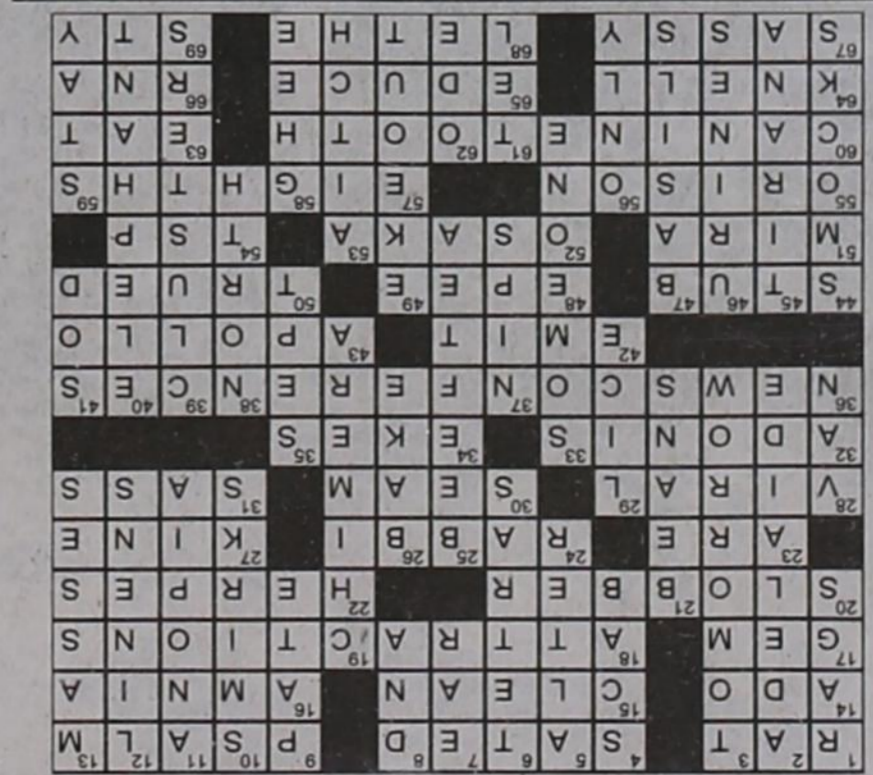
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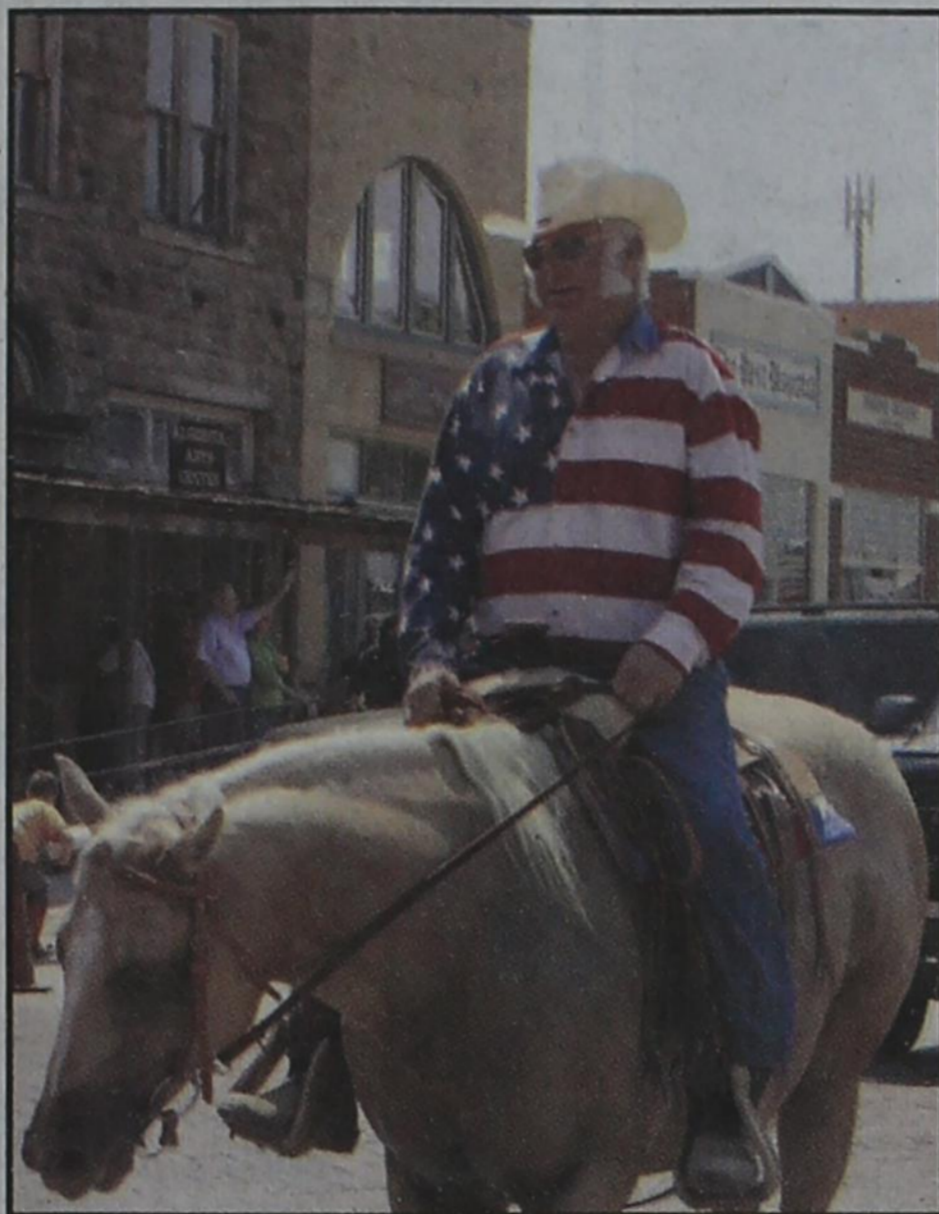
