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Class of 2009 Top Students Named



Post High School
 Valedictorian
 Quinten Davis



Post High School
 Salutatorian
 Zachary Nava



Southland High School
 Valedictorian
 Lauren Arguello



Southland High School
 Salutatorian
 Bianca Abraham



Borden County High School
 Salutatorian
 Krystal Hobson



Borden County High School
 Valedictorian
 Katherine Froman

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Garza County Commissioners Court
 June 8
 9 a.m.
 Garza County Courthouse
 300 W. Main

City of Post City Council Meeting
 June 9
 6 p.m.
 Council Chambers
 City Hall
 105 E. Main Street

OTHER COMMUNITY EVENTS

Event info available at press time.

Post High School Graduation
 Antelope Arena
 May 29
 8 p.m.

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

Stitchin' Group
 Heritage House
 June 2
 6 p.m.
 Call 495-4148 for information

Trailblazers Senior Citizens Center
 Game Night
 June 4
 5:30 p.m.
 205 E. 10th

Summer Rec
 Middle School Gym
 June 1 - June 26
 8 a.m. - Noon

Art Boot Camp
 Heritage House
 June 1 - July 3
 1 - 4 p.m.
 Free - Pre-registration required
 495-4148

City Council Re-affirms Choice for City Manager

By Rosa Latimer
 News Editor

The City of Post City Council convened for a called meeting at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday May 26. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Harp and the Council immediately went to Executive Session.

The stated purpose for the Executive Session according to the agenda was: deliberation regarding employment status of City Manager, including discipline, termination, promotion and/or reclassification.

After almost two and one-half hours in Executive Session, the Council reconvened in Open Session. No action was taken. The Mayor gave each Councilman and the City Manager an opportunity to make a statement.

The common sentiment from the Council was that the group wants to be kept better informed. Council members now believe



ARBIE TAYLOR

they are all working from the same page and are ready to move forward. "This has been an extremely productive discussion and I am looking forward to moving ahead," said James Easterling.

City Manager Arbie Taylor said, "I'll do the best job I can. However, there will be times when I am not the most popular person in town." Later, Taylor said that his experience had taught him that "Councils tend to let personal relations cloud their judgment at times.

I hope we can all set personal issues aside to make good decisions. We don't want one or two, or half dozen individuals be the over-arching influence on what we do for the city. I especially want to be sure that we do due diligence when we're spending the big bucks."

Expressing her feelings about the crucial meeting, Mayor Harp said, "Issues brought out in this meeting affirmed not only that the Council's choice of Arbie Taylor was a good one, but reaffirmed solidarity among our council members. I pride them for their professionalism and eagerness to do the best possible job to serve this city."

The public is invited to a reception this afternoon in the Council Chamber, 2 to 4 p.m. to honor the new City Manager as well as outgoing City Manager Ric Walton.

PHS Custodians Prove That Cleanliness Really Is Next to Godliness

By Sterline Marcum

A public high school is a place of daily surprises, but at Post High School, one feature is constant: the welcoming smiles of custodians Tina Acosta and Roberta Legrand as they greet students and faculty each morning.

"These two ladies are a joy," said PHS principal John Berry. "They are hard workers who do their jobs with great diligence."

The work ethic of these two is obvious to teachers as well as students. "They clean our building as they would clean their own homes," said UIL Coordinator Tim Tatum. "Our custodians work so hard every day," added PHS junior

Cheyenne Miller. "They also encourage the students because they care about us."

"I like my job because it's something I can do for the community with joy in my heart, especially for the kids," said Tina Acosta. "Sometimes I talk to the girls who are having problems and encourage them to make better choices because they do have the capacity to do the right thing."

Custodian Roberta Legrand added, "...I can tell when a student is down, so I encourage them and if they are a Christian, I pray with them. I like all the teachers and principals, too, because they are friendly. I think they feel comfort-

able asking me to do any job."

In addition to keeping Post High School neat and clean, Tina and Roberta are a blessing to teachers. "I often work late after school," said Spanish teacher Ed Singleterry. "Sometimes, I hear a melodious voice that echoes through the halls, and it is Roberta singing spiritual hymns as she carries out her duties. After a stressful day, it is soothing to hear the voice of an angel."

"One day I had a terrible migraine," said math teacher Kim Mills. "I lay down in the lounge when both ladies [Acosta and Legrand] came in to take a break.

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Custodians Tina Acosta (left) and Roberta Legrand are making a difference in the lives of PHS students. Both long-time Post residents, Acosta has been employed by Post ISD 8 years, Legrand for 5 years.

Post Notes

Garza Summer Recreation Program
 Summer Rec. is here again. It will begin June 1- June 26. You can sign up anytime during June at the Middle School gym. It will start at 8:00 am -12 pm. Grades kindergarten thru 12th breakfast and lunch will be provided by the cafeteria, come and have fun with us. If you have any questions contact Lorie Rivera 495-3253.

"Art Boot Camp"
 The Caprock Cultural Assn is sponsoring an "Art Boot Camp" on June 1 - July 3 from 1:00 pm - 4 pm, for ages k-12. The Boot Camp will include structured classes in various mediums; informative speakers and an afternoon snack will be provided. Pre-registration is required. Contact Shawnette at Caprock Cultural Assn at 495-4148 for more information.

Trade Day Vendors
 The next Old Mill Trade Day Downtown will be June 6. Vendors of all types, including non-profits, are invited to participate. Vendors will pay a set up fee of \$25 for outdoor space. The event is sponsored by the Post City Merchants and the Post Area Chamber of Commerce, for more information or to reserve vendor space, call 495-0608 or 495-3461.

2009 Summer Food service program
 Post ISD announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program to be held Monday-Friday beginning June 1 and will continue through June 26. Breakfast and lunch will be provided at the school cafeteria, breakfast will be served from 8-9 am with lunch being served from 11:45 am until 1:15 pm. Children 18 years of age and younger are eligible to participate in the program.

Vacation Bible School scheduled for June 6
 Calvary Baptist Church located on the corner of E. 6th St and Avenue H will be having Vacation Bible School on Saturday June 6 from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm. Children 4 years old through 5th grade are welcome. Registration will begin at 8:30 in the fellowship hall. Breakfast, lunch and a snack will be provided. For more information call the church at 806-9902342 or Judi Martin at 806-990-1018.

Calvary Baptist Church will be holding Revival services with David Acevedo. The revival will be from Sunday May 31 through Wednesday June 3. The services will be each evening at 7:00 pm. Sunday services will begin at 10:45 am and 6:00 pm. For more information contact the church at 990-2342.

Church of God of Prophecy Fundraiser
 The Church of God of Prophecy youth will be having a fundraiser on Saturday May 30th starting at 10:00 am. They will be selling Fajitas plates with homemade tortillas. The cost is \$7. Pick up or delivery. For more information call 495-3644.

QUARTERLY CHAMBER MEMBER'S MEETING
 The next Post Area Chamber of Commerce quarterly member's meeting will be June 4 at noon at Hotel Garza. The meal will be salad, Chicken Alfredo and a drink for \$9.99 including tax and gratuity. Chamber events for the remainder of the year will be discussed and there will be plenty of time to network with other members. For more information, call the Chamber office: 495-3461.

Attention Ex-little Leaguers
 If you have ever played, coached, or sit on the sidelines, we want you!
 Parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, we are hosting a baseball tournament set for June 27th, 2009.
 If you would like to play or have any questions please contact Trey 549-3987 or Jona 782-6296.

Opinions

Is Fed Losing The Inflation Battle?

By David Cribbin

General Bernanke and his Federal Reserve now find themselves hip deep in the time honored military tradition of fighting the last war, and as with all armies who fight the last war General Bernanke is in danger of losing his current battle with inflation. While fighting a deflation with an increase in the money supply is a correct policy action, seeing a deflation where there is none, the Fed Chairman reveals that he has read his history of the Great Depression and learned the wrong lessons from it.

This problem of seeing falling prices as deflation and not the result of economic contraction can't be helped as long as he views events through the lens of a Keynesian Economic Model. Keynesians see only inflation and deflation. In their economic world view they don't grasp the differences between contraction and deflation, nor expansion and inflation.

The problem he faces is similar to that of a fireman who doesn't understand the difference between the paper fire in a kitchen trash can and the grease fire on a stove. Dousing both with water, he puts one out but intensifies the other.

Had the economy actually been in a deflation, the extra liquidity the Fed added would

have been the correct monetary lever to bring relief. The problem for the Fed was that we were not in a deflation, but a contraction, which can also be marked by falling prices, but will not be fixed by additional monetary ease. As a result, even with the Fed's massive expansion of its balance sheet, prices continued to fall.

The sharp contraction of the economy, ignited by a breakdown of the loan securitization market, helped to cause falling prices. The financial hardship of falling home and securities prices, while painful to many, was providing the economic cure to the recession by once again rationalizing market prices. This, in turn, would bring private capital back to the markets in search of newly created value. The Fed, in trying to prevent the deflation that wasn't, by injecting additional liquidity into markets that didn't need it, took exactly the wrong course of action. The Fed's misstep is resulting in a fanning of the sparks of a new inflation that, along with the recovery, is just now getting underway.

As the economy slowly continues to show signs of a recovery, the Fed needs to quickly do an about face and withdraw its monetary surge, or the battle to tame inflation will be long and hard fought, but

ultimately a losing one. The Federal Reserve should then play its part in securing our economic future by once again fixing the value of the dollar, thereby eliminating the risk of inflation and assuring economic actors that the profit negotiated in today's contracts will not be diminished by the hidden tax of inflation. Economic growth and a return to a sound currency would unwind a lot of the negative effects of the increased liquidity the Fed has produced.

