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## School start-up may be delayed this year

by Sheri Lewis  
The failure of state officials to come up with a new funding formula for Texas public schools could delay the start-up of classes for the Post Independent School District.

Superintendent Marlin Marcum said that because the current funding system has been declared unconstitutional and an order is in place preventing the release of any state funds to Texas' public schools, the Post ISD "technically cannot start school" unless a higher court overturns the ruling of the state legislature produces a bill that adequately funds education.

With legislators returning to Austin this month to rethink school fi-

nance, Marcum said he is hopeful that lawmakers do what they need to do to ensure adequate funding.

Last year, the Post ISD received about \$4 million in funding. Using the current system and in a "best-case scenario," the district would receive half of that - about \$2 million - for the 2005-2006 school year. The district would be forced to turn to local taxpayers to make up the difference, Marcum said.

"We're hoping our legislators will vote their district and not their party lines - that they'll do what's best for their communities," he said. "Time will tell."

In the meantime, local school district officials are working to write a

budget that will meet academic needs without overstepping financial boundaries that remain unclear. The "big test," Marcum said, will be finding a way that revenues are equal to or exceed expenditures.

"It's quite a challenge," he said. Although district officials are "stripping everything we can," the proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year stands at just over \$9 million. Revenue projections are estimated at \$8.2 million.

Work on the budget is ongoing. Next week, district officials will review a revised budget document. The final budget and next year's tax rate will likely be considered on Aug. 9.

Marcum said that although the district will likely be forced to generate added funds, the good news is that tax values on oil revenues are "up dramatically." In the current school year, one cent generated about \$35,000. Projections indicate that same cent will bring in close to \$43,000 in the coming school year.

In other business, trustees:

- Approved policy changes with regard to the TAKS performance tests used to evaluate students in grades 3 through 12. Under the new policies, students who fail one or more sections of the TAKS test will be required to repeat the class covering that subject, and any student who fails one or more TAKS sections will be ineligible to use final exam exemptions in the failed subject area. The policy changes are designed to make students more accountable for test performances, the superintendent said.

- Took no action on a proposed real estate acquisition.

- Approved the write off of about \$2,500 in delinquent taxes.

- Approved changes to the tax roll.

- Reviewed the results of TAKS performances for the 2005 school year and compared them to those from the previous year. Marcum said the results were mixed, with some grade levels faring well in some areas, while others turned in performances that were "less than stellar." The weakest areas, according to test scores, were in the subjects of math and science at the secondary level. "I do hope we do better next time," Marcum said, noting that meetings were being held this week as school officials continue work toward improved TAKS test scores.

- Hired six new teachers - Melanie

Curl, elementary; Marie Mashburn, middle school math and science; Kevin James, boys basketball coach; Mark Johnson, assistant coach/English; Miranda Stice, elementary; and Stephanie James, elementary teacher.

- Reviewed and approved the specifications for the new cafeteria.

Bid notices have been posted, and bids will be accepted through June 28. The board is scheduled to observe a special called meeting on June 30 to consider the bids.

- Rejected and called for the re-advertisement of bids for the district's depository. The district received only one bid following the

first advertisement, and Marcum said board members were concerned that there was not more than a single bid.

- Accepted the superintendent's resignation (see related story in this week's Dispatch).

## Marcum plans June 30 retirement, may stay here

by Sheri Lewis

After a 35-year career in education, Post Independent School District Superintendent Marlin Marcum plans to retire at the end of the month - but that doesn't mean he won't be sitting behind the superintendent's desk at the start of the 2005-2006 school year.

During last week's school board meeting, Marcum announced that in order to maximize his retirement benefits he would be stepping down from the superintendent's post at the close of his current contract period.

The resignation is effective June 30.

Marcum told The Dispatch this week he plans to offer himself for rehire by the Post ISD; however, in order to comply with regulations governing retirement benefits, he must remain without a contract for 30 days before he is eligible for rehire.

"I don't intend to hang it up," he said. "I intend to work - somewhere." Marcum said he and district trustees cannot discuss the possibility of his rehire until after the 30-day period.

## Council appoints James Easterling to Ward 4 spot

by Wes Burnett

The Post City Council appointed James Easterling to serve the Ward 4 unexpired term vacated by Bill Pool upon his election as mayor.

The appointment came at the regular meeting June 14 following Pool's oath of office as mayor. Easterling was nominated for the position by council member Dick Odom.

The council also voted to increase the fee to the George R. Brown Partnership for use of city water lines to deliver water to the west Post unit. The old rate was \$600 per year. After considerable discussion, Odom's motion to increase the rate to \$6,000 per year was approved. Water sales for the unit will continue to be billed by White River Municipal Water District.

Interim city manager Delbert Rudd was authorized to seek cost estimates for shoring up the southeast corner of the old Algerita Hotel building downtown. The city had sought estimates from Parkhill, Smith and Cooper on the safety conditions of the building. The engineering firm said that the most pressing safety issue was the southeast upper portion of the building, but was unable to provide estimates for repair.

The building is owned by a non-profit historical association, which has no funding to repair the building's failing limestone facade. City attorney Harvey Morton, one of the historical association directors, said that the building itself is in sound condition, but that the outside walls are in bad shape due to the original mortar used. He emphasized that the city could only expend funds on safety issues, and that a lien would have to be placed on the building as security.

A request for rezoning of property at 315 W. 3rd Street was rejected after a lengthy discussion with the property owner. Morton explained that there is no authority in the city ordinances to allow RVs to be used for permanent housing. The property owner was given 30 days to comply with safety issues.

The council gave tentative approval to a plan presented by the Motel Hotel committee for tourism advertising in the South Plains market. Committee president Don Bond introduced representatives from Lubbock's KCBD (Channel 11) advertising department.

The annual project will target audiences through television advertising throughout the year. Bond said that the Post Commerce and Tourism

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## Post Notes

### Post blood drive set Monday

Post's next blood drive with United Blood Services will be from noon to 3 p.m. Monday, June 27, in the mobile blood coach at the Golden Plains Care Center. All blood types are needed, but O-positive and O-negative are particularly in need. All donors must be 17 years of age, at least 110 pounds and in good health. Donors must show a photo ID and provide a list of medications. Each donor will receive a gift. All credit for the blood drive will go to Shane Anderson, brother of Cindy Guthrie, who will be having surgery on his liver next week. To make an appointment, contact event coordinator Amber Hernandez at 495-2848.

### "Sounds of the Heart" featured

Please come and join us for an exciting time of praising Jesus in song with acappella artists, "Sounds of the Heart," on Sunday, June 26 from 6-7 p.m. at the Post Church of Christ.

### Summer recreation starts June 1

Garza County Summer Recreation will start on June 1. Registration will begin at 8 a.m. on Wednesday at the Post Middle School Gym. The program is scheduled from 8 a.m. until noon, Monday through Friday, ending June 29.

### Fireworks to benefit building fund

Caprock Springs Fellowship will be receiving proceeds from Mr. W firework stands. Proceeds will benefit the building fund. The stand will be open June 24-July 4 from 9 a.m. until late.

### 4th of July Celebration in park

Help is needed to make this year the biggest and best celebration ever. Set up a food or drink concession, a game booth, etc. It would be a great fundraiser to send children and teens to camp. Be a part of the excitement and get your booth now. Call 495-3867 or 495-1207.

### Book of Acts bible study

A weekly bible study in Book of Acts will be held each Wednesday beginning at 10 a.m. at the Caprock Apartments' community room and then at 1 p.m. at the Post Manor Apartments' community room. Everyone is welcome to attend.



Post High School musicians medaling at the recent State Solo and Ensemble contest on Monday, May 30 in San Marcos are (left to right), Randall Dodson (piano accompanist), Travis Mathews, Jonathan McGregor, Vencent Robles and Alfred Segovia.

## No word on outcome of secret county meeting

by Wes Burnett

The Garza County Commissioners' Court held a secret meeting Tuesday morning (6/21/05) in which discussions were to be held between the court, its attorney Leslie Acker and engineer Rich Oller.

The posted agenda indicated the meeting was to consult with the court's attorney, but by including the engineer, it is speculated that various options related to the county road controversy on the south side of Lake Alan Henry would also be included.

Any decision made as the result of a meeting held in violation of the Texas Open Meetings Act is null and void.

The Post Dispatch, Post City Television and Post City Radio protested the secret meeting, pointing out that the law authorizes the court to consult with its attorney, but not to close the doors when consulting with its engineer.

The following letter was sent Thursday (6/16/05) to Garza County Judge Giles W. Dalby, protesting the posted notice and the planned secret meeting:

As publisher of The Post Dispatch and managing director of Post City Television and Post City Radio, I respectfully request that you revise the posted notice for an executive session on Tuesday, June 21, 2005 so that the meeting adheres to the authority of state law, specifically Sections 551.071 and 551.072 of the Local Government Code.

The notice posted Thursday, June 16, 2005 states "to discuss contemplated litigation regarding Fuller Road with Rich Oller, County Retained Engineer, and Leslie Acker, County attorney under 551.071 and 551.072 of the Open Meetings Act."

The statute clearly limits executive sessions by the plain and clear language cited below:

§ 551.071(10). CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY; CLOSED MEETING. A governmental body may not conduct a private consultation with its attorney except:

(1) when the governmental body seeks the advice of its attorney about: (A) pending or contemplated litigation; or (B) a settlement offer; or

(2) on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter.

According to the statute (551.071) the governmental body may meet in executive session with its attorney. Since Mr Oller is not the county's attorney, his presence at an executive session nullifies the authority to exclude other citizens from attending.

Added by Acts 1993, 73rd Leg., ch. 268, § 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1993.

§ 551.072. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY; CLOSED MEETING. A governmental body may conduct a closed meeting to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person.

The posted notice makes no mention of discussing real property issues, therefore, Section 551.072 does not apply to the executive session posted for June 21, 2005.

I respectfully remind you that any action taken by the court in an executive session held outside of the authority of the statutes will be null and void and those participating in the session will be subject to penalties as set out by the law.

Wesley W. Burnett Publisher and Managing Director

## GHD making plans for arrival of new doctor

Preparations for the Aug. 1 arrival of the new doctor at the local clinic are well under way within the Garza County Hospital District.

During last week's meeting of district officials, board members reviewed the strategic development plan PNS has established for the clinic, heard a report on clinic renovations and received a wish list of equipment requested for clinic use.

"We're all just real excited about (the new doctor)," district administrator Shirley Taylor said. "It's going to be so good."

As part of his report, Paul Acreman of PNS discussed several ideas for strategic development, including plans to redecorate the clinic, host a reception for the new physician, post highway billboards encouraging clinic use and schedule several lunches between the doctor and members of local organizations.

The board approved the erection of a billboard to be located on Hwy. 380 near the school.