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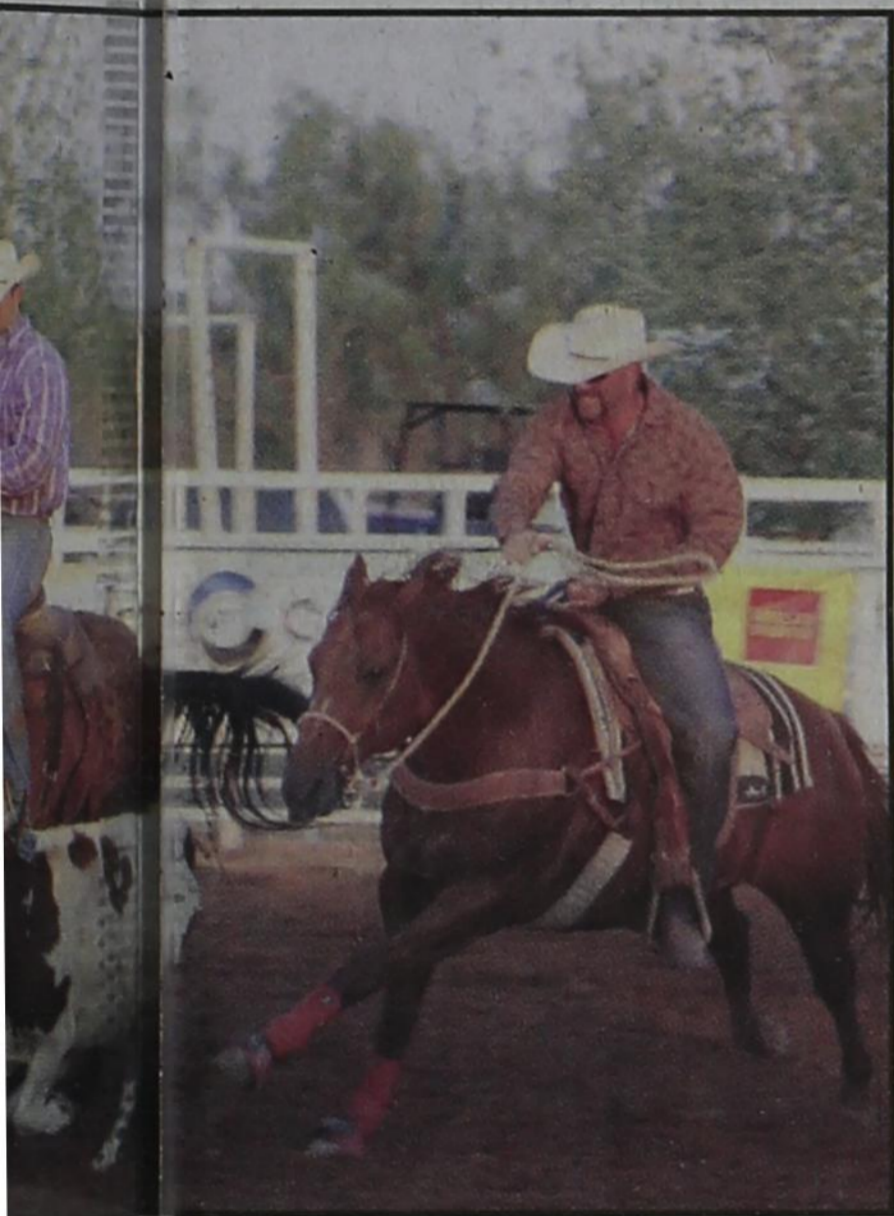


