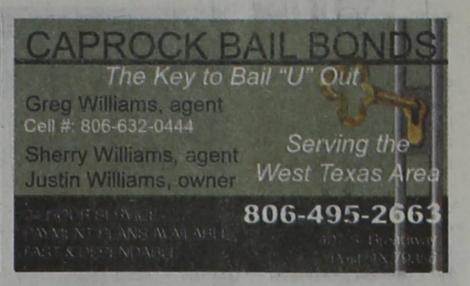




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# Top graduates named for area schools



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Kambry Mason



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**Shaylie Boyles** 



**Austin Fields** 



**Kelcess Lewis** 

By Wayne Hodgin The Post Dispatch

Kari Dunn and Kambry Mason have been named the top graduates of the Post High School class of 2012.

Dunn, daughter of Lance and Tonya Dunn of Post, will be the class valedictorian.

National Honor Society, of which she has served as president this year. She is also president of the Post High School Student Council. She is an active member of Post All-District honors for all FFA and serves as chapter sports she has participated

**Travis Arguello** reporter. She has participated in the Garza County Junior Livestock Association stock show and San Angelo stock

show for several years. Dunn played varsity softball all four years in high school, garnering All-District honors every year. She also Dunn is a member of the participated in track and cross-country. She served as a student athletic trainer during her junior and senior

She has earned Academic

in and for which she was an athletic trainer. She also was named Academic All-State for basketball.

Dunn also participated in UIL journalism events advancing to the regional meet during her junior and senior years. She also participated in UIL prose, science and math competitions. She has participated in the Post High School theater department by being in one-act play, the musical production of "Grease" and the recent dinner theater.

Dunn will attend Angelo State University this fall majoring in early childhood education.

Mason, daughter of Brent and Michelle Mason of Post, has been named as the salutatorian.

Mason is a member of the Post High School National Honor Society and Student Council and serves as a senior class officer.

She is a member of the Pride of Post High School Band in which she has quali-

fied for the state solo and ensemble contest. She also was a Post High School cheerleader.

Mason also was a member of the varsity tennis team for four years. She served as girls basketball manager for three years. She earned Academic All-District honors for all sports she has participated in and for which she was a manager.

Mason also participated in UIL spelling and journalism. She has participated in the Post High School theater department by being in one-act play, the musical production of "Grease" and the recent dinner theater. She earned technical awards while serving as light/sound technician in several one-act play competitions.

Mason will attend Texas A&M University this fall majoring in early childhood education.

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# School board OKs salary increases for employees

Administrators will see 2 percent increase or more next academic year

By Wayne Hodgin The Post Dispatch

All Post ISD administrators will receive at least a 2 percent wage increase for the 2012-2013 academic year, with the superintendent receiving a near 3.5 percent increase in his annual salary.

All new salary increases will take effect July 1.

The board of trustees at its May 8 regular meeting approved the increases that would see Superintendent Mike Comeaux's annual pay rise from \$91,8000 to \$95,000, according to information and documents received this week from the school system under the Texas Open Records Act.

The move also adds another year to Comeaux's contract, which now runs through 2015.

All three main principals in the elementary, middle and high schools, including one middle school assistant principal, saw a 2 percent increase, with the other two assistant principals at the elementary and high schools receiving a 2.6 percent increase.

Other administrative po-

sitions, including the administrative assistant/business manager, transportation and maintenance directors and others saw a near 2 percent increase in their salaries as

Teachers also will see an increase in their paychecks come July 1 based on how many years they have been a teacher in the state of Texas with stepped yearly supplemental increases from the local system.

Hourly employees, including aides, custodial and cafeteria staff, also will see pay similar increases based on the number of years they have been employed with the system.

School board President Mike Holly said the system is fortunate to be in a position that raises could be offered. Educators, he said, are in one of those groups of public servants who, in his opinion, are never paid enough.

"The school system here in Post — just like in most all small towns - is the heart of the community," he said.

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# Electrical work won't delay pool opening

at work at the pool facility.

Electrician Justin Johnson said the wiring had not been replaced since the pool was built. In his estimation, the wiring was at least 60 years old.

"Things are in pretty bad shape here," he said. "You can tell where patchwork has been done here and there throughout the years. But back then you didn't have the standards we have today."

Taylor said the best feasible route was to replace the entire electrical work at the pool.

"We're having to do a total revamp of the electrical work for the entire facility," he said. "New circuitry, switches, grounding system - the whole nine yards. We're also installing brand-new lights in and around the pool facility and outside the pool grounds."

Taylor recommended the council approve moving \$85,000 from the streets budget to the park maintenance and facility budget to cover the cost of the electrical upgrades.

By Wayne Hodgin The Post Dispatch

Upgrades to the electrical system at the Post city pool should not delay its June 2 opening date, city officials said this week.

City Manager Arbie Taylor told members of the City Council during their regular meeting May 10 that a number of electrical repairs must be made at the pool before members of the public could be allowed to

However, he said he did not expect the cost to exceed \$60,000.

He reminded council members that because the brick re-paving project came in nearly a quarter of a million dollars under budget, that the money easily could be funneled into the project.

The recommendation was approved unanimously. Councilwoman Melba Cimental was not in attendance at the meeting.

This is the second year the council has approved major renovation work at the pool facility. Last year, council members approved about \$80,000 for a new pump and drainage and filter system for the pool.

The pool is expected to open June 2 — the first day after school lets out — and will close one week prior to the 2012-2013 academic year. It is closed Mondays.

Pool manager Sandra Kotrlik said the pool averages about 60 people per day throughout swim.

"Up until this point, it's been a running joke for kids to swim by and get shocked by these lights in the pool," Taylor said. "But from what I'm being told by an electrician I had look at it, that's not just an accident waiting to happen - it's a disaster waiting to happen."

Wednesday morning, electricians from Anderson's Electric in Levelland, were hard



Wayne Hodgin/The Post Dispatch

Chris Martinez of Anderson's Electric of Levelland works Wednesday morning at the city pool facility working to upgrade the electrical system.

# Early voting numbers continue to climb

By Wayne Hodgin The Post Dispatch

Early voting continued this week ahead of Tuesday's general election primaries throughout the state.

In Garza County, 296 of day. the county's 2,786 registered voters had cast early ballots through Tuesday. Early voting began May 14 and will continue through 5 p.m. to-

Elections Supervisor Jim Plummer said 278 of those

> EARLY VOTING... continued on page 9



Post May 16-23: 0 Month to date: 1.79 Year to date: 6.56 Normal: 6.46

Lake Alan Henry May 16-23: 0 Month to date: 3.26 Year to date: 9.45 Normal: 6.49

White River May 16-23: 0 Month to date: 0.96 Year to date: 3.98 Normal: 7.09

Source: National Weather Service in Lubbock

# Council gets brick re-paving project update

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#### By Wayne Hodgin The Post Dispatch

The brick re-paving project on the north side of East Main Street should be finished by mid-June, according to an engineer with the firm overseeing the project.

Travis McCoy, an official with Parkhill, Smith & Cooper of Lubbock, gave an overview to council members and the public of the project's progress during a public hearing May 10 prior to the council's regular meeting.

McCoy said six weeks into the project, and the work is about 75 percent complete.

"The majority of the work - 80 to 90 percent of the entire project - is on the north side of East Main Street," McCoy said.

McCoy also addressed the issue that had work on the project come to a comago.

About a week into the project, which began about May 7, McCoy said. first week in April, it was discovered the soil under the brick was not up to specification, McCoy said. While the city, the engineering firm and the contractor came up with a solution, there was no choice but to he said.

Workers remained at bay for about a week until a decision could be reached that would ultimately have a

Photo by Wayne Hodgin

Members of the Girls Scouts Troop 6416 were recognized during the May 10 City Council meeting for their recent work cleaning up at the city park. Pictured here, along with Mayor Thressa Harp, are Miranda Fry, Leah Gonzales, Laci Gonzales, M'Kenzie Eidson and Alex Duran.

poured under the brickwork plete halt about a month that will ensure the integrity of the road in the future.

That cement was poured

"It's just a matter of time before the work is done,"

The project was originally scheduled to be complete by the end of May. But with weather setbacks and the change-order disbring work to a standstill, pute, McCoy said the work should now be done by mid-June.

> City Manager Arbie Taylor reiterated to council members that the contractor is bound to finish the proj-

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thicker layer of cement be ect on time or financial penalties would be assessed.

### Pool ordinance

The council also approved an amendment to the city's residential pool ordinance that brings it in line with the new state law passed last legislative ses-

The new policy requires the homeowner adhere to a number of guidelines before installing an above-ground pool, including building a fence of a certain height side-locking gate.

