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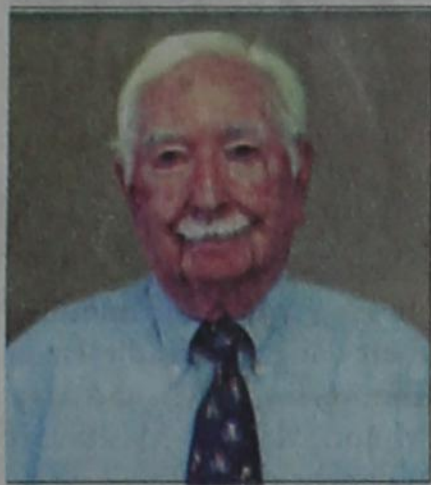
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## Poole steps down as County Attorney



PRESTON POOLE

Accomplishments span 31 years

By Kent Mahoney  
Post Dispatch

POST - There will be no gold watch, no golden umbrella separation package, and very little fanfare and for retiring County Attorney Preston Poole, that is just fine.

There is the satisfaction

that after over 31 years of public service, Poole has done his job and done it well.

"I've accomplished everything I set out to do," Poole said in a weekend interview. "There are no problems. My health is good. It's time."

At age 82, Poole is the oldest serving civil county attorney in the state and in the top five of any county attorney, civil or criminal.

Poole is well respected within the Garza County courthouse system. County officials have expressed every positive sentiment about his second retirement. His first was in 1995.

"I have had the pleasure of working with Preston Poole as the Garza County Attorney for nearly two years," said Garza County

Judge Lee Norman.

"Preston has a wealth of experience but I have observed his ability to use good judgment when working with people in many different scenarios," he said.

Garza County Clerk, Jim Plummer echoed similar praise of Poole.

"Working with Preston has been fun and eye opening," Plummer said. "It's been knowledgeable and he has been a good partner to work with the clerk's office."

In the beginning Poole came to Post in 1963 and started work as a lawyer with local attorney Pat Walker.

He ran for office as a write-in candidate during the 1964 election cycle and on the same ticket with Lyndon Baines John-

son.

It was a contested race with Carleton P. Webb and Thomas W. Gamblin on the ticket as their respective party's selections. He won with about 400 votes.

Back in 1964, county officials were paid about \$435 monthly for their services. Poole served for 30 years and retired for the first time in 1995. He was coaxed back into the position when then County Attorney Michael Munk ran for District Attorney and won.

"I ran again as a write-in candidate," Poole said. "I didn't want to see the position be appointed to someone outside of Garza County."

Poole has served for the past 19 months.

One would think that

over the course of 30-plus years of service, Poole would have a plethora of tails and stories of different cases. But only a couple of them stand out in his mind as truly different.

"We had a murder here," he started. "This guy had divorced his wife. She was living down where Mill Village is now. The guy goes to Methodist Hospital and has blood all over him. The nurse in charge asked if she could help him. 'I just killed my wife', the guy admits."

"The nurse called Sheriff L.E. Claborn and JP D. C. Roberts," Poole said. "They went down there and found the woman with multiple stab wounds. It was quite grizzly."

Personally speaking

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**Cross-Country practice**  
Post High School's cross-country team will begin practices on Monday, July 28th. Practices will be at the city park Mondays from 7-8 AM. If any questions contact Coach Richard Soliz at 806-786-8550.

**Covenant Mobile Mammography**  
Will be held at the United Supermarket on Monday July 28, 2014. For appointment please call 1-877-494-4797 or 806-725-6579. Financial assistance is available for those who qualify through a partnership with Covenant Health System and The Lubbock Area Affiliate of Susan G. Komen For The Cure.

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## Corrections

If you spot an error of fact, contact Editor Kent Mahoney at thepostcitydispatch@gmail.com.

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## Special election set for senate race

By Kent Mahoney  
Post Dispatch

POST - Gov. Rick Perry announced a Special Election for the vacated senate seat of now Texas Tech Chancellor Robert Duncan. The date is set for Sept. 9, 2014.

According to the statement, candidates for this election must file no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 1, 2014 with the Secretary of State.

To date, four candidates have tossed their hats into the ring.

Current State Rep. Charles Perry, R-Lubbock, and former Tech Vice Chancellor Jodey Arrington have filed financial records. Perry is planning an announcement party next week in Lubbock. Perry represents a northern part of Garza County.

Two other possible candidates, Ephifanio Garza and Greg Wortham have expressed interest in the race. Garza is a resident of Wolforth and wortham is a former Sweetwater mayor.

Arrington is from the San

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This hearty young fisherman braves the elements during last week's fishing derby. Some 49 local youth showed for the event and over 100 fish were caught.

Photo by Cain Abraham

## Building plans may include mid-semester student move

By Kent Mahoney  
Post Dispatch

POST - A target date of Oct. 6 has been set for the opening of the new Post High School building.

"As soon as I get the date,

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## PISD sets policy for student's safety, dress

By Kent Mahoney  
Post Dispatch

POST - Student handbooks, dress codes and safety were just some of the topics at the most recent Post ISD monthly meeting.

Trustees, with the aid of building principals and support staff, were walked through some of the additions and/or deletions to the publications.

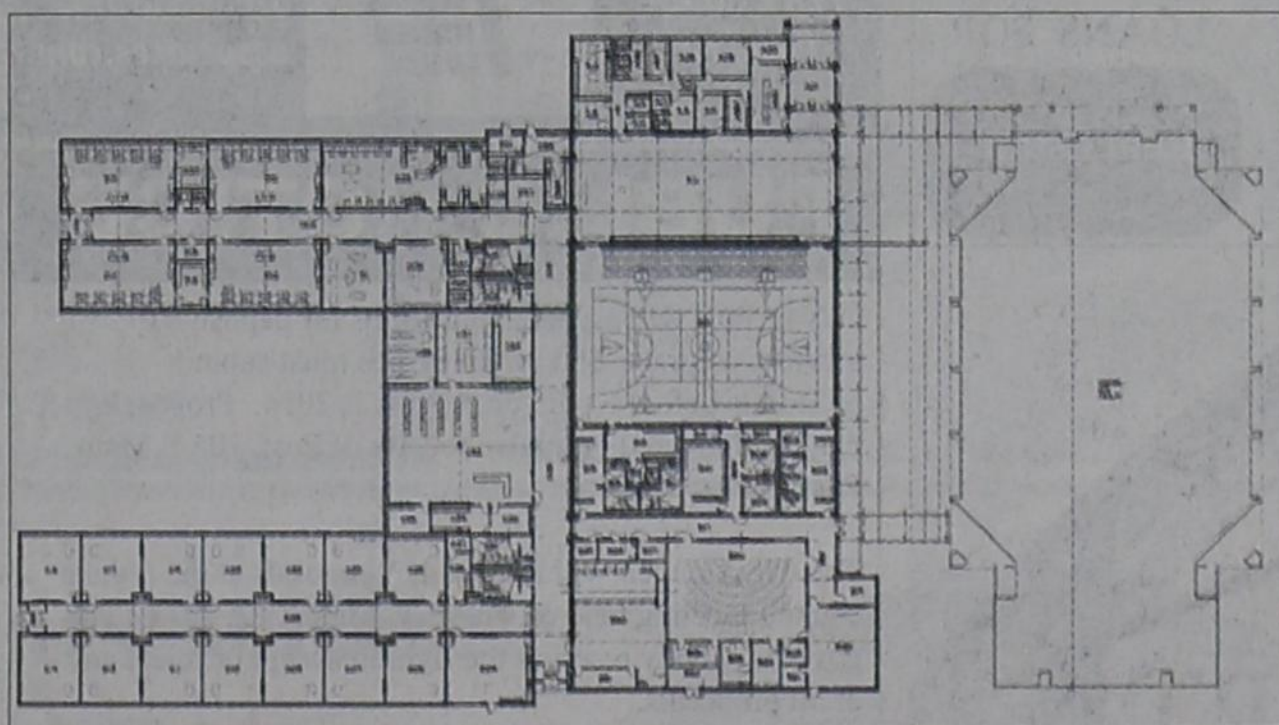
According to PISD Superintendent Mike Comeaux, overall safety is a #1 priority.

"We want to know the people in the building are the ones who are supposed to be in the building," he said. "There is more controlled access, especially at the new high school."

The new high school building will have keyless entry and staff will have keycards that allow them access. Students will also have badges that allow them access to only certain hallways.