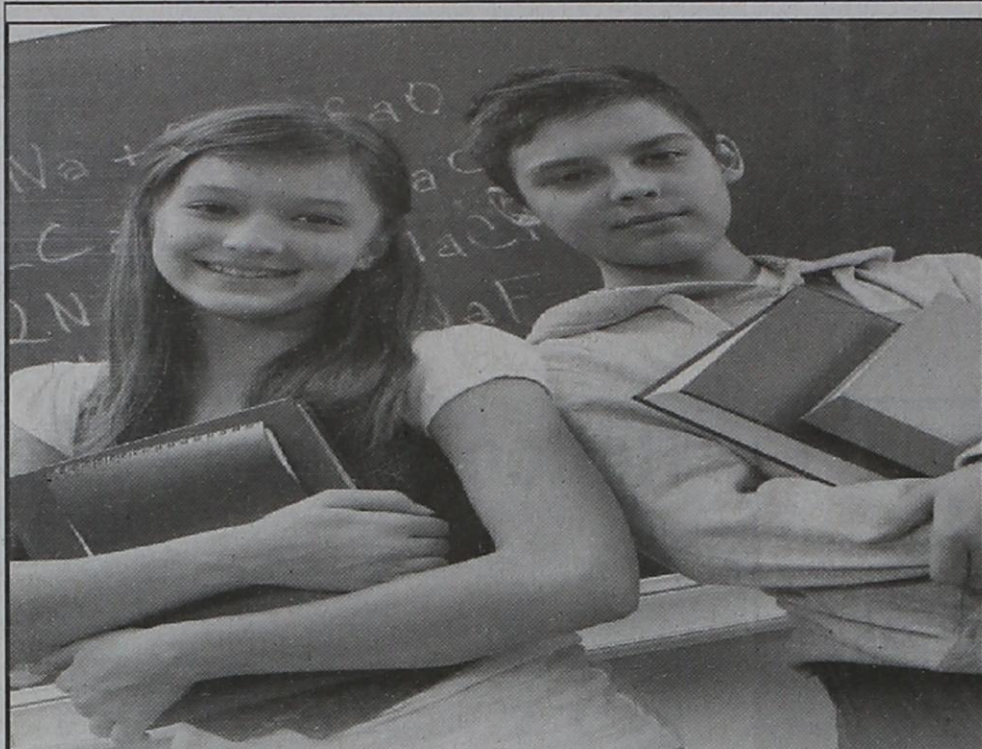
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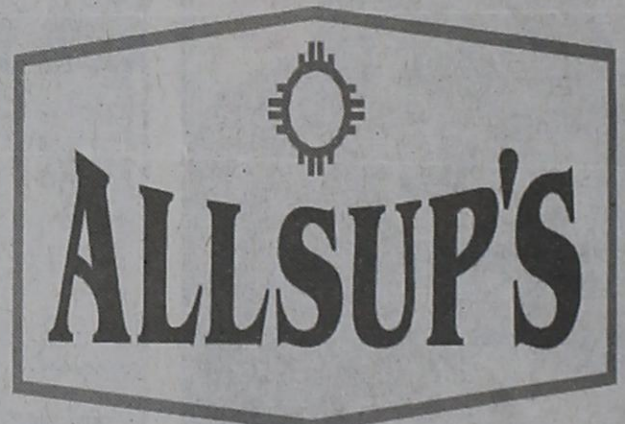
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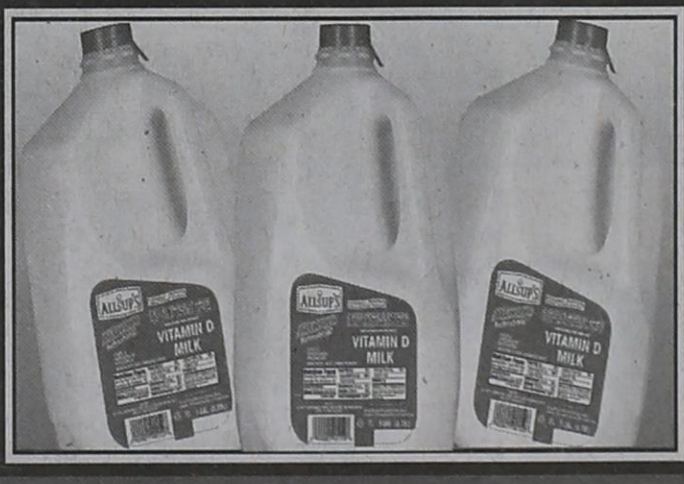
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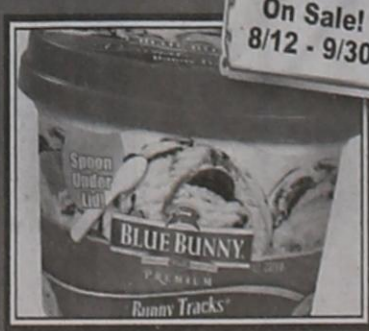