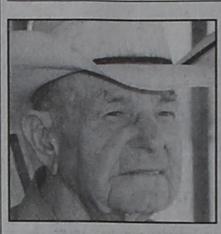
"We had a terrible tragedy here in Post last year where a young lady drowned because she fell into one of these backyard pools," Taylor said. "It's a very preventable tragedy."

Anyone needing further information about the residential pool ordinance is urged to contact the city's code officer, Eddie Pitts, at City Hall: 806-485-2811.

In other business The council also appointed Peggy Clayburn to replace Lisa Curb on the City Cemetery Board. Elizabeth Moreno also was appointed as an alternate member.

Council members Anita Morris, Les Looney and Mark Short also were sworn into their new terms. Each incumbent faced no opposition in the citywide election, which negated the need for an election,

**OBITUARY** 



### IRA ALTON CLARY

Ira Alton Clary, 84, of Post died Saturday, May 19, 2012, at his retirement home in Brownfield, Texas.

Alton was born May 9, 1928, to Nolan and Edith (Hadaway) Clary. He grew up in the Ragtown/Close City community before moving to Post in 1942. He had two brothers, Neal and Don, and two sisters, Allene and Dixie

He married Vada Taylor Childers on Nov. 19, 1950. She preceded him in death Dec. 14, 2002. They had one daughter, Judy.

Alton went to work at an early age at Piggly Wiggly. He left there to pursue a career in the oil field for L and N Production Co. as a pumper. When they sold to Petrofina, he continued with Petrofina for 27 years before retiring at the age of 62.

Alton "PaPa" loved his family, playing cards, dominoes, hose shoes, coin hunting, playing volleyball, fish-

ing, bird hunting and just sitting around telling stories to his grandkids and great grandkids. He loved his Sunday school class at First Baptist Church in Post and drinking coffee with his friends from the oil field.

Alton was preceded in death by his parents, his two sisters and by his wife of 53 years, Vada. After her death, he married Rita Nelson of Post on Aug. 9, 2003.

He is survived by his wife, Rita Nelson Clary, of Post; his daughter Judy Polson and son-in-law Tom Polson; brothers Neal and wife, Lanelle, Don and his wife, Wanda; grandchildren Mark Polson and Mindy Rogers and her husband, Lee, all of Brownfield; great-grandsons Colton Lee Rogers and Tripp Daniel Polson.

Visitation was Monday at the Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

A private graveside service was Tuesday morning, followed by a celebration of life memorial service at First Baptist Church in Post with Bo Jackson officiating. Arrangements were under the personal care of Dee and Janet Justice of Justice-Mason Funeral Home in Post.

Pallbearers were Mark Polson, Lee Rogers, Colton Rogers, Johnny Kemp, Lee Norman and Ted Williams.

# around the pool with an inside-locking gate. Hardcastle Endorses Rancher Trent McKnight

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After closely meeting and observing the candidates running for his State Representative seat in the upcoming May 29th Republican primary, retiring incumbent Rick Hardcastle (R-Vernon) has endorsed rancher Trent McKnight for the Texas House District 68 seat. Hardcastle says McKnight's focus on jobs, water and schools for rural Texas hits the bullseye for legislative priorities in the sprawling 22 county state legislative district.

Hardcastle, a top conservative Republican leader in Austin and Chairman of the House Agriculture and Livestock Committee, also said McKnight's leadership as former national FFA president would be a big plus for the district.

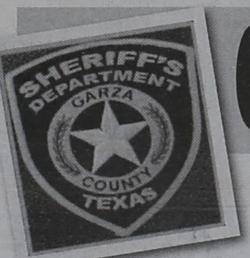
"FFA is a staple of our community. Trent's outstanding FFA leadership background on the local-state level and his experience as former national FFA president make him a

prepared and articulate leader from day one to get results in the Texas Legislature," Hardcastle added.

"I am truly humbled by Representative Hardcastle's confidence in my ability to be an effective leader for the families and communities in House District 68," McKnight said. "I am prepared to continue his fight to increase local control of our public schools, attract new jobs to our rural communities, ensure we have water, protect our farming and ranching industry, and to defend our conservative values."

McKnight has also been endorsed by Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association and Texas Parent PAC. He co-manages McKnight Ranches, a full-time cow-calf operation and served as chairman of the U.S.

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REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF OF GARZA COUNTY

I would like to take this opportunity to re-introduce myself to you. My name is Cliff Laws, and I have proudly served as your county sheriff for the last seven years. In fact, I have been in the service of Garza County for the last 23 years, beginning as a patrol deputy in 1989. I was one of the very first promoted patrol sergeants within the Garza County Sheriff's Office and have also served as a deputy county constable in Precinct 1.

In 2004 I was privileged and honored to be elected as your sheriff and have served the citizens of the County of Garza to the best of my ability since that time.

We have seen significant positive progress in the last seven years, including the construction of the new county jail and law enforcement center, which has brought in more than \$1.8 million in revenue since its completion a little over three years ago. This is in contrast to the \$180,000 to \$220,000 a year of your tax dollars being spent to outsource the housing of our own inmates in other counties prior to my administra-

It was indeed an honor to serve with the planning and implementation of the facil-

I have been tough on crime and have actively worked at reducing the amount of narcotics flowing through our communities - the property crimes that deprive our citizens of their hard-earned wages - and stemming the tide of violence and assaults perpetrated upon our citizenry.

I have always believed law enforcement leadership is based not upon political finesse or pomp and circumstance but rather a forward, no-nonsense, long-term commitment to serving our communities.

One should serve his community before attempting to lead it. I believe I am the only candidate to have proudly worn the uniform of Garza County for the past 23 years and am asking for your vote to continue that fine tradition of LOYALTY, HONESTY, SERVICE and INTEGRITY in the Office of the GARZA COUNTY SHERIFF.

I am proud to be a veteran of the U.S. Air Force; a Master Certified Peace Officer and Master Corrections Officer with 32 years of law enforcement experience; appointed to three Advisory Committee's with the Sheriff's Association of Texas; 1) Technology Committee, 2) Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officers Standards and Education Advisory Committee, and 3) The Texas Legislative Update Committee.

I sincerely hope to continue the progress we have made over the past seven years, and ask for your support and vote on Tuesday, May 29, 2012

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# COMMUNITY

# Whitten qualifies for college rodeo finals

R.H. Whitten recently completed junior year at West Texas A&M University in Canyon and has qualified for the College National Finals in tie-down calf roping.

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Whitten will represent the university and the Southwest Region in the finals in Casper, Wyo., June 10-16.

He is a two-time qualifier of the College National Finals as he qualified in team roping as a freshman.

The horse Whitten is competing on just received and plans to graduate from Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas. the Southwest Region Men's West Texas A&M University Horse of the Year Award for with a degree in agriculture Whitten, formerly of Post, and the second consecutive year.



Whitten is from New Home education and continues his

pursuit to make the National

He is the son of Cathy Jerry Whitten.



**Courtesy Photos** 

# April sales tax collections up 14 percent

By Wayne Hodgin

Sales tax collections in April for the city \$14,000 over the same period last year. of Post were up more than 14 percent over April 2011.

Total collections were \$120,937, nearly cent.

tions are up more than \$42,000, or 53 per-

Statewide, total sales tax collections for year. Compared to last month, sales tax collec- April were \$2.07 billion, a 10.9 percent increase compared with April 2011, marking the 25th consecutive month of year-over-year gains, Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said.

> "Sales tax revenue has now increased for 25 consecutive months. Recent strength in sales tax collections continued in both business and consumer spending categories," Combs said. "Growth was led by the oil and natural gas-related sectors, while significant gains also came from retail trade and restau-

> Combs indicated as of May 9, local sales tax allocations for the month of May so far

Hint: Quote by Ringo Starr

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Cryptogram

actual letters of the sentence with different letters. The challenge of the puzzle is to 'decode' the sentence to reveal the original English sentence.

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We have provided a few of the decoded letters to help get you started.

were up 5.5 percent over the same period last

AT A GLANCE

Local sales tax allocations for the month of April 2012 compared with the same month last year.

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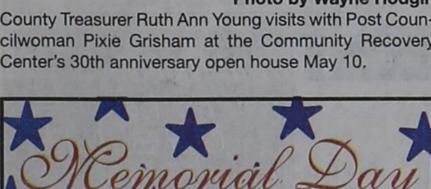
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Chris Atkinson, director of the Community Recovery Center, shares a laugh with County Judge Lee Norman and Marie Neff at the center's 30th anniversary open house celebration May 10.