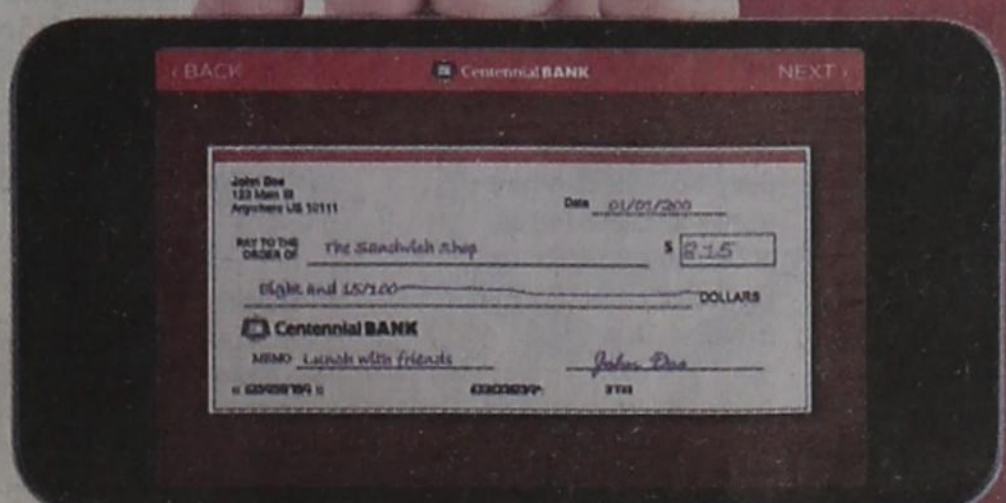
"Staff members will be able to come and go as they

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## Deaths

### Stanley Joe Degan

Stanley Joe Degan, 66, died at his home in Kalgary, Texas, on Wednesday morning, July 16, 2014.

He was born in Matador, Texas on October 26, 1947 to Joe and Leona Degan. Stanley married his childhood sweetheart, Donna Rogers on December 6, 1969. They were married almost 45 years.

Stanley farmed all his life. He and his daddy owned several cotton gins in Afton, Flomot and Kalgary. The last seven years of his life, he and his son, Dane Degan, farmed cotton in Kalgary.

He was a member of White River Lake Chapel and was baptized in that lake in 1985. Stanley was also a Master Mason of the



STANLEY DEGAN

Grand Lodge of Texas.

Stan was also a 20-year board member of Caprock Telephone in Spur, Texas, and served on the Crosbyton School Board from 1987 to 1999.

He was a hunter and a fisherman and enjoyed spending time with his 8 grandchildren who lovingly called him "Pappy".

Stanley is survived by his wife, Donna Degan of Kalgary, Three children:

Shawna and Jeff Abernathy of Abilene, Shay and Jimmy McDaniel of Sundown, and Dane and Leah Degan of Lubbock. His mother Leona Degan of Crowell, brother Morris Degan of Medicine Mound and a sister Sheila Gilbert of Jacksonville Alabama. Eight grandchildren: Kyler, Kason and Eli Degan; Seth, Luke and Kolt McDaniel; Jake and Allie Abernathy.

Graveside services were held at the Flomot Cemetery on July 19, under the direction of Adams Funeral Home Crosbyton In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to Hospice of Lubbock. Online condolences can be made at [www.adamsfuneral.com](http://www.adamsfuneral.com).

### Don Pennell

Graveside services for Don Harlan Pennell, 73, of Lubbock were held at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 24, 2014 in Terrace Cemetery with Dr. Jerry Koch of the First Christian Church officiating. Burial was under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

Don died Sunday, July 20, 2014 in Lubbock. He was born on June 23, 1941 in Southland to Donald and Opal (Howard) Pennell. He was a 1959 graduate of Southland High School. Don was a mechanical and also drove trucks for many years.

He was also an avid hunter and fisherman.

Survivors include one son: Matt and wife Gloria Pennell of Lubbock, one brother: Jerry and wife Carolyn Pennell of Harlingen and one granddaughter: Jazmin Aguilar of Lubbock.

### Matthew Aaron Valadez

Matthew Aaron Valadez died July 15, 2014. He was 38. Services were held July 21 in Slaton. He was buried at Green Memorial Park Cemetery in Wilson.

## Engagement



Danny and Tanya Vernon are happy to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Kadie Lynn Vernon to Mathew Wayne Tanner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andy West of Moriarty NM and Mr. and Mrs. Scott Botz of Smithville, Texas. The bride is the granddaughter of John Bland and the late Shirley Bland of Post and Alvin and Maxine Vernon of Lubbock. The groom is the grandson of Wayne and Elfreda Tanner of Albuquerque and Preston and Nan West of Moriarty. The couple is planning a September wedding.

## 60th Anniversary



Jack Kirkpatrick and Zoe Merriman recently celebrated their 60th anniversary. They were married in Lubbock, TX June 18, 1954. He has been in the ranching business his entire life, and she has been mother and homemaker. They are the parents of five sons and nine grandchildren.

## Trailblazers Menu

Trailblazer Menu for July 28-August 1st

- Monday:** Smothered Pork Chops, Diced Potatoes, Greens, German Chocolate Cake, Wheat Roll
- Tuesday:** Steak Fingers, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Cherry Crisp, Roll
- Wednesday:** BBQ on Bun, French Fries, Pea Salad, Fruit Salad
- Thursday:** Taco Salad, Spanish Rice, Beans, R.U. Kidding Cake
- Friday:** Manager's Choice

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City of Post will accept applications for depository services contract. Interested parties must submit proposals before 5 p.m. on August 1, 2014. Proposals may be delivered or mailed to City of Post, 105 E Main, Post, Texas 79356.

The City Council will review the proposals at the regular council meeting held on Tuesday, August 12, 2014. The governing body reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.

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## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor  
I enjoy The Post Dispatch. I have three favorite columns. Legends: Memories of Mary Agnes Watkins is my #1 - how they endured the many hardships is amazing! Still love the land and the people! (501) I can relate to this lady - she's very wise. My hats off to Hanaba Munn Welch!  
Kent's Korner - I really enjoy reading what he has to say - neighbors aren't what they used to be - when something happened - everyone was there to help - my mom and dad was.

Jean Dunn  
San Angelo

## NOTES

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### Parenting / Substance Abuse Education Classes

Parenting and substance abuse education classes will begin at The Community Recovery Center, 405 S Ave. C, Post, on Monday August 4. Parenting classes are from 5-6 p.m. and Substance Abuse Education Classes are 6-7 p.m. Please contact the Community Recovery Center at 806.495.3173 to register for classes or if you have questions.

### Back To School Splash

The Community Recovery Center is hosting its annual Back To School Splash on Thursday, August 14, from 6 - 8:30PM, at the Post Public Pool. Admission is by wristband only and free wristbands may be picked up at the Community Recovery, 405 S. Ave. C, Post, Monday thru Friday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Please come join in our last pool party of the year.

### Benevolence fund

Dusty and Renee Clary have a Benevolence Fund set up at Centennial Bank. For more information contact Marie Odom 806-495-4757.

### Burger feed

Trailblazers will be having a fundraiser for the Center on Saturday Aug. 9, from 11 a.m. till 1p.m. Hamburgers with all the trimmings. Dessert and drink included. Music and Fun! \$6 a plate at 205 East Main St.

Vacation Bible School

Calvary Baptist Church, along with Zion Hill Baptist Church, Cabot, Arkansas is having a Vacation Bible School at 315 South Avenue H, August 4th-8th, Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. to noon for those who have completed kindergarten-6th grade. This is a mission project for the group coming from Cabot. For more information about our Vacation Bible School, please call 990-2342 and leave a message.

### Redman Team Roping

The event will be held at the Post Stampede Arena on August 2nd. Books open at 5 p.m. roping at 6 p.m. Fees: Team Roping \$125 Steer Stopping \$25. For More Information call Weldon Smith 806-781-9869 or Mike Johnson 806-495-4191

### New Art Exhibit

The OS Museum has opened a new exhibit titled "Magnificent Works of Art Gathered Around the World" featuring the wood artistry of John Christopher White. Viewing hours are 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday at the museum located at 201 E. Main. The exhibit closes Sept. 27. For more information, call the office at 806-495-3570.

### Flag Sales

The Post Lions Club is renting American Flags during the seven major Flag days in 2014 for \$ 30 for their PHS Senior Scholarship fund. The Lions will put in a flag holder and put the flags out during the year. Contact any Lion or President Jason Porter, Vice-President Chuck Rattiff or Secretary/Treasurer Byron Garrison.

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This past year has been a very long year for me. I am so thankful to say I am from Post, Texas. Thank you for all of the prayers, cards, calls, gifts, visits, food and all the expressions of love. Thank you to all of the area churches who have had me on their lists. Prayer is powerful! I have been told that I am cancer free! Thank you again from the bottom of my heart!

Love, Debbie Mason

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# The Paperboy

## The sky will fall!

Okay all you investors, I'm about to save or maybe even make you a bunch of money.