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from members of the Post City Council when the council did not agree that moving to the next stage in the plan was necessarily in the best interest of the city.

At issue, city officials agree, is that members of the water district are appointed by their respective city councils and are not elected.

"The democratic process is negated when you take a board not held accountable by the electorate and allow it to force decisions on the public," Post City Manager Arbie Taylor said. "It's only right decisions of that magnanimity are made by those who are elected to lead, not those who are appointed and are not held to any real accountability."

Post city officials have refused to move to Stage 3 even after the district recommended it, mostly based on that principle alone.

Even though the city remains in Stage 2 of the drought-contingency plan, certain tweaks have been

made to the contract with the district that will allow the city to have final say over district decisions.

For instance, according to the city's revised drought-contingency plan, Stage 2 includes a voluntary odd-even watering schedule with an aim of a 15 percent conservancy reduction. Stage 3, however, would mandate a once-a-week watering schedule for residents.

Council members were all in agreement that conservancy should be a top priority.

"We've got to do something," Councilwoman Anita Morris said. "We've got to save our water."

Mayor Thressa Harp agreed. "At some point, we've got to match up with the conditions we're under and the rest of the district."

Half of the \$12 million grant the district is eligible for would be funded through bonds, which were capped at \$6 million by the district's member cities.

Another recent addition to the contract 3/4 and a stickler with the district's member cities 3/4 was the terms of repayment.

"If, God forbid, White River Lake were to run dry, the district would, in effect, be out of business. Under the current contract, we would still be held liable for the bonds, even though the lake would have no water," Taylor said. "The district shouldn't be able to charge us for water we're not getting. If the district runs out of water, we shouldn't be paying for water we're not getting. It's as simple as that."

Under the contract's new wording, if White River Lake were to run dry, the contract would be essentially dissolved.

City officials said Tuesday that contract negotiations will continue to move forward. A special called meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday to possible consider approving a contract with the water district.

COTTON PRODUCTION... continued from page 1

main extremely mixed, with many producers experiencing similar situations to last year," Verrett said. "Abandonment on the High Plains likely will rise to above the 18 to 20 percent average in the next few weeks if it does not rain and temperatures stay around the 100-degree mark."

Dryland acreage especially is struggling in many areas, but cotton planted on irrigated acreage is hanging on fairly well, for the most part. Some fields show tremendous promise, with plants that have de-

veloped well throughout the season, but some fields already have been at cut-out for several days.

The cotton market dipped after the bearish estimates were released last Friday morning. December futures had risen to 76 cents, but closed at just more than 73 cents.

NASS estimates the United States will produce 17.65 million bales of cotton, up 651,000 bales from the July report and 13 percent more than the 2011 crop.

"Much remains to be seen from this 2012 crop, but if

these dry, hot conditions persist, it will not be economically viable for some producers to finish their season on a cotton stripper or a picker in all of their fields," Verrett said. "That being said, there's some excellent-looking cotton out there, and there aren't many on the High Plains who were able to say that about their crops last year, so we remain optimistic about this year's harvest."