The PNS representative also provided the board with a list of equipment the new doctor would like to see added to the clinic. Some of the items are in place, Taylor said, and others will be considered at the board's next meeting; however, not all items will be purchased at one time.

According to information provided in the clinic renovation report, a new wall has been built within the clinic to reroute foot traffic within the office and enhance patient privacy and security. Plans are in the works to redecorate the clinic's lobby to make it a "little more friendly" atmosphere, Taylor said.

In other business, board members:

- Received the monthly report on clinic operations ending May 31.

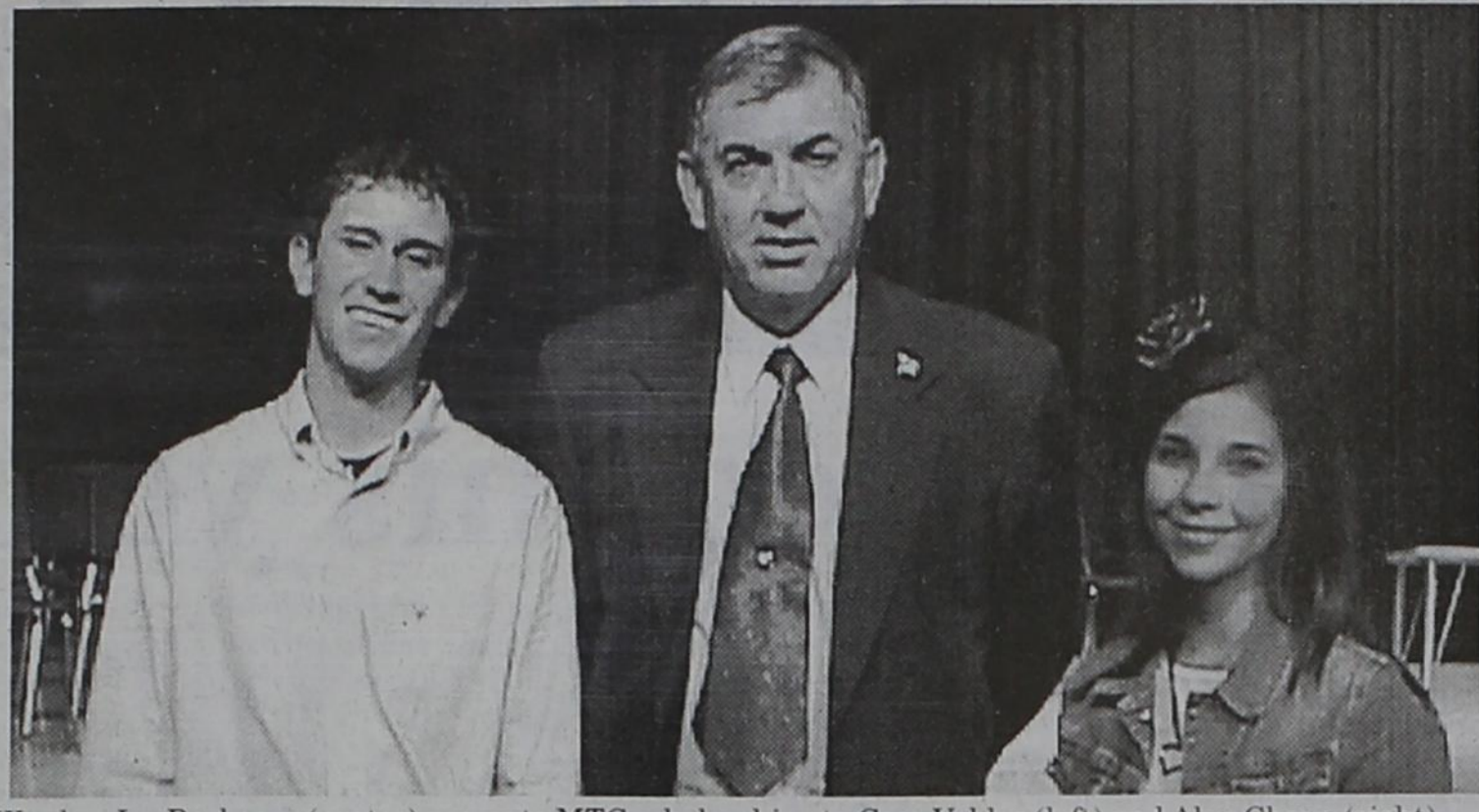
Total expenses for the month of May were \$34,350. Collections were logged at \$27,092 for a deficit of \$7,258. Taylor noted that the deficit was the "smallest deficit yet" and predicted that with the introduction of the new physician, it will drop even more. A total of 502 clinic visits were recorded, with 832 procedures.

- Tabled action on the appointment of a Precinct 3 board member until a qualified candidate can be found, Taylor said.

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Participating in the Boy Scout's Summer Camp on June 19 - 25 are Richard Hudman (Scout leader, left), Luke Cravy (5th from right), Timothy Crenshaw, Alan Heckaman, Solomon Abraham and Matthew Tanner. The camp took place at the South Plains Council Boy Scouts of America Camp Post, and included nearly 200 scouts and leaders from around the state of Texas and Oklahoma. (Staff photo by Tim Burnett)



Warden Joe Rasbeary (center) presents MTC scholarships to Coco Valdez (left) and Alex Chapa (right).

## MTC awards \$3,000 scholarships to Post and Southland seniors

Management & Training Corporation has awarded three scholarships in the amount of \$3,000 each to graduating seniors in Garza County, fulfilling a commitment made when the company was negotiating for the renewal of the contract with Garza County to manage and operate the Giles W. Dalby Correctional facility.

Warden L. Joe Rasbeary, presented the first scholarship to honor student Kylee Binford, daughter of Tommy and Monique Binford of Southland, May 20. The \$3,000 award was made at graduation ceremonies at Southland High School. Warden Rasbeary was accompanied at the presentation by County Commissioner Gary McDaniel.

Scholarships were presented by Warden Rasbeary to two graduating seniors at the Post High School Awards Ceremony. Honor students Colton (Coco) Valdez, son of Jimmy and Rhonda Valdez, and Alexandra Chapa, daughter of Hector and Linda Chapa, each received scholarships

in the amount of \$3,000.

Warden Rasbeary, warden of the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility managed by Management & Training Corporation, a private company headquartered in Centerville, Utah, announced that the company is awarding three scholarships to seniors graduating in Garza County this year, in the amount of \$3,000 each, to express Management & Training Corp.'s appreciation to the citizens of Post and Garza County for the support over the past five years and for allowing the company and employees to be a part of the community.

Management & Training Corporation believes in and is committed to the premise that the power of education can change and improve an individual's life and is pleased that by the award of these scholarships to three very deserving young people we are having a part as they take the steps to the next level of education achievement.

The tradition of presenting the annual scholarships will continue

each year through the length of the contract, two \$3,000 scholarships in the Post Independent School District, and one \$3,000 scholarship in the Southland Independent School District.

### GHD meeting ...

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- Appointed board president Wayne Edwards as representative to the Ambulance Committee.
- Approved financial statements and the payment of monthly bills.
- Heard the indigent care report for the month of May. The program served 13 clients for a total of \$6,925. Year-to-date expenditures are at \$26,382 for a program budget balance of \$73,617.
- Received a report on vandalism on the district's property (see related story in this week's Dispatch).

The next regular meeting of the district's board of directors has been set for 6:30 p.m. July 21 in the Citizens Bank Community Room.

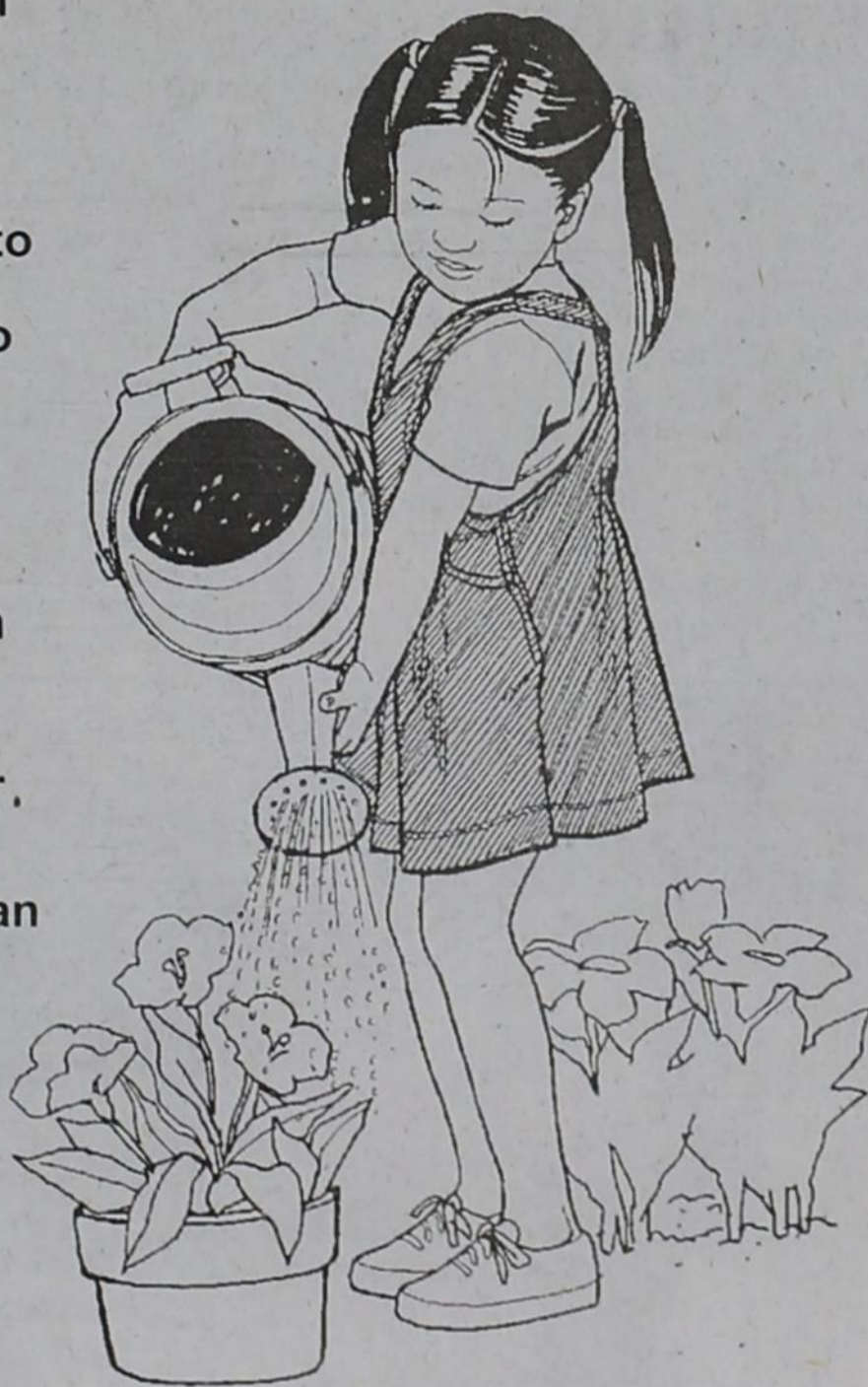


Warden L. Joe Rasbeary (third from left) presented a \$3,000 scholarship to Southland High School senior Kylee Binford (front center) during awards ceremony May 20. Kylee is the daughter of Monique and Tommy Binford (center, left and right). Also at the event were Commissioner Gary McDaniel (left), Southland High School principal James Starkey (second from left) and SISD superintendent Oran Hamilton (right).

