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Bryce Redman, a big John Deere tractor fan, gets set to plow and plant at the wheel of a vintage 1950 model owned by Kenneth Bullard. Antique tractors were on display at the Wells Fargo parking lot on West Main as part of last Saturday's Post City Celebration Days. Bryce is the son of Chris and Rosa Redman. (Photo by Jackie Miner)

Tragic bike accident kills nine year old

by Sheri Lewis

A 9-year-old Post girl died Monday at a Lubbock hospital as a result of injuries sustained when her bicycle struck a south-bound tractor-trailer Saturday afternoon in the 400 block of South Broadway.

Shelby Tunaitis, who would have celebrated her 10th birthday next week, died at University Medical Center.

Although law enforcement officials are not clear about many of the details pertaining to the accident, Garza County Sheriff's Deputy Phil Bacon said the girl was riding her bicycle in a restaurant parking lot adjacent to the roadway at about 5:45 p.m. Saturday when the accident occurred. Reports indicate she rode her bike down a ramp in the parking lot and onto Broadway.

Witnesses at the scene reported that the truck driver, whose name

and employer have not been released, did everything possible to avoid striking the child on the bike. The driver swerved the tractor-trailer to avoid impact, but the bike reportedly struck the rear passenger side of the trailer.

The posted speed limit in that area of Broadway is 40 mph.

According to witnesses, the impact knocked the girl to the curb where she struck her head. Bacon confirmed the girl did sustain a head injury as a result of the accident.

The sheriff's department received numerous 9-1-1 calls, and local EMS personnel responded immediately. The girl was transported as far as Southland before an emergency medical helicopter intercepted the ambulance to complete the transport to Lubbock.

The child was treated in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit at

UMC where she had been listed in critical condition.

Immediately following the accident, law enforcement officials blocked off a portion of South Broadway for several hours and rerouted traffic around the scene.

The investigation into the accident is ongoing, Bacon said.

Reports indicate law enforcement officials were at the scene Monday continuing their on-site investigation.

As of late Tuesday, no citations have been issued in connection with the accident.

Shelby was the daughter of Treba Tunaitis of Post and Ike Tunaitis of Midlothian. She recently completed the fourth grade at Post Elementary School.

An account to assist her family with funeral expenses has been established in Shelby's name at Citizens Bank.

Post Notes

PCM next meeting on Tuesday

Post City Merchants will meet Tuesday, June 13 at 6:30 p.m. at CoCaRa's. All businesses are encouraged to join and attend.

Account established for McDougale family

An account has been set up at Wells Fargo Bank to assist with funeral expenses for Bertha McDougale. Contact Carol Short at 495-2804.

Flag retirement ceremony June 14th

VFW Post 6797 will hold a Flag Retirement Ceremony on June 14 at 5 p.m. at the post home on the Clairmont Highway, if the burn ban is lifted. If the ban is still in effect it will be held at a later date. Drop off places for your old flags will be at Radio Shack or call Chuck Ratliff at 495-2026 and he will pick up your flag. The public is invited to the ceremony.

VFW men and women meet June 12th

The men of Post 6797 and the Ladies Auxiliary will meet Monday, June 12 at the post on the Clairmont Highway. The ladies' meeting will begin at 6 p.m. and the men will start at 7 p.m.

Graham Ole Opry set Saturday

The quarterly Graham Ole Opry event will run from 6:30-10 p.m. Saturday at the Graham Community Center, located five miles west of Post on U.S. 380 and two miles south on FM 399. Local and area musicians scheduled to perform include the Graves Brothers, Dr. Billy Sealey, Bill Harp, Audry Beth Hunt and Talk of the Town, with Morris Tyler, Ronnie Raybon, Ollie Abraham and Noel White. Brownies, popcorn and lemonade will be sold. There will be no charge for admission; however, a hat will be passed for donations to help with center repairs. For more information, contact Noel White at 495-3261.

Luminaria ceremony honors survivors

A special luminaria ceremony held during the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life, Garza Co., remembers those lost to cancer and honors those who have survived. Luminaria candles will be lit at the PHS track on June 9, at 10 p.m. to represent those individuals. Anyone desiring to purchase a luminaria may do so by contacting Peggy Graves at 495-2718 or Carol Williams at 495-2156. Luminaria candles are available for a suggested donation of \$5. All funds raised through these sales support the programs and services of the American Cancer Society.

Dinner among activities at Relay For Life

The American Cancer Society's Relay For Life will begin at 5 p.m. on Friday, June 9, at the PHS track. The opening lap to honor cancer survivors will start at 6 p.m. Caregivers or family members may assist survivors if needed. Immediately following the opening lap, a special dinner honoring survivors will be held. Please call Peggy Graves at 495-2718 by June 5 to register for this event. Live entertainment will be provided throughout the evening. A silent auction will be held at 9 p.m., with the luminaria lighting ceremony set to begin at 10 p.m. All community members are invited to attend.

Guthrie family reunion

The 8th annual Guthrie family reunion will be held on June 17th at Belton Lake Pavilion. For more information call Edna Bilberry at 495-4031.

"Twinderella" presented at Garza Theatre

Garza Theatre proudly presents "Twinderella," a delightful story of Cinderella - only with a whole new twist. Seven performances only: June 2, 3, 4, 9 & 10, 16 & 17. Plus, "Poultry in Motion", a surprising new tale of Chicken Little and his dilemma! Both productions are directed by Laura Bryan. For more information call Garza Theatre Box Office at 495-4005.

Fund benefits storm victim

A fund to assist Mac McConnell, who lost his camper trailer and everything he owned in the recent storm at Lake Alan Henry, has been established at CitizensBank in Post.

Summer Recreation continues

The Summer Recreation program began June 1 and will run through June 28. You may register your children any day at the Junior High gym. The program starts at 8 a.m. - 12 noon. Breakfast and lunch will be served at the cafeteria. Post and Southland children, ages kindergarten through 12th grade are welcome.

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ACS Relay for Life opens Friday at PHS Track

The Post High School track will be filled with candlelight Friday evening as this year's American Cancer Society Relay for Life-Garza County gets under way.

A special ceremony is held annually during the Relay for Life event, with luminaria candles to be lit this year on Friday evening to remember those lost to cancer and to honor those who have survived. Anyone interested in purchasing a luminaria may do so at the event for a "donation from the heart." All funds raised through candle sales support ACS programs and services.

Relay for life brings together groups and individuals who are concerned about cancer and committed to creating a unified effort to fight back. Former and current cancer patients, their families, businesses, civic organizations and the public are invited to take part in the team event, a "celebration of life," which will run from 5 p.m. Friday to 7 a.m. Saturday at the PHS track.

Relay for Life is a family-oriented activity where participants enjoy the camaraderie of a team while raising funds to support ACS activities. Participants camp out at the Relay site, and when they are not taking turns walking or running, they take part in

activities and enjoy local entertainment.

Garza County's cancer survivors will kick off Relay for Life with the first official lap, followed by the remainder of the participants.

Information about purchasing luminaria, forming a team or walking in the survivors lap is available by contacting the ACS at 806-792-7128.

For information on cancer, call the ACS at 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit the Web site at www.cancer.org

The ACS is a nationwide, community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing the disease, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy and service.

Children's productions continue at Garza Theatre

The Garza Theatre's productions of the children's plays "Twinderella" and "Poultry in Motion" will continue this weekend.



Garza Theatre's "Twinderella" cast members delighting audiences are (back row, left to right) Ryan Opton, Kyle Copeland, Abbi May, Zachery Kocurek, Hannah Jackson, Mari Elyse Robles, Dusty Salmon, Cameron May, Blake Burns, (middle row) Taylor Blevins, Zack Ziegelgruber, Samantha Montez, D'Nae Johnson, Alex Lyon, Sarah Lyon, Katarine Johnson, Katherine Voyles, (front row) Harrison Franks, Elijah Montez, Carter Franks, Ramsey Malone, Aubrey Salmon, Josh Quinton, Taylor Wyatt and Madison Bryan. Not available for photo are Chasiti Rutherford and Rachel Payne. The play continues June 9, 10, 16 and 17. Call the box office at 495-4005 for reservations. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

"Twinderella" is billed as "the delightful story of Cinderella - only with a whole new twist and a long-lost sibling." "Poultry in Motion" is the "surprising new tale of Chicken Little and his dilemma." Laura Bryan directs both one-act productions.

This week's performances are set for 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Final performances will be June 16 and 17.

Cast members for "Twinderella" include Abbi May, Aubrey Salmon, Blake Burns, Dusty Salmon, Ryan Opton, Madison Bryan, Hannah Jackson, Carter Franks, Alexandria Lyon, D'Nae Johnson, Harrison Franks, Zack Ziegelgruber, Taylor Wyatt, Sarah Lyon, Ramsey Malone, Rachael Payne, Kyle Copeland, Samantha Montez and Joshua Quinton.

Also, Cameron May, Katharine Johnson, Elliah Montez, Mari Elyse-Robles, Taylor Blevins, Chasiti Rutherford, Katherine Voyles, Zachery Kocurek and Laura Bryan.

Rounding out the cast for "Poultry" are Hannah Jackson, Taylor Wyatt, Zachery Kocurek, Madison Bryan, Samantha Montez, Abbi May, Blake Burns, Alexandria Lyon, Chasiti Rutherford, Ryan Opton and Taylor Blevins.

Tickets cost \$9 for adults and \$6 for children ages six through 12.

For more information on the productions or tickets, contact the Garza Theatre box office at 495-4005.

Post Dalby Unit

Summer Blood Drive

Temperatures are rising and so is our community's need for blood. A blood drive is in the works to make sure Post, TX and surrounding area have enough blood on our hospital shelves this summer.

Dalby Correctional Facility's next blood drive with United

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Garza Theatre's "Poultry in Motion" cast members getting lots of laughs are (back row, left to right) Blake Burns, Hannah Jackson, Abbi May, Zachery Kocurek, Alex Lyon, Ryan Opton, (front) Taylor Wyatt, Madison Bryan, Taylor Blevins and Samantha Montez. Chasiti Rutherford was not available for the photo. The play continues June 9, 10, 16 and 17. Call the box office at 495-4005 for reservations. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

Judy's Jabberin'

by Judy Ballentine Bush

Hello, POST CITY CELEBRATION
I don't know how many of you got out this past weekend to visit downtown Post, but it was a sight to see. It has been quite awhile since I have seen that many people downtown milling around and shopping.

It made me remember when I was a young girl and going to town on Saturday to shop. I really enjoyed the day and all of the activities and hope that you got a chance to also. Hats off to all of the folks who worked to pull the event off.

SAD NOTE

I received sad news this past week and wanted to pass it along. I don't know how many of you remember Ozell and Margaret Williams who resided in Post for many years, but we lost Margaret this past week.

I have so many wonderful memories of Margaret and Ozell from my growing up years.

Their niece, Melinda Carter (formerly), and I were of course best friends and spent so much time out at Melinda's grandmother's where Ozell litterly taught us to drive in his old standard pickup.