Mary Jane Buerkle is a communications specialist with Plains Cotton Growers Inc.

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The proposed budget, as it stands, is about \$222,000 more than last year's budget.

With certified county appraisals up about \$124 million at about \$970 million this year, the proposed millage rate is less than 36 cents per \$100 valuation of assessed property.

In going through the budget requests at Monday's regular Commissioners Court meeting, the majority of the increases will come from expected health costs and federal taxes.

Justice of the peace fees

are expected to increase somewhat, driven by increases in Department of Public Safety and Game Warden fines, which are dictated at the state level.

In other noted items, Emergency Management Agency revenue is expected to decrease about \$30,000 because Crosby County, which historically has contracted with the Garza County agency in the past for services, no longer will be asking for that help.

At the last regular commissioners meeting, com-

missioners refused to accept the proposed 2012-13 budget, as presented, from the Garza Appraisal District, which contained about \$18,000 in increases 3/4 mostly due to salary adjustments within the agency's own budget.

The appraisal district represents not only Garza County, but also the local hospital district, city of Post, the local school district, Southland ISD and Crosbyton ISD. Garza's vested interest in the appraisal district's budget is about 28 percent.

2012 Property Tax Rates in Post2012

This notice concerns the 2012 property tax rates for Post2012. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual tax rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers start rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$526,396
Last year's debt taxes	\$283,444
Last year's total taxes	\$809,840
Last year's tax base	\$142,203,180
Last year's total tax rate	\$0.569495/\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$809,840
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$142,203,304
= This year's effective tax rate (Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)	\$0.569494/\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent healthcare expenditures)	\$778,396
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$142,203,304
= This year's effective operating rate	\$0.547382/\$100
x 1.08—this year's maximum operating rate	\$0.591172/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$0.351872/\$100
= This year's total rollback rate	\$0.943044/\$100
- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$0.177938/\$100
= Rollback tax rate	\$0.765106/\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If Post2012 adopts a 2012 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.569494 per \$100 of value, taxes would decrease compared to 2011 taxes by \$-1.

Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balance

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
	0

Schedule B - 2012 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
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2006 Tax & Revenue C.O.'s 63,000		12,250	0	75,250
2009 Refunding bonds	206,500	51,240	0	257,740
Total required for 2012 debt service				\$500,374
- Amount (if any) paid from Schedule A				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2012				\$500,374
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will				\$0



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50-280 (Rev. 6-06/2)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The _____ POST ISD _____ will hold a public meeting at _____ 6:30 P.M. AUGUST 30, 2012 _____ in _____ POST ISD BOARD ROOM 501 S. AVE. K _____ POST, TEXAS _____.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$ 1.04	/ \$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters	\$ 0	/ \$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	5.47	% increase	or	0	% (decrease)
Debt service	0	% increase	or	0	% (decrease)
Total expenditures	5.47	% increase	or	0	% (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ 796,487,210	\$ 911,720,595
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$ 2,207,539	\$ 1,102,468
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ 776,090,575	\$ 881,006,757
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ 2,123,773	\$ 1,070,635

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
*** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ 0

* Outstanding principal.

50-280 (Rev. 6-06/2) (Back)

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.01860	\$ 0.00000 *	\$ 1.01860	\$ 8384	\$ 2509
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.00095	\$ 0.00000 *	\$ 1.00095	\$ 11,845	\$ 1,834
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.04000	\$ 0.00000 *	\$ 1.04000	\$ 12,285	\$ 910

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 43,495	\$ 43,823
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 30,099	\$ 30,509
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.0186	\$ 1.04
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 306.59	\$ 317.29
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ 10.70

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.0401. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.0401.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 3,516,448
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 0

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Notice to Bidders

The City of Post, Texas is soliciting sealed bid proposals for the installation of artificial turf and irrigation system including, but not limited to, the following:

- 1.5" pile height polyethylene turf.
- Infill sand with a bulk density of at least 90 lbs/cubic foot.
- 6 inches of base material as specified.
- Tacking material consisting of galvanized ring shank nails no less than 4 inches in length.
- Self-adhering waterproof seaming material.
- 6 inch high 10 gauge metal edging around each tree.
- Irrigation system for existing trees with controls.

Bid opening will be at City Hall, Post, Texas, at 2:30 PM on September 10th, 2012. Bidders must also submit with their bid proof of a minimum of \$500,000 general liability insurance per incident, and workers compensation coverage. The City Council of the City of Post, Texas will review all bids at their regularly scheduled City Council meeting on September 11th, 2012.