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## Jamie Dawson, Ted Thomas exchange wedding vows May 7

Jamie Dawson and Ted Thomas were wed at 6 p.m. May 7, 2005, at the First Baptist Church in Post with Ted Currington of Levelland officiating.

The bride is the daughter of James and Joy Dawson of Post.

Parents of the groom are Gary and Janis Thomas of Kingsland and Lynn and George Perkins of Orange Grove.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a diamond white satin wedding gown from the MorLe collection. The strapless bodice featured elegant pale pink, purple and blue embroidery and beading. Floral designs decorated the front and back of the bodice and the train. Tiny sequins and clear crystals highlighted the embroidery. Satin buttons sat at the back of the gown. The gown's bouffant skirt ended in a semi-cathedral train.

She carried a bouquet of white and pink roses.

Laci Williams of Lubbock served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were April Line of San Angelo and Jessica Garza of Amarillo.

Each bridesmaid wore a pale pink strapless gown featuring a row of dark pink ribbon on the bodice that continue around the back of the gown.

Flower girls were Kara and Chelsea Thomas, daughters of the groom, and Mackenzie Parker of Gonzales, the bride's niece.

Gary Thomas of Kingsland, the groom's brother, served as best man. Groomsmen were Ethan Thomas of Kingsland, the groom's brother, and Dustin Robinson of Post, nephew of the bride.

Ring bearer was Quinton Parker of Gonzales, the bride's nephew.

Ushers were Billy Parker of Gonzales, the bride's brother-in-law, and Erron Dawson of Denver City, a member of the bride's family.

Registering guests were Victoria and Delany Rodriguez of Denver City, both nieces of the bride.

Following the ceremony, the couple was honored with a dinner and reception at Chapa's Family Restaurant.

The bride, a graduate of Post High School and Covenant School of Nursing, is employed with the Lynn County Hospital as a registered nurse.

Her husband, a Marble Falls High School graduate, is employed with Alamosa PCS in Lubbock as a switch technician.

Following a Las Vegas honeymoon, the couple has made their home in Post.

### City Council ...

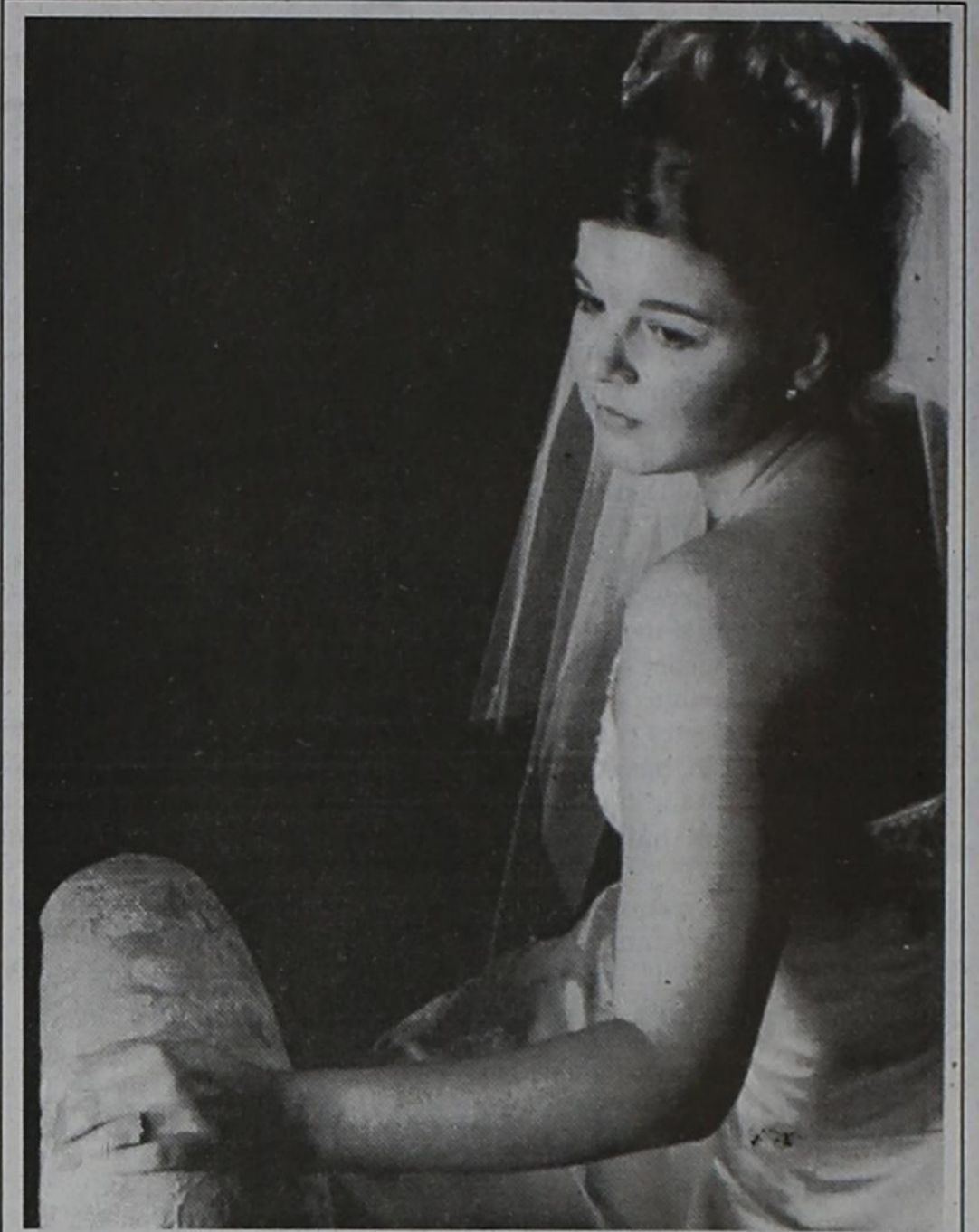
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Bureau has approved the plan. Funding comes from the hotel-motel tax and by law must be expended solely for the purpose of improving overnight stays.

The meeting opened with Pool's oath of office, followed by a "charge" and prayer by Pool's minister, Rev. James Egan of the First Baptist Church.

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Mrs. Ted Thomas (Jamie Dawson)



## Davida Gregory, Calvin Zant set June 26 wedding date

Joe and Sheila Gregory of Post announce the engagement of their daughter Davida Jane Gregory of Lubbock to Calvin Lee Zant of Lubbock. The couple plan a June 26 wedding at the Hotel Garza in Post.

The groom is the son of David and Connie Zant of Ackerly and grandson of Bud and Joe Hughes of Knot and Rex and Patsy Zant of Ackerly.

The bride's grandparents are Herschel Williams and the late David Williams of Post and Rance and LouAnn Gregory of Clarendon.

The bride is attending Lubbock Christian University as Education Major. She is employed at Covenant Medical Center as a Pharmacy Tech.

The groom is a Texas Tech graduate with a Bachelor degree in Computer Science, employed at Smooth Fusion as a Web developer.

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Enjoying a Chicago Cubs baseball game at Wrigley Field during the weekend of June 10, are (left to right), Cecillia Cade, Mary Cade and Danny McBride.

## A Dream Come True

by Danny McBride

If you've lived in Post for any length of time there is a good chance you know Mary Cade. I first came to know her as the nice lady that served me lunch at Jackson's cafeteria most Sundays after Church. Mary worked many years at Jackson's, she has also catered the meals for the Rotary in conjunction with the cafeteria, then on her own, since before many of the current members have been associated with the club. Most recently she had a role in the establishment of the new Senior Center.

After being widowed early in life, Mary raised four children alone in a small three bedroom house with one bathroom. This alone would have been overwhelming for most, but added to her broad shoulders was the realization that her youngest child had multiple handicaps. At a time when it was suggested, and most would have sent the youngest away, Mary and her family chose to raise him in a loving home, often ignoring the ridicule of both Mary's and her children's peers. After raising her three girls and her special son, Mary then took on the task of raising two of her Grandchildren.

As if Mary's house wasn't busting at the seams with her own family it was also the center of many of her children's friend's lives also. She became a surrogate mother to several of her children's friends. There was always a place in her kitchen for all.

Recently times have been testing Mary again. She was diagnosed and treated for cancer. In the midst of her battle against cancer her oldest daughter died unexpectedly.

There has always been a constant in Mary's life, Mary has always been an avid Chicago Cubs fan watching them on television whenever time permitted, and often spoke of seeing them play live.

Recently it was my pleasure to see the look on Mary's face as she prepared to see her wish come true. Last Christmas my partner and I gave Mary a Chicago Cubs schedule and told her to pick the game she wanted to see. June 10, Al and I met Mary and her middle daughter Cecillia at the Midway Airport in Chicago. This began a weekend of new experiences for us all.

We got on the Orange train to downtown where we put Mary and Cecillia on the Red train to take on the second leg of their trip to the Hotel. Al and I had tickets to "The Lion King" and could not take them all the way to the hotel. Being the type to embrace new experiences, they chose to take mass transit instead the taxi we offered to put them in and continued to the correct train stop. They ended their trip to the hotel by bus.

The next day after a late breakfast we were off to Wrigley field to watch the second of three Chicago Cubs games against the Boston Red Sox. Along with about 40,000 other fans we were in the stadium to cheer the Cubs to an exciting 7 to 5 victory over the Boston Red Sox. It was an exciting game and I was so happy Mary got to see her team win.

Our seats were lined up with first and third base behind the Cubs dugout. Many people were amazed to learn that the Cubs had fans all the way down in Texas; although most admitted they had no idea where in Texas Lubbock was located, much less Post. When the game ended we walked around the field and took some pictures of the historic Wrigley field. After the game we went downtown to have dinner. With dinner done it was time to head back to the hotel, by this time it became obvious Mary was traveling the Chicago transit system like someone that had been doing it their whole life.