The stock market is going to crash and when it does, it's going to be "horrific" according to some really rich people.

Jeremy Grantham, co-founder and chief investment strategist of GMO, a Boston-based firm with \$117 billion in assets under management, told The New York Times that Federal Reserve Chair Janet Yellen is "ignorant" and says the Federal Reserve all but killed the economic recovery which should have taken place in the U.S.



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Grantham adds, "We have never had this before. It's going to be very painful for investors."

Grantham is not alone in his assessment. "We have no right to be surprised by a severe and imminent stock market crash," said Mark Spitznagel, a hedge fund manager, who made a fortune when he correctly called the 2008 crisis. "In fact, we must absolutely expect it."

Warren Buffett, everybody's favorite rich guy is preparing for a crash as well. The "Warren Buffett Indicator," also known as the "Total-Market-Cap to GDP Ratio," is signaling a collapse could happen at any moment.

So if these guys are right, what are investors to do?

Michael Carr, the founder of Peak Profits and acclaimed author of "Smarter Investing in Any Economy," says you can make tactical investments that will perform well in any market.

"The \$21 trillion stock market is an ocean of opportunity with hidden profit patterns everywhere," Carr said. "So, even in a market correction, there is always a bull market somewhere. The key is to

effectively mine the data and find stocks that are entering a proven profit pattern."

Carr has a system you can check out online that can identify stocks which might be prudent for investors if the crash is coming.

Carr is rich, smart and serious. "In the military, I developed complicated equations to predict the flight patterns of nuclear missiles," Carr comments. "Today, I use these same complicated equations to predict the price patterns of stocks."

Moneynews.com reports Carr's strategy as this: "Just like mapping out nuclear missile trajectories with thousands of variables . . . Carr's program screens more than 8,000 major stocks and thousands of relevant financial data points to identify what he believes are the best stock trajectories in the market . . . stocks that he believes will rise no matter what the market is doing."

To his credit, some of the results on calls Carr has made include:

- 263 percent gain on Tesla Motors
- 148 percent gain on SanDisk
- 315 percent gain on Akamai Technologies
- 180 percent gain on DaVita Health-Care Partners
- 182 percent gain on Gannett
- 191 percent gain on Alexion
- 306 percent gain on Equinix

So take it for what it's worth. If these rich guys are right, it would be worth your while I'm sure.

Of course if it hits the fan too bad, your best investment might be a couple of guns and some ammo. Those two items rarely go down in value.

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# The 501

## To Tan or Not to Tan?

Medical opinions change. Nothing beats a change for the better when something previously deemed dangerous is suddenly healthy. Like sunshine.

Getting burned has never been on anybody's list of healthy things to do, but the rules used to advise easing into summer, carefully getting

the perfunctory tan incrementally, somehow soaking up Vitamin D along the way — not that juveniles of my era who wanted a tan did it for vitamin D. And not that we didn't overdo our tanning regimens. We did.

At some point after grade school I decided the sun's rays don't actually contain vitamin D but that somehow, in a way as

mysterious as photosynthesis, sunshine makes vitamin D happen somewhere under my skin. That's pretty much still my understanding. Check Wikipedia if you want a different version. I haven't.

All that said, at some point post-midcentury the bad effects of sunshine seemed to begin outweighing the good ones, and I started spending good money on sunscreen. (Good money is the kind you'd rather not spend.)

Keep that thought while we go back in time.

My grandmother was victim of a different fashion dictum. A photograph of her and her sisters, Hallie and Sadie, shows a trio in long-sleeved blouses with necklines almost to their ear lobes. (Grandmother's name was Dessie, in case you're wondering.) Back then, if you were white you tried to stay as white as possible. That way you

looked like you didn't have to work in the fields or ride the range, even if you did, like Grandmother and her sisters. They were born first, second and third, meaning they handled the outdoor chores while their three little brothers ran wild under the nose of their mother, who liked to tat and dip and crochet and spoil the boys, per family lore.

Indeed, skin cancer didn't ever plague my grandmother, as best I recall. Maybe it was good she tried to stay fair. On the other hand, wouldn't some sunshine in her youth have beneficially upped her vitamin D levels? Did anyone talk about vitamins in those turn-of-the-century snake oil days? Maybe. But health aside, the important thing was not to get tan. Then as now, fashion rules. Otherwise, tanning salons wouldn't be a viable use of nondescript buildings with minimal or no windows — properties here and there that otherwise might be good only for tattoo parlors or law offices. Here's to tanning salons.

Yes, we've jumped back to our millennium.

The latest news: A blurp is circulating via Facebook to say sunshine is back in favor. The breaking news is based on a years-long study of Swedish sunbathers who outlived their non-tanning counterparts.

### SCAM CHECK.

Sure enough, health experts aren't swallowing the sensationalized tanning-is-good-for-you story hook, line and tanning oil. So much for my initial joy over a sea change in medical thought.

As usual, the voice of reason supports moderation. It's like what we learned in grade school is still true. Sunshine is good for you. Don't burn.

I hate dull endings.

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Abraham Vega, center, presents a check from the Texas Chief Deputy's Association to Garza County Chief Deputy Charlie Evans for assistance with his medical bills, stemming from an on duty accident earlier in the year. Also in attendance were (from left to right) Garza County Sheriff Terry Morgan, Sterling County Chief Deputy Doug Shoemate, Scurry County Chief Deputy Bryan Martinez and Scott Stevenson, Texas Ranger. Vega is the association's third vice president and hales from Lynn County.

Photo by Kent Mahoney.

## Yesteryears

### 10 yrs ago

A mistake made earlier this year, coupled with absences recorded at a Garza County Commissioners Court meeting earlier this week, will force commissioners into last-minute action on the operations and management contract for the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility. Commissioners met briefly Monday morning to work a 13-item agenda, but two of the five members - Judge Giles Dalby and Precinct 1 Commissioner Lee Norman - were unable to attend the session. After approving the minutes from a previous meeting and handling accounts payable, the quorum shelved remaining agenda items for a meeting called for 9 a.m. today, July 29. Among items listed for consideration at Monday's meeting and bumped to today's agenda was discussion and approval of the operations and management contract for the Dalby unit.

### 20 yrs ago

The Tower Theatre, after many months of planning and renovation, will celebrate their opening Friday July 29 at 9 p.m. with a sneak preview featuring Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys at the Post Community Center. The fundraiser will

start at 9 p.m. and go until 1 a.m. On Saturday, July 30, Doc Caldwell's Medicine Show will open at the Tower Theatre. The finishing touches on the theatre brought back to life a time in Post's history that many long time residents remember. The original marquee that once announced which movie was playing at the theatre will now announce the names of the performers who are appearing on stage.

### 30 yrs ago

The latest city sales and use tax report from State Comptroller Bob Bullock shows Post with a \$2,000 increase over last year for the same period. The total payment to the city this year is \$9,211.50 compared to \$7,028.10 for 1983 for a 31 percent increase. The annual payments through June 29 are \$81,869.33, compared to \$86,960.39 last year. The 31 percent increase this year is the largest single monthly increase for Post in 1984 and continues an upward trend in retail sales here.

### 40 yrs ago

Post's 22-year-old Community Student Loan Fund has \$8,143.74 available to loan local young people who want to get a college education but need financial

help. Mrs. Ruth Young, secretary treasurer of the fund, told the Dispatch this week that college bound students may borrow up to \$2,000 each for four years of college study. Checking bank over her records, which she has kept since the fund, was begun in 1952, Mrs. Young said loans have been made over the years to 36 students and 23 of them have graduated from colleges or universities.

### 50 yrs ago

The five Post teen-agers who attended the second annual Attorney General's Youth Conference in Austin July 9-12 intend to organize a Garza County Youth Council, the Rev. Bernard S. Ramsey told Post Rotarians at their weekly luncheon in City Hall Tuesday. The First Christian Church pastor, who accompanied the group to the conference, introduced the five teen-agers - Ronnie Pierce, Jimmy Johnston, Steve White, Susan Ramsey and Sherry Woods, each of whom presented a brief report on various panels conducted at the conference. The Rev. Ramsey announced that Ronnie Pierce has received a letter from Attorney-General Wagoner Carr asking him to serve on the staff of next year's youth conference.

## Nancy's Notions

### Can Your Vegetables Safely

Many people are returning to home canning or joining the movement for the first time. However, many are making a mistake that can be deadly: canning their green beans and other vegetables in boiling water instead of under pressure with a properly researched procedure. In the past two years, there have been at least three events of botulism poisoning from improperly processed home canned green beans.



NANCY MCDONALD

Canning low-acid vegetables, meats, fish and poultry requires the use of a pressure canner. Spores of Clostridium botulinum bacteria, as found naturally in soils, are very, very heat resistant. Left alive after canning, they will eventually germinate into actively growing bacterial cells that will produce a deadly human toxin when consumed. Signs of spoilage include cloudy, bubbling liquid and jars that pop open after initially sealing.