Bidders are expected to inspect the property and to inform themselves of all local conditions.

Additional information and a copy of the required specifications may be obtained through the City Manager, City of Post, 105 East Main Street, Post, Tx 79356 or by calling the City Manager at (806) 495-2811.

Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and marked in the lower left-hand corner and must be received before the above stated time. Bids must be valid for a period of at least 30 days upon submittal. Bidders must include at least three references including projects of a similar nature. Failure to comply with any bid requirements could result in the bid being considered void by the City.

Bids may be withdrawn at any time prior to the official opening. Alterations made prior to opening time must be initiated by the bidder to guarantee authenticity. After the official opening, bids may not be amended, altered, or withdrawn without the approval of the City Commission of the City of Post, Texas.

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Post Independent School District is currently requesting bids for Milk, Gasoline and Diesel for the 2012-2013 School Year.

Sealed proposals will be received in the Superintendent's Office at Post I.S.D., 501 S. Ave. K, Post, TX 79356 until 2 p.m. Aug. 22, 2012, at which time they will be opened and reviewed. The proposals will be considered at the School Board meeting on Aug. 30, 2012, at 7:30 p.m. in the Post I.S.D. Administration Building.

Bid specifications may be obtained by contacting Shellee Odom, Post ISD Business Manager, at 806-495-3343 or at Post ISD Administration, 501 S. Ave. K, Post, TX 79356

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

Legal Notice

Notice of Hearing for Oil and Gas Well Permit City of Post, Texas

Notice is hereby given that The George R. Brown Partnership, L.P. acting under and pursuant to ordinance No. 238, which ordinance amended ordinance No. 89, passed on February 14, 1951, and relating to the drilling for, mining or in any manner engaging in operations for the purpose of extracting oil, gas or other petroleum products from the City of Post, and correcting exhibit B in ordinance No. 89, and allowing additional drilling within the territorial limits of the City of Post as same existed on February 4, 1950, made, passed and entered on the 29th day of March, 1966, filed with the city secretary of the City of Post and

application for permit to drill a well for oil and/or gas upon section 1231 of the town of Post, Garza County, Texas, according to the map or plat of said town of record in Volume 13, page 1 of the Deed Records of Garza County, Texas, reference to which is here made: such well to be in section 1231, as shown in said ordinance No. 238.

A hearing upon said application will be held at the City Hall in the city of Post, Texas, 14th day of August, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. at which time and place all persons interested may appear and contest said application.

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Post Dispatch Weather Summary

Post's Seven Day Forecast

Friday Isolated T-storms 90 / 69	Saturday Mostly Cloudy 86 / 69	Sunday Mostly Sunny 89 / 68	Monday Mostly Sunny 94 / 71	Tuesday Mostly Sunny 93 / 70	Wednesday Partly Cloudy 94 / 72	Thursday Partly Cloudy 92 / 68

Local UV Index

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

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

Detailed Local Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a 30% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 90°, humidity of 55%. South southeast wind 5 to 10 mph. The record high temperature for today is 104° set in 2009. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a 40% chance of showers and thunderstorms, overnight low of 69°. East southeast wind 10 to 15 mph. The record low for tonight is 62° set in 1972. Saturday, skies will be mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 86°.

Weather Trivia

When did the National Weather Service begin?

Answer: Feb. 7, 1870 with President Ulysses S. Grant.

Peak Fishing/Hunting Times This Week

Day	Peak Times		Day	Peak Times	
	AM	PM		AM	PM
Fri	10:52-12:52	11:22-1:22	Tue	2:41-4:41	2:11-4:11
Sat	11:40-1:40	---	Wed	3:36-5:36	3:06-5:06
Sun	12:59-2:59	12:29-2:29	Thu	4:32-6:32	4:02-6:02
Mon	1:50-3:50	1:20-3:20			

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Weather History

Aug. 17, 1915 - A hurricane hit Galveston, Texas with wind gusts to 120 mph and a 12-foot storm surge. The storm claimed 275 lives, including 42 on Galveston Island, with most deaths due to drowning. Of 250 homes outside the seawall, just 10 percent were left standing.

Aug. 18, 1983 - Hurricane Alicia ravaged southeastern Texas. The hurricane caused more than three billion dollars property damage, making it one of the costliest hurricanes in the history of the United States. Just 13 people were killed, but 1800 others were injured.