What was, and is still needed, are incentives to encourage risk taking by investors and entrepreneurs. Increasing the after tax returns to capital for successful risk takers is the road to an expanding economy that will create real jobs in the private sector. Economic expansion, along with the growing profits it produces, would also provide the additional revenue the Treasury seeks. Instead, we hear talk of higher taxes, closing loopholes, and hiring additional IRS agents to beef up enforcement. None of these are pro-growth policies. Unfortunately, pro-growth incentives will probably not be forthcoming from this Congress, as Government is firmly stuck in the muddled Keynesian view that the economy is suffering from a "shortfall in aggregate demand", which in their construct can only be addressed by additional government spending

when the private sector retreats. My guess is that when the economic history of this period is written, the Fed's policy of fighting a contraction with monetary stimulus, coupled with the unusually large government interventions in just about every aspect of the economy, will show that it actually resulted in prolonging the depth and breadth of this recession.

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Time for Nancy Pelosi to Step Down

On Friday, May 22, 12 top conservative leaders, including former Attorney General Edwin Meese, sent a bold letter to Nancy Pelosi demanding one thing and one thing alone: her resignation from her dishonored post as Speaker of the House. As the letter reads:

"When Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi accuses the intelligence community of lying, more is at stake than what she was told, who briefed her, or even the substance of the briefings she had with the CIA. Speaker Pelosi is endangering the national security interests of the United States.

"Speaker Pelosi has chosen to politicize the CIA and to demoralize its employees in order to take one more parting shot at the Bush administration, and to try to distract the public from her potentially career-ending exercise of bad judgment. By politicizing the intelligence community, Speaker Pelosi is reviving one of Washington's most tired and ugly old ways."

Mrs. Pelosi's charade on Capitol Hill has gone far enough.

What began as a self-righteous political ploy to display her supposed moral high ground on the "torture" issue has turned into a tortured chimera of empty words and ugly accusations.

Mrs. Pelosi has repugnantly showcased all that is wrong with Washington politics as usual.

As the 12 conservative leaders point out, Speaker Pelosi's words have not only disqualified her from her duties - especially her role as second in line to succeed the Presidency - but have undermined the mission of the CIA and other defenders of the United States.

Americans for Limited Government President Bill Wilson was one of the twelve signatories calling for the Speaker's resignation. Communicating his disgust with the Mrs. Pelosi's brazen malfeasance and disdain for the American people, he said, "Speaker Pelosi has dishonored herself and her country. By placing her political career ahead of national security, she has willingly forfeited her right to be Speaker of the House. If there is

a shred of dignity left in her, she will do the right thing and step down."

Speaker Pelosi's blatant disregard for the truth is beyond the pale. Habitually lying about her knowledge of enhanced interrogation is bad enough. Betraying the very people keeping this country safe escalates her transgression from insult to outrage.

Both, however, are clearly grounds for resignation. As the letter concludes:

"We ask that Speaker Pelosi voluntarily step aside from her duties, and that the Congress appoint a bi-partisan Select Intelligence Committee to investigate and determine what Speaker Pelosi knew and when she knew it."

The American people deserve better from their elected leaders. It's time for Nancy Pelosi to step down. In the words of Cromwell, "You have sat here too long for any good you have been doing...you shall now give way to better men," and women.



The Paperboy

By Christopher Blackburn

The Slippery Left Slope

President Barack Obama is a likable man. In fact, with his charisma and charm in one-on-one interviews, if he were more centrist, there is no telling how popular he would be.

His approval ratings, according to realclearpolitics.com, are 60 percent while over 32 percent of Americans disapprove of the job he's doing.

Congress' numbers remain in the toilet. The Congressional job approval rating is 35 percent while 54 percent of Americans disapprove of their job.

It's no wonder. Led by Nancy Pelosi, who, in a perfect world, would be ousted by her peers as Speaker, the House is suffering an identity crisis.

It seems to me, although tired of Pelosi's inability to tell the truth, House Democrats fear rocking their own boat. I actually think someone is missing out by not coming out against Pelosi, but I digress.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid has become very proficient at revising history and can be seen pandering to the left at every turn. I would be shocked if the two-headed monster that is Pelosi-Reid ever got Congress' numbers in positive territory concerning the approval rating.

Which brings me back to Obama. With the majority of Americans convinced the country is heading in the wrong direction - 54 percent - it's curious how Obama's numbers have remained so strong. Especially since he, Pelosi and Reid are together on many contentious issues while the majority of Americans have a difference of opinion.

It's too bad Obama continues to cater to the left. While his heart doesn't seem to bleed at the same pace as his liberal contemporaries, it does indeed bleed.

As was predicted, the U.S. Government has been busy moving us further away from our Capitalistic roots and closer to that of Europe's current state. It's not good either.

We've got serious problems and the only solutions I've seen yet are either to throw cash on it or grow government to take care of it.

Gone are the days of responsibility. In their place are the days of dependency.

Those of us in the center and right are left to scratch our heads wondering when our guns will be collected or how much we'll be punished for driving a truck.

Republicans had better find their voice before 2010, or we'll be so much like Europe it will be hard to tell the difference.

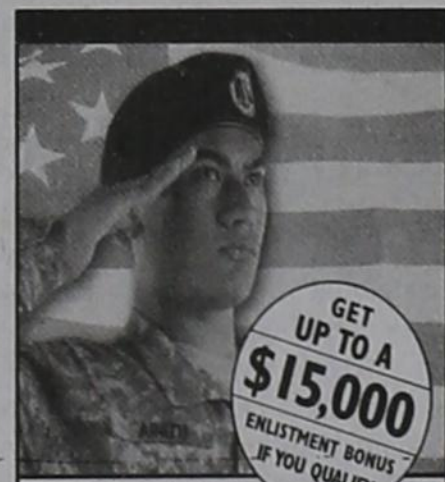
And I don't know about you, but I don't want to be like Europe.

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

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The Texas Water Development Board has requested Readiness information from White River Municipal Water District's Projects.

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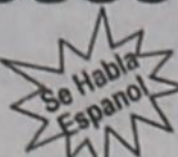
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The 501

by Hanaba Munn Welch

Anything with bird feet should also have wings. I'm thinking of bathtubs.

If you've ever tried to move an old claw-foot model, you know what I mean. They're not as bad as upright pianos, but they're definitely earthbound.

Some moving comments are in order.

If you are a 62-year-old woman with an old cast-iron tub to load, make sure you load the right tub. Also, there's nothing like a friend with hints of osteoporosis to help.

Take my friend Beverly, who promised her mother before she left her home in Arkansas that she would not load any tubs. Knowing about my bathtub collection, Beverly asked to meet me at the farm to acquire a proper tub for the dream house she's building next to her dad's little cow pasture. (The cows are fat, but the pasture is little.)

I'd already given a bathtub to charity. Why not Beverly? Her house is going to be Victorian, like her, so only a claw-foot tub will do for the upstairs guest room, not that I like to use the word "tub" in the same sentence with "upstairs." Her downstairs tub will also be claw-footed, but it's going to be fake vintage. I know that because she told me it will have a Jacuzzi. That's the kind of tub you need after a day of tub moving.

Meanwhile, back on the farm, my three tubs stood as vestiges of my long-abandoned scheme to turn the farm into a dude ranchette. I never built the bunkhouse except in my mind, but I sure

enough collected the tubs. Beverly chose one of the five-footers. Instead of resting on classic claw-and-ball feet, her tub of choice sat on a pedestal, if anything that short can be called a pedestal. I guess it can.

Long story short, we loaded the tub. That's one of those sounds-easy-if-you-say-it-fast statements. I assured her the claw feet from the other five-footer would fit the same four brackets that held the pedestal in place.

As we caught our breaths after rolling the tub across the lawn and womanhandling it into an almost vertical position to slide it on a rug over the tailgate and into her dad's pickup (you didn't really think I'd spare you the details, did you?), we gazed at the bottom of the upside-down tub, hearts racing and proud of ourselves.

It was then I noticed that the brackets were too small to accommodate the claw feet. Oops.

Long story short, we unloaded that tub and replaced it with the one with the proper foot brackets. By then, we were wondering if the Olympics had a category for tub rolling.

All the while, Beverly thought most about what she could tell her mother.

"Mama, I didn't load a single tub today," she said, practicing.

About an hour later, as we sipped cups of tea in the spirit of things Victorian, Beverly's cell phone rang.

Soon I heard her say, "The Lord was with us."

Clever. And she didn't tell a lie.

EXTENSION EXTRAS

Playdays

The playdays are back. Come join us at the Post Stampede Rodeo Grounds starting June 6, 2009 for a 9:00 a.m. start time.

Shooting Sports

Trap practice is every Monday at 6:00 pm at Palmers Gun Club.

Horse Show

The district show is June 16, 2009

Camp!

There are many fun and exciting camps this summer. If you are interested in going, contact the Extension Office for more information.

Record Books

Are you planning on doing a record book? If so contact the Extension Office for information and deadlines.

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

Southland News

Congratulations to all of our students on a job well done this year. You have achieved many great things this year. You have moved outside your comfort zones in many areas and found that you can do anything that you want to do. We wish all of our students well over the summer months, until we meet back here once again in August.

We wish our seniors well as they are "Released into the Wild" as one of our English teachers, Ms. Ramirez, loves to say. You guys are starting a fantastic new journey in your lives and we want to wish each of you success and happiness in your future endeavors.

We will be making some changes to our schedule for next year that will hopefully add some incentive to many of our students to achieve at an even higher level. We will send letters out with report cards to address these changes. As always if you have any questions over the summer about these changes you may feel free to contact us in the office. We will also be moving our Open House to the week before

school so that we can pass out schedules and those types of things prior to school starting on August 24th. Open House is slated for Tuesday, August 18th from 4:30 until 6:00 pm. We hope everyone can come out and meet their children's teachers and any new personnel that we might have at that time.

Events for This Week:

Friday will be early release days with students getting out at 12:00 and the bus running at approximately 12:10.

Graduation will be held in the gym on Friday evening at 7:00 pm

Events for Next Week:

Summer School begins on Monday. High School Students will begin at 8:00 a.m. and run through 12:00 p.m.—Junior High from 12:30 until 4:30.