There are two types of pressure canners available: a dial gauge type and a weighted gauge type. Dial gauge canners use a dial to indicate or show the pressure inside the canner. It is necessary to have the dial gauge tested for accuracy before each canning season or after dropping or banging it. There are several styles of weighted gauge canners in the marketplace; these have weights on the open vents that let you choose five, 10

or 15 pounds pressure for processing. To use the USDA canning procedures, make sure you select a pressure canner/cooker that is capable of holding at least four quart size jars, on the rack, with the lid in place ready to can. If it is smaller than that, we do not recommend it for home canning. Also make sure all parts of your pressure canner are in good condition. If your canner has a rubber gasket, make sure it is flexible and soft, not brittle, sticky or cracked. Also, check the opening on any small pipes or vent ports to be sure they are clean and clear of any debris. Altitude adjustments for processing are very important for safety and can be found with our printed procedures or should be with your manufacturer's instructions. Pressure canners should also have the air vented from them for 10 minutes of boiling before you pressurize the canner.

If your pressure canner has not yet been used this season or is new out of the box, it is a good idea to make sure it is working properly before preparing a canner load of jars. Put several inches of water in your pressure canner, and pressurize it as if canning. Make sure it gets to the pressure needed and can be maintained there without leaking. This is a good time to practice de-pressurizing the canner as if it had jars in it and then go through the steps for opening your canner as desired.

For more information you can see the USDA home canning procedures at the National Center for Home Food Preservation website at [www.uga.edu/nchfp/](http://www.uga.edu/nchfp/).

## Out and About in Close City

By Nancy Morris

The farmers are busy in the fields this week, getting the cotton sprayed and plowed. It has been really hot this week. Hope everyone has tried to stay cool!

Russell and Lonna Graves' sons Zeb and Hunter competed in the Texas State Shoot last week. There were four divisions and 1250 competitors. Zeb placed 11th in International HOA. Hunter placed 7th in American Trap. They are also Ronnie and Diane Graves' grandsons. Congratulations Boys!!

Russ Morris, Callie Odom, Lauren Lynch, Jessi Isbell, Augie Menchaca, Kevin Finch and their advisor Mr. Wilcox went to the State FFA Convention in Ft. Worth last week. I think they all had a good time. Also, the FFA Rodeo was going on in Ft. Worth. Post FFA Rodeo team competed

and came home 9th overall. The team consisted of Brogan Macy and Matt Smith. Brogan was the Reserve Barrel Racer and Matt was 7th in the first go round of the breakaway roping. Congratulations girls!! They are coached by Perry Smith.

This past week Kade Smith competed at the High Plains Junior Rodeo Finals in Clovis, New Mexico. Kade is the son of Weldon and Misty Smith. He came home a big winner. Kade is the 2014 Champion Year End Header, 2014 Finals Champion Breakaway Roper, 2014 Reserve Champion Year End Breakaway Roper, and the 2014 Reserve All Around Finals Cowboy. He received 4 buckles and a nice saddle. Congratulations Kade!!

That is all the news for the week!! Remember you can email me [ncmorris@live.com](mailto:ncmorris@live.com) or call me at (806)239-0838, if you have any news!!

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## Where Are They Now?

# Getting to know Hammerheads relief pitcher Reid Redman

By Zac Vierra

Special to the Post Dispatch

We are getting toward the end of the season, how would you rate your performance this year?

I think I have definitely made some progress throughout the season. I know this has just been a season of learning what I need to do to have success. I think I had success early and I look forward to continuing the success and continuing to work on things.

You were one of the Hammerheads to be named to the FSL All-Star game, what was the experience like pitching in that game?

It was a lot of fun. It was really good to have Trevor [Williams], Scott [Lyman] and Matt [Juengel] with me. It was good to be around guys that have had good half's and it was just a really cool experience to be honored with the rest of those guys.

Joseph O'Gara started the season as the closer but once he got called up you have taken over that role. What has it been like to be the closer?

It has been fun. I have tried to just keep the same mentality and just go out and attack the zone and throw strikes. I have tried not to put a whole lot of extra pressure on myself but obviously they say getting the last three outs can be the hardest to get but at this point I really don't have enough experience to really know any different so I just try to go out with the same mentality every day.

Has it actually helped you being thrown into the closers role with little experience?

I think so; it helps me keep things simple and not over think things. I have been in that position where I have been that guy in the batter's box and I know it is not that easy to hit so I try and keep it simple and try not to over think it too much.

You were originally drafted by the Rays as a third baseman. How did the transition to pitching happen?

When I got released by Tampa Bay I was on my way home back to Texas and I got call from the Marlins and they were asking me if I would be interested in coming down for a tryout.



REID REDMAN

I came down and I was under the impression that I was going to try out as a position player and when I got there they said, "we want to see you on the mound." I told them I thought they had the wrong guy, I had never pitched. They took a look at me and had me throw some pitches out of the bullpen and I was lucky enough for them to sign me and take a chance on me. I am really blessed to have that opportunity.

So you had never pitched before the Marlins asked you to try out?

No I didn't pitch in college and we had a couple of pitchers who were top draft picks in high school so I usually played shortstop so there was never really a need for me to pitch. I might have thrown three or four innings in high school but that was it.

What has been the hardest part of going from a position player to a pitcher?

Just getting used to not playing every day and getting used to the mental mindset that you never know when your number is going to get called. It has also been a lot of fun. I have been blessed to have been surrounded by good staff members like Joe [Coleman], Brendan Sagara [the pitching coach for Batavia], and Rosy [Marlins Minor League Pitching Coordinator Wayne Rosenthal]. All those guys have been really good to me and have helped me with my development.

Now that you are in your second year of pitching what do you like better, being a position player or a pitcher?

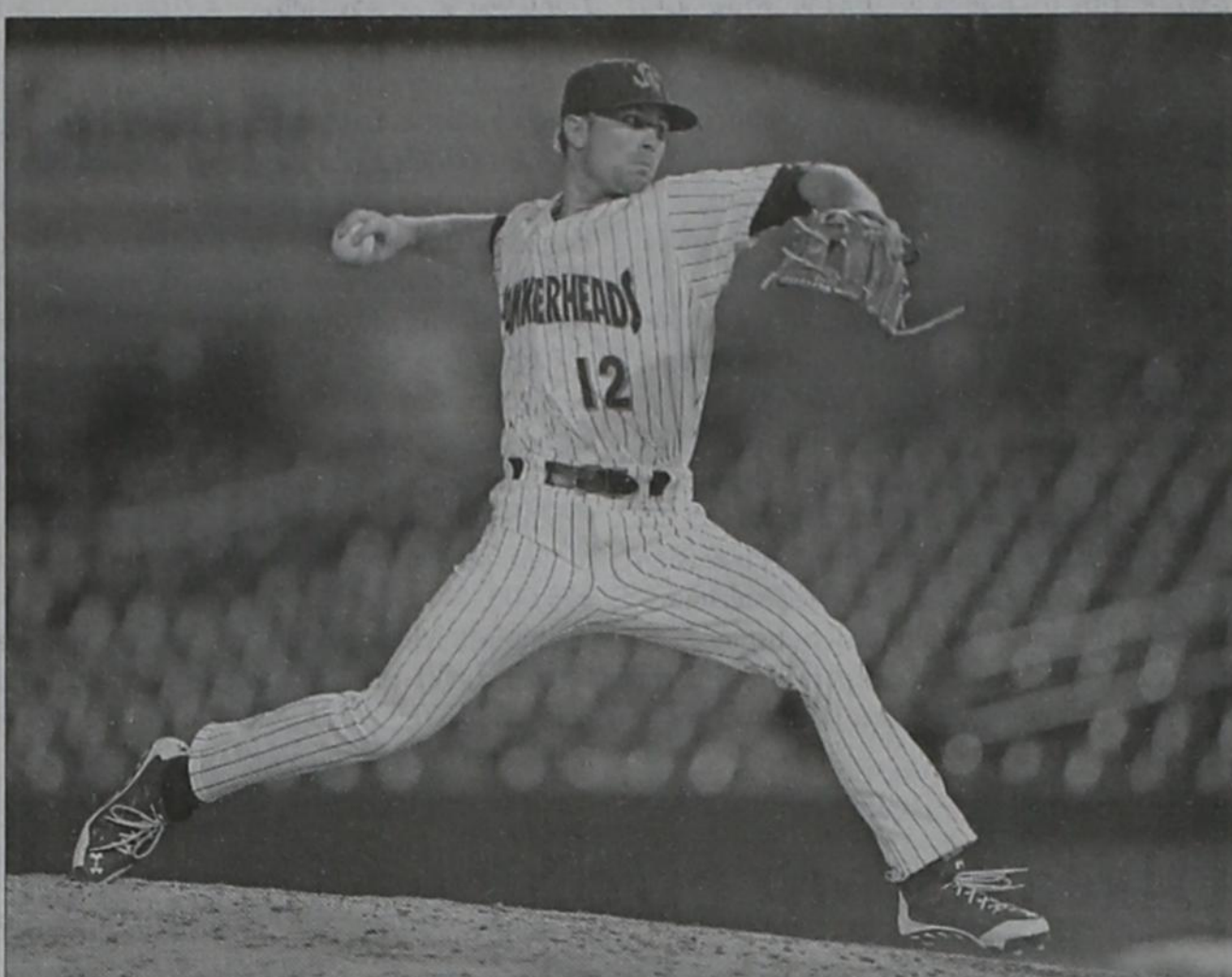
There are parts of both that I really like. I liked being able to play every day as a position player but at the same time pitching has just been so new and so fun. It has been cool to see a different side of the game that I have never seen.