He just put us in it and turned us loose, what a ball we had.

I never think of Margaret that I don't remember her wonderful smile and that contagious laugh that she had and how much fun she was to be around.

She lost Ozell a few years back and is survived by her children Ronnie and Marilyn. I just wanted them to know how much I loved their Mom.

Too Cute

An Old Farmer's Advice:

* Your fences need to be horse-high, pig-tight and bull-strong.

* Keep skunks and bankers and lawyers at a distance.

* Life is simpler when you plow around the stump.

* A bumble bee is considerably faster than a John Deere tractor.

* Words that soak into your ears are whispered...not yelled.

* Meanness don't jes' happen overnight.

* Forgive your enemies. It messes up their heads.

* Do not corner something that would normally run from you.

* It don't take a very big person to carry a grudge.

* You cannot unsay a cruel

word.
* Every path has a few puddles.
* When you wallow with pigs, expect to get dirty.
* The best sermons are lived, not preached.
* Most of the stuff people worry about ain't never gonna happen anyway.
* Don't judge folks by their relatives.

* Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.

* Live a good, honorable life. Then when you get older and think back, you'll enjoy it a second time.

* Don't interfere with somethin' that ain't botherin' you none.

* Timing has a lot to do with the outcome of a rain dance.

* If you find yourself in a hole, the first thing to do is stop diggin'.

* Sometimes you get, and sometimes you get got.'

* The biggest troublemaker you'll probably ever have to deal with, watches you from the mirror every mornin'. Don't fix it if it ain't broke.

* Always drink upstream from the herd.

* Good judgment comes from experience, and a lotta that comes from bad judgment.

* Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier than puttin' it back in.

* If you get to thinkin' you're a person of some influence, try orderin' somebody else's dog around.

* Live simply. Love generously. Care deeply. Speak kindly. Leave the rest up to God.

TILL NEXT WEEK

Hope you all have a great week end. May God bless each of you Judy



Pauline Mathis (second from left) was recently treated to an 80th birthday celebration at Chapa's Family Restaurant's Garden Room. Among those at the celebration were (back row, left to right) Mike Feagin, Zander Washington, Coty Washington, (middle row) James Mathis, Pauline, Melba Feagin, Stana Washington, Dixie Bushy, Samantha Feagin, (front) Zack Bushy and Kelsey Bushy. (Photo by Jackie Miner)



Jose Payano (left to right), Norma Soto, Irma Gomez, Reyes Pequeño, Patricia Quinonez and Diane Torres left Monday for a missionary trip to Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Members of the Church of God of Prophecy raised the funds for the trip, with a June 12 return. Payano had served as a missionary in Honduras in 1976 and after 30 years has planned the trip to introduce Post congregation members to the people at Tegucigalpa.



Nancy McDonald (center) is congratulated by Extension Service staff Diane Graves (left) and county agent Greg Jones at a reception last week. McDonald, who recently retired as a Post ISD teacher, has been appointed by the Garza County Commissioners' Court to serve as county agent, family and consumer sciences.

Robles feted at VFW roast

Vince Robles, salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class of Post High School, was honored with a roast at the Veterans of Foreign Wars hall on May 27.

Speakers included Todd Terry of the First Baptist Church, former teacher and mentor Sterline Marcum, his aunt, Sandra Robles, class valedictorian and friend Jonathan McGregor and the honoree's parents, David and Rebecca Robles.

A slide show of Robles' childhood years was shown, as well as the video recorded earlier in the year as part of the John Lennon Educational Tour Bus and EMI.

Guests enjoyed a meal of brisket, potato salad and beans served with related condiments. Flowered fruit bouquets, personalized chocolates and petit fores were served as dessert.

More than 100 guests attended the event, including 14 members of Robles' graduating class. Each graduate attendee was presented with a gift, as were the guest speakers and meal servers.



Post High School Class of 2006 Salutatorian Vince Robles is congratulated by family following the May 26 commencement exercises. Vince's grandparents are (left to right) Egnacio Mendez and Ovie Hinojosa of Lubbock, Vince and Janie and Manuel Robles of Allen.

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Post Notes

Blood Drive
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Blood Services is from 1:00pm to 4:30pm, on Friday, June 9th, in the parking lot in the UBS coach. This drive is especially important because it is being held during the summer. According to Ruby Williams, blood drive coordinator, participation drops off slightly at summer blood drives. At the same time, donations throughout the region drop in the summer because high schools, which are enthusiastic blood drive sponsors, are not in session. In this area, a whopping percentage of the local blood supply comes from high school students. When those students are on summer vacation, it's up to the community to make up the difference.
"It's no secret," Williams said. "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. Nearly 1000 to 1500 blood donations are required each week to meet the needs of the South Plains patients."
Eligible blood donors are encouraged to give blood regularly, three or four times a year, to keep hospital shelves stocked with lifesaving blood.
United Blood Services' Heroes for Life club offers a special thank-you gift to donors who give three times in a 12-month period. For more information, or to join Heroes for Life, visit www.UnitedBloodServices.org and click on the Heroes for Life button.
Williams urges residents to be heroes and make time to save lives. She suggested that those who are not able to donate recruit others in their place. Anyone interested in donating may contact Ruby Williams at 495-2175. United Blood Services is this area's non-profit community blood provider.
The United Blood Services network is one of the nation's oldest and largest non-profit blood service organizations, and is a founding member of America's Blood Centers and the AABB.
At the present time, UBS has a critical need for O- & O+ blood. All blood types are at a dangerously low level. All donors who donate at Dalby Prison's blood drive must be 17 pounds, 17 years of age, and in good health.
Donors must have a picture ID and list of any medications that they are currently taking.

New summer hours for MAD DADS
Mad Dads will be open Monday-Thursday from 5-10 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 7:30-midnight beginning Monday June 12th.

American Idol Mania coming to Post
Are you an aspiring singer? Then you need to enter the Post City Idol Singing Competition at Old Mill Trade Days. There will two age divisions and the winner in each age group will receive cash, a trophy and opportunities to perform at Trade Days and the Garza Theatre. Visit our website - www.oldmilltradedays.com or pick up an application at The Post Dispatch or the Trade Days office. Applications must be received before June 23. This event is sponsored by The Post Dispatch, Fox34 Lubbock, and Coca Cola.

Band accepting donations for new trailer
Band Boosters are taking donations for a new van trailer. Please call Dick Odom at 990-2457 or Bill Short at 495-4104. All donations are greatly appreciated.

Graham school reunion
Fellow classmates, teachers and friend's addresses are being sought for the school reunion to be held on July 29th in the Graham Community Center. Please call or send information to Jane Mason, Rt. 3, Post, Texas 79356 - 806-495-2980. So that the Graham School will be remembered, please send copies of pictures, etc. to be donated to the Post Historical Museum to this same address.

Post City Centennial Ornaments on sale
Women's Division of the Post Commerce and Tourism Bureau are selling Post City Centennial Ornaments as a fund raiser for the organization. The special ornaments are available at Plum Crazy.

Account established for Tunaitis family
A special account has been established at Citizens Bank to assist in funeral expenses for Shelby Tunaitis. She died Monday following a tragic accident.

Mark Johnson Memorial Account
A fund has been established at Wells Fargo Bank in Post to benefit Staci and Andrew Johnson, wife and son of Coach Mark Johnson. Donations should be made to the "Mark Johnson Memorial Account" and taken to any Wells Fargo location.

Trailblazers' Thrift Store at OMTD
As a means of generating additional income, the Trailblazers Senior Center is operating a thrift store each month at Old Mill Trade Days. Contributions of clean, useable items - clothing, household goods or anything that could be sold at a garage sale are needed. Items and monetary contributions may be dropped off at 205 E. 10th St. Volunteer assistance is also needed to help operate the thrift store for the non-profit center. For more information, call Mandi Criswell at 495-2998.

July 4th booths needed
It's time to pull together for another successful 4th of July Celebration. We are seeking vendors, food and game booths, along with music. If you are interested or just would like to help at the park, please call Diana Poe at 495-1207.

Post City Merchants to meet June 13
Post City Merchants next meeting will be held on the second Tuesday, June 13 at 6:30 p.m. at CoCaRa's. For more information call Donna Degan at 495-0888.

PHS students attending Camp RYLA in New Mexico

Three Post High School seniors are in Capitan, N.M., this week attending Camp RYLA, a five-day leadership training camp that focuses on the personal and professional development of high school students.

Attending the camp, which will run through Friday at the Lone Tree Ranch, are Andrew Elmore, Becca Striblin and Bailey Odom. Each was selected to attend the camp based on his or her application.

Local Rotarian Dave Tyler accompanied the students.

Camp RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award) is designed to give students the opportunity to exchange ideas, opinions and beliefs with other student leaders in a relaxed setting. Students are encouraged to develop new friendships and become more effective role models, team players and leaders.

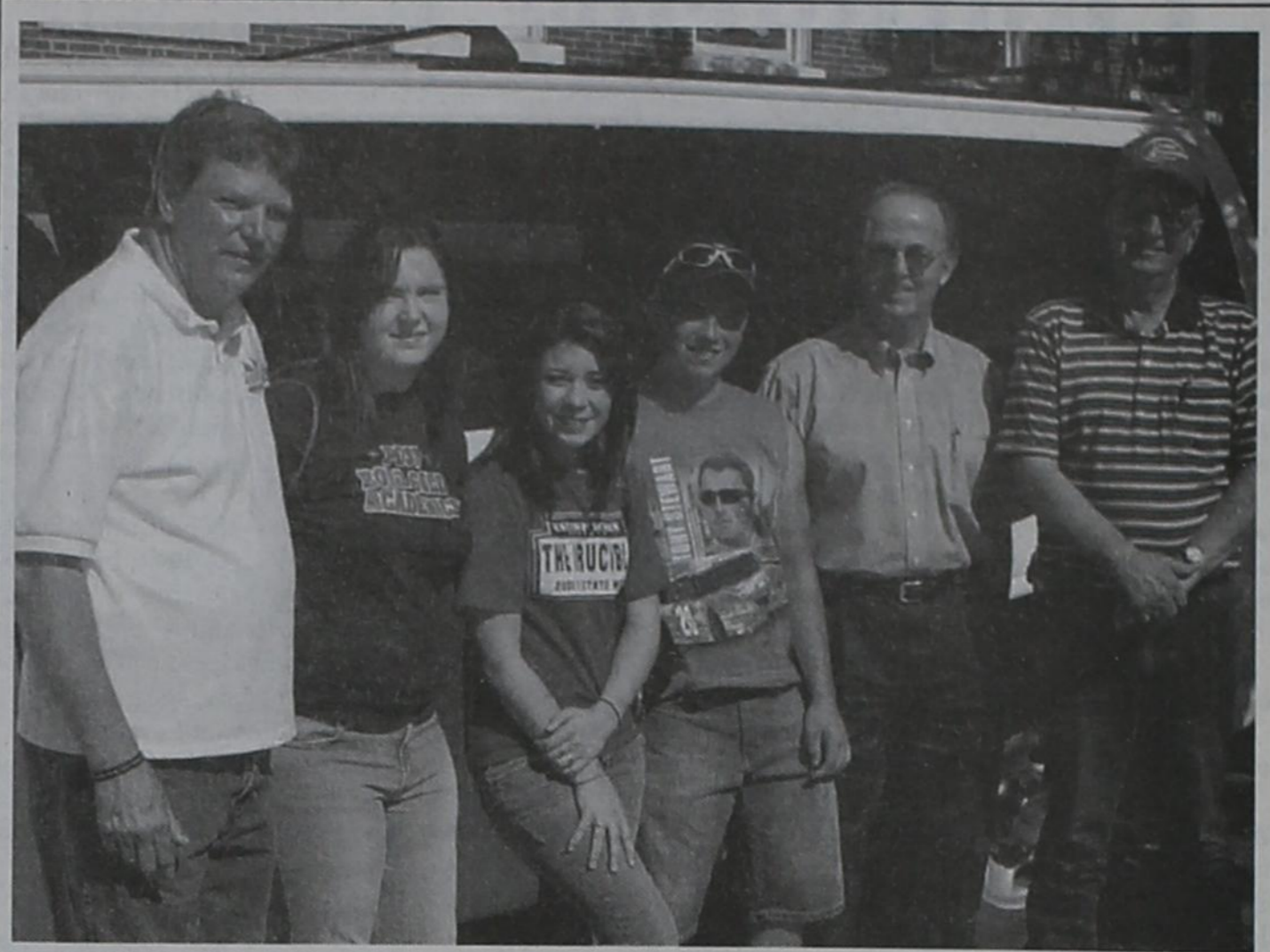
A typical day at camp includes speaker sessions, educational workshops and discussion groups. The event also includes team sports, activities and competitions designed to build teamwork and spirit, such as rock climbing, rappelling, rifle range, high ropes course, horseback riding and mountain biking. Evenings often feature a speaker and activities designed to allow campers to interact together.