Those that have been contacted about Elementary summer school will begin at 8:00 a.m. and run through 12:00 p.m. as well.

Obituaries



Kenneth Williams

Services for Kenneth Williams, 66, of Post were held at 10 a.m. Thursday, May 28 at the First Baptist Church with Rev. Mike Anthony of Forney officiating assisted by Rev. Arthur Kelly. Burial in Terrace Cemetery was under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

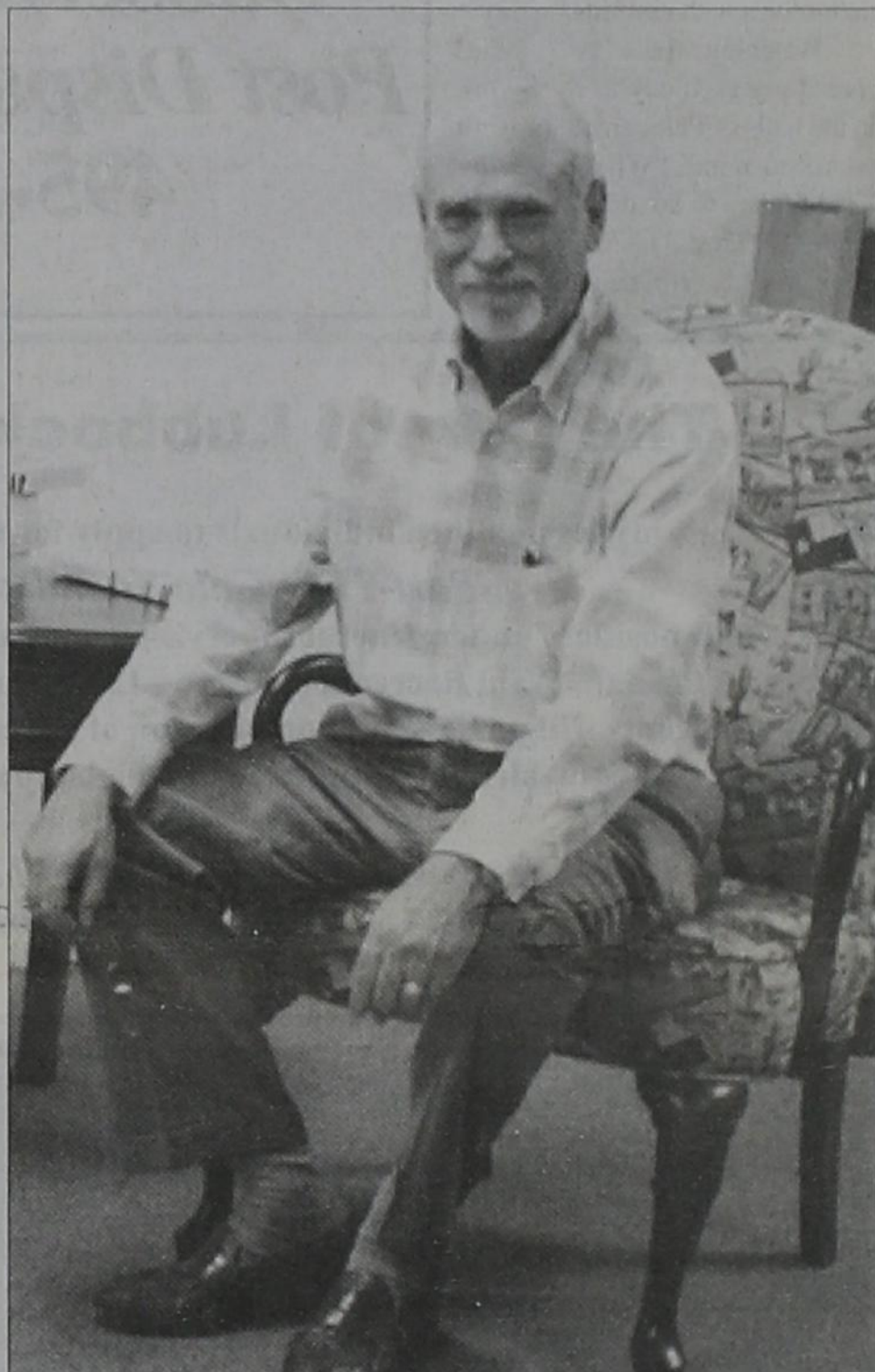
Williams died Monday, May 25, 2009 in Lubbock. He was born October 9, 1942 in Post to Charley and Henrietta Williams Sr. He was a 1961 graduate of Post High School and then attended South

Plains College and Texas Tech University. Williams married Carolyn Martin on June 30, 1961 in Post. He co-owned Corner Grocery and Market for many years and had been the manager of Central Bail Bonds in Post since 1994.

Survivors include his wife Carolyn of Post; one son, Greg Williams of Lubbock; two daughters, Rhonda Valdez of Post and Kenda Fridrich of Flower Mound; one brother, Charley Williams Jr. of Post; one sister, Mary Jo Evans of Lubbock; five grandchildren: Justin Williams of Lubbock, Colton Valdez of Lubbock, Quinton Valdez of Post, Miles Fridrich of Flower Mound and Mia Fridrich of Flower Mound and one great granddaughter, Khloe Valdez of Lubbock.

Pallbearers were Jimmy Valdez, Joey Fridrich, Justin Williams, Colton Valdez, Quinton Valdez and Trey Poage. Honorary pallbearers were Gerald Stafford, W. O. Fluit, Manual Criado, Jerin Tyler and Miles Fridrich.

Visitation was held on Wednesday from 6 until 7:30 p.m. at the funeral home.



West Texas Author Guest of City Library, Murray H. Edwards, an award-winning West Texas author, was a guest at the Post City Library this week. Edwards shared stories and signed copies of his latest book of short stories, "Looking for Lucy Gilligan." He also presented excerpts from the book at the Post Rotary Club.

Head Start Now Enrolling

The Head Start center in Post is currently enrolling 3 and 4 year old children in its Head Start program for the 2009-2010 school year.

South Plains Community Action Association Head Start, with central offices in Levelland, partners with area public schools to provide pre-K services to 3 and 4 year old children in a 12 county area.

Children enrolled in center based, full day Head Start attend preschool classes that coincide with the local school calendar and the children also receive comprehensive health, dental disabilities and family support services.

Selection for this program is

need-based and considers age, income, life circumstances, employment and disabilities. Ten percent of funded enrollment is reserved specifically for children with disabilities.

To enroll a child or learn more about the Head Start program, call 1-800-658-9632 or (806) 894-2207. Head Start is a nation-wide program that began in 1965 under the presidency of Lyndon Johnson. The program is considered by many to be one of the most successful federal programs in history and Head Start preschools can now be found in almost every county in the United States.

Huckaby and Oden Place in District 4-H Photography Project

The 2009 4-H District Photography contest was held April 16 in Lubbock and there were several entries from Garza County. Victoria Huckaby, who competed in the Junior Division, received a first place ranking with her black and white still life photo. She also placed second with a black and white architectural elements photo.

Kelbie Oden participated in the Intermediate Division and received two second place rank-

ings. Her photos included black and white still life and color plants and flora.

Other 4-H members who competed in the district project were Pacey Blevins, Lauren Lynch, Chase Morris, Chelby Morris, Blaze Smith, Rebecca Taylor and Audree Williams.

The 4-H state photography contest will be held in June with Susan Littrell, Jackie Milton, Cheyenne Morris and Reed Williams representing Garza County.



Garza County participants in the recent 4-H District Photography Project included (from left): Kelbie Oden, Audree Williams, Jackie Milton and (front) Victoria Huckaby.

Garza Theatre Opening Weekend June 5-6 8 p.m.

"Bedbugs" and "Wooing Wed Widing Hood"

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They saw me and were immediately concerned. Tina messaged my neck and shoulders and both ladies said a prayer for me. Within 15 minutes, I felt much better. Their concern was evident through their actions."

Described as "good Christian women who will do anything for you" by English teacher Tamye Garrison, Tina and Roberta obviously know the importance of teamwork. "Roberta works hard. She is a good person who respects the fact that we are here for a purpose, which is to clean well and disinfect the rooms for the benefit of the children," Tina said of her co-worker.

Roberta shares the same admiration for her co-worker. "Tina is such a motivated person. We work well together because she treats me with respect. She is one of my praying partners, too."

"Roberta and Tina have shared their personal values with me many times," said Post ISD Superintendent Marlin Marcum. "They positively interact with the kids and model hard work. They show our students the value of doing the right thing, even when it's hard. I'm glad they work here and share themselves with our kids."

Watching these two ladies spread joy each day as they work in the halls of PHS, an old proverb comes to mind, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might." These ladies not only know that proverb, they live it.

HEAD TO TEXAS STATE PARKS FOR FREE FISHING

AUSTIN, Texas - Parents looking to save a few dollars by vacationing closer to home this summer might consider taking their youngsters to a nearby Texas state park, where they can try their luck at hooking a fish or two without worrying about needing a fishing license to do so. And, if you're looking for how-to instruction and structured activities for your young angler, or simply want to brush up on your own fishing skills, more than a dozen state parks this summer are hosting special family fishing events.

This year marks the sixth year of the Free Fishing in State Parks program that waives fishing license and stamp requirements within more than 50 Texas state parks. To capitalize on the program, which has been extended through Aug. 31, 2009, 13 state parks are hosting special family fishing events, where participants learn fishing skills, angling rules and regulations, have a chance to catch a fish and perhaps win door prizes.

One of this year's participating

parks is Ray Roberts Lake State Park in north Texas, which has already held a couple of family fishing events and has two "Fish On!" events set for May 16 at the Isle Du Bois unit (9 a.m.-1 p.m.) and June 13 (8 a.m.-noon) at the Johnson Branch unit.