Photo by Wayne Hodgin

County Treasurer Ruth Ann Young visits with Post Councilwoman Pixie Grisham at the Community Recovery Center's 30th anniversary open house May 10.



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# In and Around Close City

by Traci Freeman

week. After the rains we received, the guys are in the field getting the cotton planted. If all goes well, we should have a in your daily prayers.

Alton Clary who passed away last week. Alton grew up here in Close City. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his entire luck in your future from all of us in Ragfamily. (Love ya. Mindy girl!)

I have had a couple of great phone calls with Vernon McNabb who grew up here and now lives in Harlingen. He called and wished me a happy birthday and told a few

The weather has been good this past stories from back when. I just love hearing the stories from the "ol' timers." I am so looking forward to his next phone call.

I want to say a big congratulations to good year. Please keep our crops and rain all the seniors who are graduating this week and next week. Those having ties Sympathies go out to the family of to CC are Borden County seniors Raegan Belongia and Dalton Thuett. Post seniors are Kari Dunn and Ernesto Esparza. Good

> This means summer is upon us. Let's have a fun and safe one! And you know what I always say - show down when you come through here and watch out for

the kids out and about.

Quote of the week: "An old-timer is one who remembers when it cost more to run a car than to park it."

Did you know: In the 1930s, milk was 14 cents a quart, bread was 9 cents a loaf and round steak was 42 cents a pound.

Close City Birthdays May 25 - Marsha Norman May 26 – T.J. Ellis May 28 - Steffi Norman Scott, Amy Abraham Flores

Ragtown folks in the nursing homes

we need to remember are Claudine Tipton; Carmen Abraham; Mary Gayle Young, Velma Long Brown in Post; Jean Tipton in Robert Lee; Jewel White in Lubbock. Others are, Mack Ledbetter in Slaton; Doris Wilson in Post; John and Mary Gist in Lubbock in Lubbock. Please let me know if there is anyone I need to add to this

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

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

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# Weekly Inspirations

# **Know Regrets**

Read Philippians 3:7-15

If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

-1 John 1:9 (NRSV)

A great man and religious leader whom I admired often said that he had lived his entire life with no regrets. However, as I reflect on my choices, I have many regrets that trouble me. I have spent countless hours reflecting on words I said, decisions I made, or actions I took that I wish I could "un-do."

John wrote, "If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." I realize that not all of the actions I regret are necessarily sins; rather, some are unwise choices or errors in judgment. For example, I once decided to take a job many miles from my home and family, a job that kept me from participating in the joy of birthdays and many other parts of family life. For both sins and errors, God's message is the same: It does no good to look back and wonder "what if ..." or "if only I ...."

I have learned that to lead a good life — a Godcentered life — it is not important to have no regrets. When I reflect on the past but keep my eyes on the future, I can see some value even in the things I regret. Our experiences, especially the mistakes we have made, can serve to make us stronger and wiser.

> **Jack Cameron** (North Carolina, USA)

Prayer: Dear Lord God, help us to rest in your loving arms and know that your love for us is bigger than all our regrets. In Jesus' name. Amen.

"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

2 Timothy 3:16-17



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# The vital role of stomach acid

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Hydrochloric acid is a great antiseptic agent and was used in World War I prior to the introduction of antibiotics.

Every bite of food you put in your mouth is covered in germs, and more than 400 different species of microbes exist in your out of the stomach is acidic enough. mouth, esophagus and intestines.

If we did not have the hydrochloric acid to keep the environment inside our stomach sterile, then we would have a tremendous overgrowth of millions of microbes leading to many poor health outcomes.

Also, the good gut bacteria, called probiotics, will die if the pH level becomes out of balance, and harmful germs will start to thrive.

Furthermore, hydrochloric acid helps to digest our solid food into an "acid soup" that dumps into the small intestine.

Our food must be broken down into the various nutrient categories: minerals, vitamins, amino acids and proteins in order to be absorbed into our blood stream. If our food isn't digested properly, then we miss out on many nutrients.

Certain nutrients only can be absorbed in a very acidic environment. Iron, copper, zinc, B-12, folic acid and amino acids, just

God gave our stomachs the ability to to name a few, are not absorbed unless there is enough stomach acid produced to create an acidic environment (pH of 1-3).

Therefore, if you are or have been taking an acid-blocking medication for an extended period of time, you may not be absorbing the vital nutrients. Also, many other digestive enzymes from the pancreas and gall bladder will not be released unless the food coming

Acid production often declines with age, which is associated with many chronic diseases. Also, stomach-acid production is blocked by taking medications like Zantac, Prilosec and Nexium.

So, people are at a much greater risk of microbial overgrowth and poor nutrient absorption as they age or if they take acidblocking medications long term.

Have you ever been told by your doctor that your heartburn was from "too much acid production"? In actuality, it is the exact opposite — too little acid production leads to heartburn.

We'll talk about that more next week. In the meantime, don't forget to let thy food by thy medicine.

Dr. Benjamin Edwards is a physician with the Garza Health Clinic, an affiliate of Physician Network Services of the UMC Health System of Lubbock.

# LEGENDS:

## Post had no shortage of news in 1926

By Linda Puckett

be a good time to tweak Legends just a little bit and do some pened to be reading an old 1926 car with balloon tires, speedissue of the Post City newspa- ometer, fine Fisher body, Duco per (volume 17) the other day, finish, one-piece VV windand these stories jumped out at shield, Alemite lubrication me so thought I would share and other essentials to modern them with you.

Afternoon

"On Sunday afternoon about 5 o'clock, Mr. Jessie Culley was the fatal victim of a car accident when Mrs. Lucky King accidently knocked him on the market today. down on the corner opposite the First National Bank.

"Mr. Culley was jaywalking Coach--\$645 at the time of the accident, and with two cars coming in opposite directions it was impossible dan-\$735 1 Ton Truck-\$550 for Mrs. King to avoid hitting

"He was drug (sic) about 15 dau-\$765 feet before she was able to stop the car. Dr. Corbin was immediately called, and the best of COST medical aid was rendered but Monday morning.

retired top seargent in the U.S. happened that day. Army, having served for 25 years and had been through four Auto Accident wars. He was 61 years old."

He is survived by two sisters and was laid to rest in Terrace Cemetery on Tuesday.

In the same issue, this 5-column-by-7-inch ad from Connell Chevrolet read as follows:

For Economical Transporta-

CHEVROLET \$645

Carefully check the quality and equipment offered in the Improved Chevrolet Coach! Check it against any five-pas- land where medical aid was

senger closed car in the world! I decided this week would Know what its new low price really means!

Where else can you get for "remember when" stuff. I hap- \$645 a five-passenger closed motoring? Come in-note these "Fatal Accident On Sunday many quality features-get a demonstration-experience the car's amazing performance-and then you will realize how much more it gives for \$645 than any other five-passenger closed car

> Ask for a demonstration! Touring--\$510

Truck-\$395 (Chassis Only) Roadster-\$510

(Chassis Only) Coupe--\$645 Lan-

CONNELL QUALITY AT LOW

The next story is so neat. I to no avail. Mr. Culley died on guess I was surprised to learn that back in 1926 one would "He had only been in Post just hop into a 1926 automobile about two months, having come and strike out to Lubbock for a here for his health. He was a track meet. Oh well, this is what

"School Boys Victims of

"Tuesday afternoon a Ford touring car driven by Alex Chaney was overturned about six miles from Southland, on the highway. Six occupants of the car were badly bruised, but David Lee and Alex Chaney sustained the most serious injuries. The boys were in route to Lubbock to the track meet and were accompanied by several other cars of boys who came to their rescue immediately. Alex

and David were taken to South-

given but were sent speedily back to Post by the Southland physician. Alex is suffering from internal injuries and is in a very critical condition. David, too, is causing much anxiety, but the other victims are up and are in school again."

You think maybe they were racing? Boys will be boys.

The following letter was written (Sunday, Aug. 18, 1946) by Mrs. Outlaw and made available by Alma Outlaw.

"Dear Zora Anne,

"It is blistering hot out again today and no relief in sight.

About 1:15 yesterday morning there was a car and gasoline truck collision at the old Cecil Osborne filling station. The loaded gasoline truck overturned, pinning the driver in it, and the gasoline began spilling and burning. The driver died in the cab. The Texaco station was demolished as well as Whities's (sic) Café. Flaming gasoline ran down both sides of Main Street, injuring all buildings some and nearly all losing plate and window glass. The hump in the street saved it from ruining ours (Outlaw Motor Company and N.C. Outlaw Law Office, located across the street, east from the bank) but the bank and a lot of other buildings are a mess. It was quite a catastrophe as it was, but for about twenty or thirty minutes it looked as though the entire business section would burn. Tahoka and Slaton fire departments came to the res-

[Newspaper clippings regarding this disaster can be read or copied at the museum.]