The Hammerheads have had a few major leaguers come in and rehab this year, what have you been able to pick up from being around them?

You just kind of see how they go about their business and see how they handle themselves. Every guy who has been with us has been really good about letting us pick their brains. They have all been really good to us and it's really good for me, since I don't have that much experience, being able to pick their brains about how they would react in different situations.

Your dad played baseball at Texas Tech and your brother also played there and is now in the Dodgers organization. Baseball is a big part of the Redman family isn't it?

Yeah it is. I have been really blessed to have been in the family that I am in. I have a mom and dad that support me and my brother and sister in whatever we do. Baseball has been such a huge part of our lives and all of the experiences I've had really wouldn't be



possible if it wasn't for this game.

Have you been playing since you were little?

I can remember being three or four years old and hitting tennis balls in the barn with my dad growing up so it was fun.

What are some of your hobbies when you are not playing baseball?

Back in the offseason whenever I am in Texas I do a lot of hunting and fishing. Other than that during the season I try to stay pretty focused on baseball and give everything I have for as long as I will be able to play. I would definitely say some of my hobbies are hunting and fishing, watching other sports because I like

watching people compete so that's pretty much what I do.

*Editor's Note: Where Are They Now? will be a recurring feature designed to catch up with Post and Garza County athletes and students who have been out of the area for any length of time.*

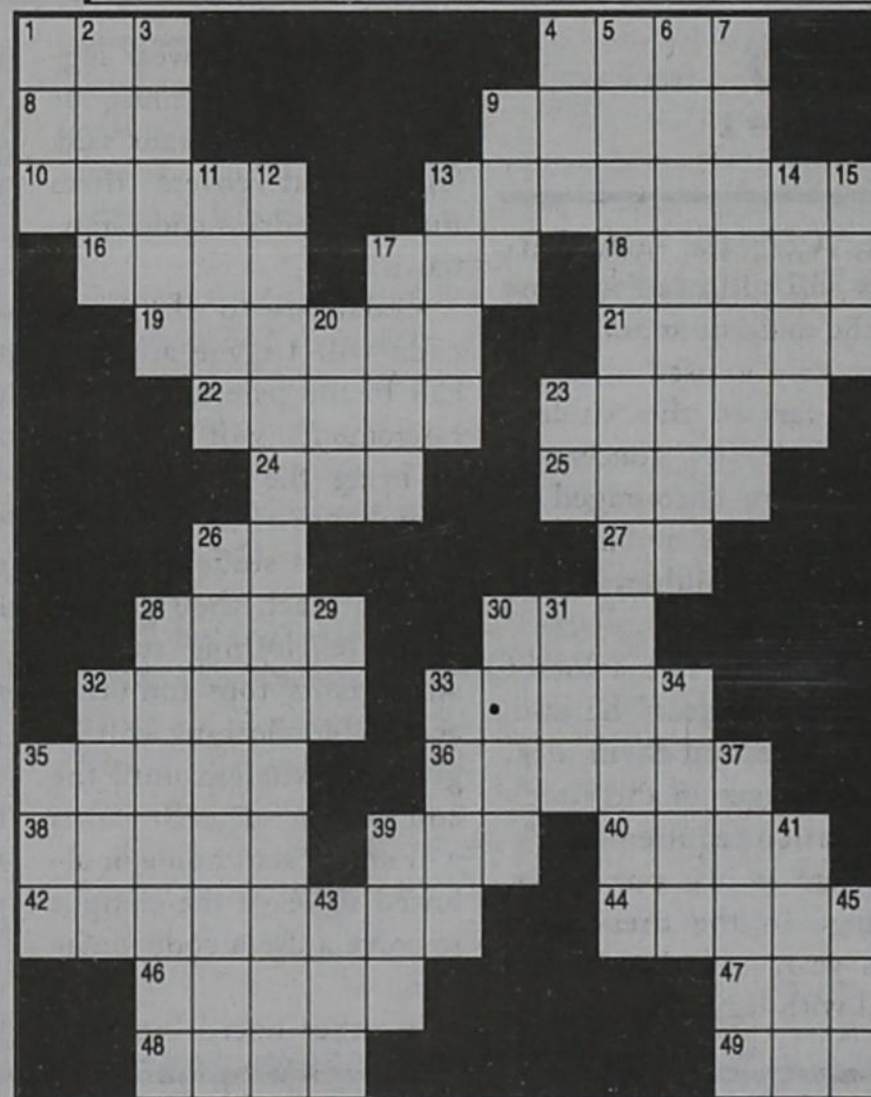
## Puzzle of the Week

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- Basics
- He \_\_\_\_\_ protest too much
- Small stuffed pastry (Yiddish)
- Naval aircraft ships
- \_\_\_\_\_naded: divertimento
- Swiss river
- Idaho's highest peak
- Mocks
- A mournful poem
- A Buddhist who has attained nirvana
- A rugged wooden box
- Needlefish
- Iron Chancellor von Bismarck
- 1st state (abbr.)
- The man
- \_\_\_\_\_dian: bucolic
- Zedong
- Bay for a horse
- Wooden shoe
- Coco plum tree
- Tent material
- SE Mindanao seaport
- Have ownership of
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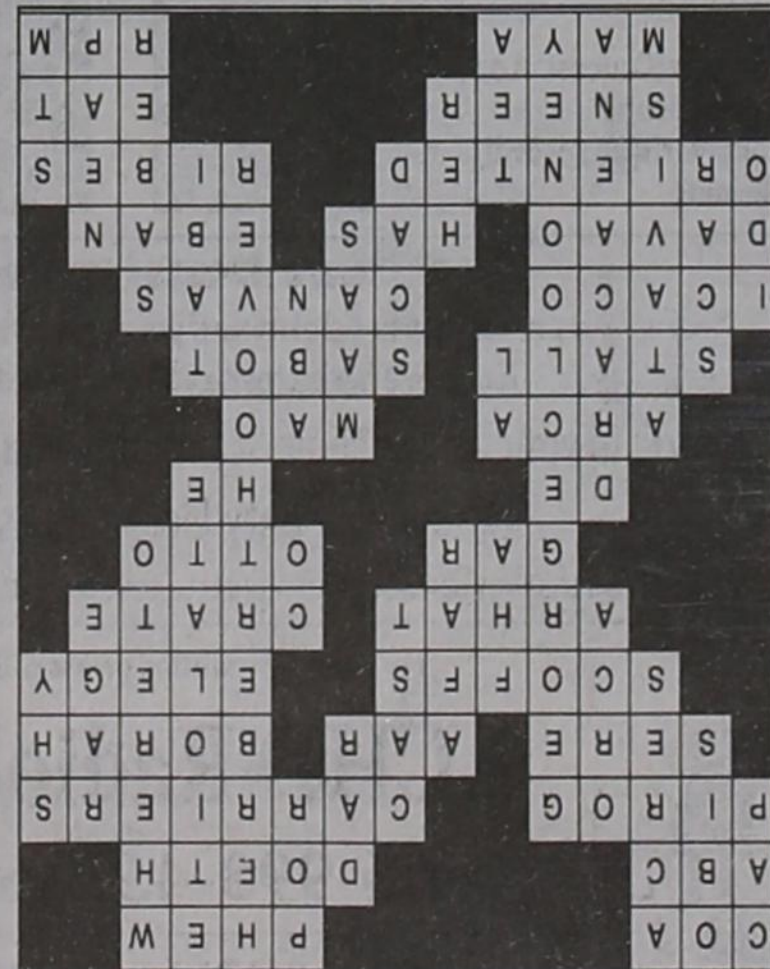
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- Agency that insures residential mortgages
- 38th state (abbr.)
- Agave with decorative foliage
- Throwback or reversion
- Aluminum
- "Power Sleep" author James
- Airborne (abbr.)
- Cicatrice
- \_\_\_\_\_s: oodles, heaps
- Japanese socks
- Wedding response
- Cavalry sword
- Of she
- Highest tide
- Earl Grey, herbal or green
- Immediate memory (abbr.)