Park ranger Jerry Vaughan, who oversees the park's fishing events, expects at least 200 people to show up for the popular events that draw residents from throughout the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex. He says the program attempts to replicate the kind of fishing advice once commonly dispensed to youngsters by older family members.

"Lots of parents today don't know how to fish and are hesitant to take their kids fishing," Vaughan said. "We try to create an atmosphere that is like you're going fishing with grandpa. The key is getting kids outdoors so they'll know what's going on and respect the world around them."

At the Ray Roberts Lake fishing events, children learn the basics of fishing from park rangers and vol-

unteers, and can try their luck at landing a fish, some for the very first time. Last year, Vaughan says, an 11-year-old participant caught a Junior Angler-record bluegill. The Ray Roberts Lake Rotary Club will serve free hot dogs and sponsor drawings for door prizes. Fishing tackle and bait will be provided or participants can bring their own.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department believes the special fishing events are increasing state park visitation and engaging new anglers, which will translate into future fishing license and equipment sales, and future conservationists. Statistics gathered last year by TPWD's Aquatic Education branch show that 53 special family fishing events reached more than 2,300 youth and 1,400 adults. Of that number, one in five youngsters had never fished before and 109 kids reported catching their first fish. Of adults surveyed, 47 percent said they had never been to the park before.

Thanks to a variety of retail

sponsors, event participants walk away not only with newly acquired fishing skills, such as learning how to tie and bait a hook, but also with freshwater and saltwater fishing guides, fishing equipment, tackle boxes and other giveaways.

The special family fishing events continue to grow. The number of participating state parks this year has increased from 11 to 13. Included among those sites is Galveston Island State Park. Though the park suffered catastrophic damage from Hurricane Ike, the bayside ponds are being used for the fishing events and will welcome anglers on May 9, June 6 and July 11. Goose Island, Lake Casa Blanca and Cedar Hill state parks also have joined the roster of parks hosting family fishing events this year.

Special events aside, any time is a great time to visit a Texas state park to enjoy recreational fishing without breaking the bank. However, keep in mind that license-free angling applies only to fishing inside a state park from the bank, a

pier or from a boat if done in a body of water totally contained within the boundaries of a state park, such as Huntsville State Park's Lake Raven. State parks along the coast also participate to encourage fishing from the beach and wade-fishing. State park entry fees, however, still apply. All state fishing regulations, except the license and stamp requirements, remain in effect.

In addition to Cedar Hill, Galveston Island, Goose Island, Lake Casa Blanca and Ray Roberts Lake, fishing event coordinators have scheduled special family fishing events this year at Bastrop/Buescher, Blanco, Bonham, Choke Canyon, Eisenhower, Huntsville, McKinney Falls and Palmetto state parks.

A complete list of the coastal and inland state parks offering scheduled events and family fishing classes can be found on the TPWD Web site.

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Gripping Reminders Urge Motorists to Buckle Up

TxDOT Kicks Off Annual Click It or Ticket Campaign in a Big Way

AUSTIN - Against the backdrop of their mangled pickup, two Salado teens joined transportation officials and law enforcement officers at the Capitol Thursday to launch Texas' biggest-ever Click It or Ticket campaign. Ethan Mitchell, 17, and Trey Mohler, 14, walked away from a potentially deadly rollover crash with only minor injuries and talked about how safety belts saved their lives.

The high school students are part of the Texas Department of Transportation's latest public education campaign designed to reach 18- to 34-year-old motorists, a group more likely to be involved in traffic crashes and less likely to buckle up than other age groups.

TxDOT also is going to other great lengths to call attention to the importance of buckling up. Beginning May 8, five inflatable charac-

ters—including Godzilla, a rock star icon and a rubber duck—will travel to major cities across Texas. Looming more than two stories tall, these unconventional messengers will warn Texans that thousands of state troopers, police officers and sheriff's deputies will be on Texas streets and highways between May 18 and 31, including the Memorial Day holiday weekend, to enforce the state's safety belt laws.

"We are happy that more than 90 percent of Texans obey the law and buckle up, but we're pulling out the stops to reach pickup drivers and passengers, teen drivers and other hold-outs who haven't gotten into the habit of using their safety belts," said John Barton, TxDOT's Assistant Executive Director for Engineering Operations. "Buckling up is the single

easiest thing motorists can do to protect themselves from death or serious injury if they're involved in a crash."

Drivers and front seat passengers can be ticketed for not wearing their safety belt and so can drivers who do not buckle up their children. Safety belt violations can result in fines ranging from \$25 to \$200.

The eighth annual Click It or Ticket enforcement effort is supported through partnerships with the Department of Public Safety (DPS) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), as well as local law enforcement agencies. For more information, visit <http://www.texasclickitorticket.com>.

USDA SEEKS APPLICATIONS FOR HOUSEHOLD WATER WELL GRANTS

Program Provides Access to Clean, Safe Drinking Water

WASHINGTON, May 6, 2009 - Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today announced the availability of funding for applications from non-profit organizations for funds to help rural homeowners construct or upgrade household water well systems.

The funding is provided through USDA Rural Development's Household Water Well System grant program. USDA plans to award up to four grants to non-profit groups that will use the funds to establish loan program for homeowners. Loans may not exceed \$11,000 and will carry a term up to 20 years at a one percent annual interest rate.

"Because many rural residents do not live in areas where a centralized water system is feasible, it is essential that their wells are safe and working properly," said Vilsack.

The Household Water Well Grant program complements President Obama's environmental initiatives and provides support for rural residents.

USDA Rural Development plans to award up to \$993,000 in grants. Non-profit groups must contribute at least 10 percent of the grant request. Individuals are not eligible for grants but may be eligible for loans if their annual household income does not exceed

100 percent of their state or territory's median non-metropolitan income. Loans may not be provided for home sewer or septic system projects.

The grants to be awarded under this notice are part of USDA Rural Development's annual budget and are not funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

This Notice follows the November 20, 2008, release of a Notice of Solicitation of Applications that opened the application filing window. Applications are due by the close of business May 31. The application guide for this grant program can be found at <http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/HWWSP.html>. Also see the April 29, 2009, Federal Register, page 19503.

USDA Rural Development's mission is to increase economic opportunity and improve the quality of life for rural residents. Rural Development fosters growth in homeownership, finances business development and supports the creation of critical community and technology infrastructure. Further information on rural programs is available at a local USDA Rural Development office or by visiting USDA Rural Development's web site at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov>.



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In and Around Close City

by Traci Freeman

Weather

I have decided that if the news station has a huge orange, red and green mass over western Garza County, that does not mean lotsa rain! I think everyday last week at some time during the day they had something over us and every time it went around. Well I shouldn't say every time, Saturday, Ronnie Dunn did get a little over an inch and a half at his house and here at the gin which is a mile and a half south we got about three tenths. Go figure ...

News

Ok, y'all ... I haven't had to gripe about people speeding thru here since we got our speed limit signs posted, but just a reminder ... School will be out for the summer at the end of this week and we have lots of

kiddo's out here so keep a close eye out when you are coming thru here. While we are on the subject, I want to congratulate our graduating seniors from out here; Gabby Gomez, daughter of Rocky and Francis Gomez and Ayda Lopez, daughter of Cuco and Alicia Lopez. Congratulations girls, you did it!!! Jerry and Judy Bush traveled to Roswell, to attend Judy's great nephew, Josh's graduation. Josh is the grandson of Jerry Don and Barba McCampbell.

All of us out here send a HUGE thank you to Bill Hedrick, who brought us a plate full of homemade cookies. Everyone knows we love "snacks" out here and when we put them on the counter they do not last long. Thanks Bill!

Kale Yarbro celebrated his 10th birthday Saturday.

They were suppose to have a swimming party, but due to the lightening it was moved to the Church of Christ. About 11 kids enjoyed lots of games, cake and watching Kale open his presents. Kale is the son of Daniel and Trevah Yarbro and the grandson of Jerry and Judy Bush.

Congratulations to my Aunt and Uncle, Harold and Jeniece Reno of Brownwood on their 60th wedding anniversary. They celebrated with a family party.

Visitors

Dennis Ray came out to do some paperwork; Kevin and Roxanna Hart stopped in for a bit; Billie Jean came over to visit for a while; Ocie Bell came out to pick up some seed;

Get Wells

Get wells go out this week to George Miller, Kimberly Yarbro and Glen Norman who have all been a little under the weather.

Don't forget our "Ragtown" folks in the nursing homes; Doug and Claudine Tipton and Carmen Abraham in Post. Jewel White in Lubbock. If I need to add anyone to this list, please let me know.

Keep our troops and the rain in your daily prayers.

Birthdays

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Weekly Inspirations

IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME

By: Michael F. Taylor

What a wonderful time of remembrance was celebrated at the Court House this week end during the Memorial Day ceremony which I was privileged to attend. Being a student of History, I thought I would give you just a very small recap of what Memorial Day stands for. On May 5, 1868, the head of the Grand Army of the Republic organized "Decoration Day" on May 30, as a time for our nation to place flowers on the graves of fallen soldiers, sailors and Marines who died during the Civil War. It is said that Major General John A. Logan set the time of year because flowers would be in bloom all over the country. By the end of the 19th century, ceremonies honoring Memorial Day were being held across our great nation. After the Great War, the day was expanded to honor all military personnel who had died in every American War. And, in 1971, Memorial Day, by an act of Congress, was declared a national holiday. It is now celebrated on the last Monday in May every year.

As I stood there on the flag decorated lawn, experiencing the gentle breeze and listened the honored military guests speak, I was reminded of another time when Jesus Christ at the last supper instructed his disciples to "Do this in Remembrance of Me". In fact, Jesus teaches one of his very last sermons here on this earth, as is related in Luke 22:13-20, "13They left and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover. 14When the hour came, Jesus and his apostles reclined at the table. 15And he said to them, 'I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. 16For I tell you, I will not eat it again until it finds fulfillment in the kingdom of God.' 17After taking the cup, he gave thanks and said, 'Take this and divide it among you. 18For I tell you I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.' 19And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me.' 20In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.' I believe that on Memorial Day each of us should stop for just a moment to remember all those who have died and gone on before.