Thanks for lookin' back with me. See ya next week.

Linda Puckett is director of the Garza County Museum.

# Yesteryears

30 Years Ago May 27, 1982

to Mrs. Mason McClellan, Mrs. Lee W. Davis, David Gossett, Evans and son and J.E. Evans Mrs. Nancy Jolly, Leslie Man- of Lubbock. or and Don Greer.

Brownie Troop 235 held it fly-up ceremony into Girl Scouts last Thursday night. The following girls in the program were Marilyn Bell, Dede Byrd, are totally destroyed by fire Tina Poe, Sarah Williams, Hil- last Thursday. lary Williams, Angela Tobias, salind Fields, D'awn Howland brother Will. and Jana Hudman.

returned home after spending several days recovering with Peel home. Mrs. Verna Roberts.

May 15 from Texas Tech with a degree in education.

> 40 Years Ago May 25, 1972

J.B. Potts has been elected to a six-year term on the board of directors of the Texas Tech University Foundation.

Sonny Bevers, Bobby Norman and John Johnson will receive the Lone Star Farmer degree at the State FFA Convention this summer in Dallas.

Patti Nelson has been awarded a voice scholarship at Texas Tech.

Two new births are Aaron Del Odom born May 20 to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Delroy Odom and LaRinda Ladell Hair born May 18 to Mrs. And Mrs. Ricky Hair.

"Favorite Character Day" individual winners were Jennie Miller as "Raggedy Ann" and Ruben Casarez as "Charlie Chaplin."

50 Years Ago May 24, 1962

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Oma Moreman. She was born Aug. 18, 1887, in Wise County and had been a resident of Post since 1908.

The Post School board named Bruce Evans as band director.

The humidity in Post hit a new low Monday when it reported 4 percent.

Sunday visitors in the home Happy birthday today goes of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Martin were Mr. and Mrs. L.W.

60 Years Ago May 22, 1952

Post residents offer help for the W.T. Bullard family after their home and belongings

J.A. Meeks spent the first Tyra Hart, Joanna Binford, Ro- of the week at Hamlin with his

Mrs. Bryan Maxey was Mrs. Buford Mathis has named honoree at a layette shower Thursday in the L.H.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bevers Peggy Jackson graduated and children of Ira visited in the home of their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs.

Sam Bevers on Sunday. 70 Years Ago May 8, 1942

The annual First Christian Church picnic is scheduled for May 24 at Two Draw.

The O.H. Hoovers have received word from their son Jerry who is in the South Pacific. He says he is operating a caterpillar tractor.

W.W. Hyde is in the race for judge.

Fifty-three seniors will receive diplomas tonight. Yoland Ramirez will give the valedictory address and David Gossett the salutatory.

Mrs. T.L. Price transacted business in Lubbock on Tuesday.

Gwendelon Holland was operated on for mastoids Tues-



### **Cogdell Specialty Clinic** Welcomes

Michelle Sahinler, M.D. -

Gynecology Dr. Sahinler completed her en-

tire medical education at Texas Tech University Medical School and Health Sciences Center. She has been board-certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology since 2006.

She will see patients at the

Cogdell Specialty Clinic the first



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# Justice-Mason Funeral Home

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49. W. African country 52. Arteries

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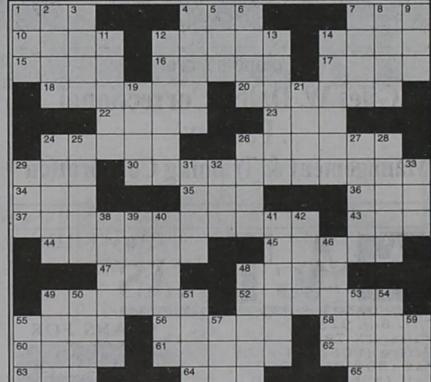
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## **CROSSWORD PUZZLE** Justice-Mason Funeral Home

301 West Main Street 806-495-2833



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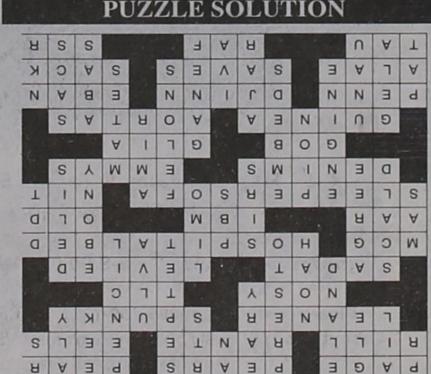
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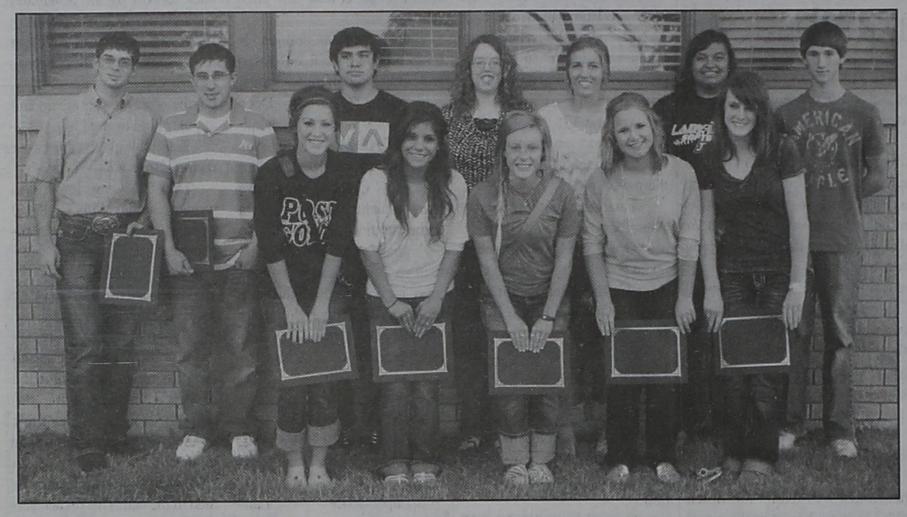


Photo by Wayne Hodgin

AUSTIN -- From May

21 through June 3, including the Memorial Day weekend,

thousands of state troopers,

police officers and sheriff's

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week-long enforcement period of the Texas Depart-

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annual Click It or Ticket

campaign, drivers and pas-

sengers who choose not to fasten their seat belts could

be pulled over and fined up

wear seat belts. Children

younger than 8 years old

must ride in a child safety

seat or booster seat unless

they are taller than 4 feet

9 inches. TxDOT uses the

"Click It or Ticket" cam-

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Rawson, TxDOT's Traffic

"It only takes a minute to

Texas law requires that both drivers and passengers

to \$250, plus court costs.

Throughout this two

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Those honored and their respective events:

**Photography** 

Juan Cabrera

David Ramirez Veronica Zuniga Sierra Isbell Jaycee Johnson Haily Berry Morgan Deen Kelbie Oden Chelsea Nolen Kim Rivera Katie Dunn Pake Jones

Art Fabian Torres Jose Rodriguez Horse Judging Matti Smith

**Up or Pay Up Starting May 21** 

Danny Shelton

Texas Motorists Warned to Buckle

folks who still have not got-

gers were not buckled up.

It's about saving lives," said

it was when we started this effort 11 years ago, but we

still have some holdouts.

We want everyone to get

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injury or death are pickup

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Sign-Ups begin June 1st - 6-8:00 PM, Wells Fargo Bank

Please contact us at 806-759-1351 for more information

about the PYAG Fall Football Programs and the South Plains

Iron Man Football League.

**Photo Courtesy of** 

**Dawn Bilberry** The Lady Koolaids spring and summer junior high basketball team, which consists of sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade girls, includes (back, left to right) M'keison Guerrero, Jessica Payton, Ashlee Graves; (middle) Raven Douglass, Cierra Fontenot; (front) Karlie Steffens. Not pictured is coaches Dawn Guerrero and Courtney Fontenot.

of pickup drivers buckle up Operations division direc-Summer food

The Post Independent School District once again will par-

Meals will be provided to all children without charge, regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. Meals, including breakfast and lunch, will be provided Monday through Friday at the Post ISD Cafeteria, 211 South

Breakfast is served from 8 to 9 a.m., and lunch from 11:45

Menus will be published in the Post Dispatch each Friday for the following week.