Sunday we all attended church before going downtown for more sightseeing. This was interesting for me as the congregation of this church had only twenty members and the church of the same denomination I attend has close to four hundred. After church we went to the Navy Pier, then to the Magnificent Mile followed by lunch at a restaurant owned by Mike Ditkas. This was Cecillia's suggestion; it had excellent food in a beautiful restaurant filled with memorabilia from many different sports.

Lunch was followed by a trip to the top of the Sears Tower, where four states can

## Construction on new gazebo completed

Construction on the new gazebo in the City - County Park was recently completed. Starting in October of 2004, the construction work was contracted to David Woods and Two Draw Welding.

Garza County Commissioner Mike Sanchez expressed his excitement over the project and gave a special thanks to Earl Chapman with Rocker A, for the donation of 2" pipe used for the trusses.



City-County Park Gazebo (past)



City-County Park Gazebo (present)

be seen on a clear day. On the way back to the hotel we stopped for some excellent pie at a restaurant down the street from our hotel. As the weekend came to an end we all agreed we hadn't laughed so much in a very long time.

I was concerned that all this sightseeing might have been too much for Mary, but I guess someone else got their wish. Mary's doctor had been telling her to get more exercise; well we all got a lot of exercise over the weekend.

I titled this "A Dream come True". Many of you may have thought I was speaking of Mary's wish to see her beloved team play and I do hope that this was all she had thought it would be. Actually it was my dream I was referring to. It has long been my dream of saying "Thank you" to a very special lady. Thank

you, Mary Cade for loving me when you could easily have told me you had enough to do; raising the children you gave birth to. Thank you for being a mother to a boy that lost his own mother too young to have any memories of her. Thank you for loving me, accepting me as I am, and teaching me the true meaning of unconditional love.

Your son from another woman.

## Births

### Cody Shawn Byrd

"Regan Shay has a new brother to hold. Shawn and Jaclyn Byrd have a new life to mold. Together we have a new love to share. Which God has blessed with His tender care." Cody Shawn - June 8, 2005, 1:05 a.m.; 7 pounds, 7 ounces; 19 inches long. Grandparents - Jimmy and Jeanie Byrd of Post

### White River Lake Weekly Report June 20, 2005

Gauge reading: 2352.00 Feet below spillway: 20'6" Rise - 0" Rainfall (past week): 0" Rain to-date: 6.64"

Source: Mickey Rogers, WRMWD general manager

## Celebrate July 4th

Post City Park Family Fun Booths, Music, Food

## APPRAISAL REVIEW BOARD FOR THE GARZA CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT, TEXAS

### Notice of Public Meeting of the Appraisal Review Board:

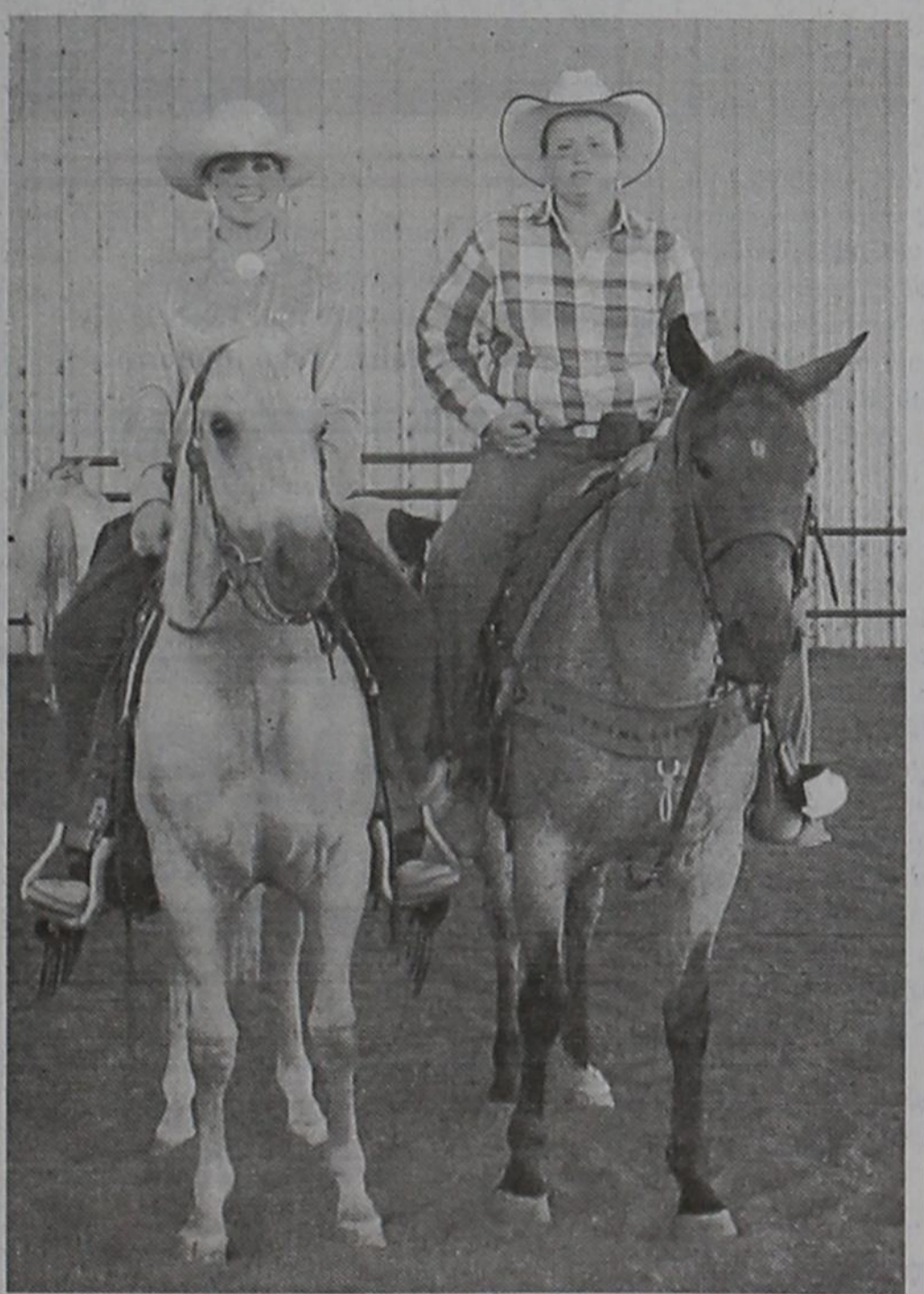
Notice is hereby given that a public meeting of the Appraisal Review Board of the Garza Central Appraisal District will convene on June 23, 2005, at the Garza Central Appraisal Office at 124 East Main, Post, Texas, and will continue in session at that time and place on the appraisal or property values for the Garza Central Appraisal District.

### AGENDA:

1. The board will hear and determine taxpayer and taxing unit appeals on all matters permitted by TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE.

- (1.) Real, Personal, Minerals, & Utilities Time: 9:00 A.M. until NOON
- (2.) Certification of 2005 Appraisal Roll
- (3.) Certification of Supplemental Records for 2004

This notice is given in pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code.



Sitting poised on their horses during the District 4-H contest on Tuesday, June 14 at Lubbock are (left to right), Sydney Shipp and Katie Vernon. Shipp placed 4th in the 2-Year Old Pleasure category and Vernon placed 4th in Team Roping. The young women will advance to the State Horse Show to take place July 24 - 30, at the Spectra Center in Abilene.

# Chapa's

Family Restaurant

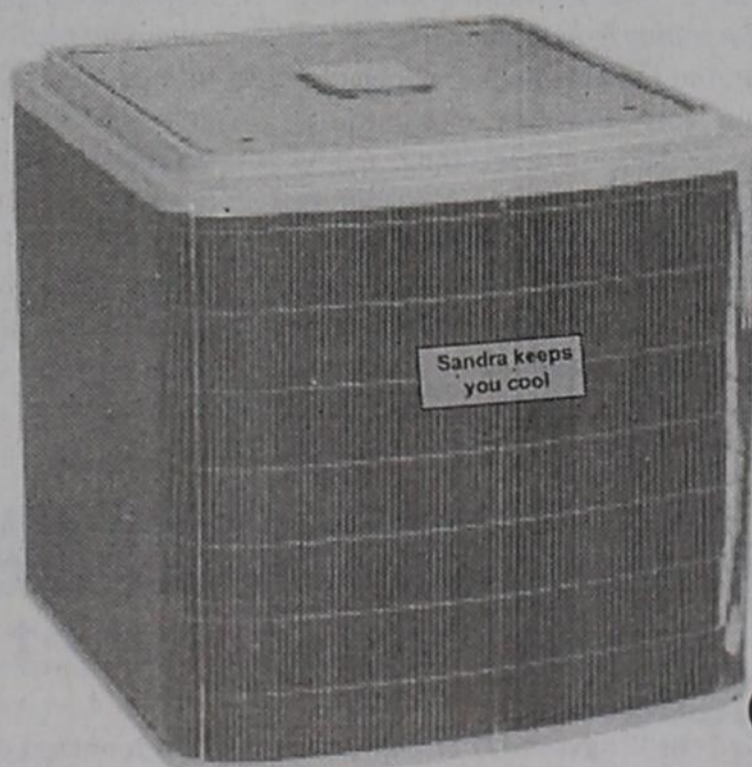
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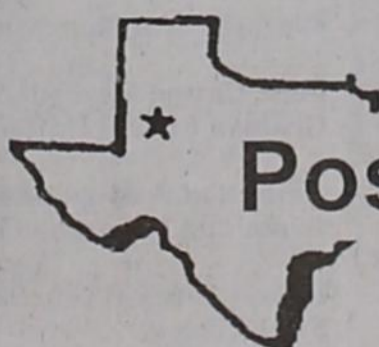
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# Obituaries

## Margaret Dixon

Margaret Dixon went to meet her Savior and Lord on Saturday, May 28, 2005 after a lengthy illness at Texoma Medical Center in Denison. A memorial service to celebrate her life was held on Tuesday, May 31, 2005 at Parkside Baptist Church at 301 N. Lillis in Denison. Bro. Tom Nesbitt of Ames, Iowa and Bro. Leon Haas of Cartwright, Oklahoma officiated.

Mrs. Dixon was born Mary Margaret Chastain to Charles Lewis and Viola Heflin Chastain in Marshall, Texas on January 3, 1933. She went to school at Buckner Orphanage in Dallas and in Marshall. She married Billy (Bill) Carp Dixon, Sr. on April 19, 1951 in Lovington, New Mexico. She lived in Post from 1950-1968. She loved Post and its people. She, her husband and children visited as often as they could. She was a member of Hagerman Baptist Church in Sherman. She loved the Lord and was an "encourager" to all that new her. She wanted everyone to know Jesus. Even after she became very ill she went on mission trips to New Mexico and South Dakota and shared her faith with family and friends.