### PUZZLE SOLUTION



### CLUES DOWN

- Baseball head gear
- Japanese sashes
- Extensive landed property
- \_\_\_\_\_tal: doorway
- 31st President
- Develop without chlorophyll
- Driving direction destination
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**Cryptogram**

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

Hint: Quote by John Lennon

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## Local charges handed down

POST - The Garza County Grand Jury for the 106th District Court met on July 15th and after hearing testimony on the following cases, true billed the following indictments:

Joshua Isiah Garza, white male, 19, Aggravated Assault 2nd Degree Felony; Bond was set at \$75,000.

David Paul Pequeno white male, 26, Tampering with or Fabricating Physical Evidence; Bond was set at \$50,000.

Martina Anastasia Norman, white female, 27, Possession of a Controlled Substance, to wit-cocaine; Bond was set at \$25,000.

Nicholas Scott Arnett, white male, 24, Aggravated Assault, Evading arrest or detention; Bond was set at \$150,000.

Tate Ed Brown, black male, 41, Possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance, to-wit Cocaine, Prohibited Substance in a correctional facility, tampering with or fabricating physical evidence; Bond was set at \$100,000.

Jacob S. McCowin, black male, 39, DWI Felony with two or more previous convictions; Bond was set at \$50,000.

Bobby Ray Curtis, black male, 42, Possession of a controlled substance to wit cocaine in a drug free zone, tampering with or fabricating physical evidence; Bond was set at \$125,000.

Alvis Dale Spann, white male, 26, Possession of a controlled substance, to-wit, Methamphetamine in a drug free zone; Bond was set at \$50,000.

Gerald Lee Seals, white male, 51, Possession of a controlled substance Methamphetamine; Bond was set at \$75,000.

Angela Maria Silvas, white female, 37, DOB Prohibited substance in a correctional facility to wit methamphetamine; Bond was set at \$75,000.

Sharla McConnell - AKA Shawna Graves, DWI Felony with two or more prior convictions; Bond was set at \$75,000 and must install interlock with camera if bond is made.

## Disease for cotton possible, but overall, crops looking good

By Ron Smith

Special to the Post Dispatch

Cool, wet conditions early in the season set West Texas cotton up for unusually heavy seedling disease pressure, but the overall crop may make decent yields.

"We still could see some seedling disease," says Texas AgriLife Extension plant pathologist Jason Woodward, who works out of the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Lubbock.

"It's been one of the worst seasons for seedling diseases I've seen in the eight years I've been here," he adds.

"We've also seen some of the less prominent diseases, rhizoctonia and pythium," he says.

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Most of the early infestations have cleared up and cotton is "growing out of early setbacks," he says, but recent rainfall may provide new disease challenges.

Overall, the High Plains cotton "is a mixed bag," Woodward says. "In some places, it looks as good as I've seen it since I've been here. But some fields that received heavy rains are struggling."

He says areas north and east of Lubbock were set back by heavy rainfall around the Memorial Day weekend. "Those fields need warm weather."

Cotton field trials at Halfway, north of Lubbock, look rough and "beat up. It's not shiny at all." Cotton near Lamesa, south of Lubbock, where soils are lighter, "looks like one of the best crops I've seen. Most of the dry land cotton there looks good." He says that area has received less rainfall than sites to the north, but the rainfall was timely.

Woodward says the rain has caused some disease and lateness issues but that moisture is much better than it has been for the past three years. "Overall, I'm pleased with what I see in the field. We need some warm weather." And a few timely rains would not hurt.

Ron Smith is a writer for Southwest Farm Press.

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like," Comeaux said. "Parents will still need to come to the main door and go to the receptionist."

As far as the student handbook is concerned, parents are encouraged to go over the publication with their children before school starts.

"There are not a lot of changes this year," he said. "And most of them deal with changes in the state's graduation requirements."

There is just one major change in the dress code this year, and that has to deal with leggings.

"Students may wear leggings, but they must be covered up," Comeaux said. "And what covers them must meet dress code standards."

Violations to the dress code will trigger a phone call to the parents and arrangements will be made to bring the student into compliance.

Should a student not be able to reach their parent, alternate clothing such as sweat pants, tops and other acceptable clothing will be given the student until the end of the day. Students will not be sent home or allowed to leave the campus to solve a dress code violation.

In other board business,

trustees approved a plan to expand Antelope Alley down through the elementary grades this year.

Antelope Alley is akin to a meet the teacher night, with the added plus of getting some important paperwork out of the way for the older students.

The Post Middle School will be the first on the calendar to host Antelope Alley for their students on Aug. 11 at 5 p.m. The high school will follow on Aug. 14th at 6 p.m. and the elementary school will have their first-ever Antelope Alley on Aug. 18th at 5 p.m.

All students who attend will receive a Post ISD T-shirt.

## DPS Reports

### Motorcyclist injured

LUBBOCK - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) was notified of a major crash July 17, at 6:47 a.m. DPS trooper responded to the scene on US 87 just north of FM 1585. David Shaw, 28, of College Station was driving north on US 87 in a 2013 Toyota Prius. Larry Young, 58, of Lubbock was driving north, entering onto US 87 at the on-ramp north of FM 1585 on a 2008 Yamaha motorcycle.

Young changed lanes from the right lane to the left lane, directly in the path of Shaw. The Prius struck the back of the Yamaha, ejecting Young. Young was transported by EMS to UMC hospital in Lubbock with serious injuries.

### Fatality accident

LUBBOCK - Shortly after 9 a.m. July 17th, DPS was notified of a major crash on US 84 near Anton. Troopers responded to the scene and began investigating a two

vehicle head-on collision.

Patricia Mendez, 62, of Anton, and her 8-year-old granddaughter were heading east on US 84 in a 2004 Subaru station wagon. Jeffrey Howard, 51, of Wolfforth was heading west on US 84 in the eastbound traffic lane, in a 2007 GMC SUV. Howard was on the wrong side of the divided roadway. Howard's vehicle collided head-on with Mendez's vehicle killing Mendez and her granddaughter.

Howard was pulled from the GMC before it became engulfed in flames. Howard was airlifted to UMC and the last report he was in satisfactory condition.

### Drug bust

AMARILLO - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) conducted a traffic stop Saturday on US 287, yielding over five ounces of methamphetamine valued at over \$10,000, less than an

ounce of marijuana valued at \$516.00 and over four pounds of Butanediol valued at \$200.00.

At approximately 7:39 a.m., a DPS trooper conducted a traffic stop on a 2013 Toyota Yaris traveling eastbound on US 287, for a traffic violation, near Claude in Armstrong County.

The occupants of the Yaris were identified as Christopher Rodriguez, 24, of Miami, Fla., Alexander Anthony Rodriguez, 24, also of Miami, Fla., and Pedro Antonio Vargas, 31, of Orlando, Fla. During the traffic stop, the trooper discovered the drugs in the vehicle.

Both the Rodriguezes and Vargas were placed under arrest for possession of a controlled substance, a first-degree felony, and booked into the Armstrong County Jail. The illegal drugs were allegedly being transported from Las Vegas to Miami, Fla.

## USDA News

### COC nomination deadline

The election of agricultural producers to Farm Service Agency (FSA) county committees is important to farmers and ranchers. It is crucial that every eligible producer participate in these elections because FSA county committees are a link between the agricultural community and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

County committee members are a critical component of the operations of FSA. They help deliver FSA farm programs at the local level. Farmers and ranchers who serve on county committees help with the decisions necessary to administer the programs in their counties. They work to ensure FSA agricultural programs serve the needs of local producers.

FSA county committees operate within official regulations designed to carry out federal laws. County committee members

apply their judgment and knowledge to make local decisions.

The COC nomination period runs from June 17, 2014 through August 1, 2014. The nomination form is available at USDA Service Centers and online. For more information contact your local FSA office.

### Livestock disaster assistance sign-up underway

Livestock disaster program enrollment opened on April 15, 2014. These disaster programs are authorized by the 2014 Farm Bill as permanent programs and provide retroactive authority to cover losses that occurred on or after Oct. 1, 2011.

For more information, producers can review the LFP, LIP and ELAP Fact Sheets on the Farm Bill webpage. Producers are encouraged to make an appointment with their local FSA office to apply for these programs.