For information, call the school system at 495-3343.

Mobile 806.201.1434 roden@impactchemtech.com

1002 E. Main Post TX 79356

Police Out in Force May 21 - June 3 for Click It or Ticket Campaign Special to the Post Dis- tor. "That one minute can compared to 95 percent of save a life. We shouldn't other drivers. And, only 80 have to remind people to percent of truck passengers wear seat belts. But just in use seat belts compared to

case, police officers around 92 percent of passengers in

the state will be pulling over other vehicles. In fact, Texas currently ranks seventh in the nation Traffic crashes remain for overall seat belt use, and lookout for drivers and pas- a leading cause of death 93.7 percent of Texas motorin Texas. In 2011, nearly ists use seat belts according 3,000 people died in fatal to the Texas Transportation collisions on Texas streets Institute. Experts at the Naand highways. Almost half tional Highway Traffic Safeof those drivers and passen- ty Administration estimate that the steady increase in Wearing a seat belt reduces seat belt usage in Texas over the risk of fatal injury by 45 the past 10 years has repercent for car occupants sulted in 2,843 fewer traffic and 60 percent for light- fatalities, 48,000 fewer serious injuries and a savings to "Click It or Ticket is not the state of more than \$10 just about writing tickets. billion in associated costs.

Visit www.texasclicki-Rawson. "Seat belt use in torticket.com for more in-Texas is much higher than formation.

Week of May 28-31

Post ISD Breakfast Monday: Memorial Day. No school.

Tuesday: Waffles, sausage, butter and syrup, fruit, milk Wednesday: Malt-O'-meal, sausage, toast, fruit, milk Thursday: Cereal, graham, cracker, fruit, juice, milk Friday: School out

Lunch Monday: Memorial Day. No school.

Tuesday: Pizza, salad, corn, peaches, milk Wednesday: Manager's choice, vegetable, fruit, milk

Thursday: Manager's choice, vegetable, fruit, milk Friday: School out

Trailblazers Senior Citizens Center

Monday: Closed for Memorial Day. Tuesday: Chicken fried steak, mash potatoes, okra, corn, pumpkin squash, milk Wednesday: Chopped barbecue, pinto beans, potato salad, mandarin orange, milk Thursday: Salisbury steak and gravy, mashed potatoes,

cauliflower, broccoli, apricots, roll Friday: Chicken on a bun, lettuce and tomato, potato

wedges, carrot-raisin salad,

fruit, roll

program begins June 4

ticipate in the Summer Food Service Program this year.

Ave. K, beginning June 4 and running through June 29.

**Rodney Oden Account Representative** 

# Post Notes

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

Primary election

Sample ballots for Tuesday's general election primary are available for public inspection at the Garza County elections office. For information, call 495-4430.

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Early voting for Tuesday's general election primary is being conducted from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., including the noon hour, through today, May 25, at the Garza County Courthouse, 500 W. Main St. For information, contact the Garza County Elections Office at 495-4430.

Play days

Horse play day will be this Saturday and June 2 at the Post Stampede Rodeo Grounds. Registration begins at 9 a.m., and events start at 10 a.m. Cost is \$2 per event or \$12 for all events. For information, contact Danya Peterson at 520-405-0221 or the Garza County Extension Office at 806-495-4400.

Summer rec

The year's summer recreation program will be June 4-29 at the middle school gym. Registration is mandatory to participate. Program runs from 8 a.m. to noon. Breakfast and lunch will be served in the school cafeteria. Parents are asked to pick their children up between 12:15 and 12:30 p.m. in front of the cafeteria. For information, contact Lorie Ri- 7 to 9 a.m. Monday in the VFW Hall, 1006 E. Main vera at 495-3253 or 441-8465.

Jackalopes registration and fundraisers

Members of the Jackalope Summer Track Club will have a car-wash fundraiser from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 2 at the United Supermarket in Post and a bake sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 9, also at United. Registration also will be from 4 to 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. May 30 and from 1 to 2 p.m. and 4 to 5 p.m. May 31 at the middle school gymnasium. For information, contact Marcie Oden at 806-370-0553 or email cellaandrod@aol.com.

Post Elementary

There will be no school May 28. The awards ceremony will be at 10 a.m. May 30 in the auditorium. Last day of school is May 31; students will be released at 12:30 p.m. Summer school starts at 8 a.m. June 4. The school cafeteria will be open from 8 to 9 a.m. for breakfast and from 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. for lunch through June 29.

Bible study

"A Quick Journey Through the Bible," an eightpart study designed to give a brief overview of salvation from Genesis to the Resurrection, will be offered at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays beginning June 7 at Holy Cross Catholic Church, 205 W. Main St., Post. For information visit the Post Texas Church Facebook page or contact Melissa Morrow at 806-629-4393 or hope.memory@gmail.com.

4-H camp

4-H'ers interested in attending 4-H Camp are urged to contact the Extension office at 806-495-4400. Leadership Lab will be May 29-31 for ages 9-12 in Levelland; Electric Camp will be June 25-29 for ages 14-18 in Cloudcroft, N.M.; Golf Camp will be April 27-289 for ages 12-18 in College Station; Prime Time I will be July 2-25 for grades 5-8 at Lake Brownwood; Prime Time II will be July 25-28 for grades 25 at Lake Brownwood; Horizons will be July 3-7 for grades 4-8 at Lake Brownwood.

Memorial Day breakfast

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6797 in Post will have its annual Memorial Day breakfast from St. All veterans and their families are invited. The Memorial Day program will begin at 10 a.m. at the Garza County Courthouse. All are encouraged to attend.

Retirement reception

Post Elementary School will host a retirement reception for two of its educators, Dorothy McCook and Kathy Fluitt, from 3 to 5 p.m. May 31 in the teacher's lounge. The public is invited. For information, call the school at 806-495-3414 or email Nancy Norman at nnorman@postisd.net.

4-H Horse Show

Registration for the District 2 4-H Horse Show is open until June 4. You must register on or before the deadline to avoid any late fees. For information, contact the Garza County Extension Office at 806-495-4400.

Fish fry

Trailblazers Senior Citizens Center will have a fish fry from 5 to 8 p.m. June 8. Cost is \$7 a plate.

State 4-H Roundup

The State 4-H Roundup will be June 11-15 at Texas Tech University. For information, call the Extension office at 806-495-4400.

Art exhibit

The O.S. Museum, 201 E. Main St., Suite 3, is now exhibiting "The Color of Spring," a display of birds, flowers and eggs through May 31. Viewing hours are 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. For information, email osmuseum\_mneff@yahoo.com 495-3570.

Trap shoot practice

Every Monday at 5 p.m. at Palmer Gun Club. Anyone interested in joining Shotgun Sports, contact Ray Mason at 781-8022 or Mark Kirkpatrick at 787-5104.

Parkinson's support

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

Donations needed

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

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### APPROACHABLE & FAIR!

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District Attorney (106th Judicial District): 2009 - present.

Assistant District Attorney: Midland County - 2 yrs. Lubbock County - 3 yrs. Travis County (Austin) - over 9 yrs.

Lynn County Attorney.

Law Instructor:

Police Academies in Austin & Lubbock. Lubbock County Sheriff's Academy Texas Department of Public Safety The University of Texas School of Law. Texas Tech School of Law.

Certified Texas Peace Officer. Lubbock County Sheriff Patrol Deputy.

Civil Litigation: Hammerman and Gainer, Austin. 1991. Lynch Chappell, Allday and Alsup, Austin. 1988-91.

Appointed by Gov. Rick Perry in 2001 as vice chair of the Governor's Planning Council for STOP Violence Against Women.

Graduate: South Texas College of Law, Houston. 1987. The University of Texas at Austin. 1984.

U.S. Army Veteran, 1976-1979. Lynn County Resident. Husband. Father. Member, First Baptist Church, O'Donnell.



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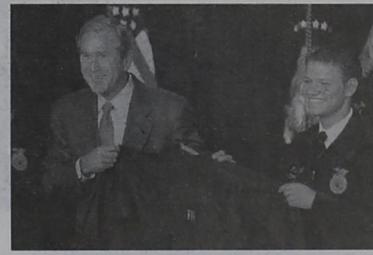
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# Texas Forest Service urges caution over holiday weekend

COLLEGE STATION – Texans are urged to use caution while celebrating the upcoming Memorial Day holiday weekend – and when doing any outdoor activity that can cause a spark.

Although many areas have received significant rainfall, much of the state is experiencing some level of drought, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor.