She is survived by her husband of 54 years, Bill Dixon of Denison. Four daughters and their husbands: Pat and Dale Rapp; Frances and Mike Carrell; Jame and Keith Swindell all of Pottsboro; and Sandy and Joe Petree of Savoy. Also surviving is one son and wife Billy (Bok) Jr. and Karen Dixon of Sherman; one brother and his wife, James Oliver and Bette Chastain of Statesville, North Carolina; one step-sister, JoAnn Kimbell of Shongaloo, Louisiana; a special sister-in-law Faye Dell Petty of Granbury and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her brother, Charles Chastain and her sister, June Rogers and her parents.

She was "Granny" to twelve grandchildren: Brent Jackson of Sherman, Ricky Powell, Amy Gage, Kasey Carrell, Kelley Carrell, Nathan Carrell, Dixon Carrell, Lindsay Swindell, and Hannah Swindell, all of Pottsboro; Robyn Petree-Schatz of Oklahoma City, Jenny Harris of Savoy; and Jessica Hibbard of Denison. She had ten great-grandchildren.

She had many friends at Post. Life-long friends still living in Post are: Frances Josey, Nellie Tyler, Della Crenshaw, Marilyn & Ted Williams, and Nolan Williams. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations may be made to Buckner's Orphan Care International at 600 N. Pearl Street Suite 1900, Dallas, Texas 75201

## Placida Guerrero

Services for Placida Guerrero, 72, of Post will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, June 23, 2005, at the Church of God of Prophecy. Burial will follow at the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home.



She died Tuesday, June 21, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

Born Oct. 5, 1932, in Houston, she married Monico Guerrero Sr. on July 5, 1947, in Post. He preceded her in death on Sept. 24, 2001. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of God of Prophecy.

Survivors include seven sons, Ramon Guerrero Sr., Tino Guerrero, Ricky Guerrero, Monico Guerrero Jr., Jessie Guerrero, Joe Angel Guerrero and John De La Rosa, all of Post; five daughters, Maria Elena Espinoza of Andrews and Isabel Armendariz, Josie Armendariz, Chane Dissinger and Sonia Marquez, all of Post; her father, Nicholas Flores of Post; four brothers, Raymond Flores of Plainview, Frank Flores of Post, Juan Flores of Plainview and Temo Flores of Houston; three sisters, Naya Acevedo of Syracuse, Kansas, Paula Salas of Lubbock and Gregoria Martinez of Post; 43 grandchildren; 46 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Sally Guerrero Rodriguez, on March 23, 2002.

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### Happy 50th Anniversary!

The family of G.H. and Alyne Clanton would like to wish them a very happy 50th this Sunday. You are two of the most sweet, loving, caring, beautiful people we know. Thank you for being you and teaching us how to be us. We love you so very much and hope everything is just "Great and wonderful". Love always, Lisa, Charlie, Sam, A.J., Mike, Ace

### Congress and Federal Reserve Erode Your Dollars

by U.S. Congressman Ron Paul

Last week the US Treasury department issued a warning to the Chinese government with regard to its policy of pegging the value of the Chinese yuan to the US dollar. In essence, the Treasury department accuses China of artificially suppressing the value of its currency by tying it to the dollar, thus making Chinese imports very cheap and worsening our trade imbalance.

This kind of bluster may serve political interests, but in reality we have nobody to blame but ourselves for the sharp decline in the US dollar. Congress and the Federal Reserve, not China, are the real culprits in the erosion of your personal savings and buying power.

Congress relentlessly spends more than the Treasury collects in taxes each year, which means the US government must either borrow or print money to operate—both of which cause the value of the dollar to drop. When we borrow a billion dollars every day simply to run the government, and when the Federal Reserve increases the money supply by trillions of dollars in just 15 years, we hardly can expect our dollars to increase in value.

If anything, the US government should be embarrassed that another nation has depressed its currency by tying it to the US dollar. An economically sound nation would take pride in its currency, one that maintains a stable value and provides incentive for savers. Yet here we are, mad at China for our own sin of flooding the world with cheap dollars.

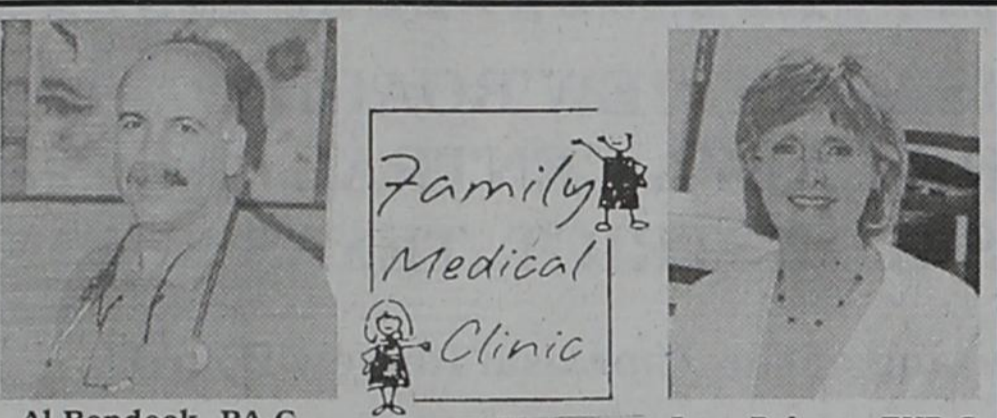
The root of the problem is the Federal Reserve and our fiat monetary system itself. Since US dollars and other major currencies are not backed by gold, they have no inherent value. Their relative values are subject to political events, and fluctuate constantly in highly volatile currency markets. A fiat system means every dollar you have can be eroded into nothing by the actions of politicians and central bankers. In essence, paper currencies like the US dollar operate as articles of faith—faith in the policies of the governments and central banks that issue them.

When it comes to a government as deeply indebted as our own, that faith is sorely lacking among investors worldwide. Politicians often manage to fool voters and the media, but they rarely fool financial markets over time. The precipitous drop in the US dollar over the past few years is proof that investors around the globe are very concerned about American deficits and debt. When investors lack faith in the U.S. dollar, they really lack faith in the economic policies of the U.S. government. Unlike wealthy currency traders, most Americans are stuck with their U.S. dollars.

Average people, particularly those who depend on savings or fixed incomes to fund their retirement years, cannot abide the continued devaluation of our currency. A true strong-dollar policy would not depend on the actions of China or any other nation. It would, however, require a constriction of the money supply and higher interest rates, both of which would cause some short-term pain for the American economy. In the long run, however, such a correction is the only alternative to the continued erosion of our dollars.

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## On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

### Jesus Christ...the last anointed King

We have been looking closely at the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Before we continue, let's learn a little about his ministry and kingship. Throughout the Old Testament periods God established certain people as prophets and kings through other prophets. According to 1 Samuel 15:1, God sent Samuel to anoint Saul to be king over Israel. In 1 Samuel 16:3 we see the same prophet anointing David to be king. In all cases, the anointing prophet had holy spirit and the anointed parties had holy spirit come upon them. It was God who gave the direct call to anoint. In other words the true prophets did not anoint others simply because they asked for it.

Jesus Christ's ministry began with a slightly different process in which he was baptized with water. It was at the time of his baptism of water that holy spirit first came on Jesus Christ. Before John baptized Jesus, he did not have holy spirit on him. John on the other hand had holy spirit from birth. It was God's will to raise a prophet who would prepare His people for their Messiah. This preparation included the necessary anointing or baptism.

In John 1:32-34 it says, "And John bare record, saying, 'I saw the spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him. And I knew him not; but He that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizes with the holy ghost. And I saw, and bare record that this is the son of God.'" This scripture helps us to clearly understand that this was the time that holy spirit descended upon Jesus Christ. The dove was simply a visible sign for John to know that holy spirit was descending upon the son of God. It is also interesting to note that John did not know

Jesus Christ before that time. It was only by God's revelation that John could know Jesus. And it was only by God's revelation that John could baptize him in the first place.

Jesus Christ was the last person to be anointed with holy spirit in the Old Testament tradition. After he ascended into heaven and sat at the right hand of God, a few days later, holy spirit was poured out on the day of Pentecost and it became available for anybody to be filled with holy spirit. The conditions completely changed. According to Romans 10:9-10, all who believe with their hearts that God raised Jesus from the dead become righteous. To be righteous simply means to be filled with holy spirit.

What about the spiritual anointing of kings and other government officials? To the best of my understanding, it passed away with the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. He was the last person to be anointed for kingship by God. His kingdom on earth is held in abeyance until he returns to rule, as recorded in Revelation 19:11-21, 20:1-6. Jesus' kingdom on earth will be fulfilled at a set time in the future. In a vision to John, the Lord Jesus told him, "Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book. For the time is at hand" (Revelation 22:10). God does not need to set up kings and judges any more. During this age of the grace of God, Jesus is the Lord and Savior. During the period of time recorded in Revelations he will be established as the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, and he will judge righteously according to his Father's will (Revelation 19:16).