According to the pamphlet about Camp RYLA, Rotary International believes that "strong leaders are made, not born." The camp is designed to expose students "to the many facets of leadership by individuals who are already leaders in their professions."

Bocko named to President's List

A Wayland Baptist University student from Post was recognized for academic success recently with the announcement of the school's President's List and Dean's List for the spring semester.

Juanetta Bocko was included on the President's List for the Plainview campus, earning a perfect 4.0 grade point average for the semester, according to reports provided by the university.



Packing up Monday for the trip to Capitan, N.M. as part of the Rotary International Camp Ryla 2006 are Post High School students (center) Becca Striblin, Bailey Odom and Andrew Elmore. The students are sponsored by District 5730 Rotary International and accompanied on the trip by Post Rotarian David Tyler (left). Joining in the "send-off" are Post Rotary Club officers Les Acker (second from right) and Ray Bagby (right).

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Joe Heflin Whistle Stop Caravan across Hwy 380

On Saturday, June 17, 2006, the Joe Heflin campaign will be sponsoring a "whistle stop" caravan across Hwy 380. This will be a great time to get to know Joe Heflin. Anyone who is interested in showing his support for Joe's campaign is welcome to join in. At each stop there will be food, music & balloons!

Feel free to be a part of the entire caravan or meet us at any of the locations for the festivities. Look for exact locations in each town in a future newspaper.

The approximate time schedule is as follows:

- 10:00 a.m. -- Aspermont -- Juice, muffins, and honey buns
 - 11:30 a.m. -- Jayton -- Hot Dogs, Chips, Soft Drinks
 - 2:00 p.m. -- Post -- Cowboy Cookies & Drinks
 - 3:30 p.m. -- Tahoka -- Cowboy Cookies & Drinks
 - 5:00 p.m. -- Brownfield -- BBQ Sandwiches, Chips, Drinks
- For more information, or to add your name to the list for the caravan, call 806-675-8076

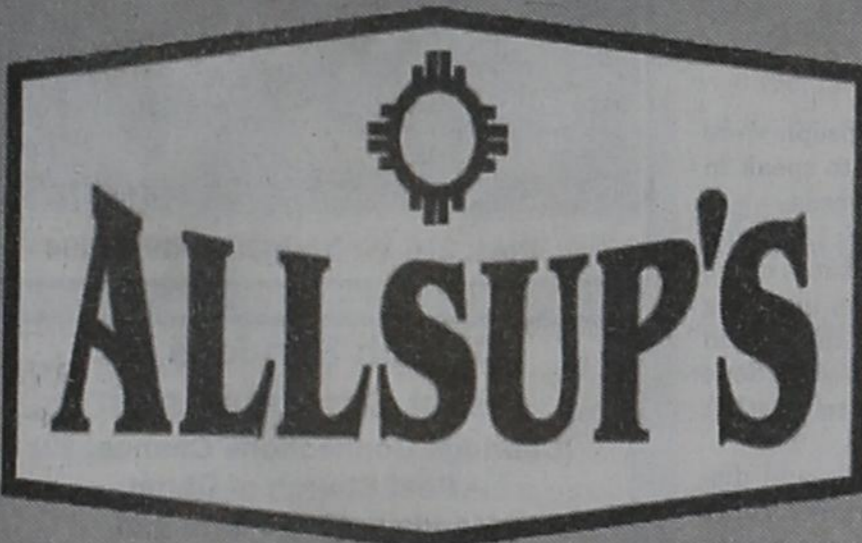
Pd. Pol. Adv. by Joe Heflin Campaign, Gary Hardin, Treasurer



A very unique Simon Simple got lots of attention on East Main Street Saturday during Post City Celebration Days. (Photo by Jackie Miner)



Samantha Stewart of Tye enjoys riding the ponies at Rockin S Pony Express during Post City Celebration Days Saturday. Samantha is the daughter of Richard and Terri Stewart of Tye. Assisting with Rockin S Pony Express is Ashley Gage of Lubbock. (Photo by Jackie Miner)



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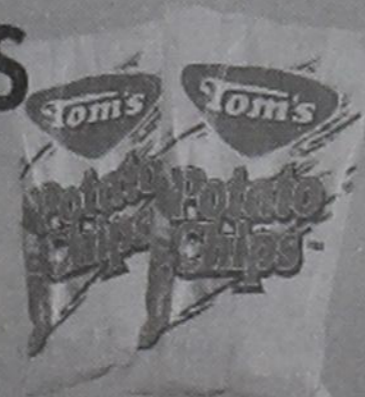
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Obituaries

Joe Octaviano Martinez

Mr. Joe Octaviano Martinez, 50, of Austin, passed away Sunday, June 4, 2006. Recitation of the rosary will be at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, June 8, 2006 at the Angel Funeral Home. Funeral mass will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. Friday, June 9, 2006 at St. Ignatius Catholic Church. Burial will follow in Assumption Cemetery.



Joe worked the majority of his life in the retail business. At the time of his death, Joe worked as an automobile dealer and home builder, his true passions.

As a young man, Joe served his country in the U.S. Army. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Mr. Martinez was preceded in death by his father, Louis Martinez, Sr. and a brother, Octaviano Martinez.

He is survived by his wife, Carolyn Elaine Martinez, daughter, Caroline Elizabeth Martinez, both of Austin; sons, Jason O. Martinez and wife, Rita, of Buda, Texas, Matthew Joseph Martinez, of Corpus Christi, Texas, Jared Ross Martinez and wife, Brittany, Brandon Alexander Martinez, all of Austin, Texas; mother, Ascension Martinez, of Post, Texas;

Sisters, Marylou Gonzales, of Robstown, Texas, Pauline Gonzales, of Red Oak, Texas, Rebecca Arizpe, of Grand Prairie, Texas, Victoria Solis, of Lubbock, Texas, Angie Dietz, of Buda, Texas;

Brothers, Louis Martinez, Jr., of Arlington, Texas, Jesse Martinez, of Red Oak, Texas, Benny Martinez, of Arlington, Texas;

Grandchildren, Natalie, Orlando, both of Lubbock, Texas, Jason, Jr., of Buda, Texas, and Avery Martinez, of Austin, Texas, and special loving family, Alfred and Rosalie Moreno, and many beloved nieces, nephews, and friends.

Mark Johnson

Services for Mark Johnson, 26, of Post were held at 10 a.m. Monday, June 5, 2006, in the First United Methodist Church in Nocona with the Rev. Larry Kruger of the First United Methodist Church and the Rev. Larry Irving, chaplain of the North Richland Hills Police Department, officiating. Burial followed in the Starkey Cemetery under the direction of the Scott-Morris Funeral Home.



He died June 1 in Post.

Born Dec. 21, 1979, in Weatherford to Sidney Johnson and Gina Pickens Johnson, he married Stacey Ferguson on Aug. 23, 2003, in Lubbock. A coach with the Post Independent School District, he was a member of the National High School Coaches Association and the National Educators Association. He was a lifetime FFA member.

Survivors include his wife, Stacey Johnson of Post; one son, Andrew Joe Johnson of Post; his parents, Sid and Gina Johnson of Bonita; three brothers, Steve Johnson of Greenville, Jimmy Johnson of Fort Worth and Allen Johnson of Nocona; his grandparents, Gene and Nancy Pickens of Fort Worth and Hazel Johnson of Perrin; his parents-in-law, Joe and Cheryl Ferguson of Lubbock; and a brother-in-law, Michael Ferguson of Lubbock.

The family has suggested memorials be made to the Mark Johnson Memorial Scholarship Fund at the Wells Fargo Bank in Nocona or the First United Methodist Church in Nocona.

Margaret Williams

Services for Margaret Williams, 78, of Early, formerly of May, were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 3, 2006, in the May First Baptist Church with Brother David Pate and Pastor Lynn Starnes officiating. Burial followed in the May Cemetery in May under the direction of the Davis-Morris Funeral Home of Brownwood.



She died June 1 at the Brownwood Regional Medical Center.

Born in Post Sept. 14, 1927, she married Ozell Williams in Post. A life member of the Ladies Auxiliary of Brownwood Regional Medical Center, she served as a board member for the May Cemetery for 13 years, Crusade for Christ for 12 years and was president of the Ridgewood Gardens Community Association. She was a rancher and a member of the First Baptist Church in May.

Survivors include one daughter, Marilyn Blisard and her husband, T.L., of Bangs; one son, Ronnie Williams and his wife, Jerri, of Granbury; five grandchildren, Bobbie Jo Blisard, Jack Blisard, David Blisard, Jeff Williams and Casey Weaver; seven great-grandchildren, Kayla, Melissa, Blade, McKayla, Baylon, Madison and Gracie; and one brother, Jason Justice of Lubbock.

She was preceded in death by her husband, six brothers and two sisters.

In lieu of flowers, the family has suggested memorials be made to the Walker Cancer Center of Brownwood.

Shelby Tunaitis

Services for 9-year-old Shelby Tunaitis of Post will be at 2 p.m. Friday, June 9, 2006, in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Kevin Blackburn of Calvary Baptist Church officiating. Burial will follow in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home.