And, tragically, on this very day of remembrance I learned that my good friend and brother in Christ, Kenneth Williams, had slipped from this plane of existence and went on to be with the Lord. I could not write this article, without saying how much I will miss that dear friend and how blessed Heaven is now to have added him to its population. I will never forget our conversations at the old Sheriff's Office as we worked together on bonds. I will never forget that invariably during those conversations, the discussion always seemed to turn to God and how he loved the Lord and witnessed to those that he was preparing bonds for. This Memorial Day, I remember my Lord and Savior who died for my sins. I remember all the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines and Guardsmen who have given their all for my freedom; including my very own grandfather who died in France, November 16th, 1944 as the Allied troops were attempting to defeat Germany. I remember all my loved ones who have gone on to be with the Lord before me. And today, I remember my dear friend who always had a word of encouragement to give. God bless you, Kenneth! You will always be remembered!

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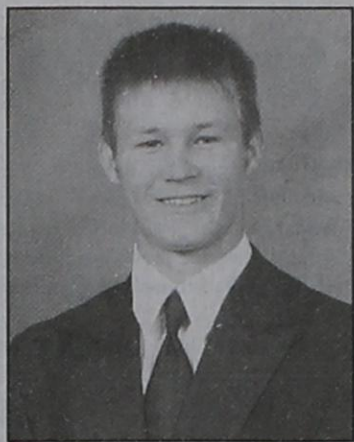
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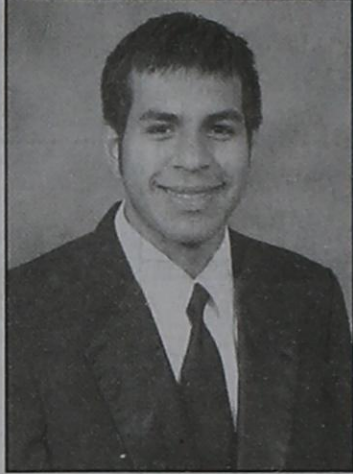
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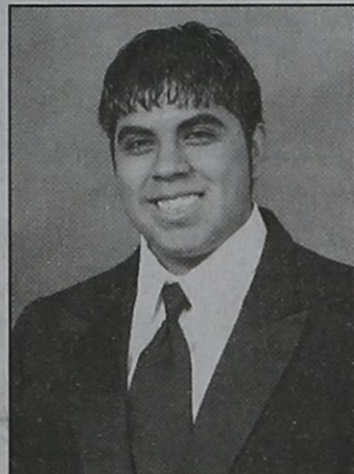


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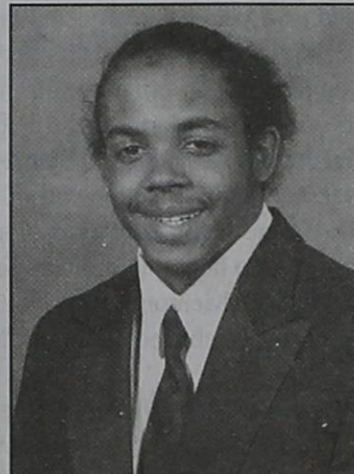
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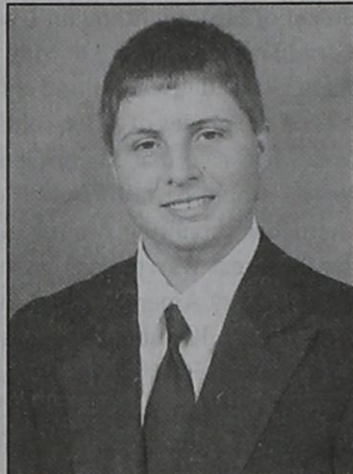
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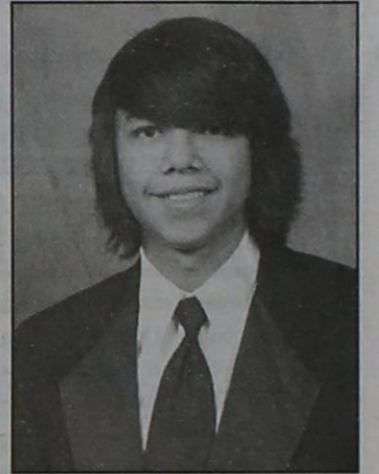
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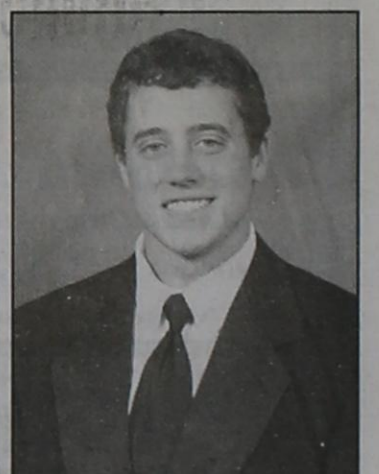
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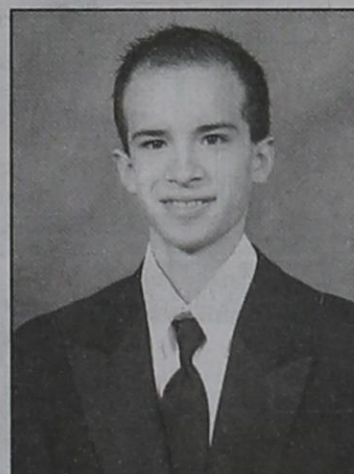
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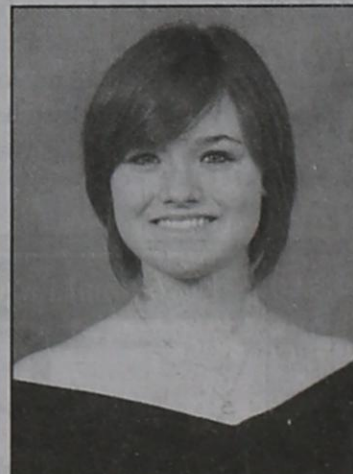
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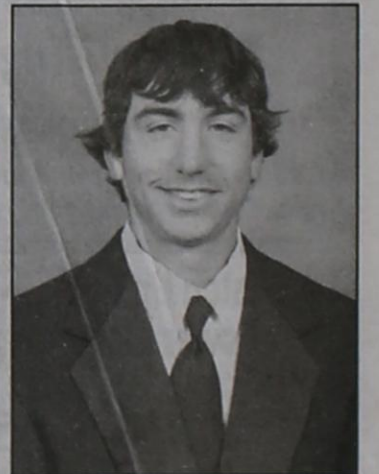
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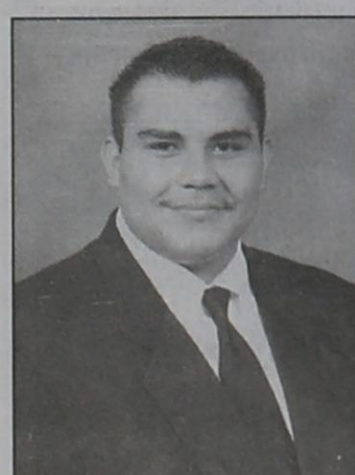
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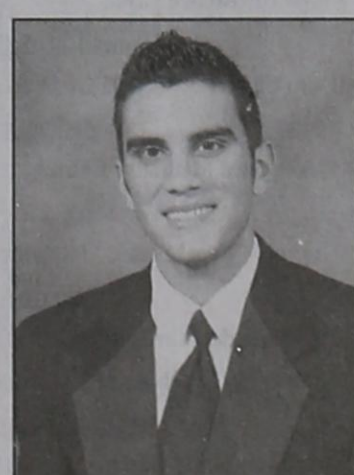
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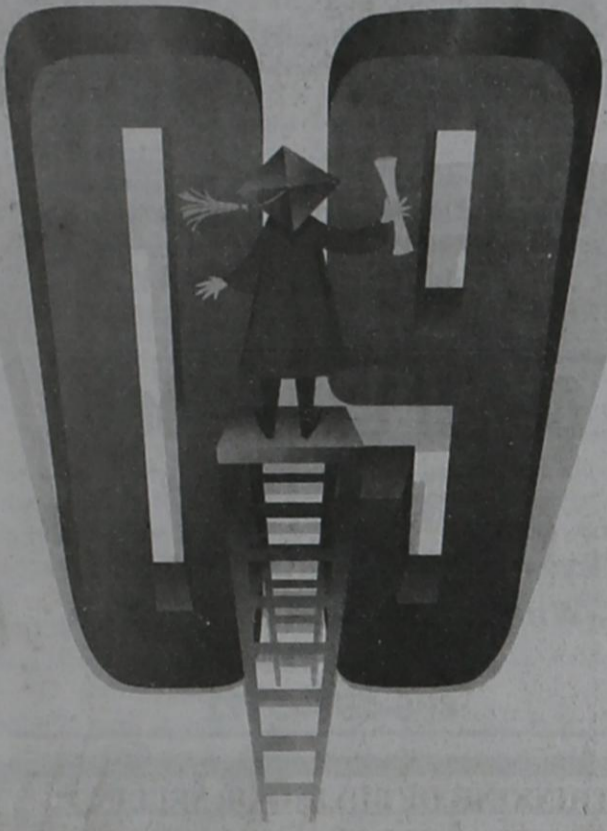