On Memorial Day weekend last year, local fire departments and Texas Forest Service responded to 363 fires that burned almost 18,000 acres. Almost half of those fires were determined to have started by preventable causes such as campfires or debris burning. Eighteen homes and 35 other structures were destroyed over the holiday weekend.

It doesn't take much to ignite a potentially devastating wildfire. Always check with local government or fire department officials to make sure outdoor cooking and campfires are allowed

COLLEGE STATION – Texans are urged to in your county — and be sure to comply with all caution while celebrating the upcoming Me-

Memorial Day Safety Tips

 When barbecuing, never leave a grill unattended. Locate the grill away from your home and any combustible materials.

 Clear away grass, leaves and other debris within a 10-foot perimeter of any campfire or barbecue grill.

• Ensure all campfires and barbecue coals are completely extinguished before leaving.

Never use gasoline to start a barbecue.
 Have water on hand just in case. If a fire

does start, call 911 immediately.

• Remember you are responsible for any

fire you start and any associated cost or damage that fire may cause.

You can use Texas Forest Service resources to create a wildfire action plan for your home.

## Ragtown's 'Pentecost' continues Christ's saga

By Jodi Lincoln For the Dispatch

Ragtown Gospel Theater's new musical "Pentecost" opened May 11 and is certain to become another favorite of fans of the theater.

Once again as the lights go down, the curtains open to a scene that makes one take a deep, drawn-in breath. One is instantly transported back in time to the day of Christ's crucifixion.

"Pentecost" is the second part of the story of the birth of Christ, from his crucifixion, resurrection and ascension.

Writer Chip Polk penned the story of the birth of Christ as a musical production for the theater's Christmas play in 2009. With a successful two-year run of the story of Bethlehem as one of theater-goers favorites, the talented playwright has presented the rest of the story in the musical "Pentecost," the other end of Christ's sacrifice for mankind.

The first half of the play is heart-wrenching and intense as one watches Jesus' last moments of life on Earth as a man, crucified by those who hated and despised him.

While I found it difficult to watch the first moments of the play, I cannot even begin to imagine having been there as the persecution and crucifixion were truly happening. As a parent, could I honestly say I could have given my only son up to a world I knew would not only come to hate and despise him, but also to take his life in such a horrific way?

Polk's skill as a playwright masterfully portrays God's grief and sorrow as his son suffers and dies on a cross. The visual of this story is powerful and reaches into your very soul as you realize how much we are loved by a God who is so loving that he would sacrifice his only son so that mortals could have an eternal life in heaven

with him. To hear that son ask for their forgiveness before his last breath shows a love so deep and so pure that one is humbled by him and his mercy.

Actor Gabe Ramirez reprises his role as Jesus with a performance as strong and powerful as any of his past performances. His portrayal of Jesus leaves one feeling as if they have been privileged enough to meet him in person.

Actor/producer Glenn Polk also revises his role as God the Father, and veteran actor David Brentley gives us another dark portrayal of Satan, who shows his disdain for mankind and Christ's love for us. He believes humans are not worth the sacrifice and he seeks them to destroy them with temptation just as he himself will be destroyed in the end.

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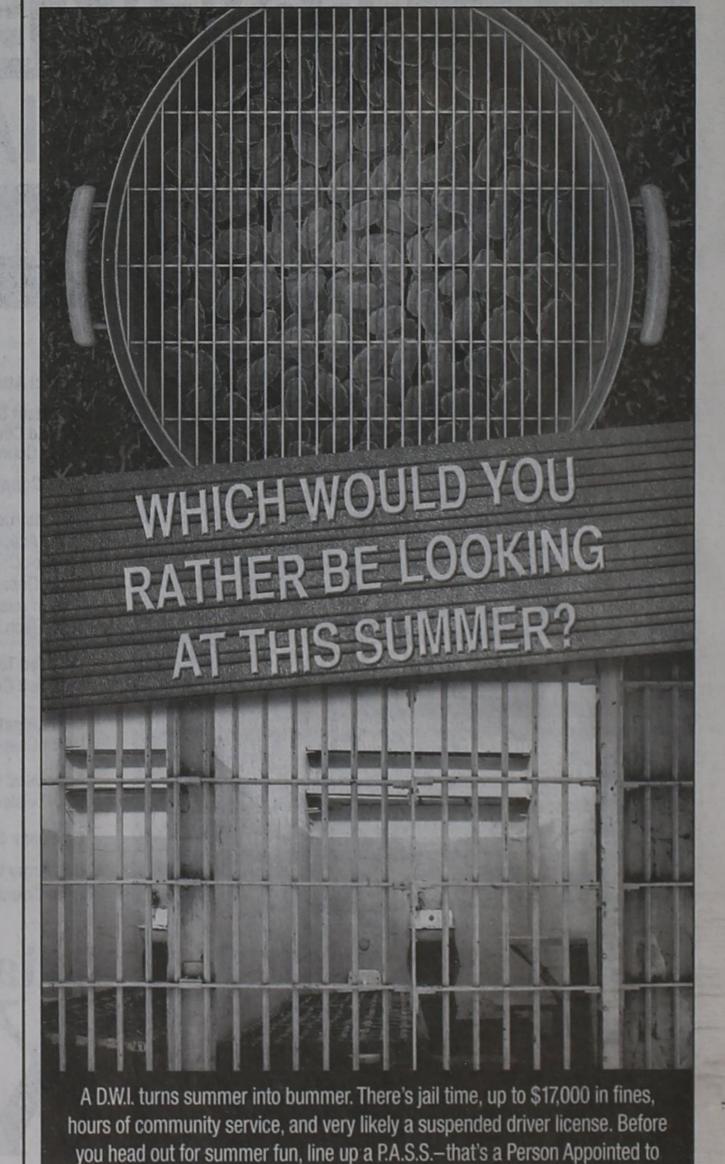
The first half of the play is heart-wrenching and intense as one watches Jesus' last moments Though there are still moments that are heavy in the second act. We still get to see what a joyful reunion of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit might have been like, though we know in reality it was much more joyful than we can ever imagine.

There is humor combined with some poignant moments in the last half of the play that lightens the visuals and deepness of the first half of the play.

With an awesome and talented supporting cast, the play not only comes to life before your eyes, but leaves you with a deeper appreciation of just how much we are loved and what was sacrificed for us. This play looks to be destined to become another Ragtown Gospel Theater favorite.

The play will run through June 30 with weekend performances at 7:30 p.m. Friday evenings and at 3 p.m. Saturday matinee. No performances are scheduled Memorial Day weekend.

Tickets are available online at ragtown.com. For information, call 1-877-RAGTOWN.



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# Eighth-graders kick it 80s style





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(Above) Members of the eighth-grade class at Post Middle School celebrate their transition into high school with a banquet May 12 at the Post ISD cafete-

#### Photo by Elizabeth Moreno

Shandon Wylie shows off his rad dances moves for his friends at the eighth-grade banquet May 12 at the Post ISD cafeteria. The theme for the night's event was "Totally 80s."



Photo by Elizabeth Moreno

Seaira Scott and Taylor Roberts pose for a shot during the eighth-grade end-of-year banquet May 12 at the Post ISD cafeteria. The theme for the night's event was "Totally 80s."

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Department of Agriculture's Committee on Beginning Farmers and as a citizen advisor to the U.S. military in Iraq. McKnight is the founder of Rural Young Professionals and co-founder of ruraltopia. com, which promotes economic growth in small communities. In addition, he also served on the Brazos River Authority board as an appointee of Gov. Rick Perry. McKnight has a bachelor's degree in agricultural economics and a

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master's degree from the London School of Economics. He is a member of First United Methodist Church and he is active in homeless and international ministry projects.

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had voted in the Republican primary and 18 had voted in

the Democratic primary. Plummer said he esti-

mated that by the end of the week, more than 500 will have cast early ballots.

"if projections hold true, this election's voter turnout for early voting should exceed the 2008 presidential primary by about 14 percent," he said Wednesday.

For that vote, only 454 of the county's registered voters cast early ballots bringing the total number of voters, after election day, to 1,192. The 2010 gubernatorial primary brought out only 705 total voters.

Area residents in all six voting precincts who are already registered to vote, may cast a ballot early and

without reason in either the Democratic or Republican primary vote.

Ballots can be cast at the Garza County Courthouse, 500 W. Main St. Polls are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.. including the noon lunch

A current voter registration card, or other acceptable form of identification, including a valid state-issued photo identification card, birth certificate or passport, must be presented to be eligible to

For information, contact the Garza County Elections Office at 806-495-4430.