She died Monday, June 2, at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

Born June 14, 1996, in Lubbock, she had completed the fourth grade at Post Elementary School.

Survivors include her mother, Treba Tunaitis of Post; her father, Ike Tunaitis of Midlothian; her grandparents, Terri and J.T. Reese of Post, Randy and Terri Williams of Grassland, Fred and Darlene Tunaitis of Midlothian and R.C. Curtis of Post; her great-grandparents, Jadene Clary of Post and Cedelia Williams of Tahoka; her stepfather, Charles Curtis of Post; and her sister, Courtney Tunaitis of Sweetwater.

Letters to the Editor

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A historical notation

This letter is written to express our sincere and deep gratitude to advertisers, readers and loyal supporters who have stood firmly with The Post Dispatch during the 80 years this newspaper has served the people of Garza County.

Especially we thank those merchants and businesses who continued advertising with us as we faced a competing publication for the past five months.

This letter is also in response to numerous inquiries from interested readers: "What happened to the Garza County Gazette?"

We have no first hand knowledge, but we have been informed by several businesses and individuals that Gazette publisher James N. Jarrett delivered a letter to selected individuals on Friday, June 2, 2006 explaining that he ceased publishing for personal reasons. To his credit, Mr Jarrett is reported to have distributed refunds to subscribers as he announced the ending of the short-lived weekly publication (the first edition was dated December 22, 2005 while the last edition was dated May 18, 2006).

As we said in a statement a week before the Gazette first appeared, fair competition is always a benefit. We are, and shall be, firm believers in free enterprise. "Let the market decide," is more than a slogan, it is a foundation of the great American experiment, which, without government interference, provides choices in the market place.

Just look around any business... the variety of choices for merchandise and services is so vast as to be beyond counting. The same is true for those of us in the information business.

Fortunately for us, the vast majority of people and businesses here have made it clear that The Post Dispatch is their preferred source for local news, even though Mr Jarrett worked hard and long hours in his attempt to compete with us.

His efforts got our attention in a hurry, and for that we are grateful. The benefits we've enjoyed are also beyond measure.

In the end, the Gazette, for all its colorful pages, apparently relied entirely on a handful of unidentified "deep pocket investors." Without adequate advertising or subscribers, it was another in a list of competitors that have been launched by politically motivated individuals, seeking to silence our oft criticized editorial comments.

Mr Jarrett is reported to have said that he was recruited, promoted and supported by individuals offended by our editorial policies. Without adequate market research, the Gazette was launched on a false assumption: that Post and Garza County needed another newspaper.

Strange as it might seem, we wish to express our gratitude to those who arranged for Mr Jarrett to set up shop here. As a result of his five month venture, we have discovered a wealth of support we didn't know existed.

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On God's Word

By Timothy W. Burnett

"What shall we do?"...Acts 2:38

After Peter answered the question, "What shall we do," he continued, "For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are far off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call."

And with many words he testified and exhorted them by saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation" (Acts 2:39-40). The promise was the gift of the Holy Ghost, and was directly tied with salvation.

To understand this better we need only look at the first example of people being baptized and receiving the promise of the Holy Ghost, found in Acts 2:4. They had just witnessed the disciples getting saved and Peter exhorted them to do the same. What happened next?

"Then they that gladly received his word were baptized and the same day there were added about three thousand souls" (Acts 2:41).

Here, the word "received" is translated from the earlier known Greek word dechomai, which meant to mentally receive information with a favorable frame of mind.

This verse fits perfectly with Romans 10:9-10 where it teaches that righteousness is the result of believing with the heart that God raised Jesus from the dead.

It also fits perfectly with Acts 2:4 where we learn that the disciples were filled with holy spirit. The reason they were filled was because they already believed God raised Jesus from the dead. They received the word with a favorable frame of mind and were baptized.

Isn't that simply wonderful? On that same day nearly 3,000 people were added to the list of believing Christians. It says in verse 47, "And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved."

Wow! This means that a large number of people did the same thing that the first disciples did in Acts

2:4. The word spread like fire and many people were filled with the spirit of God and began to speak in other languages as the spirit gave the words.

This can be confirmed in Acts 10:43-46, 11:15 and 19:2-6. "They continued with steadfastness in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread and in prayers. And reverence came upon every soul and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles. And all that believed were together and had all things common.

They sold their possessions and goods and distributed them among all the believers according to need. And they continued daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, eating their food with gladness and singleness of heart.

Praising God and having favor with all the people" (Acts 2:42-46).

This is such a fantastic record of the first people who became part of the body of Christ. When they were filled with the spirit of God and obtained salvation, they launched into a whole new life of spiritual liberty that was not known before.

They didn't fully understand what was available because the apostle Paul had not begun his ministry, but they did understand enough to praise God in their individual homes with singleness of heart and unity of faith.

They could freely eat their food with gladness knowing that Jesus Christ their Passover, and ours, was alive and in heaven, and that they were completely cleansed by the blood of the Lamb.

They were free to plunge into a new and refreshing life of fellowship and service toward God in heaven and his first born beloved son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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The iPod people

by Bill O'Reilly

In a world as complicated as ours, there's no way we can really understand what's happening unless we're willing to make an investment of time. But many of us simply will not do that. We are too involved in our own lives, too busy, too distracted, and too apathetic to pay attention to most vital issues.

Thus, huge problems like illegal immigration and energy dependence go unsolved for decades because the powers that be know we're not paying attention.

The rise of worldwide terrorism is the best example of the powerful failing to be proactive. President Clinton knew al Qaeda was growing in strength and militancy but failed to warn the nation. When President Bush took over in 2001, he also mostly ignored the festering threat. The result was 3,000 Americans dead in the street.

Ask yourself this question: Before Sept. 11, 2001, had you heard the name Osama bin Laden? Did you know anything about the Taliban? Even those of us in the news business had little frame of reference about those killers. So there was virtually no pressure on Clinton and Bush to do anything.

Machines are part of the reason Americans continue to be ill informed. Younger people especially spend hours in front of the computer playing games and engaging in idle chat. When they do get their butts up off the chair, they slap on iPods and have sounds piped directly into their brains. Tiring of that, they flick on the tube and watch a variety of mind-numbing "reality" shows.

The result: According to a survey done by National Geographic, 63 percent of Americans ages 18 to 24 can't find Iraq on a map of the Middle East. And, incredibly, 25 percent of that age could not even identify Dick Cheney as vice president.

Research shows that news consumption among Americans under the age of 50 is drastically declining. TV news ratings skew old, and newspaper circulation is generally plummeting. One explanation is that Americans can now get the news online. OK, fine. But those Internet headlines barely skim the surface of complicated matters, and many websites have absolutely no editorial standards. They print rank propaganda and libel all day long.

So the USA is now entering an age of issue illiteracy. Older Americans still remember civics classes and geography texts and dinner table discussions about their country. Many younger Americans will never experience those things.

Thus, as technology shrinks the globe, it is also providing an escape from world. The iPod people can avoid real life constantly and entirely.

Our society is so intellectually undemanding that uninformed entertainers like the Dixie Chicks can comment negatively on foreign policy and be rewarded with a Time magazine cover. Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie can have a baby and receive more attention than the Senate vote on illegal immigration. And Barry Bonds can cheat his way to home run records and still command standing ovations in San Francisco.

The USA used to be a nation that valued knowledge and rallied around national standards.

Now we have become Balkanized -- each of us can easily create individual electronic fantasy worlds. Why face a world full of terror and confusing angst when you can drift off into iPod land?

Ultimately, mass electronic escape will lead to a very few exercising vast power over the distracted many. That, of course, is not the system the Founders envisioned. But when more votes are cast for "American Idol" contestants than for presidential candidates, you know the times they are a changin'. And not for the better.

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Stop the NAIS

Ron Paul's **Texas Straight Talk**
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by U.S. Congressman Ron Paul

The House of Representatives recently passed funding for a new federal mandate that threatens to put thousands of small farmers and ranchers out of business. The National Animal Identification System, known as NAIS, is an expensive and unnecessary federal program that requires owners of livestock--cattle, dairy, poultry, and even horses--to tag animals with electronic tracking devices. The intrusive monitoring system amounts to nothing more than a tax on livestock owners, allowing the federal government access to detailed information about their private property.

In typical Washington-speak, NAIS is involuntary provided USDA bureaucrats are satisfied with the level of cooperation. Trust me, NAIS will be mandatory within a few years. When was the last time a new federal program did not expand once implemented?

As usual, Congress is spending millions of dollars creating a complex non-solution to a very simple problem. NAIS will cost taxpayers at least \$33 million for starters.

Agribusiness giants support NAIS, because they want the federal government to create a livestock database and provide free industry data. But small and independent livestock owners face a costly mandate if NAIS becomes law.

Larger livestock operations will be able to tag whole groups of animals

with one ID device. Smaller ranchers and farmers, however, will be forced to tag each individual animal, at a cost of anywhere from \$3 to \$20 per head. And NAIS applies to anyone with a single horse, pig, chicken, or goat in the backyard no exceptions. NAIS applies to children in 4-H or FFA. Once NAIS becomes mandatory, any failure to report and tag an animal subjects the owner to \$1,000 per day fines.

NAIS also forces livestock owners to comply with new paperwork and monitoring regulations. These farmers and ranchers literally will be paying for an assault on their property and privacy rights, as NAIS empowers federal agents to enter and seize property without a warrant--a blatant violation of the 4th amendment.

NAIS is not about preventing mad cow or other diseases. States already have animal identification systems in place, and virtually all stockyards issue health certificates. Since most contamination happens after animals have been sold, tracing them back to the farm or ranch that sold them won't help find the sources of disease.

More than anything, NAIS places our family farmers and ranchers at an economic disadvantage against agribusiness and overseas competition. As dairy farmer and rancher Bob Parker stated, NAIS is itoo intrusive, too costly, and will be devastating to small farmers and ranchers.

NAIS means more government, more regulations, more fees, more federal spending, less privacy, and diminished property rights. It's exactly the kind of federal program every conservative, civil libertarian, animal lover, businessman, farmer, and rancher should oppose. The House has already acted, but there's still time to tell the Senate to dump NAIS. Please call your Senators and tell them you oppose spending even one dime on the NAIS program in the 2007 agriculture appropriations bill.

Independent migrants have rights too

by Sheldon Richman

You'd never know it from the recent public discussion, but the people disparaged as "illegal aliens" -- in fact they are independent migrants -- have the same natural rights to life, liberty, and property that Americans have. As long as they violate no one else's natural rights, they should be free to go about their business.

Immigration restrictions are doubly invasive of rights. They violate the migrants' rights because they prohibit them from entering the property of Americans who would otherwise welcome them: employers and landlords, for example. And they violate the rights of those Americans who aren't free to hire migrants or rent and sell to them. Any American who wishes not to associate with a migrant should be perfectly free not to do so. But that American has no right to stop the rest of us from doing so. Nor has he a right to ask Congress to stop us.