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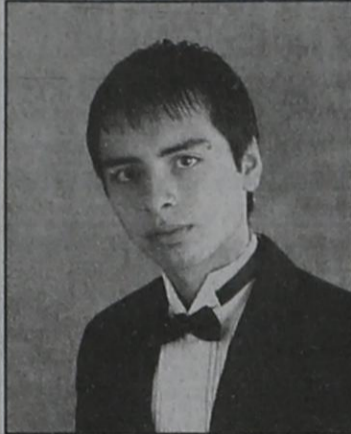
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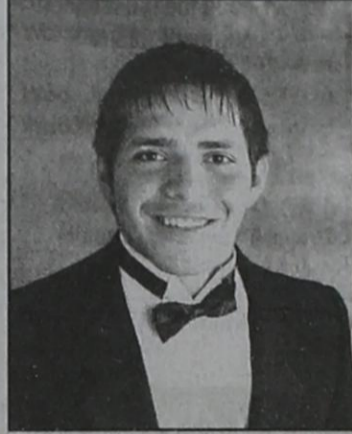
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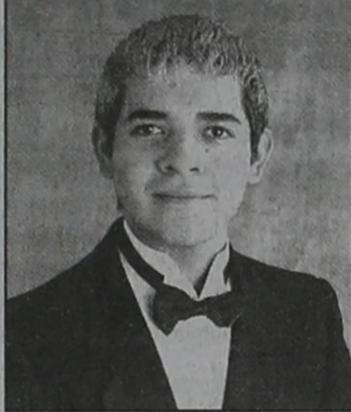
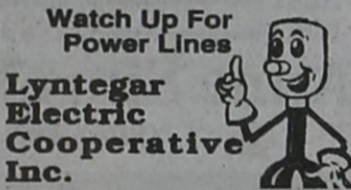
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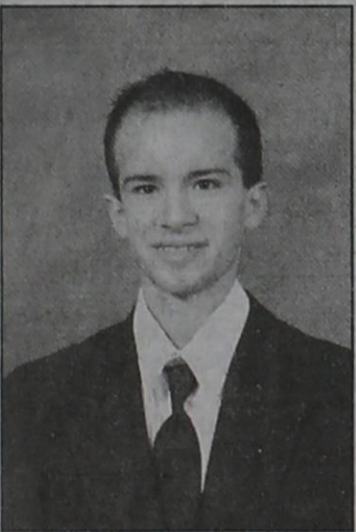


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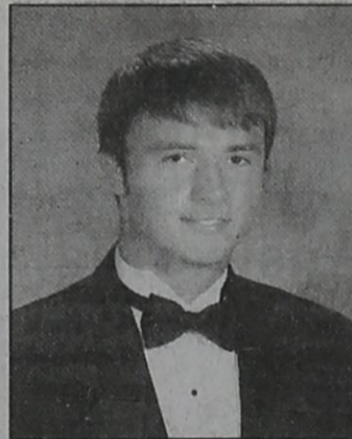
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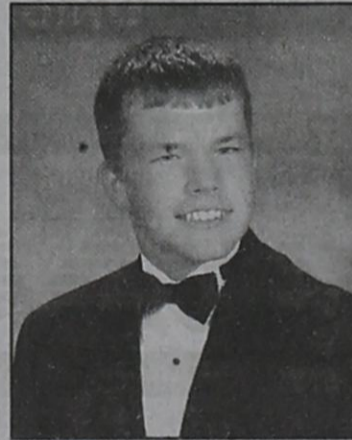
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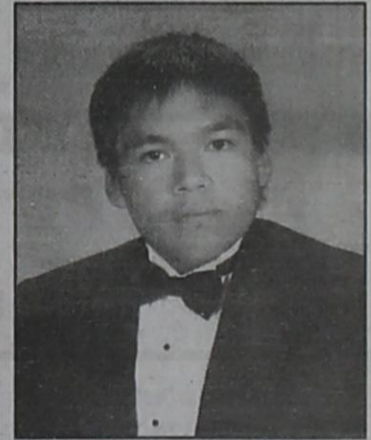
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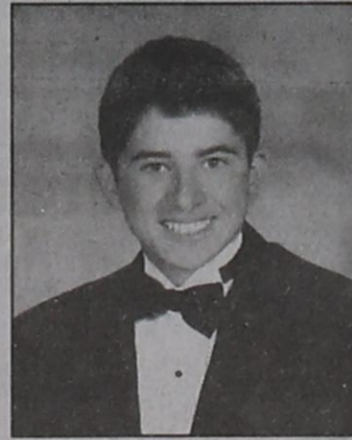
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Lunch-Burrito, salad, peaches, cookie, milk

June 3

Breakfast-Malt-o-meal, sausage, toast, fruit, milk
Lunch-Fried chicken, whipped potatoes, green beans, gravy, rolls, juice bar, milk

June 4

Breakfast-Cinnamon roll, sausage link, fruit, milk
Lunch-Fish, macaroni & cheese, sweet peas, hush puppies, cinnamon apple, milk

June 5

Breakfast-Cereal, toast, fruit,

juice, milk

Lunch-Hamburger, HB salad, tater tots, baby carrots, chocolate pudding, milk

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June 1

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June 2

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June 3

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June 5

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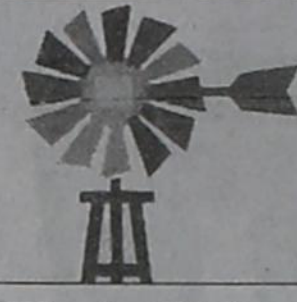
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Yesteryears

Compiled by Donna Jones From The Post Dispatch

10 Years Ago May 27, 1999

Donna Best and Jason Porter have announced their engagement and approaching marriage. The couple has planned a June 12 ceremony in the First United Methodist Church in Spur.

Jill Stelzer, daughter of Donny and Donna Stelzer, received her bachelor's of business administration degree in accounting from Texas Tech University May 15.

Pam Chapman was named Valedictorian and Shelley Shifflett Salutatorian for the Class of 1999.

And exhibit of the art works of contemporary artist Randy White and metal artist Daryl Dissinger will be featured at the Algeria Art Center.

On a fishing trip to Mexico's new bass lake, Lake Agua Milpa, Post's J.C. Stelzer caught and released a 26-inch, 11-pound and 8-ounce largemouth Florida bass. Stelzer's catch surpassed the old lake record.

20 Years Ago May 31, 1989

Post High School students were honored at a special awards ceremony held in the school auditorium. Valedictorian Trevor Thuet and Salutatorian Cheryl Thompson were joined by honor graduates Tyge Payne, Teresa Shults, Rosa Gonzales, Lisa Shults, Angela Graves, Brook Capps, Lupe Perez, Gilbert Valdez, Janell Jones, Dustin Ammons, Mike Bryan, Melanie Reece, Melissa Ray, Rene Craig and Melinda Curry.

PHS Cheerleaders were chosen at the high school gym last week with Megan Bush, Marilyn Bell, Tina Brumbalow, Shal Sneed,

Reshea Hair, and Lee Ann Criado selected on the varsity squad. Junior Varsity cheerleaders are Sara Alexander, Angel Hammon, Krishna Bush and Cathi Cash.

Among the graduates of the class of 1989 at Colorado's United States Air Force Academy graduation exercises was Gregory Sean Basinger, the 22-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Basinger of Southland.

30 Years Ago May 31, 1979

Post Chamber of Commerce directors voted at their May meeting to send Larry Willard and Danny Shaw to appear before the city council to ask that condemnation proceedings be initiated against the old Garza Theater building and the storage building between Wacker's and Handy Hardware as fire and health hazards.

Joe Giddens will be in charge of the Garza County Youth Summer Recreation program.

Janie Ammons has been named as Garza Memorial Hospital's employee of the month.

Dale Redman and James (Shorty) Bilberry each received three of the nine scholarships presented in Antelope Stadium during high school commencement. Kerri Pool, Larisa Shiver and Beth Elliott were the other recipients.

William F. Shiver, Superintendent of Schools for the Post Independent School District, has been reappointed to a three-year term on the State Commission on School Accreditation.

40 Years Ago May 29, 1969

Ira L. Duckworth received the 50-year Masonic award from the Grand Lodge of Texas at a cere-

mony in the Tahoka lodge, becoming the third of three brothers to receive the award.

Jess Michael Cornell is a candidate for the degree of Doctor of Medicine at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School commencement exercises.

Jackie Moore was crowned Babe Ruth League Queen at the baseball park.

Jerry Conoly was the leader following the first round of play in Postex Plant's annual Scotty Samson Golf Tournament. Leon Medina was in second place and Smiley Welch in third place.

The new "numbered defense" for this year's Post Antelope football team was explained by Coaches Glynn Gregg, Billy Hahn and Waco Reynolds at a meeting

of the Lions Club.

50 Years Ago May 28, 1959

Work has begun this week on construction of a \$40,000 Garza medical and Surgical Clinic building at 308 West 8th Street for Dr. John A. Carter.

Earl Rogers and Charles Didway were awarded honorary Chapter Farmer degrees by the Post High School chapter of Future Farmers of America.

With the help of Becky Thompson, Bobbie Nell Compton, Paula Smith, Cheryl Martin, Judy Cook, Judy Poole, Linda Rogers, Mary Beth Ford and Kay Lofton, the local VFW post and its ladies' auxiliary sold 1,000 Buddy Poppies in four hours.

Post candidates for bachelor

degrees at Texas Tech are Harold Rogers, Darrell Stone, Bobby Dunlap, Sue Cornell, Florene King and Jack Lott.

An oil field truck caught and tore down one of the main cables across Broadway in front of the General Telephone office put 190 phones out of order.

60 Years Ago June 2, 1949

June 14 was set as the day for a \$275,000 bond election for a proposed new grade school building to be erected east of the high school building.

Bill Clackwell has leased the cafe, Bill and Dot's Place, owned by Bill and Dot Crump, across the street from the high school.

A Planters Gin construction crew has started tearing down the

company's old Munger gin in east Post in preparation for the erection of an all-steel building to house a Hardwick-Etter gin. Lee Davis, manager, said the equipment of the new gin will include a diesel engine.

Post defeated Morton 7-4 at Chapman Field in Lubbock to win the high school district championship. Junior Malouf got two 2-base hits, and singles were made by R. E. Josey, Billy Ramage (pitcher), Jim Ruth Norman, Carter White, Bobby Pennington and Jerry Odom.