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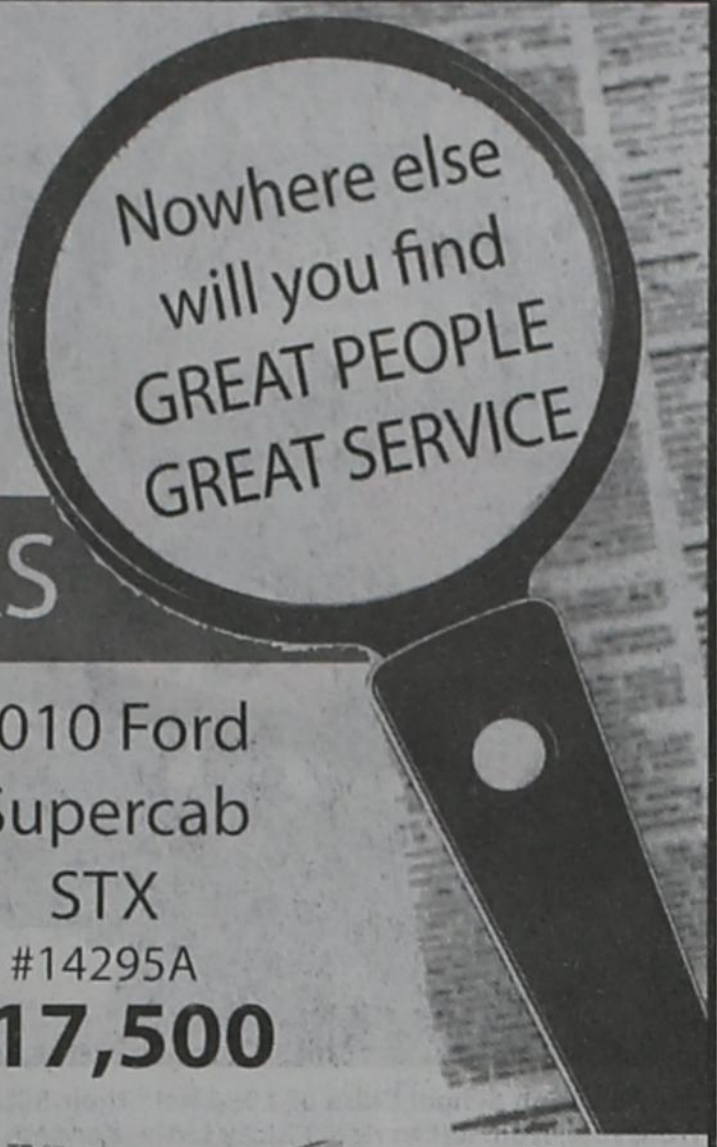
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Poole is a 1948 graduate of Clyde High School. He attended Abilene McMurtry from 1948 to 1951. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1951 to 1954. He returned to Texas and attended North Texas State University from 1954 to 1956. He obtained his law degree from University of Houston in 1963 prior to moving to Post.

He and his wife, Shari, have two children, David Preston Poole and Cynthia Suzanne Poole Black.

He has held memberships in several of the state's leading law associations:

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Out and about

While out in the community, Poole can be found engaging the town folk on an array of topics.

"I enjoy his great stories about our community and our friends that he has worked with over the years," Norman said. "I am glad he is continuing to practice and will be available for my counsel."

Poole is in good health and shows it by playing tennis once a week and riding his bicycle on any given Sunday for about 20 miles or so.

"He's a great guy and a good tennis player," said fellow tennis player Charles Hardin. "And a good friend."

A retirement party is being hosted at the courthouse beginning at 11 a.m. Monday, following commissioner's court. The public is invited to attend.

### ELECTION From Page 1

Angelo area of the state and has announced fund-raising activities in excess of \$200,000, according to press releases by his campaign office.

The Senate 28 district covers a fair amount of the West Texas and all of the Panhandle counties, which include: Baylor, Borden, Childress, Coke, Coleman, Concho, Cottle, Crane, Crosby, Dawson, Dickens, Eastland, Fisher, Floyd, Foard, Garza, Hale, Hardeman, Haskell, Hockley, Irion, Jones, Kent, Kimble, King, Knox, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, McCulloch, Mason, Menard, Mitchell, Motley, Nolan, Re-

gan, Runnels, Schleicher, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Sterling, Stonewall, Sutton, Taylor\* (Partial County), Terry, Throckmorton, Tom Green, Upton, Ward and Wilbarger.

Early voting begins on Monday, Aug. 25 to Aug. 29 and again Sept. 2 to Sept 5 and will be held at the Clerk's Office on the first floor during the hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The office will be closed on Labor Day, Sept. 1. The Sept 9th election is also going to be at the courthouse.

According to Garza County Clerk Jim Plummer, the county will be on the hook for the election to the tune of about \$2,000. Other larger counties, such as Lubbock, will spend in excess of \$300,000 on the special election.

### BUILDING From Page 1

we will give the staff plenty of time to move," PISD Superintendent Mike Comeaux said after the July monthly PISD board meeting.

After the new building is up and operational, renovations of the old HS building will commence. That process is estimated to take six to seven months. That may or may not be by the end of the school year.

Demolition of the old high school building, which houses middle school students, will begin on a similar time table following the move of the middle school students.

Portable buildings are being brought in and students will be in them from the beginning of the school year.

"We've made the transition to get the portables and get them (the students) into a routine and they don't have to be disturbed," Comeaux said.

"There will be some demolition going on after football season to complete the new field house at the stadium," he said.

A celebration of the old high school building will take place at homecoming, which is set for Sept. 19th. Time capsules will be unearthed and celebrated classes will be honored.

"We have been very fortunate," he said. "There have only been six or seven change orders."

Fewer change orders equates to fewer, if any, cost over runs in the \$28.4 million project.

Comeaux is hopeful to have a completed process by Aug. 2015, just in time for another school year.

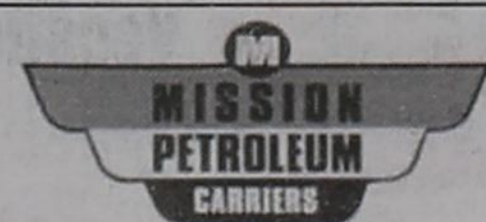
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# 5th Annual Fishing Derby



Post Mayor Archie Gill and Cain Abraham presented awards in the Post Fishing Derby held last week at the City Park Lake. Winners are (from left to right) Trinity Cates, Shawn Looney and Adriane Hernandez.

The results are in! Biggest Fish winner was Trinity Cates, Smallest Fish-Adriana Hernandez and Most Fish caught goes to Shawn Looney. There were a total of 49 contestants in this year's Fishing Derby. A total of 113 fish caught! The post Masonic Lodge #1058 also in partnership with Texas Parks and Wildlife would like to thank all the people and businesses that helped make the 5th Annual Fishing Derby such a success. Sonic Drive-In, United Supermarkets, and Fish'n-D's at Lake Alan Henry. All the brethren who helped and a big thank you to Cain Abraham for his role in the success. Also, thank you to Susan Pennell for keeping the bookwork and anyone else we may have left out.

# 50th Reunion



The Post High School Class of 1964 held their 50th Reunion over the July 4th holiday weekend. Pictured from the event are (front row, from left to right) Ricky Little, Kenneth Barnes, Pat Cornell, Curtis Hudman, Tom Clark, Richard Hart, Danny Odom, Charles Allen; (second row, from left to right) Diane Maxey Graves, Cathy Harlan Smith, Dianna Barron Truett, Shirley Sappington McInroe, Margie Harrison Maestas, Marilyn Minor Snider, Lynette Potts Thuet, Susie Jo Schmidt Beebe, Barbara Britton, Beatriz Salinas Mesa; (back row, from left to right): Nita Wilson Jackson, Larry Lusby, Danny Richardson and Alec Mesa.

The Post High School Class of '64 celebrated their 50th reunion on Saturday, July 5th at the Heritage House. From 2-3pm the group enjoyed an afternoon come and go-get-together. The evening festivities began with a 'Happy Hour' from 6-7 p.m. followed by a dinner, catered by PJ's Catering from Tahoka and a program of remembrances.

Marilyn Minor Snider welcomed the classmates and their spouses and guests followed by a blessing for the celebration given by Charles Allen of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Classmates enjoyed a video of memories and music from first grade through graduation and prior reunions.

Marilyn and Nita Wilson Jackson were co-hosts for the evening. They led the group in reminiscing and revealing previously untold stories about every classmate present. That led to even more revealing events that happened during the school years. Embarrassing moments that were thought to be unknown became the source of continuous laughter and surprises.