But, it is said, a country has a right to control its borders. What does that mean? A country is not a country club. It's not a single parcel of land with common owners. If it's a free country, it's a collection of free people living in the same geographical area with a more or less common set of rights-protecting laws. It should have no rules of "membership" for living there beyond this rule: Respect the life, liberty, and property of others. Under those circumstances, borders lose their significance. As it is, people engaged in economic activities ignore national boundaries unless government intrusion (trade barriers) makes that impossible. Businesses usually are not interested in which side of an arbitrary line their potential customers were born.

Imagine an American whose land borders the boundary between the United States and Mexico. Is he not entitled to think of that border as his own? And if so, can't he welcome anyone to his property, including citizens from the other side of that line? To say no is to demonstrate how far we have drifted from our individualist and voluntarist moorings.

The issue of citizenship distracts us from more important matters. If government didn't have the open-ended power to deprive us of liberty and property, voting would represent no threat. As it stands today, I have no more reason to fear a Mexican in the voting booth than I do a native-born American. It is not first-generation foreigners who brought Leviathan to America. If the problem is the welfare state, let's get rid of it instead of oppressing migrants.

Fear-mongers spend a lot of time disparaging Latino migrants for speaking Spanish and living in their own enclaves, as though similar things weren't said about earlier migrants. (A knowledge of history has never been a distinctive trait of the anti-migrant forces in this country.) I could point out that within a few generations the descendants of migrants speak English and assimilate. But I place no weight on that argument, because migrants are under no obligation to assimilate. As long as they violate no one's rights, they should be free to move here, engage in voluntary transactions, and speak -- exclusively if they wish -- any language they want. Of course, they should also accept responsibility for

their choices. That's called freedom.

For these reasons, the bills pending in Congress are objectionable. The borders should be open to migrants, but not the tax coffers. No one, native or migrant, has a right to stolen money. Moreover, the guest-worker program is an insult. It says that "we" will let migrants in as long as they are the right kind. What of the rights of the "wrong kind" (the low-skilled)?

The Fourth of July holiday is about a month away. Wouldn't it be nice if this time we could celebrate American freedom and really mean it?

Sheldon Richman is senior fellow at The Future of Freedom Foundation, author of *Tethered Citizens: Time to Repeal the Welfare State*, and editor of *The Freeman* magazine.

America was founded on the principle that ALL people (including non-citizens) are endowed with certain inalienable rights (see the American Declaration of Independence)



Warning: Ideas expressed on this page have been known to cause people to react with irrational and unexplainable behaviors.

Green, Morrow top artists at 2006 Annual Art Show



Mayor Bill Pool (left) congratulates Carol Petersen at the Algerita Art Show Sunday.

Jean Green's "Things to Remember" was recognized as Juror's Choice/Best of Show while work by Glenda Morrow was tapped as People's Choice at the 2006 Annual Art Show which ended Sunday with an awards ceremony at the Algerita Arts Center.

Barbaralee Newcomb was recipient of the Octavia Satterwhite Thompson Merit Award presented by Lois Lawrence in memory of her mother.

A complete overview of awards presented in the juried art show is as follows:

- Oil still life - "Things Remembered" by Jean Green, first place; "Mimbres Pots" by Polly Cravy, second place; "Calla Lily Vendor" by Gerald Derby, third place; and Honorable Mentions, "Bottles & Gourds,"

Glenda Morrow, and "Silver & Tulips," Jean Green.

- Watercolor landscape - "Out to Pasture," Carol Peterson, first place; "Old Faithful," Carol Peterson, second place; "Down on the Farm," Rachel Martin, third place; and "In Old Socorro," Rachel Martin, Honorable Mention.

- Watercolor still life & floral - "Holly Hocks," Marie Neff, first place; "Pastel Iris," Glenda Morrow, second place; "Large Iris" by Glenda Morrow, third place; and "Opening Up," Carol Peterson, Honorable Mention.

- Abstract - "The Gathering" by Gerald Derby, first place; "Jungle Creature," Glenda Morrow, second place; and "Crusader 14th Century," Gerald Derby, third place; Gerald Derby, honorable mention "Imperfect Dogwood" and "Earth, Wind, Fire."

Gerald Derby and "Early Fall" by Marie Neff.

- Oil landscape with structure - "Cottage at Newport Beach" by Barbaralee Newcomb, first place; "Feeding Time" by Glenda Morrow, second place; "Sunrise Sentinel" by Jean Green, third place; and "God's Grace" by Gerald Derby, Honorable Mention.

- Photography - "Shadow Awe" by Eloise Brown, first place; "Skeetshooter" by Sheri Riedel, second place.

- Minis - "Sunflower Medley" by Carol Peterson, first place; "Red House" by Glenda Morrow, second; "Untitled" by Polly Cravy, third place; and Honorable Mentions, "Mountain Gold" by Carol Peterson and "Indian School Boy" by Ann Bratcher.

- Portraits - "Chubby Chief," Carol Peterson, first place; "Black Straw Hat," second place,

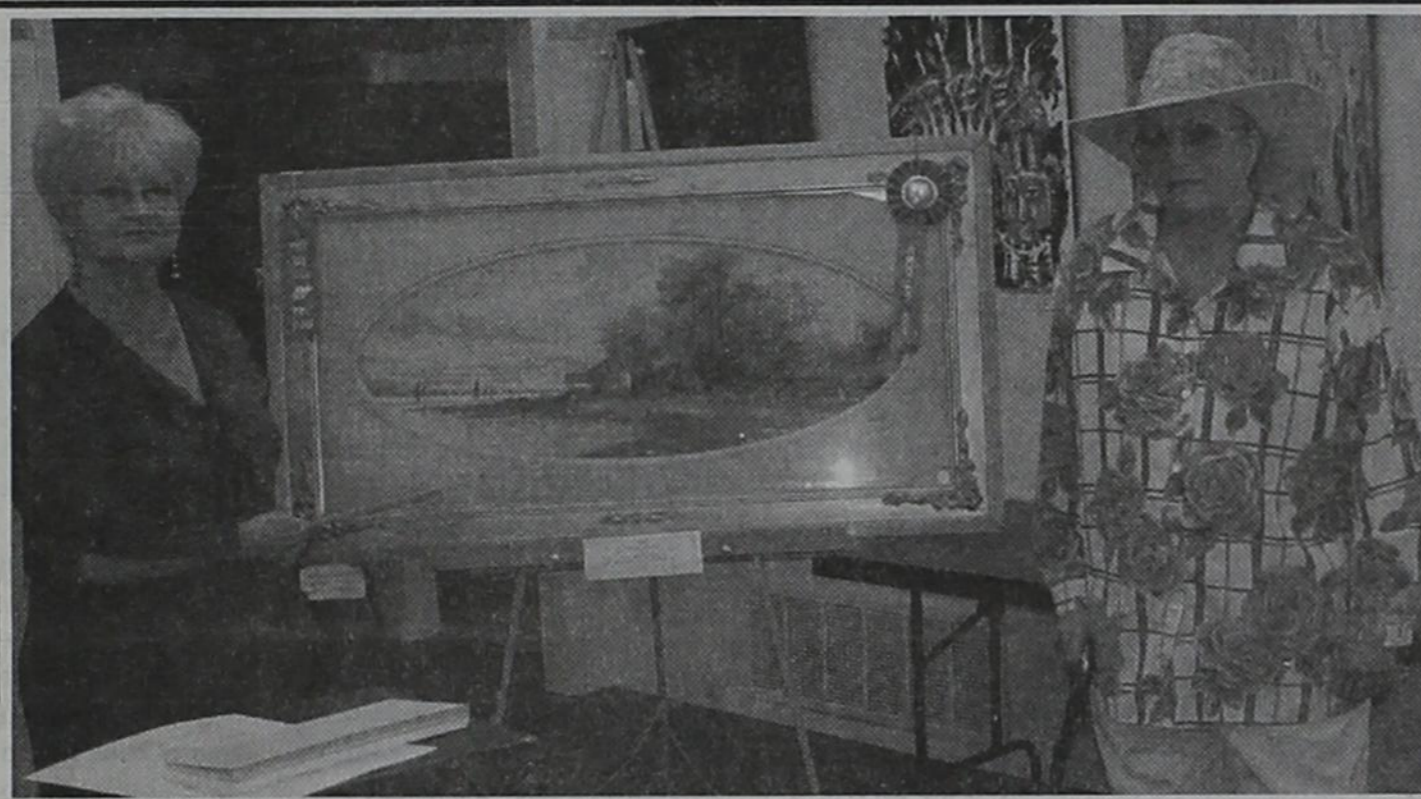
Ann Bratcher; "Ferguson," Eloise Brown, third place; and Honorable Mentions, "Mary" by Glenda Morrow, "Sandra's Full Portraiture" by Gerald Derby and "Young Lady Monica" by Gerald Derby.

- Animal/Fowl - "Watchful Wolf" by Carol Peterson, first place; "Sweet Baby," Nancy McCutchin, second place; "Fancy Fishes" by Glenda Morrow, third place; "Cool Crossing" by Lavone Lewis, Honorable Mention; and "Black Rooster" by Glenda Morrow, Honorable Mention.

- Other Media - "Pretty Woman" by Dan Rankin, first place; "Scrapbook Cover" by Dan Rankin, second place; "Pottery" by Geraldine Butler, third place; and "Candle Sticks" by Glenda Morrow, Honorable Mention. Juror for the show was Gale Webb of Lubbock.



Linda Puckett (right) congratulates Glenda Morrow during Sunday's Algerita Art Show.



Glenda Morrow congratulates Barbaralee Newcomb during last Sunday afternoon's Algerita Art Show awards presentation.

Publisher's Letter (Continued from Page 4)

and we found new and better ways to present local news and photographs, improving our content and graphics.

This experience confirms our fundamental belief: free enterprise works and the free exchange of ideas and testing the market place benefits everyone.

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We are dedicated to living up to the expectations of our advertisers and readers. We solicit your ideas and suggestions for improving your hometown newspaper. Give us a call, write us a letter by U.S. mail or e-mail. You have our undivided attention.

One final word ... to all of you who supported Mr Jarrett, either financially or through other means, we express our gratitude to you. We realize that you are disappointed at its failure to survive in the free market place. We know it's difficult to acknowledge decisions made on false assumptions.

We remind you that The Post Dispatch is your hometown newspaper also. If our editorial opinions have offended you, say so, we may continue to disagree, but we certainly don't have to be disagreeable in our disagreement.