Voters also may view sample ballots for their precinct at garzacounty.net. More voting information can be found at VoteTexas.org.

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## TxDOT 'getting out ahead' of Panama Canal expansion

upcoming expansion of the Panama Canal, Texas is in a unique position and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will play a defining role in ensuring Texas is well-positioned to capitalize on this economic opportunity.

To prepare for the expan- tive Larry Phillips. sion, TxDOT is creating a Working Group comprised of a wide variety of entities with an interest in the expansion of the canal and is seeking input from them on promoting port activities in state transportation planning, tackling highway bottlenecks - bridges and links to terminals, and supporting rail investment, especially for exports.

A 2011 Cambridge Systematics study concluded the expansion will allow demand for import and export shipments via Western U.S. Coast ports to remain substantial in coming years, though those ports face physical and other limited constraints to expansion.

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AUSTIN - With the result in more cargo be- ties from the port, agriculing shipped through Texas ports.

> "Preparing the state's infrastructure for such an expansion, in terms of sea and land-based infrastructure, is crucial to accommodating this increased freight traffic," said State Representa-

The group will produce Panama Canal Stakeholder a report by year's end assessing the state's readiness to maximize any opportunities the Canal's expansion might bring.

> The group will be led Ed Emmett. by Harris County Judge representative, and former member of the Interstate Commerce Commission. Before becoming County Judge, Emmett was a recognized expert on freight transportation issues and logistics.

"This collaboration presents us with an opportunity to fully understand the impact of the Panama Canal expansion on Texas' imports and exports and to prepare for that impact." said Judge Ed Emmett.

TxDOT has invited enti-

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ture, trucking, manufacturing, government, oil and gas, and rail industries to be a part of the group. Those confirmed include representatives from: Texas Association of Manufacturers, Texas Port Association, Texas Motor Transportation Association, Texas Farm Bureau, Economic Development and Tourism Division of the Governor's Office, Port of Houston Authority, Texas Economic Development Council, BNSF, and Judge

"Bringing together a Ed Emmett, a former state broad group of experts involved in freight movement in Texas will allow us to develop a comprehensive master plan that addresses

connectivity with our ports and potential expansion of export opportunities," said Bill Meadows, Texas Transportation Commissioner. "This Stakeholder Group will focus on enhancing and facilitating the flow of goods through and on our system, which does not stop at our ports but continues through our major corridors such as I-35 and I-69. "

Plans are for the group to meet approximately once monthly for the next six months.

"The vast amount of experience Judge Emmett brings to this effort ensures the tasks put before this group will be completed at a quality level," Meadows added.

# **Cogdell Specialty Clinic** Welcomes

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Gynecology A native of Lubbock, Dr. Nall is a graduate of Texas Tech University and the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Dallas. He is board-certified in Gynecology and Obstetrics and has a special interest in laparoscopic surgery and endometrial ablation.



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### **Election Day Polling Places**

Polls will be open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday. Here are the county's six voting precinct locations.

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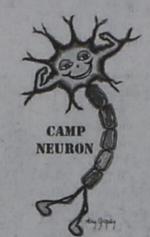
# Camp neuron provides fun, support for children with epilepsy

AMARILLO -- The Epilepsy Foundation Texas-West Texas is accepting applications for Camp Neuron 2012, a medically supervised summer camp for children living with epilepsy.

The camp, now in its third year, will be held June 24-30 at Ceta Canyon and is open to area children ages 8-14 diagnosed with seizure disorder. There is no cost to attend. All participants are medically supervised by on-site staff from Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth, Texas.

"We are thrilled to provide the only residential summer camps in the state of Texas for children living with epilepsy," said Epilepsy Foundation Texas CEO Donna Stahlhut. "Participants can enjoy summer camp with other children who understand their experiences and parents know they are being monitored by both camp staff and trained medical person-

of Texas. Campers participate seizure disorder.



in all the traditional camping For many children living activities such as fishing, arts with epilepsy, Camp Neuron and crafts and talent shows. provides the only opportuni- In addition, participants ty to attend a residential sum- can choose to meet in small mer camp and is one of only groups to discuss their questhree such camps in the state tions and concerns regarding For the want of a nail ....

You know the proverb. One thing leads to another, and somebody ends up losing a kingdom over a missing horseshoe nail that caused the horse to lose a shoe, precipitating the loss of the horse and ultimately the loss of a battle, culminating in the loss of said king-

One thing leads to another. True. But when things go wrong on our farm, it's not usually for the want of a nail. I save nails.

OK. Sometimes it's for the want of a good nail.

My husband believes only in good nails and thinks life's too short to save bent and rusty nails. Maybe he's right, but I've been saving all sorts of old nails just about all my life. I can't stop now. Besides, every once in a while, he has to swallow his pride and ask me for a nail or two. I nonchalantly oblige. Inwardly I smile.

As for my predilection for old nails, it could be genetic.

My grandmother saved old nails. Back in the early 1950s, she also collected a few longneck beer bottles. Indeed, all beer bottles had long necks back then. The neckless era came later. They don't make those funny bottles any more, do they? Anyway, even before open-container laws, beer drinkers tossed their longnecks along highways and byways. Maybe you knew that.

If you live in the country by a ditch, expect it to collect some beer bottles. Fact of

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When her house burned circa 1953, her beer bottles didn't fare well. In the ashes, there they lay. Melded with the melted brown glass were nails she'd dropped into the bot-

The bottles had been hanging on the wall. She had just a few - not as many as in the famous song about bottles of beer on the wall and containing no beer. Just nails. Why hang them up? Call it inventive decorating, on par with their use as nail repositories. When you collect nails, you have to put them somewhere. Ask me. I even have to be sneaky about it, like a closet alcoholic. My husband holds out hope I'll quit.

But it's hard when you start collecting at a tender age. Daddy paid me a penny a pound for old nails. He didn't want the nails -- just fewer flat tires. But I loved finding every old nail. Clink. Into the coffee can they went.

When I was 12, my grandmother gave me a nail-pulling job. She'd hired a neighbor to wreck an old house in her pasture. My job was to extract the nails from the salvage lumber. She saved both the boards and the nails. My kind of grandmother. No doubt she knew that proverb.

But I'm still wondering a little about the beer bottles. There are other out-of-the-way places you can stash old nails. Just ask me.

## **Legal Notice**

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

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Contract 6242-80-001 for INSTALLATION OF DRILLED SHAFTS in GARZA County, etc. will be received on June 20, 2012, until 1:55 p.m. and opened on June 20, 2012, at 2:00 p.m. at the District Office for an estimate of \$44,155.00. Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 40052

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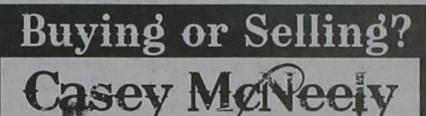
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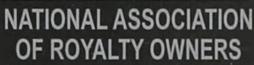
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Commencement exercises for PHS will be at 8 p.m. June 1 in Antelope Arena. The class will graduate 47 seniors this year.

#### Southland

Kelcess Lewis and Travis Arguello have been named valedictorian and salutatorian, respectively, for the class of 2012 at Southland High School.

Lewis, daughter of Brad and Kari Lewis, attended school at the Southland Independent School District from kindergarten through her senior year.

Her activities includes Fellowship of Christian Athletes; FFA, including horse judging, radio team and has been the organization's secretary; National Honor Society, including secretary; Family, Career and Community Leaders of America; was on the varsity cheerleading squad; class officer; yearbook editor; newspaper editor; crosscountry; basketball and track.

Honors and awards she has received include the FFA Greenhand Award; FFA Chapter Farmer Degree; Cross Country MVP; Basketball MVP and First Team All-District; track area qualifier for three years and regional qualifier; Fighting Heart Award; prom queen candidate, A Honor Roll; first place in the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award; and highest average in A&M University, where she English.

She also received honorable mention in the Texas Scholar Award by State Farm. Lewis plans to attend Texas Tech University to earn a degree in animal science. She wants to be a physical therapist for animals.

Arguello is the son of Benny and Leslie Arguello.

He has participated in football, basketball, track, FCA, FFA, National Honor Society, golf, yearbook, the school newspaper, class president and was named 2012 prom king. He is on the A Honor Roll and was a state qualifier in poultry judging.