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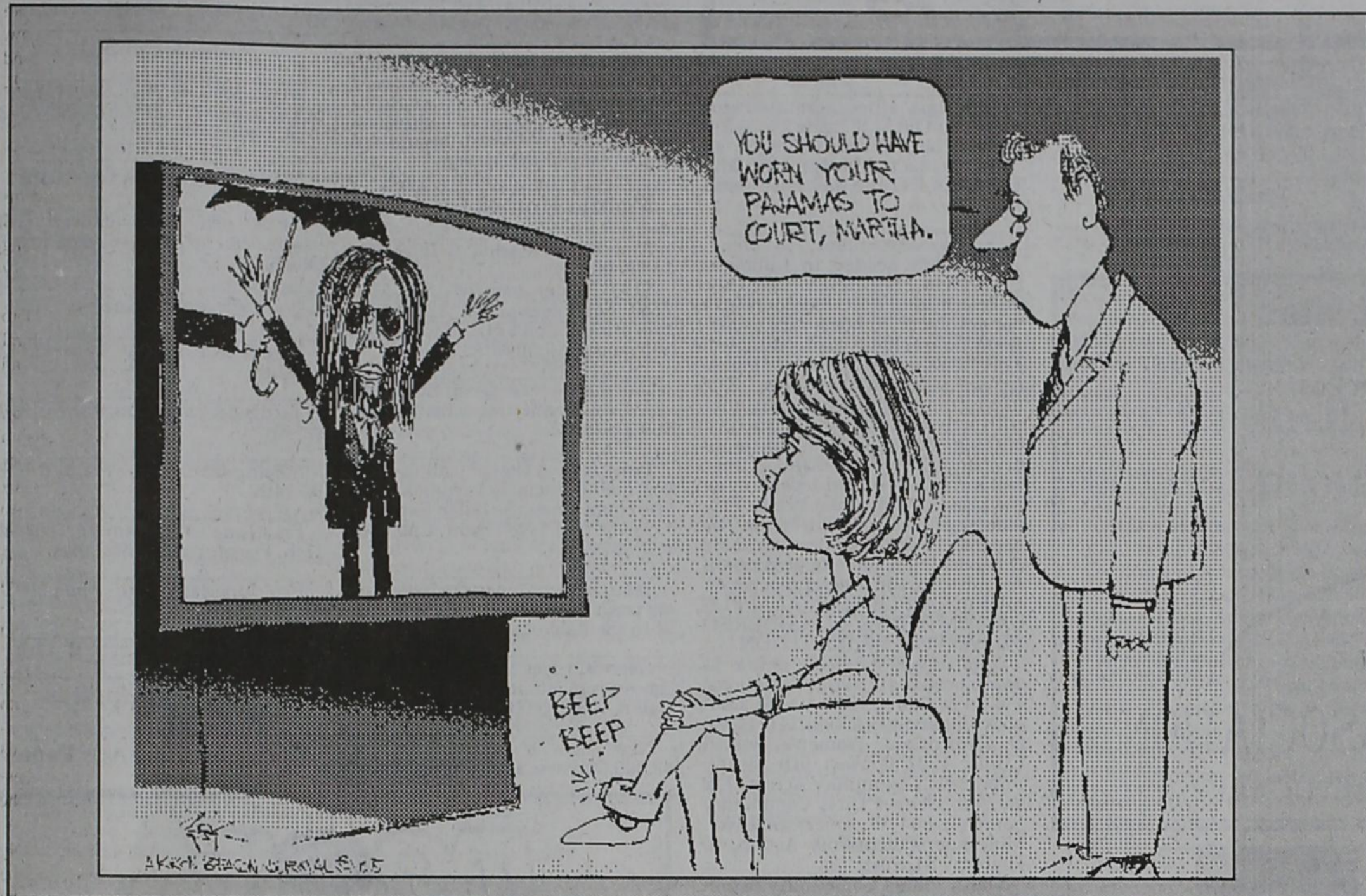
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# Opinions



## NeoCon Global Government

by U.S. Congressman Ron Paul

This week Congress will vote on a bill to expand the power of the United Nations beyond the dreams of even the most ardent left-wing, one-world globalists. But this time the UN power grabbers aren't European liberals; they are American neo-conservatives, who plan to use the UN to implement their own brand of world government.

The "United Nations Reform Act of 2005" masquerades as a bill that will cut US dues to the United Nations by 50% if that organization does not complete a list of 39 reforms. On the surface any measure that threatens to cut funding to the United Nations seems very attractive, but do not be fooled: in this case reform "success" will be worse than failure. The problem is in the supposed reforms themselves—specifically in the policy changes this bill mandates.

The proposed legislation opens the door for the United Nations to routinely become involved in matters that have never been part of its charter. Specifically, the legislation redefines terrorism very broadly for the UN's official purposes—and charges it to take action on behalf of both governments and international organizations.

What does this mean? The official adoption of this definition by the United Nations would have the effect of making resistance to any government or any international organization an international crime. It would make any attempt to overthrow a government an international *caus belli* for UN military action.

Until this point a sovereign government retained the legal right to defend against or defeat any rebellion within its own territory. Now any such activity would constitute justification for United Nations action inside that country. This could be whenever any splinter group decides to resist any regime—regardless of the nature of that regime.

What if this were in place when the Contras were fighting against the Marxist regime in Nicaragua? Or when the Afghan mujahadeen was fighting against the Soviet-installed government in the 1980s?

Or during the Warsaw Ghetto uprising? The new message is clear: resistance—even resistance to the UN itself—is futile. Why does every incumbent government, no matter how bad, deserve UN military assistance to quell domestic unrest?

This new policy is given teeth by creating a "Peacebuilding Commission," which will serve as the implementing force for the internationalization of what were formerly internal affairs of sovereign nations. This Commission will bring together UN Security Council members, major donors, major troop contributing countries, appropriate United Nations organizations, the World Bank, and the International Monetary Fund among others.

This new commission will create the beginning of a global UN army. It will claim the right to intervene in any conflict anywhere on the globe, bringing the World Bank and the IMF formally into the picture as well. It is a complete new world order, but undertaken with the enthusiastic support of many of those who consider themselves among the most strident UN critics.

Conservatives who have been critical of the UN in the past have enthusiastically embraced this bill and the concept of UN reform. But what is the desired end of "UN reform"? The UN is an organization that was designed to undermine sovereignty and representative government. It is unelected and unaccountable to citizens by its very design. Will UN reform change anything about the fact that its core mission is objectionable? Do honest UN critics really want an expanded UN that functions more "efficiently"?

The real question is whether we should redouble our efforts to save a failed system, or admit its failures—as this legislation does—and recognize that the only reasonable option is to cease participation without further costs to the United States in blood, money, and sovereignty. Do not be fooled: it is impossible to be against the United Nations and to support "reform" of the United Nations. The only true reform of the United Nations is for the US to withdraw immediately.

## The problem is socialism and empire, not immigration

by Jacob G. Hornberger

In a speech delivered a couple of years ago, former governor of Colorado Richard D. Lamm made the startling claim that the way to destroy our country is to "turn America into a bilingual or multilingual and bicultural country. History shows that no nation can survive the tension, conflict, and antagonism of two or more competing languages and cultures."

What about Switzerland, a country that has survived centuries, even though its languages and culture are French, German, and Italian? In an article he published previous to the speech, Lamm explained that Switzerland can be reconciled with his amazing thesis because the country "has divided its geography into three separate areas, each of which has a common and dominant language."

But how is that different in principle from a country whose common and dominant language is English but where people within different geographical areas of the country speak a foreign language with their friends and relatives?

I wonder whether Lamm is familiar with my hometown of Laredo, Texas, located on the Rio Grande, which is both bilingual and bicultural and has been for at least 150 years. The city, whose street names include the names of many Spanish and Mexican historical figures and whose store signs are often in Spanish, has the biggest celebration in the nation honoring George Washington's birthday. As far as I know, the city's survival has never been threatened by "tension, conflict, and antagonism of two or more competing languages and cultures."

Surely Lamm knows that California, along with New Mexico, Arizona, Texas, and parts of Colorado, once constituted the northern half of Mexico. Those areas were knowingly annexed by the United States in the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo in 1848, rendering all (former) Mexican citizens in that area "Spanish-speakers all and thoroughly inculcated with Spanish and Mexican culture" U.S. citizens.

Given all those Spanish-speaking (former) Mexicans living in that part of the United States, a part that had been the northern half of Mexico the night before the treaty was implemented, was the demise of the United States imminent? I don't think so.

For that matter, did the open borders that were maintained between the United States and (the remaining part of) Mexico for the next 80 years or so, which enabled Mexicans and Americans to freely cross back and forth across the border to visit, tour, work, or open

businesses, result in the demise of the United States? I don't think so.

Contrary to what Lamm suggests, what is destroying America is not immigration, legal or illegal. Immigrants are just convenient scapegoats for ever-increasing crises and woes arising out of failed paradigms of socialism and empire that hold our nation in their grip.

The foreign-policy paradigm entails the presence of U.S. military bases in more than 100 countries, invasions of sovereign and independent countries, and support for brutal foreign regimes, all of which have given rise to the anger and hatred that has produced terrorism against Americans and the resulting U.S. "war on terrorism" all over the world.

On the domestic side, we have such failed welfare-state programs as Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, public schooling, and the drug war. The anti-immigrant crowd cries out, "They're coming to take our welfare!" But rather than calling for a repeal of such failed government programs, they instead use them as an excuse for immigration controls, excluding even those who are simply seeking a better way of life through labor.

Socialism and empire will continue to bring us internal moral decay, which will inevitably be accompanied by exorbitant government spending, borrowing, taxation, regulation, and assaults on civil liberty. It is unfortunate that, gripped by a deep reluctance to rec-

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Congress attempted to repeal the tax in 2000. Both the House and the Senate passed legislation to eliminate the tax — it was a 420-2 vote in the House — but then-President Bill Clinton vetoed the bill when it reached his desk.

Once again, the House has been presented with a bill — H.R. 1898 — that would repeal the tax on telephone and other communications services. The bill was introduced in late April by Rep. Gary G. Miller of California, and has been cosponsored by 39 other congressmen. It currently sits in the House Committee on Ways and Means. The outrage?

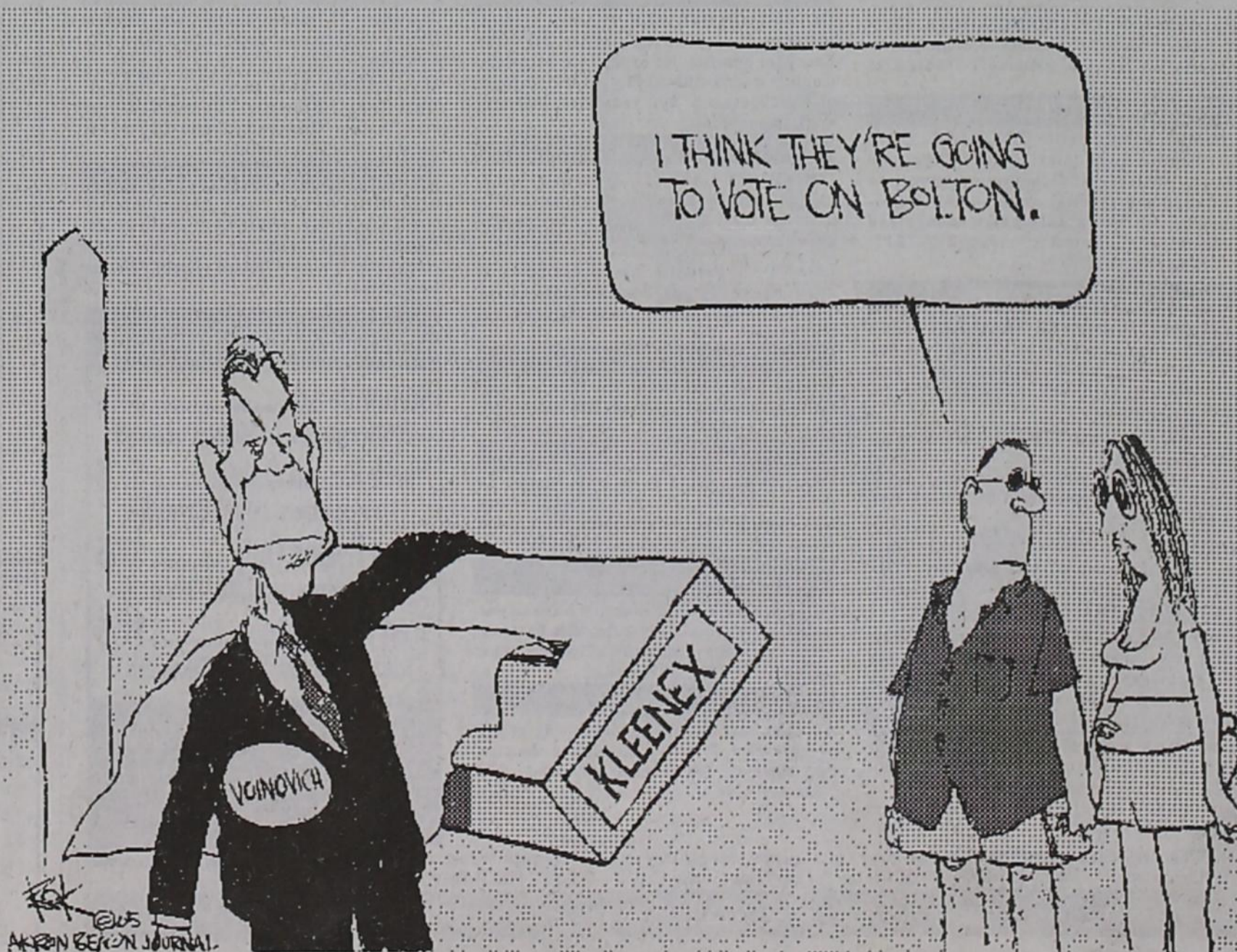
This tax should have been repealed more than a century ago, but some members of Congress still support the tax — and some even want to expand it. Congress' Joint Committee on Taxation issued an opinion in January, saying that the tax could be expanded to apply to wireless Internet and data connections.