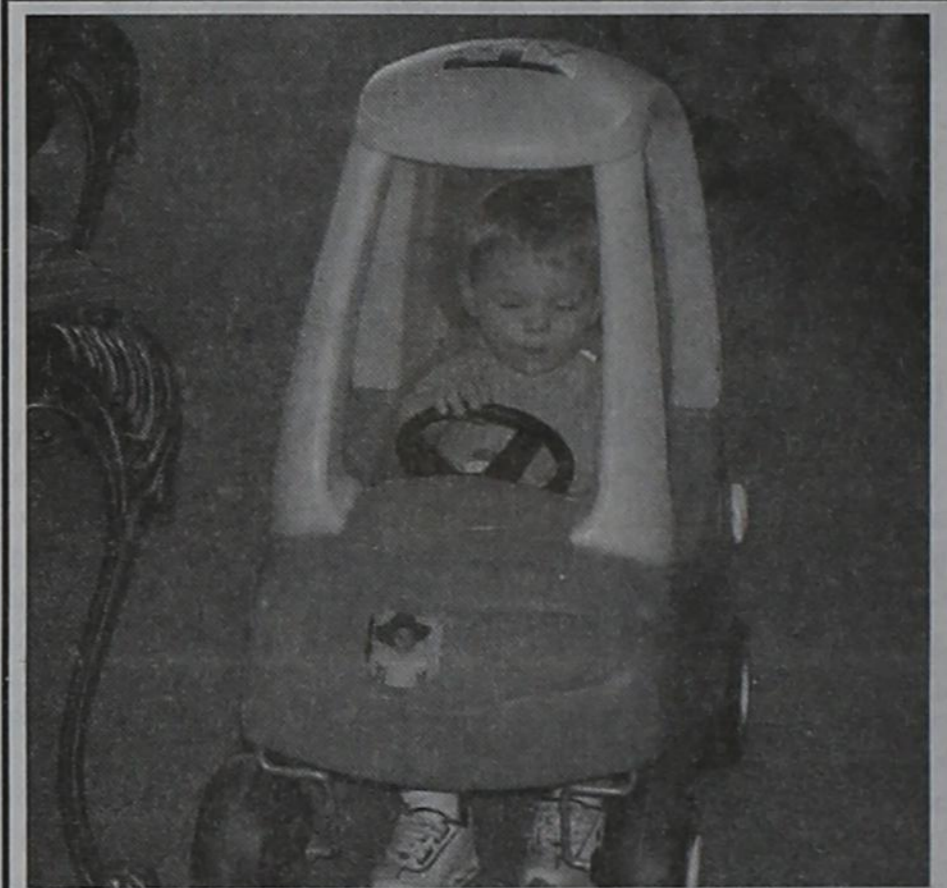
Remember also, we will, as we always have, continue to provide space for your ideas, even if we disagree with you.

Let's put this historical footnote behind us as we join hands in building a better place to live and launch into Post City's second century.

Wesley W. Burnett, Publisher



Lee and Marsha Norman congratulate Glenda Morrow at Sunday's Algerita Art Show awards presentation.



Kohen Hudman studies his route through Hudman Furniture Co. during last Saturday's Post City Celebration Days. (Photo by Jackie Miner)



Joy Pool (left) and Geraldine Butler enjoy the shade and ice cream at the Post Rotary Club's booth on East Main Street Saturday. (Photo by Jackie Miner)



"Ponies In Post" featured a host of barrel racers at this year's Post City Celebration Days. The event was presented by WindySue Productions of Lubbock. (Photo by Thessa Harp)

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Two categories:

- 15 yrs & under - First Round, July 7
Finals, August 5
- 16 yrs & over - First Round, July 8
Finals, August 5

No cost to enter. Soloists and groups welcome. The first 50 applicants in each category will be given a performance time and all performances will be judged. Top 3 finalists receive prizes.

Post City Idol performances will be on the Rainmaker Stage, Old Mill Trade Days during the scheduled July and August events. Applications are also available at oldmilltradedays.com.





Local musicians delighting visitors on East Main Street Saturday are Bill Harp (center) and Jack Hataway (right). Enjoying the music is Movelda Harp (left). (Photo by Jackie Miner)



Helping with the Algerita Art Center's bake sale Saturday during Post City Celebration Days are Caitlin Cravy and Luke Cravy. (Photo by Jackie Miner)



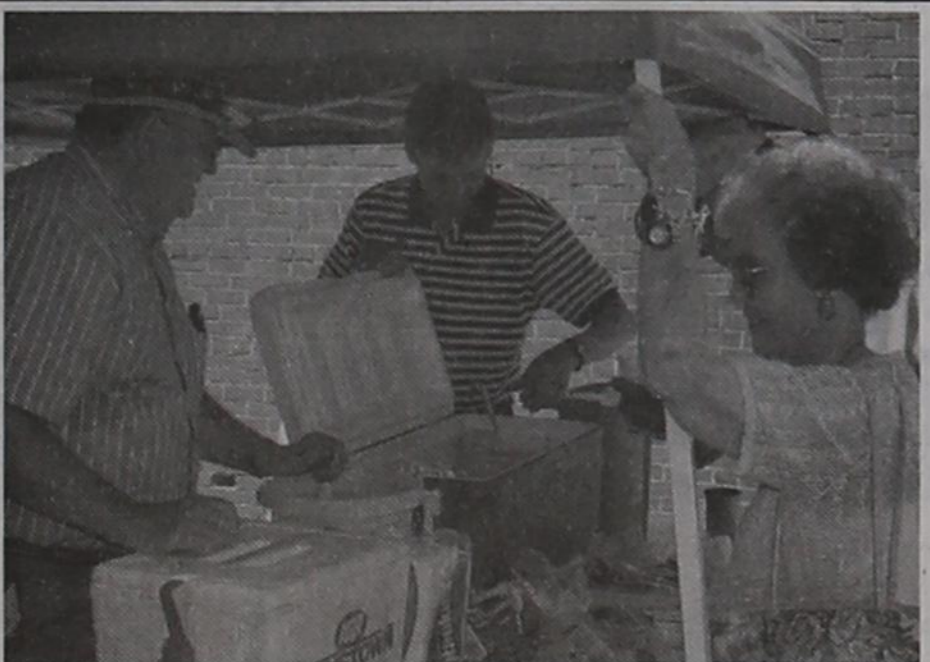
Rhonda Morrow assists visitors with a wide variety of art during Saturday's Post City Celebration Days. (Photo by Jackie Miner)



Sherry Reidel and Jon Overstreet kept the grill sizzlin' in front of the Algerita Art Center Saturday, serving food to hundreds of visitors enjoying a very successful Post City Celebration Days event. (Photo by Jackie Miner)



JoAnn Foreman entertained visitors on the north side of East Main Street with some ole time, foot stompin', roatin' tootin' tunes. (Photo by Jackie Miner)



Post Rotarians Bud Davis (left) and Charles Hardin (center) served up a "ton" of ice cream Saturday during Post City Celebration Days. The Rotary booth was on the vacant lot between Ruby Lane Books and The Post Dispatch. Geraldine Butler gets her share of the tasty treats. (Photo by Jackie Miner)



Nelda Dalby (left to right), C.J. Schoenrock and Peggy Sue Garren enjoy a laugh at the City-County Recovery Center booth on East Main Street Saturday during Post City Celebration Days. Peggy Sue devoted her time signing autographs and visiting with Buddy Holly fans. (Photo by Jackie Miner)



Post City Celebration Days volunteers (left to right) Anita Abraham, Deana Watson, Linda Hernandez, Cathy Beach and Paul Beach take a break from their duties on East Main Street Saturday. (Photo by Jackie Miner)

Post "Idol" lives on ...

An "American" idol may have been chosen recently, but in Post, Texas, the search continues. Old Mill Trade Days is sponsoring the 2006 Post City Idol Contest with the first round of competition on July 7 & 8 and the finals August 5. The performances will be on the Rainmaker Stage at OMTD during the Trade Days events in July and August.

"This event is perfect for performers who would enjoy the competition but don't have an opportunity to go through the rigorous American Idol process," explains Rosa Latimer, General Manager of Old Mill Trade Days. "We want this to be fun. We will have judges, but we promise there won't be a Simon Cowell," referring to the infamous judge on the television show American Idol.

The Post City Idol competition is divided into two age groups - 15 yrs & under and 16 yrs & over and is open to soloists and groups. All contestants will sing 3 minutes of a song of their choice without accompaniment for the first two rounds of competition.

Those advancing to the finals will select one song to perform either with or without CD accompaniment.

The top three finalists in each age category will receive awards with the Post City Idol winner in each category winning \$100 cash, a Grand Prize trophy, and the opportunity to appear at the Garza Theatre in Post.

There is no cost to enter the Post City Idol competition; however, entries must be received by June 23.

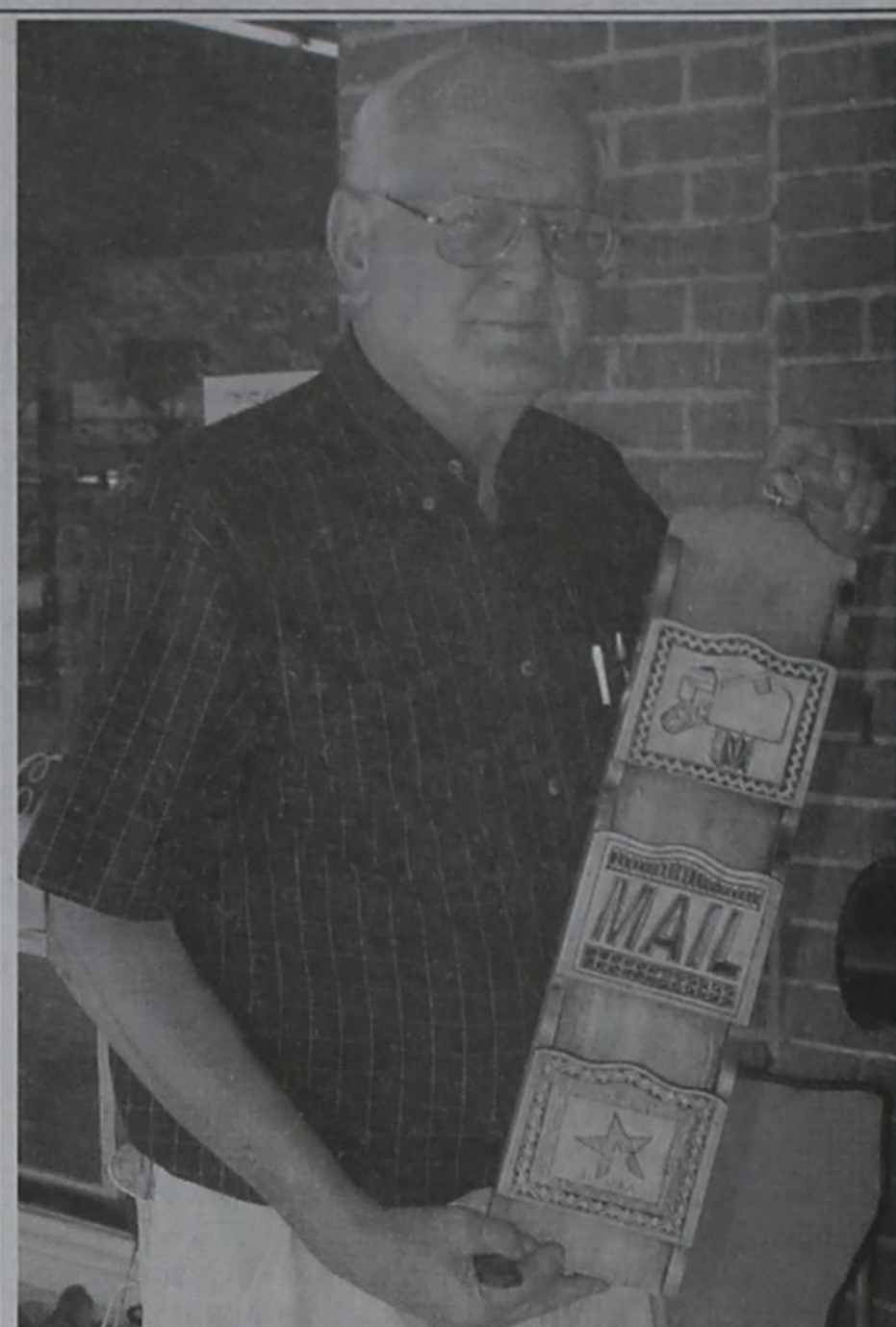
Vickers earns ACU honor roll

Kenda Vickers of Post was named to the Dean's Honor Roll at Abilene Christian University for the spring 2006 semester.