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	
New 8/17	Fri 7:10 a.m.	8:29 p.m.	7:12 a.m.	8:18 p.m.	Full 8/31
	Sat 7:10 a.m.	8:27 p.m.	8:14 a.m.	8:53 p.m.	
	Sun 7:11 a.m.	8:26 p.m.	9:17 a.m.	9:29 p.m.	
	Mon 7:12 a.m.	8:25 p.m.	10:21 a.m.	10:05 p.m.	
First 8/24	Tue 7:13 a.m.	8:24 p.m.	11:26 a.m.	10:45 p.m.	Last 9/8
	Wed 7:13 a.m.	8:23 p.m.	12:32 p.m.	11:28 p.m.	
	Thu 7:14 a.m.	8:21 p.m.	1:38 p.m.	Next Day	

Last Week's Almanac & Growing Degree Days

Date	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Farmer's Growing Degree Days	
					Date	Degree Days
8/7	100	75	91/67	0.00"	8/7	38
8/8	93	70	91/67	0.00"	8/11	32
8/9	99	68	91/67	0.00"	8/8	32
8/10	94	68	91/67	0.00"	8/9	34
8/11	99	65	91/67	0.00"	8/10	31
8/12	100	78	91/67	0.00"	Growing degree days are calculated by taking the average temperature for the day and subtracting the base temperature (50 degrees) from the average to assess how many growing days are attained.	
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A couple of years ago when I deemed it absolutely necessary to cross the Big Pond and investigate my heritage that had been seeded in Northern Ireland, I had the good fortune of being introduced to a renowned historian who, through greater good fortune, has become a friend.

Dr. David Hume is all eat up, as my people like to say, with the history of those wily Scotch-Irish and from his post in Belfast continues to research, write and lecture on what some see as an odd collection of humanity.

After all, the Scotch-Irish, historically, have allowed few rules of society, man or king. Especially king. Mostly, we make them up and call them the law as according to us.

Several months after I had spent a day in Belfast learning at the foot of a master of the history of my people, David wrote to ask if I would please consider endorsing a book he was writing.

Would I? Absolutely.

I considered it quite a privilege. I have drawn both the admiration of many and the wrath of some because I adhere to the historically correct usage of "Scotch-Irish" rather than the new fangled (since the 1970s) use of Scots-Irish. As a result, in Northern Ireland, I am both loved and not. Same as here. But that's another story for another day.

I gladly wrote the endorsement. Recently, I received a copy of David's fine work entitled "Eagle's Wings: The Journey of the Ulster Scots and the Scotch-Irish." Now we all know academicians and most historians can be dry in delivery and overly intellectual in their telling of facts. Happily, David is not that way. This book is quite engaging and, at times, I laughed out loud. He carries on in the finest tradition of Scotch-Irish storytelling.

For instance, the book is titled after the name of the emigrant ship, The Eagle Wing, which was named from Exodus 19:4: "Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagle's wings, and brought you unto myself."

He writes that the Scotch-Irish, a name they gave themselves because they were a race comprised of marriages between Scotland transplants with the Irish, left Northern Ireland for America's Appalachians to

"avoid oppression, to shun persecution and to be enabled to worship God according to their consciences."

As any who know us know — we are one stubborn bunch. Odd. "Quare" as we call each other but rarely ourselves.

We are set in our ways, often to a point of unattractiveness. But this pronounced trait served well their new country land when the men lined up with enthusiasm to fight against the king in the Revolutionary War.

"A combination of strong faith, obstinacy and tenacity would lead them to achieve much during the revolution," David writes in "Eagle's Wings."

And truly it did, for these immigrants were central to the colonies' battles and wins in the Southern region. Without them, the British might well have been able to prevail despite the trouncing they had received in Gen. George Washington's North.

For this much is true: No Scotch-Irish worth his upbringing ever backed down from a good fight.

He points out that President Andrew Jackson and his Vice President John Calhoun both descended from this opinionated bunch of transplants and in typical Scotch-Irish style, "they fell out."

I laughed out loud at that passage. Oh, I wish I could tell you the number of times I heard that as I was growing up, "They fell out with each other." We tend not to be reasonable in accepting a view different from our own.

This all helps to explain why I don't cotton to those who criticize my continued, stubborn — and correct, I staunchly believe — use of the term of Scotch-Irish. As a result, I just fall out with them.

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