Ann Gilmore has succeeded Imogene Jewell as manager of the Rodgers Hotel.

ACROSS

- 1 former TX basic skills test (abbr.)
- 5 TXism: "mosey ___ to the trough"
- 6 TXism: "running ___" (spouse)
- 7 TXism: "___ out" (gusher)
- 8 Rangers league (abbr.)
- 9 pie ___ mode
- 12 Glen Campbell tune: "___ Little Kindness"
- 16 Sam Houston's last wife Margaret
- 18 "supper" is one
- 20 TX Paula Prentiss TV series: "___ She"
- 22 TX actress of TV series "Mission Impossible"
- 25 El Paso Indians
- 30 chili ___ carne
- 31 TXism: "fits like sardines ___ can"
- 32 TXism: "play ___ close to the vest"
- 33 Sierra ____, TX
- 35 TX Henley wrote "Take ___ The Limit"
- 37 TXism: "fought tooth and ___"
- 39 TX ZZ Top album: "___ Grange"
- 40 TXism for "bargaining" (4 wds.)
- 44 rustled cattle
- 45 TXism: "good ol' ___"
- 46 yer "thinker"
- 47 "___ it"
- 49 TXism: "neon light ___" (inspiration)
- 51 clean air agcy. (abbr.)

- 52 time zone for U.S. Rep. Ted Poe (abbr.)
- 53 Lee Harvey Oswald & John Wilkes Booth
- 56 TX Orbison (init.)
- 57 TX "Racehorse" Haynes job (abbr.)
- 58 LBJ's last words: "___ Mike immediately!"
- 60 ___ Colinas, TX

- 61 draw or bring out in Hidalgo Co.:
- 63 Santa ___ National Wildlife Refuge
- 64 nevertheless

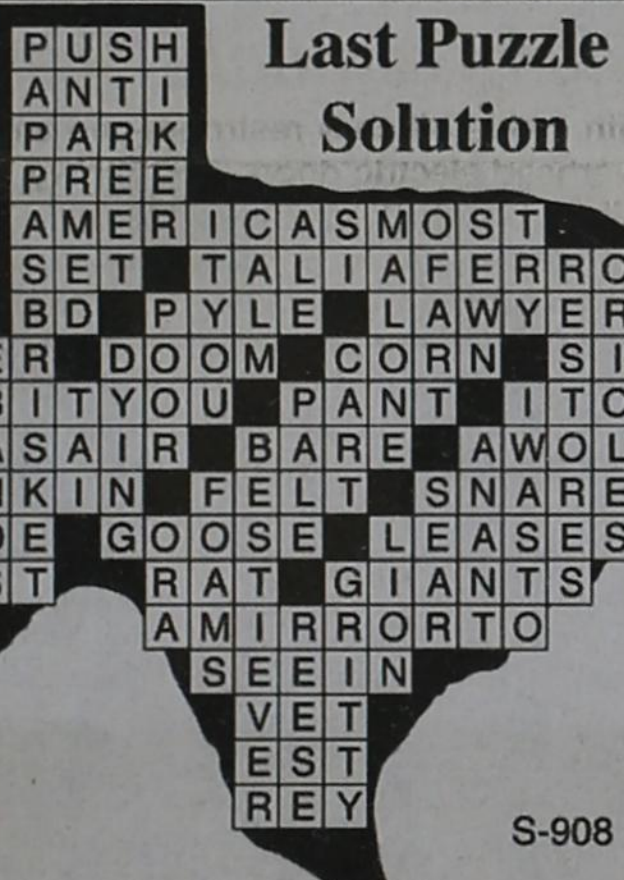
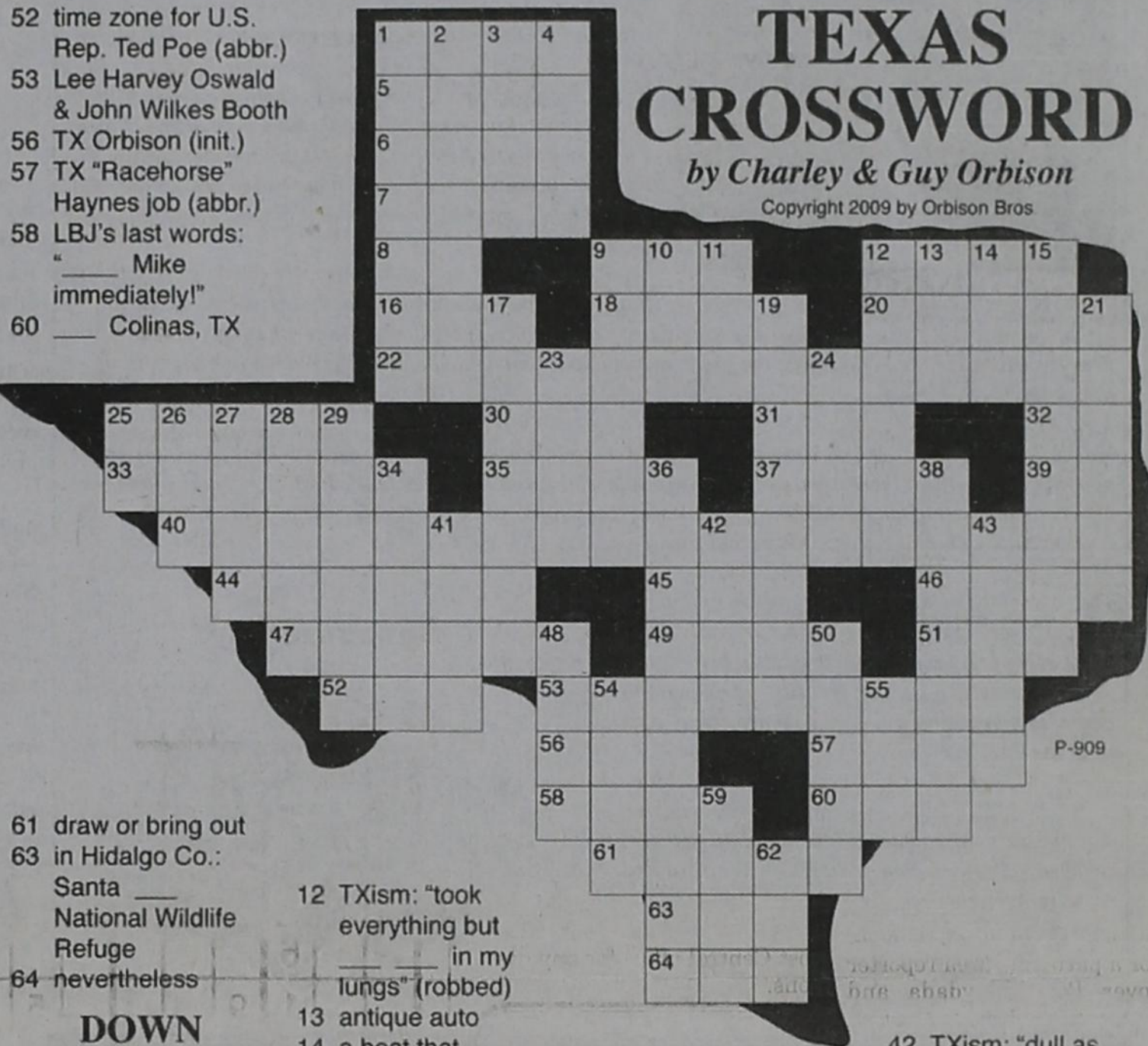
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- 1 in Harris Co. off hwy. 249
- 2 TXism: "he's got the morals of ___ cat"
- 3 vehicle
- 4 TXism for "vomit"
- 9 TXism: "he's ___ walk the river with"
- 10 Houston ___ the TX army at San Jacinto
- 11 Andrews or Iowa Park h.s. class
- 12 TXism: "took everything but ___ in my lungs" (robbed)
- 13 antique auto
- 14 a boat that handles well
- 15 Lufkin is seat of this county
- 17 TXism: "old as dirt"
- 19 TX Don Henley tune (2 wds.)
- 21 "due on ___"
- 23 "Man ___ not live by bread alone"
- 24 TXism: "he could shoot the eye out of a ___"
- 25 lung disease (abbr.)
- 26 TX "Turtle Lady" Loetscher