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Garza County Sheriff Arrest Report

- 22-year-old male, bond forfeiture/possession of marijuana
- 31-year-old male, possession of marijuana under two ounces
- 38-year-old male, Garza County warrant for driving while intoxicated
- 38-year-old male, warrant
- 23-year-old male, warrant
- 23-year-old male, Garza County warrant/APR
- 21-year-old male, possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia
- 38-year-old male, DWI/third offense or more
- 20-year-old male, Garza County warrant/child support



Dan Rankin displays one of his exquisite wood carvings on display Saturday during Post City Celebration Days. "Persistence and hard work" are his motto for the finished product. (Photo by Jackie Miner)



Offering free sausage wraps at the Algerita Park on East Main Street are Jason Porter (Porter Hardware) and American State Bank Slaton Branch representatives Nancy Norman, Boyd Finch and Chuck Richardson.



Providing entertainment and informaton at the Algerita Park on East Main Street are Poka LAMBRO staff members (left to right) Amy Preston, Sid Applin, Sheila Holland, Chad Swinford, Denise Long, Bill Griffing, Kay Keller and Clinton Yarbrow.

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We would like to thank the ladies from the First Baptist Church for all the food prepared for us. Thanks to all the people that have donated money for funeral expense. Special thanks to Jimmy Holleman Jr. for such a nice service. We appreciate all of you. May the Lord bless and protect each and everyone of you that helped us in our time of need.

The family of Bertha McDougle Ester McDougle & family Manuel Robles & family.

The ladies and men of Post 6797 want to thank everyone for their donations during their annual Buddy Poppy Drive that was held recently. The money went to their relief funds, which is used to help those in need.

Help Wanted

SEASONAL HELP WANTED: The City of Post is taking applications for one temporary (seasonal) employee. Must be 18 years of age or older. Applications available at City Hall, 105 E. Main Street, Post, Texas.

Full time position for an office assistant available. Applicants should possess computer skills, telephone etiquette and customer service skills. Submit resumes to Garza Abstract, 217 West Main, Post, Texas. 79356.

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Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE GARZA COUNTY EMS BUILDING

Sealed proposals addressed to the Honorable Judge and County Commissioners of the Garza County Courthouse, 300 West Main Street, Post, Texas, 79356, until 9:00 am, Monday, June 12, 2006 for furnishing all necessary materials, machinery, equipment, superintendence and labor for the construction of Garza County EMS Building for Garza County, Texas, including other incidental items of work as called for in the specifications.

Bidders must submit a Cashier's or Certified Check issued by a bank satisfactory to the Owner, or a Bid Bond from a reliable Surety company, payable without recourse to the order of Garza County, Texas, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the largest possible bid submitted as a guaranty that the bidder will enter into a contract and execute bonds and guaranty in the forms provided within ten (10) days after notice of award of contract to him. Bids without the required Check or Bid Bond will not be considered.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond, and Payment Bond, each in the amount of the contract, written by a responsible Surety company, authorized to do business in the State of Texas, and satisfactory to the Owner.

All lump sum and unit prices must be stated in both script and figures. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating the prices in the bids, the Owner reserves the right to consider the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject the bid. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive formalities, and to accept the bid which seems most advantageous to the County's interest.

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Copies of the plans and specifications and contract documents may be obtained from Oller Engineering, Inc., 2517 74th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79423. GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS

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Voyager Gas Corporation, 12225 Greenville Ave. #870, Dallas, TX 75243 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid in the Spraberry Formation, Macy Lott Spraberry Unit Well Number 204. The proposed injection well is located 10 miles South of Post, Texas in the Lazy - JL - (Spraberry, Lo.) Field, in Garza County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth

interval from 5750 to 6000 feet. LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

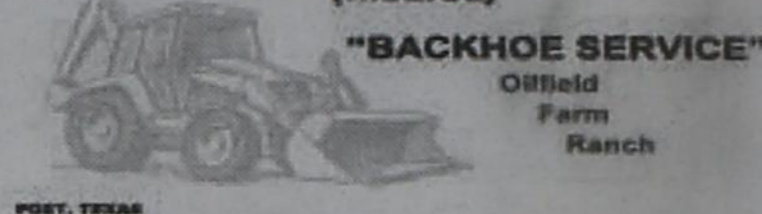
Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

LEGAL NOTICE

Post ISD is accepting sealed bids on used playground equipment. Bids may be submitted per piece, or for the lot. List of items may be obtained at Post ISD Central Administrative Office, 501 South Ave. K, Post, or 806-495-3343. Send sealed bids marked "Playground Bid" on outside of envelope to address above. Bids will be opened Monday June 12th at 2 p.m.

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Yesteryears

Compiled by Donna Jones
From The Post Dispatch archives

10 Years Ago
June 7, 1996

Raeline Michelle Bagby became the bride of Darrell Glenn Reece on June 1 in the First United Methodist Church in Post. Glenn Reece, father of the groom, officiated the double ring ceremony.

A Post Chamber of Commerce sponsored ribbon-cutting ceremony was held last week during the opening of The Firm Toning Center at Manna Square. Jan Tomlin is the proud owner.

The Post Lions Club awarded a \$450 scholarship to its queen Aliede Marin.

Christy Reiter's horses "ran way" with the show Saturday as she won the Grand Champion Mare and Grand Champion Gelding trophies, and was awarded the Senior Showmanship Buckle for the Horse Show sponsored by the Garza County Jr. Livestock Association.

Carlene Kyle was honored at a reception honoring her on the occasion of her retirement at the Post Elementary School.

20 Years Ago
June 4, 1986

The Dispatch will celebrate 60 years of continuous service to Garza County this week. A gleam in the eyes of Eddie and Pauline Warren and a tone of excitement in their voices was apparent as they recalled the days of publishing. "What ever was going on," Pauline adds, "you would find Eddie right in the middle of it." Eddie Warren helped start a new newspaper in the City of Post in June, 1926.

Mrs. Marion Wheatley was honored last week with a retirement reception following her 25 years of teaching.

The wall is about to collapse is the way engineers describe the south and west walls of the Algerita building downtown. Efforts are underway by the Heritage Association to raise funds to save the building.

Mrs. Gena Lott was honored with a surprise diaper party in the home of Mrs. Susan Strawn.

Kathryn Louise Krikpatrick received a bachelor of business administration degree in marketing from TCU's M.J. Neeley School of Business.

30 Years Ago
June 10, 1976

A ceremony officially designating Post as a national "bicentennial community" will be on the courthouse lawn with State Senator Kent Hance of Lubbock as featured speaker. The City of Post will be presented a state and national certificate, as well as a national bicentennial flag.

The C. W. Post Memorial Boy Scout Camp, located just outside of Post, began its 51st year of serving Boy Scouts of America in the South Plains Council. The

Camp, was donated to the South Plains Council by the wife of C. W. Post. Marshall Mason was also the organizer of the First Boy Scout Troop in Garza County in 1925.

Bobby Norman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Norman recently graduated from Baylor University with a bachelor of business administration degree majoring in management and finance.

Terry's Togs will have their Grand Opening this week-end at 222 E. Main.

The George R. Brown pump jacks, across US-84 from the Brown offices here, have been painted red, white and blue and an adjoining tank battery painted aluminum with a waving American flag painted on one end and the numbers 1976 painted on the individual tanks of the battery. All the painting was done freehand by Lea Mock for Bicentennial decorations.

40 Years Ago
June 9, 1966

County Judge J. E. Parker was renominated in a nip and tuck race with E. E. (Elva) Peel in the primary election. Pauline Coleman was nominated county treasurer over June Peel and Herbert Walls unseated Mason Justice in the Precinct 4 county commissioner's race.

The Garza county Historical Survey Committee chose "The Pioneer Life" as the name of its quarterly newsletter, which is edited by Frank "Chief" Runkles.

Record Sale at Post Pharmacy: Both LPs and Stereo - Albums in these groups include such favorites as Frank Sinatra, Andy Williams, Dean Martin, Nat King Cole, etc. Only \$1.

Pearl Stephens and her husband, the Rev. Clarence Stephens, minister of the First Methodist Church, were installed as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of the Post Chapter No. 206 of the Order of Eastern Star at the Masonic Lodge.

50 Years Ago
June 7, 1956

Janet Sue, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Ray, has been named as the grand prize winner in the children's photograph contest sponsored by Morgan Studio. The red-haired Janet Sue received a \$25 savings bond. She was picked as the winner by Edgar Bergen of Hollywood.

David King, a member of Post High School's 1956 graduating class, has been named as first place winner in the West Texas Chamber of Commerce essay contest on "What Can My Town Do to Have More Industry?" \$250 will be awarded with registrar of any West Texas college or university chosen by King.

New directors at Grassland Cop are Gerald Norman and Anton

Miller, Amos Gerner was re-elected to the board.

Parsons' Dress Shop will move into the building now occupied by Haws Shoe Store.

A daughter, Lee Ann, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Williams in Garza Memorial Hospital on June 3.

60 Years Ago
June 6, 1946

One of the most colorful events being staged at this season's Stampede is the special feature offered by the Abilene Mounted Square Dance team. The act is made up of 6 couples who dramatically perform a square dance mounted on highly trained horses. Accompanying the performers is square-dance caller Jack Morris.

Marriage license were issued to Billie Wayne Blacklock, 20, and Miss Wanda Lafern Melton, 16 of Post.

Preview of things to come... Costume jewelry from steel is on its way, thanks to a new process called electropolishing. A much improved bobby pin is coming on the market this summer. Its makers say it is kind to fingernails, to open it you just press on the closed end. An insulating material for houses which is both light and strong, has been developed out of corrugated paper, sealed together honeycomb fashion. It's resistant to both fire and water.

Pvt. George Lee Owen arrived here May 26 on a 10-day furlough. He is stationed at San Antonio. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Owen of this city.