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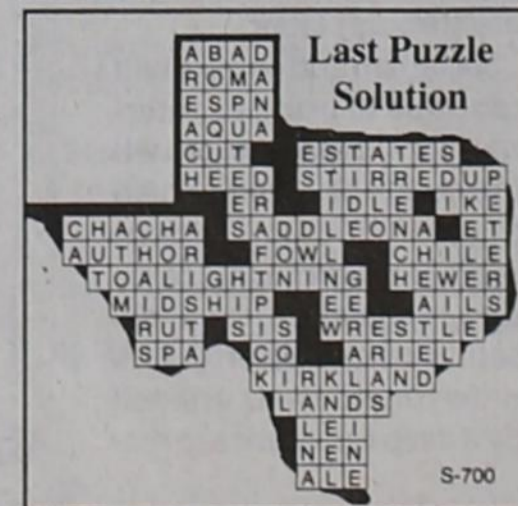
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# Yesteryears

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## 10 Years Ago June 22, 1995

Talina Bird won the All-Around Girls' title at the Texas High School Rodeo Finals in Abilene. She took first in pole bending, second in barrel racing and sixth in goat tying.

Army Staff Sgt. Russel C. Graves has completed the criminal investigation division (CID) special agent course at Fort McClellan, Anniston, Ala. Graves is the son of Ronnie and Diane Graves of Post and a 1986 graduate of Post High School.

Garza County has a new DPS trooper. He is Chris Wischkemper. Chris is originally from Lubbock. Chris is an ex-Marine having served four years. He served in Desert Shield and Desert Storm. He and his wife Michelle, have a two-year-old son and a four-month old daughter.

Celebrating Mrs. Betty Pierce's 96th birthday June 14 at her home in Post were six of her 11 children. Those attending were Marcella Hair, Weaver McKamie, Virgie Jenkins, Rusty Dean, Pokey Ammons and Corkey Ammons. Mrs. Pierce was born June 14, 1899 in Randolph Co., Alabama and

came to Texas in a covered wagon when she was nine years old. She has 37 grandchildren, 77 great grandchildren and 20 great-great grandchildren.

## 20 Years Ago June 26, 1985

Nathaniel Wilson of Post was the honored guest at a special party June 18 as "Uncle Nathan" celebrated his 103rd birthday. When "Uncle Nathan" was born in 1882, Garza County was merely a lot of open country and Post, Texas wasn't even an idea. His memories are fading, but he enjoys the company of his friends.

At its regular meeting the Post ISD board of directors voted to build a new athletic field house. The board also approved the hiring of Will Burks as band director, and his wife Davida Burks will serve as reading specialist. Also hired was Juanita Ammons as school nurse.

Marvin Hudman, Post funeral director, was recently honored at the Texas Funeral Directors' convention in Fort Worth, at the banquet Hudman was presented a 50 year plaque. Mr. Hudman was licensed in 1935 and started Hudman's Funeral Home in 1948

with his brother Victor.

Buster Shumard recently caught a 25 pound striper bass on the Arkansas River near Santa Fe, Ok.

Fifty-nine Maxey family descendants of the late J. F. and Belle Maxey of the Graham Community attended a reunion over the weekend at White River Spiritual Retreat Lodge.

## 30 Years Ago June 26, 1975

The most unusual tour group to pass through Post in many a year - Wandering Wheels - stopped for lunch here Saturday in Algeria Park. They were composed of 48 young men, and 2 women cooks, who were headed east on that organization's 14th coast to coast tour.

Miss Debbie Epley and Dennis Mason were united in marriage in a formal ceremony in the Post, Church of Christ. Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Epley of Post and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Mason of Andrews.

The all-star squad, who will represent Post in post-season Little League tournaments include Ronnie Greathouse, Lance Dunn, Ramon Raymundo, Gary Lamb, Barry Morris, Alvin Taylor, Mark Holly, Joe Lofton, David Foster, Mark Greer, Dana Scott, Danny Wright, Bryan Taylor and Rubin Storie.

Arnold Parrish is announcing the closing out sale of his grocery and market. Arnold, who has been in the grocery business in Post for 23 years said his future plans are indefinite.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sweeten were honored with a barbecue supper in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Rankin. The Sweetens are moving from Post to Brownwood to make their home.

## 40 Years Ago June 24, 1965

Ed Scott of Justiceburg, a resident of the Golden Years Nursing Home celebrated his 92nd birthday Wednesday with the help of other residents of the home, including three who are also over 90 years of age. Among those helping the honoree celebrate his birthday were J. B. Hudman, 93; W. J. Benson, 93, and Mrs. J. N. Gossett, who just turned 91.

The only one of Post's first church buildings still in use has been named a Recorded Texas Historical Landmark. The building is the present Faith Lutheran Church at Avenue K and 10th Street. Built in 1915 by the First Presbyterian Church, the building was purchased in 1963 by Faith Lutheran Church after the Presbyterians moved to their new building at Avenue S and 10th Street.

A power failure at the Close City Community Center Saturday night failed to halt a presentation ceremony in which the community was presented its \$100 prize check for winning first place in the district in the state Community Improvement Contest. The power failure resulted from the Southwestern Public Service Company's big transformer here being put out of commission by a snake. The award ceremony was carried out by the light of kerosene lamps.

Mr. and Mrs. Elgie Stewart, who were married in Post June 20, 1915, celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary Sunday with a quiet day with their children and grandchildren.

## 50 Years Ago June 23, 1955

Miss Donna Kay Kennedy, 1955 Post High School graduate, has accepted a position as secretary in the offices of Extension Service agents Lewis C. Herron and Miss Jessie Pearce.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Billings have purchased the Post News Stand and Bus Station from Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gooch and took over operation of the business this week. The Billings plan to completely redecorate the two buildings and promise to maintain a clean, sanitary fountain service.

Glenn Whittenberg of Forsan was employed as high school principal Monday by the board of trustees of the Post Independent School District. He will replace C. D. Lee, whose resignation became effective at the end of the 1954-55 term.

Approximately 500 visitors toured Post Mill on Friday during Garza County's first annual Cotton Week.

A son, Noel, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Saldivar on June 14, in Garza Memorial Hospital.

## 60 Years Ago June 21, 1945

Young folks of Post are taking part in Buffalo Lakes summer camp programs being sponsored by church organization of this area. Boys and Girls of the First Baptist and Calvary Baptist churches returned last week end from the camp. Rev. Huron Poinac was sponsor for the Boys group. Mmes. Claiborne Pirtle, Morris Neff and Kelly Sims were sponsors for the Girls camp.

Elton Lee, after more than four years of service with the Army and 33-months of service in the Pacific, has been given an honorable discharge on points and returned to his home here. Elton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Lee of Graham community.

Master Sergeant Gomer Custer has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for Meritorious Service in Support of Combat Operations from May 1, 1944 to May 2, 1945 in North Africa and in Italy. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Custer.

Announcement has been made this week by Mason & Company that the firm has been appointed as distributors for the new 6-volt Windcharger which will go on sale in November.

Paula Hitler Wolf, sister of Adolph Hitler, has been placed under house arrest near Berchtesgaden by forces of the 101st Airborne division. She is living in the home of Dietrich Eckhart, Nazi poet and former favorite of her brother. She said her brother had ordered her to change her name so that nobody would know he had any relatives alive.

## Extension Extras

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

### Steer Exhibitors

Anyone interested in exhibiting a steer for the 2005-06 stocks show season, must contact Greg Jones at 495-4400 before June 29. Deadline to validate steers is June 30. Steer validation cost is \$10 per steer.

### 4-H Record Book Workday

Record book work day will be held June 28, from 9-12 and 1-5. If extra assistance is needed call 495-4400. Record books are due in the county office July 1.

### Master of Memory - Lesson 5

In the fifth lesson of the "Master of Memory" series, you will learn about medical conditions that may affect your memory but are partially or completely reversible. This lesson will also discuss how grief, depression, stress, lack of sleep and other disorders may affect your ability to learn and remember things. Lesson Five will be presented at 10:15 a.m., Thursday, June 23, at the Senior Citizens Center. If you want to participate call 495-4400 to sign up.

## City Council approves tourism promotion campaign

City officials agreed to fund some television promotion time for Post and its motels during a special called meeting Monday night.

Don Bond, president of the Hotel/Motel Tax Committee, recommended that the council fund a promotional campaign with money generated by the hotel/motel tax. The recommendation was a follow-up to last week's regular meeting which included a comprehensive presentation of the advertising plan.

Following discussion, Councilman Harold Craig made the motion to approve the expenditure of \$2,010 per month for a yearlong contract with KCBD-TV in Lubbock. Councilman Dick Odom seconded the motion, which received unanimous support.

The vacant city manager's position was discussed, and the Council agreed to run an advertisement about the vacancy in the Texas Municipal League magazine and online. Council members also agreed to look into the cost of running an ad in newspapers in Dallas, Austin, San Antonio, Houston, El Paso, Lubbock and Post.