TEXAS CROSSWORD

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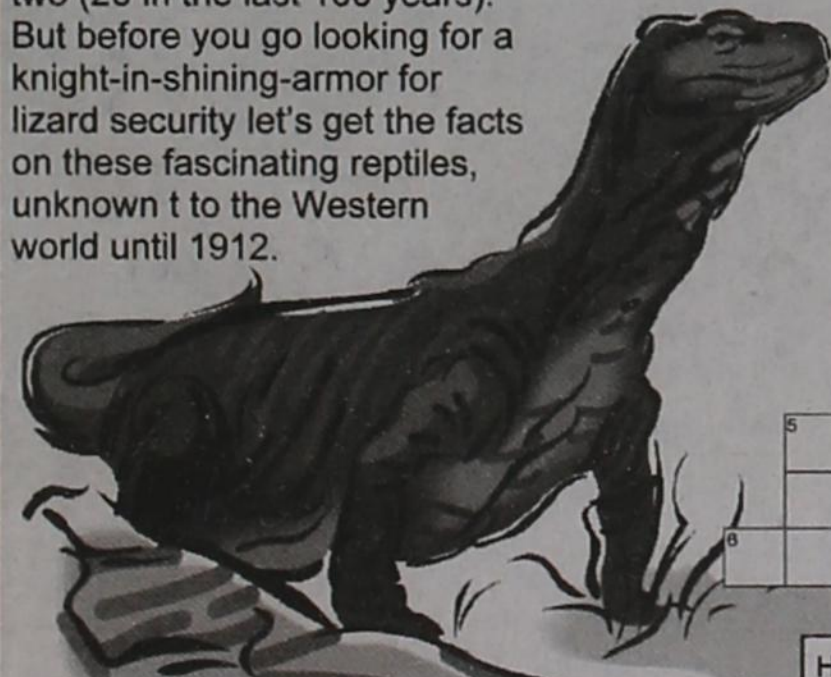
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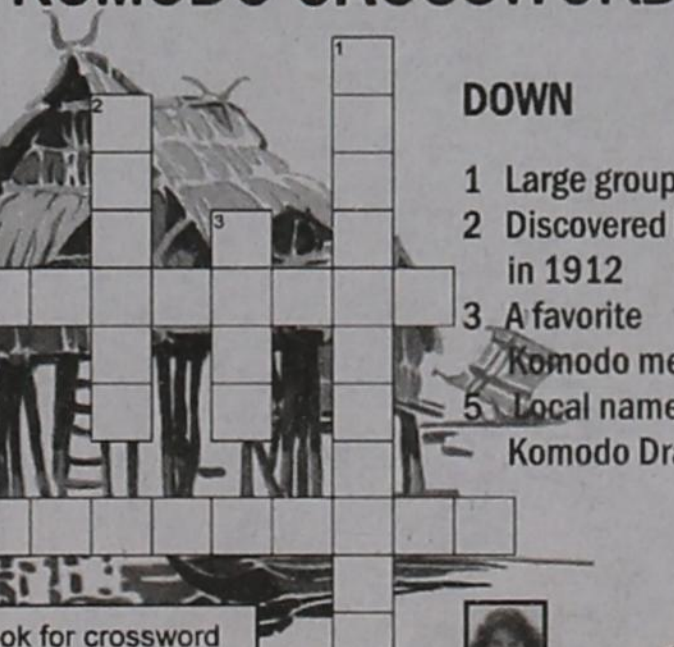
KOMODO DRAGON

VOL 127 Laura Craig
Komodo dragons may not be fire breathing damsel-in-distress dragons but they are indeed real and very, very BIG (up to 10 ft. long and 300 pounds). Komodos have also been known to eat a human or two (20 in the last 100 years). But before you go looking for a knight-in-shining-armor for lizard security let's get the facts on these fascinating reptiles, unknown t to the Western world until 1912.



The only place in the world to see Komodo Dragons in the wild is on four remote islands in the Southeast Asia country of Indonesia. The islands: Flores, Rinca, Gili Motang and Komodo are covered with rugged grasslands and rainforests. Indonesia is part of an archipelago with over 17,000 islands spread over an area about three times the size of Texas. To help protect this rare creature, Komodo Island became a National Park in 1980. Today, there are 3000-5000 dragons in Indonesia. Numerous zoos around the world have also been successful breeding and keeping Komodo Dragons.

KOMODO CROSSWORD



HINT: Look for crossword answers in bold words.

ACROSS

- 4 Home of the Komodo
- 6 Komodo Island was named this in 1980

DOWN

- 1 Large group of Islands
- 2 Discovered by West in 1912
- 3 A favorite Komodo meal
- 5 Local name for Komodo Dragon

POO PROTECTION: After taking down a kill, adult dragons will first pull out the intestines and shake them vigorously. This helps eliminate the fecal matter (about the only part of the animal the dragon will not eat). Since Komodos are cannibalistic, young dragons will often roll in the scattered waste. Scientists think this is to help keep a small dragon from becoming dessert!



In Indonesia the local people call the Komodo Dragon, ora, which means: land crocodile.

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

If you are a Komodo dragon you will eat just about anything that moves, dead or alive. Size doesn't matter: birds, monkeys, wild pigs, goats, water buffalo and a personal favorite, deer are all on the menu. So how does a dragon that moves at top speeds of only 10 mph take down a deer that runs up to 40 mph? Very carefully, stealthily. A Komodo will hide out in tall grasses, near a popular deer site, silently waiting, sometimes for hours, for a deer to rest. Then, the Komodo strikes. First it will bite the legs, knocking the unsuspecting meal off balance. Once down, the Komodo goes for the throat or stomach with its 50 razor sharp serrated teeth. The animal will quickly bleed to death. Komodo's are never wasteful. They eat everything: hoof, hide, horns and hair are all digested. After a large meal the dragon may double its weight taking days for the massive meal to digest.



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Russell Graves Outdoors The Weather

By Russell A. Graves

A few weeks ago I was lamenting to a friend in the donut shop about the weather's fickleness here around the 100th meridian. At the time, we were in a prolonged drought. Since around October, rain fell in scant amounts, the wind whipped almost everyday, dust blew, and we even had snow in late March.

Over the past few weeks, though, the rain came, talk of drought has waned for now and the pastures around here look as green ever. It seems the fickle nature of our weather has turned for the better but it won't be long before an oppressive summer is upon us.



Turns out, weather is a long-standing topic (at least in Childress) and a president visited here over 70 years ago to discuss, surprisingly, weather and water.

In July of 1938, president Franklin Roosevelt stopped in Childress during a train tour and delivered this address to the citizens:

"I am glad to come out to West Texas. I am glad to come out to Marvin Jones' district. Tom Connally and I have been "kidding" him on this train, wondering whether when we came into the home district of the Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives, whether we should find agriculture was a whole lot better here than in any other place in the country.

Marvin says that you are doing pretty well.

I have been very much interested in coming through this end of Texas. I have never been through here before. But I have been fairly familiar with it in a good many ways because, in the last six years, I have had to get a good deal of first-hand knowledge about the problems of every part of the country.

I am very glad to know that you are all water conscious.

I hope the day will come—it will take a long time to do it—when every drop of water that falls out of the heavens will serve the highest use, the best use possible for mankind before it gets down into the Gulf of Mexico.

We are learning a lot; we know more about all these problems today than we did ten years or twenty years ago. Back in the East there are a good many people who laugh about the Dust Bowl, they laugh about the efforts on the part of man to change nature. I wish they could come out and see the people who live in this country and who are making good in this country.

That is why we in Washington, thinking in national terms, are doing everything that we possibly can to make every area of the United States a better place to live in, to give a greater security not only to this generation but to the children who are going to follow us in the days to come."

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

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VFW Local Post 6797 Sponsors Annual Memorial Day Ceremony

By Rosa Latimer
News Editor

Mid-morning on Memorial Day 2009, a substantial number of Post and Garza County residents gathered on the Courthouse lawn to honor veterans who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country.

After the posting of the colors by representatives of the Naval Reserve Command in Amarillo, Lt. Gary A. Blumberg spoke to the group. Blumberg who recently took command of the Navy Operational Support Center in Amarillo, told the group that, "A key component of our nation's greatness lies in our ability to honor, appreciate, cher-

ish and remember through our actions and our memories, all those who died to ensure our freedom."

"We often hear that freedom



has a price and that each generation pays its due," Blumberg continued. "We often hear that freedom has a price and that each generation pays its due. Today is our day to say thank you and remember those who for generations have gone before us, specifically those who have paid with their lives." The lieutenant also acknowledged that "the ancient struggle to be free goes on today."

Following Lt. Blumberg's remarks, Col. James C. Gibbler addressed the crowd and Garza County Judge Lee Norman and Post Mayor Thressa Harp spoke briefly. These remarks were followed by a solemn ceremony in honor of fallen heroes.

Tatum Gunn Receives Outstanding Freshmen Award

During the fifty-third Annual Parents weekend, Convocation luncheon at Texas A&M University, Tatum Gunn was named Outstanding Freshman in the College of Agriculture.

Tatum is currently a Freshman majoring in Agricultural Leadership and Development. She was recently nominated and selected by Texas A&M faculty and staff as The Outstanding Freshman in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences for the 2008-2009 school year. Also, she was selected as the Outstanding Freshman Student in the Department of Agricultural Leadership and Development.

Texas A&M's Agriculture and Life Sciences College is the largest of its kind in the United States, based on the number of degrees awarded. There are approximately 1,300 freshman students currently in the Agriculture College at Texas A&M University.

Throughout Tatum's first year at A&M, she received the Texas A&M Academic Excellence

Award and Scholarship for her academic accomplishments at the University level. She was also chosen for the Whitley Dekoch Lowry 10 Memorial Scholarship, which was given to only two students at Texas A&M University based on leadership and involve-



Texas A&M University 2008-2009 Outstanding Freshman in the College of Agriculture was awarded to Tatum Gunn. Also in the picture is Dr. Chris Skaggs, Associate dean for student development and Dr. Mark Hussey, Vice Chancellor and Dean for Agriculture and Life Sciences. Gunn is the granddaughter of Don and Joyce Tatum and Oneita Gunn of Post.

Benjamin Marcum Graduates from EVMS

Dr. Benjamin Austin Marcum, son of Marlin and Sterline Marcum of Post, graduated from Eastern Virginia Medical School in Virginia Beach, Virginia, on May 16th, 2009.

Dr. Marcum's focus is Family

and Community Medicine. At graduation ceremonies, Marcum was honored with The Lloyd Damsy, MD Memorial Award, which is given each year to the graduating medical student who best demonstrates a commitment to the ideals of Family and Community Medicine, overall academic excellence, outstanding service to the school and community, and innovative research activities.

While at EVMS, one of the activities Dr. Marcum organized was a free clinic provided to seniors who needed help understanding and using the new prescription drug program. Attending his graduation were Marlin Marcum, Sterline Marcum, Katie Marcum, Stephen Marcum, Jennifer Marcum, Emily Marcum, Robert Hinckley and Debbie Hinckley. Dr. Marcum and his wife Katie will visit in his parents' home for a week before beginning residency in Pocatello, Idaho, on June 15th.



Graduation celebration!

On the boardwalk at Virginia Beach, Virginia, Dr. Benjamin Marcum (far right) celebrates his graduation from medical school with (from left to right) his wife Katie, his brother Stephen, his sister Emily, and his sister-in-law Jennifer.

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