THREE SWIMMING POOL ATTRACTIONS

These three "mermaids" are taking a dip in the City-County Park swimming pool, which opened last week with Mr. and Mrs. Glynn Gregg as operators. From left to right are Marie Newby, Linda Altman and Sherry Woods. This week's warmer weather has boosted pool attendance, the operators said.—(Staff Photo)

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Reminder

Range Workshop Thursday, June 8, beginning at 8:30 a.m., at Covered S Ranch, north of Snyder

District 2 4-H Horse Show

The District Two 4-H Horse Show will be held at the Texas Tech Equestrian Center in Wolforth June 13, 2006. The public is invited to attend.

Steer Validation

Any youth planning to exhibit steers in the 2006-07 show season, must bring them to Syd Conner's lot for validation Tuesday, June 20, at 8:00 A.M.. Cost of validation will be \$10 per steer. Also, you must bring your social security number, checkbook, and a parent for signatures. Steers will be weighed that day for the Rate of Gain award. If you cannot be there, you need to call your advisor and make arrangements.

4-H Record Books

are due in the county office Friday, June 30. If you need assistance, please call 495-4400.

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Grassland Memorial Service well attended

The Memorial Day Service held at the Grassland Cemetery, hosted by the Grassland Church of the Nazarene on May 28th was well attended. US Marine 1st Sgt. Metzger spoke to a crowd of 70 men, women and children. 48 Veterans were honored by the placing of a flag at the grave. Pastor Dave would like to say many thanks to Darlene Rash for all the preparation work that went into the service.

Menus

TRAILBLAZERS
June 12 - Cheese enchiladas, mexican corn & beans, stewed tomatoes, salad, cake.

June 13 - Chicken fried steak w/gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed veggies, coleslaw, wheat rolls, jello.

June 14 - Baked fish, squash dressing, rice, garlic bread, lemon pie.

June 15 - BBQ chicken, corn, greens, cabbage salad, biscuits, raisin pie.

June 16 - Hot dogs w/chili, tater tots, pork & beans, banana pudding..

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ACROSS

- 1 restaurant found in TX: "Good _____"
- 5 TX B.J. Thomas' "Eyes of _____ York Woman"
- 6 airport transport in Houston or Dallas
- 7 TXism: "hold your horses"
- 8 companies that put up houses (2 wds.)
- 17 TX "Turtle Lady" Loetscher
- 18 these are shown in a gallery at the Houston Space Ctr.
- 21 major appliance manufacturer (abbr.)
- 22 bread spread
- 23 TXism: "he doesn't know enough to _____ out of the rain"
- 24 bring up a subject for discussion
- 29 Burl of "Ensign Pulver" with TX Larry Hagman
- 30 Fiesta, Texas theater "Lone Star _____"
- 31 TXism: "don't _____ off half cocked"
- 32 got a file off the internet
- 34 South American lasso
- 35 TX Gene Tierney film "Leave _____ to Heaven"
- 36 expose to harm
- 37 TXism: "_____ loop man" (good roper)
- 38 TXism: "_____ 'nuff"
- 39 TXism: "_____ 's ear"
- 41 panhandle's Pantex plant was built to produce these
- 42 cigar residue
- 43 Paul _____ of "The Burning Bed" with TX Farrah
- 44 Sugar Land congressman Tom
- 45 golf gadget
- 46 Dyess _____ Force Base
- 47 Cowboy punter Mike (85-92)
- 48 TXism: "_____ an egg-sucking dog"
- 50 a lock
- 51 TXism: "he's _____ feeling his _____"
- 52 "uno" south of the border
- 53 Cowboy & Texan objectives (abbr.)
- 1 O.J.'s judge
- 12 famous TCU coach _____ "Dutch" Meyer
- 13 teachable
- 14 WWII bomber _____ "Gay"
- 15 Mineral Wells mascot
- 16 TX Buddy Holly's "Peggy"
- 19 TX Buck Owens' "I've Got A _____ the Tail"
- 20 snorts at night
- 22 where TXns fought in WWII
- 24 Darin of TX-filmed "State Fair" (init.)
- 25 fish eggs
- 26 TXism: "paddle your _____ canoe"
- 27 "dog _____"
- 28 TX Nolan Ryan had a no-trade _____
- 29 perfect
- 30 TX Quaid film "The _____ Riders"
- 33 TX-filmed "Middle Crazy"
- 34 TXism: "near _____"
- 35 "to err is _____"
- 37 TXism: "stepping like _____ boy in a cactus patch"
- 38 TX Kelly Clarkson performances
- 40 _____ acid
- 41 San Antonio county
- 44 TXism: "honest as the _____ long"
- 47 roller or ice gliders
- 49 TXism: "lend _____ (help)"

Community event set to mark Dispatch's 80 years of service

A celebration commemorating The Post Dispatch's 80 years of service to the community is set for June 16 at Chapa's Garden Room.

Anyone interested in joining the celebration is invited to the come-and-go event, which will run from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A special invitation has been extended to all former Dispatch employees. Anyone who worked for the paper - in any capacity - who plans to attend is asked to call 806-495-2816 before June 16 to let Dispatch personnel know they are planning to attend. Special recognition will be given to all current and former employees attending the celebration.

The Post Dispatch began publishing in June 1926 when Ed Warren Jr. and his mother, Eva Bailey, established the seven-column weekly publication, according to records. At that time, the Dispatch was one of three weekly newspapers in Post: the Post City Post, the Garza County News and The Post Dispatch.

When Warren went overseas for military service, his mother and wife operated the newspaper. When Warren returned, he bought out his mother's interest in the publication.

The Dispatch was sold to Jim Cornish of Kansas in 1959. Cornish operated the newspaper until his death in February 1982. In September of that year, Cornish's daughters transferred ownership of the publication to Wesley and Pat Burnett.

Wesley Burnett continues to operate the paper today, serving as its publisher, but in 2001 the Burnetts exchanged ownership of the Dispatch to Ethelbert Foundation, a pure contract trust created in El Paso County. The foundation's benefactors include James W. Burnett of Pflugerville and Kimberly Dolberry of Mesa, Ariz., formerly of Post.

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Hot weather suits Lake Alan Henry fishing just fine...

by Capt'n Mike

With the hot weather the bass are biting top water baits in the morning and afternoon.

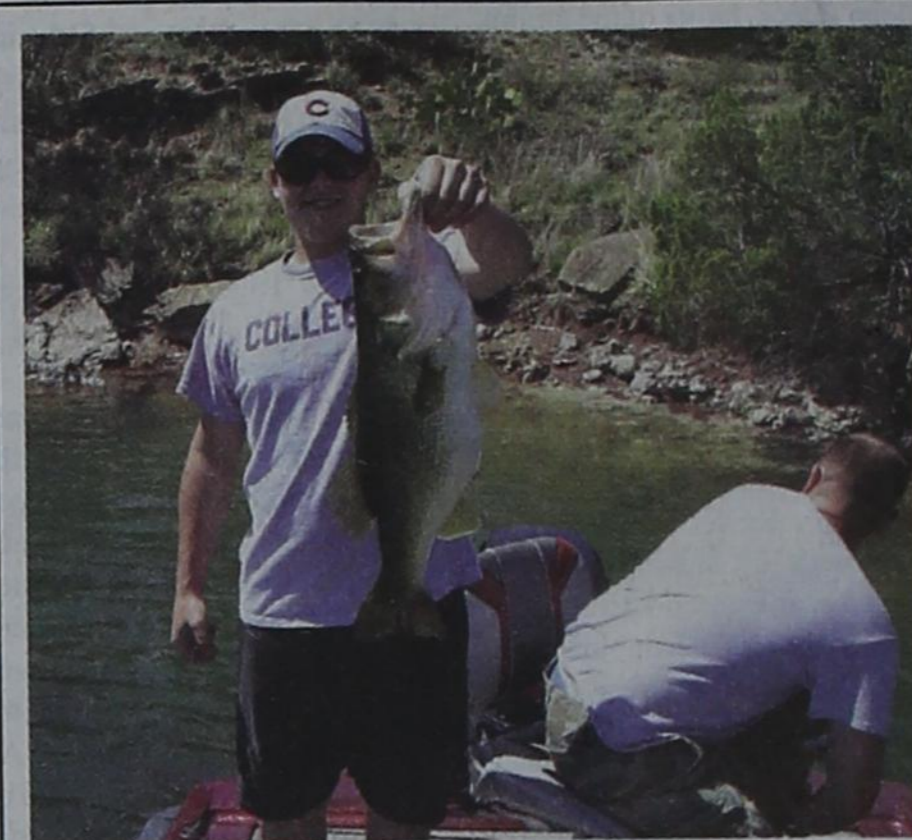
A good color of top water bait right now is the rainbow trout color fished off of the points of the lake. The crappie have moved to biting at night with keepers hard to find.

The catfishing is good and probably will get better this month.

To catch the flatheads one needs to use live bait, perch, gold fish, big minnows or crawdads, for blues and channel cats use stink bait, minnows or beef kidney.

This lake has a good population of catfish and if you chum a place with sour grain you will greatly enhance your chance of catching catfish.

In the summer play during the day and fish at night maybe the plan.



Another successful outing at Lake Alan Henry.

Father Knows Rest



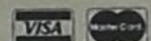
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Unwanted, uninvited guest

Memorial Day ceremonies at Terrace Cemetery were a bit more exciting this year when a three feet long unwanted guest slithered through the grass while the guest speaker delivered a special message. The rattler found its way between Pastor Ron Miner and his son Chad as they were listening to the speaker. Ron and Chad froze while the snake meandered along in the grass, then Ron took this photo. Bill McBride took a lawn chair and pinned the snake, while Tom Middleton picked up a nearby shovel to put the critter out of commission. (Photo by Ron Miner)

More Letters to the Editor

Take another look

I would like to respond to Judy's Jabberin' column in which she printed the lyrics to one of the songs on the Dixie Chicks' new album entitled "Lubbock or Leave It."

I think Judy has missed the mark, and I wanted to present another side of the story. Although we are discussing one simple song, I felt it was appropriate to do the song justice by defending it for the stance I believe Natalie Maines is taking.

I do not think Maines has forgotten her roots or is trying to be blatantly disrespectful toward Lubbock. I think she knows exactly where she came from, and she is expressing her disappointment in a town she thought supported her. I think Natalie is upset by the small-mindedness that people often encounter in this area of Texas whenever they express opinions that are opposite to the majority of the group.

As an educated female in the same age group as Natalie Maines and the other Dixie Chicks, I may or may not agree with their political views, but I support them 100 percent in their freedom of speech and in their exercise of that right.

I know what it is like to grow up in West Texas and encounter resistance for not being quite conservative enough. It is tough at times, and Maines and the Dixie Chicks are simply standing up for what they believe, and I applaud them.

As a good friend of mine who shares my opinion put it, this song's lyrics simply express satirical humor regarding Lubbock, and they are using religious terms, including "salvation," as metaphors. Take another look at the song with this in mind, and you just might get a chuckle and be proud of a woman for standing up for what she believes in.

Sara Allred

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