His honors in sports included football All-District Newcomer of the Year, All-District Quarterback, All-District Safety, All-District Offensive MVP, All-Region Quarterback, All-Region Safety, All-Region Kicker, All-South Plains Quarterback, All-South Plains Safety, All-South Plains Kicker; basketball All-District Newcomer of the Year, All-District Offensive MVP, All-District Plains, First Team All-State, First Team All-Region; track 2011 state qualifier in discus, first place in district and area in discus, second place in region

and third place at the 2012 state

Arguello plans to attend Texas Tech University to earn a degree in mechanical engineering.

Southland High School will graduate 13 seniors during graduation exercises at 7 p.m. today, in the school gymnasium.

#### **Borden County**

Shaylie Boyles of Lamesa and Austin Fields of Post are the top graduates for Borden County High School this year.

Valedictorian Shaylie Boles is the daughter of Scott and Sheri Boles of Lamesa.

Boles is a member of the National Beta Club and is a Distinguished Achievement graduate. She also completed 30 hours of dual credit college classes through Western Texas College during her high school

Boles was an active member in FFA for two years, participating as an officer and a member of the state qualifying skills team. She also participated in stock shows through the Dawson County 4-H.

She was a regional qualifier in tennis and a member of the cross-country team.

She was class officer and was chosen Most Likely to Succeed by the student body.

Boles will attend Texas will major in marketing.

Salutatorian is Austin Fields, son of David and Sonja Fields of Post.

Fields is a member of the National Beta Club and is a Distinguished Achievement graduate. He also completed 30 hours of dual credit college classes through Western Texas College during his high school

In UIL Academics, Fields was a regional qualifier for two

Athletically, Fields participated in football, cross-country, basketball and track. He received numerous honors in football and baseball and was a regional qualifier in crosscountry, track and golf.

Fields has been a class officer all four years of high school.

He plans to attend Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene this fall.

Commencement exercises will be at 7 p.m. today in the auditorium.

Borden County High MVP, First Team All-South School will graduate 12 se-

> Baccalaureate services for Borden County High School was Sunday in the high school auditorium.





### Post Dispatch Weather Summary

Mostly Sunny

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Friday Saturday Mostly Sunny Mostly Sunny 97 / 68 90 / 67



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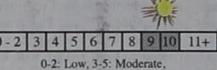
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Weather Trivia How fast does the average raindrop fall?

Answer: Depending on their size, raindrops fall between 7-18 mph.

### Weather History

May 25, 1955 - Two tornadoes struck the town of Blackwell, Okla. within a few minutes time during the late evening. The tornadoes killed 18 people and injured more than 500 others. Early the next morning, a tornado virtually obliterated the small community of Udall, Kan.

May 26, 1917 - A tornado touched down near Louisiana, Mo. about noon and remained on the ground for a distance of 293 miles, finally lifting seven hours and 20 minutes later in eastern Jennings County, Ind. The twister cut a path of destruction two and a half miles wide.

### **Detailed Local Forecast**

Mostly Sunny

94 / 68

Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 97°, humidity of 18%. South wind 10 to 20 mph. The record high temperature for today is 110° set in 2000. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 68°. South wind 15 to 20 mph. The record low for tonight is 50° set in 1981. Saturday, skies will be mostly sunny with a high temperature of 90°, humidity of 40%. South wind 15 to 20 mph. Skies will be partly cloudy Saturday night with an overnight low of 67°. South wind 15 to 25 mph.

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Photo by Elizabeth Moreno

The home of Eddie and Sheila Pitta at 915 W. Main St. was named Yard of the Week by members of the Post Area Chamber of Commerce Women's Division. Pictured is Women's Chamber representative Naomi Metsler, left, with the Pitts.

### SCHOOL BOARD continued from page 1

munity."

Comeaux agreed the system had been fortunate throughout the last several years but warned if the state of our own budget." continued its cuts to education, that

luck might not hold out. "There are a number of school systems across the state where sala-

"Teachers are invaluable to these a couple of years. They've been fro- 1. towns and to the morale of the com- zen," Comeaux said. "But we've been fortunate enough to be able to offer raises throughout this economic climate and work within the constraints

### BY THE NUMBERS

Here's a look at the top salaried positions and their pay increases at Post ISD for the 2012-2013 academic

Administrative positions Position

2011-2012 pay \$ Increase 2012-2013 pay % Increase \$91,800 Superintendent \$3,200 \$95,0003.5

Principal, elementary \$60,620 \$1,212 \$61,832

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Compliance/testing director \$59,160 \$1,183 \$60,343 Special education director

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Here's a look at salary ranges for the highest and lowest paid employees within the Post school system.

Educators State Base Salary First year at

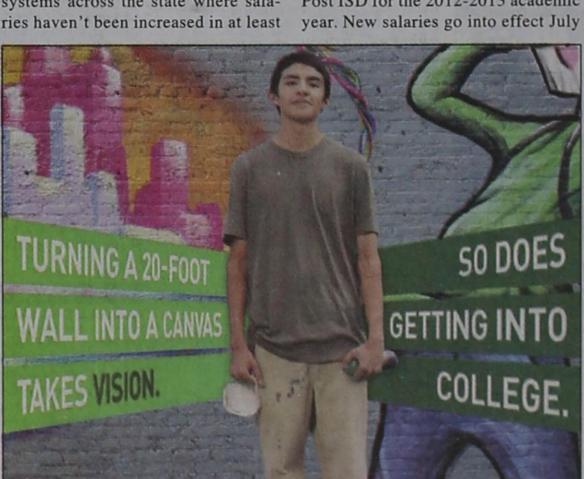
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Lowest paid teacher (0 years) \$27,320 \$30,820 \$30,820

Other personnel Lowest paid non-teacher (0 years -

with system) \$7.51/hour Highest paid non-teacher (29+ years with system) \$20.77/hour

Source: Post Independent School District







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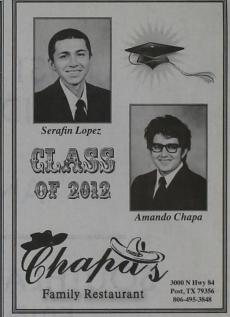












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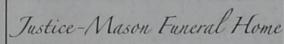


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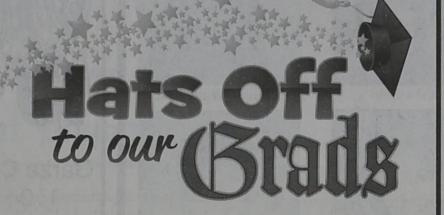
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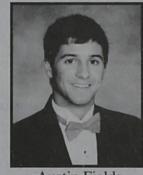
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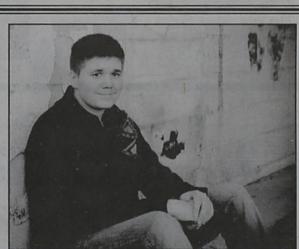
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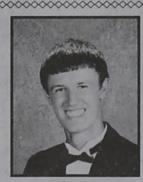
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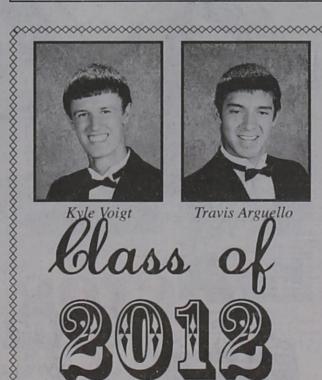
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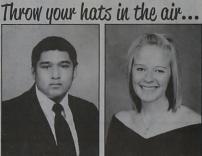






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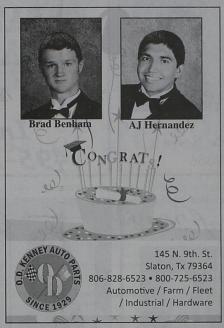


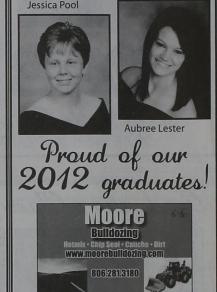
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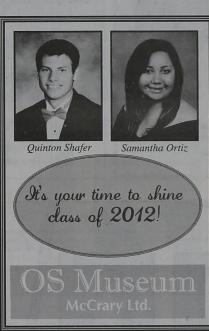
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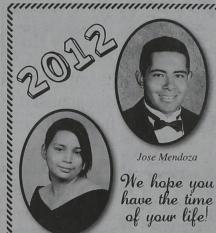




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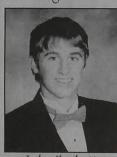
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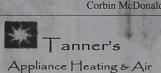
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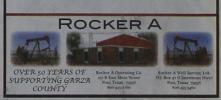


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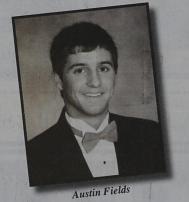
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