It was determined that deadline for applications would be the end of September unless a city manager is found before that time.

The group discussed specifications they wanted published in the job description. The city manager's post has been open for several weeks following the resignation of Fred Stephens.

## Blood drive June 27 at Golden Plains Care Center

Summer activities keep people busy - too busy, sometimes, to donate blood. It takes 175 blood donations each day to meet the needs of hospital patients on the South Plains, and presently United Blood Services is particularly in need of O-positive and O-negative donations.

"It's no secret," said Connie Hollinshead, donor recruitment representative for UBS. "People simply are much busier than they are at other times of the year. Although donors might have other things to do, patients continue to need blood."

Eligible donors are encouraged to give blood at least three times each year - including once in the summer - to keep hospital shelves stocked.

"As most of you know, the South Plains area has been in a real bind the last few weeks, trying to meet area hospital orders," Hollinshead said.

Post's next blood drive with UBS will be from noon to 3 p.m. Monday, June 27, in the mobile blood coach at the Golden Plains Care Center. Amber Hernandez serves as coordinator of the event.

To make a donation, a donor must be at least 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good health. Each donor must show a photo ID and provide a list of medications.

Each donor will receive a gift of his or her choice. Donors may make an appointment by calling Hernandez at 495-2848.

## Claborn family reunion

John Riley Claborn family reunion T he annual John Riley Claborn family reunion took place Saturday, June 18, in Post.

Those attending included Marie Claborn Anderson of Roswell, N.M., granddaughter Taylor Blake of Las Cruces, N.M., Evelyn Claborn Hamilton, Priscilla Hamilton Mayhar and daughter Patsy of Odessa, Tammy and Nina Claborn Baker of Colorado City, son J.R. Williams of Nevada, Texas, Tommy and Penny Williams and daughter Jessica of Lewisville and Joey Williams and daughters Kayla and Kathryn and son Jace and fiance Tammy Adams of Rogers.

Also attending were Mary Lee Claborn (wife of Gene) and daughters Renee Claborn, Belinda Baker and daughter Misty of Lubbock and Peggy Claborn of Springfield, Ill.

The group spent the day sharing family stories, home cooking and family albums.

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## PHS band members earns state solo honors

For the second year in a row, Post earned the distinction of a first division finish at the state level of the UIL Solo & Ensemble competition May 30.

Travis Matthews, Jonathan McGregor and Vincent Robles entertained the judge with a musical rendition of "Polka Dots."

"I've never liked this piece until you young men played it," she wrote in her critique, "Good Job."

The same day, Alfred Segovia played the fourth movement of the Corelli/Maganini horn suite for a second division finish. He earned a silver medal.

"I'm proud of these students," said Aaron Rathbun, band director. "They have worked hard for everything they have done. This is a fine way to end a sweepstakes year."

Rathbun extended his thanks to Randall Dodson for playing piano accompaniment at each competition. "We are grateful for his help," Rathbun said.

## Medlin's grandson graduates with honors at Nacogdoches

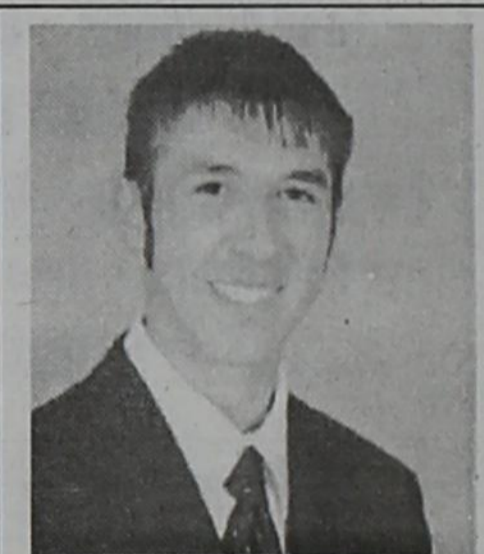
Beau Stevens, son of Jim and Deborah Medlin Stevens and grandson of Dean and Bonnie Medlin, graduated from Nacogdoches High School May 27, 2005, in ceremonies held in the William R. Johnson Coliseum on the Stephen F. Austin State University campus.

Stevens' honors and activities included being named in Who's Who Among Nacogdoches High School Students; a 96.21 GPA and a rank of 19th out of a senior class of 368; National Honor Society; Pan American Club; Key Club, PALS; Fabulous Freshman Award; Outstanding Student in English, world geography, pre-calculus and engineering graphics; Eagle Scout (with bronze palm) and Order of the Arrow (brotherhood).

During his high school career, Stevens was a four-year member of the varsity band. He completed in the Solo & Ensemble contest, earning Division I medalist and All-Region Band. He also was quartermaster.

Community service activities included Leadership Training for Christ, Santa's Helpers, Harvest House volunteer, Boy Scout Troop 606, North Street Church of Christ Youth Group and American Cancer Society Relay for Life volunteer.

Stevens plans to attend Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, Okla., where he will major in mechanical engineering.



Beau Stevens

## Menus

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- light bluish green
- TXism: "can't the mustard"
- holdings left by rich TXns
- pay attention
- TXism: "\_\_\_ a hornet's nest"
- TXism: "let '\_\_\_ rip"
- TXism: "just chewin' and whittlin'"
- Denison-born president, familiarly
- ballroom dance
- TXism: "fuseless as a \_\_\_"
- sow"
- Liz of TX-based "Giant" (init.)
- TX Larry McMurry chicken
- "\_\_\_ con queso"
- TXism: "attracted like lightning \_\_\_ rod"
- one who shapes with an ax
- TX Perot at the naval academy: \_\_\_ man
- boot width
- TXism: "it's good for what \_\_\_ ya"
- TXism: "lower than a snake's belly in a wheel \_\_\_"
- bro's sib
- pronounced "rassle" 13

**DOWN**

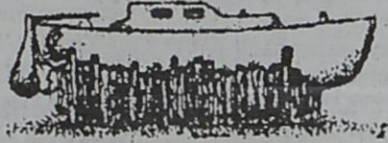
- "that's a bit of \_\_\_" (stretch)
- Meridian newspaper: \_\_\_ County News"
- participants in Olney's "One-Armed Dove Hunt"
- famed A&M coach \_\_\_ X. Bible
- "is" south of the border
- Marie sang "You're \_\_\_ to me"
- film by Gene in 40-down: "Crimson \_\_\_"
- TXism: "lower than a snake's belly in a wheel \_\_\_"
- Willie's Farm Aid III deep ditch
- fashionable resort
- Charley & Guy are \_\_\_-creators of TC
- first steamboat on the Rio Grande
- in Childress Co. off 287
- Lyndon B. Johnson National Grass \_\_\_
- Hawaiian "howdy"
- this Robb went from Tex to Fla to SF
- pub brew
- state capitol designer \_\_\_ Myers
- TX Bush's "Star Wars" (abbr.)
- CB Newman was Cowboys 1st \_\_\_ with Parcels
- instrument played by TX Ginger
- this Bernadette was in "The Jerk" with TX Martin
- Ranger Chad (init.)
- TX "Pizza \_\_\_"
- bomb
- TXism: "nervous as a cat in a room full of rocking \_\_\_"
- TX Sam Bass would \_\_\_ trains
- Mexican general at Palo Alto battle
- TX Joe \_\_\_ Baker
- intoxication offense in TX (abbr.)
- \_\_\_ pool is nice in January
- Houston & Parton sang "\_\_\_ Always Love You"
- Gene in "Wyatt Earp" with TX Dennis Quaid (init.)
- TXism: "til Gabriel blows \_\_\_ horn"
- actress Page of TX-filmed "A Trip to Bountiful"
- 49 dirt
- 51 Astro pitcher stats.
- TXism: "old as \_\_\_"
- TX singer English
- 58 get on both knees

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Post Elementary 3rd grader, Darren Brown wins the CEI Reading Lab Award for Most Perfect Lessons.  
 (Photo by Peggy Graves)



Post Elementary 5th grader, Marisela Munoz receives the CEI Reading Lab Award for Most Perfect Copy - Writes.  
 (Photo by Peggy Graves)



Post Elementary 1st graders celebrating with Shandon Wiley (center) are (back row left to right), Danny Garcia and (third row), Rhett Summar, Destiny Ramirez, Adriana Trinidad, Taylor Roberts and Quincey Quintana (second row), Keshawn Jefferson and Shandon Wiley (front), Alyssa Walker. Shandon Wiley won the CEI Reading Lab Award for Most Perfect Lessons.  
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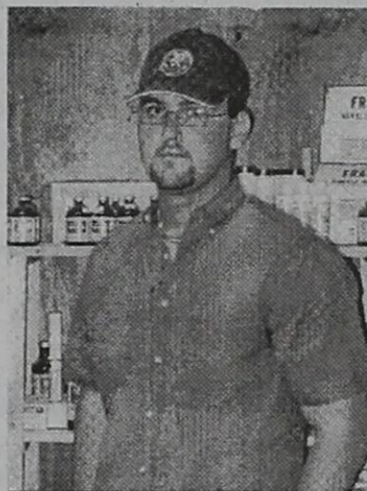
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Vandalism in the area around the ambulance barn could cost someone his or her life - or at least that's what one local official believes.

Garza County Hospital District Administrator Shirley Taylor said vandals who twice have shot out the lights surrounding the ambulance barn may be putting the lives of area residents in jeopardy. "I don't believe they understand," Taylor said. "Not having lights at the ambulance barn could be detrimental to someone's health."

Once last week and again this week vandals shot out the lights around the EMS station. Also, the lights at the west entrance of the hospital district facility were shot out and one of the offices sustained three shots through a window, Taylor said.

Several streetlights also were damaged in the Monday night incident.

The vandalism has been reported to the sheriff's department, Taylor said, and the responsible party or parties, when apprehended, will be prosecuted.

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Boy Scouts endure the heat and lengthy treks during this week's Summer Camp at South Plains Council Boy Scouts of America Camp Post. In the background is seen a scenic route recognized as the first road leading off the caprock.

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2 p.m.	Dr James Bell Interviews Gene Young
5 p.m.	This Week In Post City
8 p.m.	Post Opry Country Music
11 p.m.	This Week In Post City
Sunday, June 26	
2 p.m.	This Week In Post City
5 p.m.	Post Opry Country Music
8 p.m.	This Week In Post City
11 p.m.	Favorite Broadway Tunes - David Morrow
Monday, June 27	
7 a.m.	Dr James Bell Interviews Gene Young
10 a.m.	Post Opry Country Music
1, 5 & 10 p.m.	Post Church of Christ Sunday Services
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, June 28, 29 & 30	
7 a.m.	Post City Council
10 a.m.	Garza County Commissioners' Court
2 p.m.	Post ISD Board of Trustees
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