A special moment of remembrance was held for classmates that were no longer with us. Those classmates were Jimmy Sharp, Leslie Hair, Billie Shumard, Herman Guthrie, Lucille Guthrie, Linda Rogers, Shirley Bostick,

Jesse Partlow, Robert Johnson, Mary Beth Ford, Jack Burk, Romelia Solis, Jackey Fluitt and Wayne Brincefield. Nita Wilson Jackson held a yellow rose for each classmate, which were placed at the cemetery on Sunday in his or her memory.

It was a wonderful evening of sharing and long-held friendships. Classmates and spouses/guests attending were: Nita Wilson Jackson and Don; Bradford, New Hampshire. Marilyn Minor Snider and Jim; Orange, Texas, Pat Cornell; Mineral Wells, Texas, Charles and Judy Allen; Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Kenneth and Brenda Barnes; Fort Worth, Texas, Shirley Sappington McInroe; Tahoka, Texas, Larry and Judy Lusby; Ballinger, Texas, Danny and Barbara Odom; Snyder, Texas, Ricky and Betty Little; Jal, New Mexico, Susie Jo Schmidt Beebe and Sam; Clifton, Texas, Tom and Miyong Clark; Bryan, Texas, Cathy Harlan Smith and Hoss; Wylie, Texas, Dianna Barron Truett, her son and daughter-in-law; Glen and Kenra Truett; all of Plainview. Attending from post were: Curtis and Julie Hudman, Ronnie and Diane Maxey Graves, Richard Hart, Lynette Potts Thuet, Beatriz Salinas Mesa and Alec, Margie Harrison Maestas and Donnie Cornell.



Simon Trinidad and his dog Lucy stand in front of a Maya plant from Mexico. He planted it about seven years ago and it has grown past his wildest expectations. The plant blooms every five years and is used for recreational drinks.

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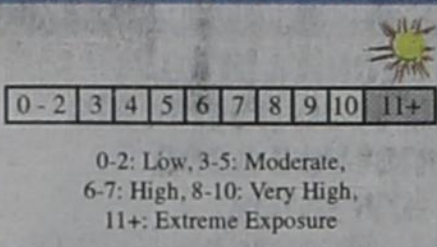
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**July 26, 1987** - Thunderstorms developing along a cold front produced hail two inches in diameter in McHenry County, Ill. and wind gusts to 70 mph at Auburn, Maine. A wind gust of 90 mph was recorded at Blairstown, N.J. before the anemometer broke.

#### Detailed Local Forecast

Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a near record high temperature of 102°, humidity of 23%. South southwest wind 10 mph. The record high temperature for today is 105° set in 1974. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 74°. South wind 10 mph. The record low for tonight is 63° set in 1980. Saturday, skies will be mostly sunny with a near record high temperature of 101°, humidity of 25%. Southwest wind 10 mph. The record high temperature for Saturday is 104° set in 1974.

#### Peak Fishing/Hunting Times This Week

Day	AM	PM	Day	AM	PM
Fri	10:49-12:49	11:19-1:19	Tue	2:16-4:16	1:46-3:46
Sat	11:35-1:35	---	Wed	2:59-4:59	2:29-4:29
Sun	12:50-2:50	12:20-2:20	Thu	3:41-5:41	3:11-5:11
Mon	1:33-3:33	1:03-3:03			

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#### Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	Phase
Fri 7/26	6:54 a.m.	8:49 p.m.	5:53 a.m.	7:51 p.m.	Full 8/10
Sat	6:55 a.m.	8:49 p.m.	6:45 a.m.	8:30 p.m.	
Sun	6:55 a.m.	8:48 p.m.	7:38 a.m.	9:06 p.m.	
Mon	6:56 a.m.	8:47 p.m.	8:31 a.m.	9:40 p.m.	
Tue	6:57 a.m.	8:46 p.m.	9:24 a.m.	10:13 p.m.	
Wed	6:57 a.m.	8:46 p.m.	10:17 a.m.	10:45 p.m.	Last 8/17
Thu	6:58 a.m.	8:45 p.m.	11:10 a.m.	11:17 p.m.	

#### Last Week's Almanac & Growing Degree Days

Date	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Farmer's Growing Degree Days	
					Date	Degree Days
7/15	79	66	92/68	0.14"	7/15	22
7/16	91	67	92/68	0.01"	7/16	29
7/17	73	64	92/68	0.01"	7/17	18
7/18	82	62	92/68	0.00"	7/18	22
7/19	91	63	92/68	0.00"		
7/20	97	72	92/68	0.00"		
7/21	98	73	92/68	0.00"		

Growing degree days are calculated by taking the average temperature for the day and subtracting the base temperature (50 degrees) from the average to assess how many growing days are attained.

## Kent's Korner

### Give me your...

"Give me your tired, your poor, Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, The wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed, to me: I lift my lamp beside the golden door."—Emma Lazarus.

These prose were written in 1883 and posted at the feet of the Statue of Liberty in 1903. And while the US government does not endorse these words in policy, they have been a motto of immigration for over 100 years.

We, as a country, are 238 years old—a mere drop in the bucket in comparison to the rest of the world.

And we have tried to be the world's "Big Brother" and solve problems all over the globe.

But we cannot solve some of the most elementary problems here at home.

In light of the words at the feet of Lady Liberty, we seem hypocritical in our approach to immigration.

And before you come unglued at the hinges, let me explain.

Face it folks, we are all children of immigrants. Only the American Indians are native to this continent.

We (Americans) have gotten up in arms over the last 100-plus years over some other ethnicity that wanted to come to America and have a fresh start.

People originally fled the British; left Ireland because of the famine; left Germany because of not just one, but two different wars. The list goes on and on.

Once those immigrants set foot on our soil, people made it difficult, if not down right impossible, for them to become productive in society.

We have harassed those migrants time and time again. If history has taught us nothing else, it has taught us how much disregard we have for our fellow man because of their ethnicity.

Martin Luther King, Jr. said it so well when he said, "I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character."

There will always be "haters" in this world. And I can get past that.

But what I take exception to is the political agenda that takes an ethnic group and says they don't deserve the opportunity to live in the greatest country in the world.

So here is my solution to the "southern border" situation. Move Ellis Island to Texas.

According to Wikipedia, "Ellis Island, in Upper New York Bay, was the gateway for millions of immigrants to the United States as the nation's busiest immigrant inspection station from 1892 until 1954."

The people who are up in arms about children crossing the Texas border have forgotten, or did not know, that children without parents have been entering this country for over 100 years.

And since Senate Bill 744 (immigration legislation of 2013) has a trigger of 90% compliance of the US southern border, then it only seems to make sense to me that the hub of operation should be an Ellis Island'esq point of entry for everyone coming from Mexico and all points south.

I'm not talking about the run of the mill immigration checkpoint.

I'm talking about wholesale immigration clearance for unaccompanied minors.

Set up the process. Give them a holding place. If we don't have them, build them. People need jobs in this state.

If they have existing relatives in the US, find them. If they don't, get them a sponsor.

Let's start taking a "humanitarian" approach to this alleged crisis, rather than being callous and turning them around and sending them packing back into "their crisis".

We have not walked the mile in their shoes. We do not have an understanding of what their lives are like.

MLK also left us with this thought, "Never, never be afraid to do what's right, especially if the well-being of a person or animal is at stake. Society's punishments are small compared to the wounds we inflict on our soul when we look the other way."

See ya in the funny papers, Post.



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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT**  
 Cholla Petroleum, Inc., 5949 Sherry Lane, Suite 850, Dallas, TX 75225 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres and Glorieta Formations, Giles Lease, Well Numbers 5 and 8. The proposed injection wells are located 0.5 miles East of Post, Texas in the Arlene (Glorieta) Field in Garza County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2,000 to 3,500 feet. LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas. Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12987, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-8792).

### USDA seeks public comments

COLLEGE STATION — U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Texas Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Judith A. Canales announced today that a public meeting will be held on August 4, 2014, at Plains Cotton Cooperative Association in Lubbock to solicit comments on a recently completed draft analysis that examines the potential environmental impacts of changes to the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) enacted by the 2014 Farm Bill. CRP encourages farmers and ranchers to establish long-term vegetative species, such as grasses or trees, on environmentally sensitive farmland to help reduce soil erosion, improve water quality and develop wildlife habitat. The draft environmental analysis was prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1970, which requires federal government agencies to review the environmental effects of proposed federal actions.

### NOTES From Page 2

**Pictures, stories needed**  
 Original pictures and family history and stories related to Graham Community are needed to prepare a community history book. Pictures will be scanned and sent back immediately to the return address provided. Please mail to: Jane Mason, 109 Ridge Road, Post, TX. 79356 or email to janemason301@yahoo.com.

**GED classes**  
 Free instructional sessions for the GED test are 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays in Room 18 at Post High School. Call the school at 495-2770 for information. The Post Public Library website now offers life-learning resources for GED test preparation, job search and workplace skills. Visit wtls.tsl.state.tx.us/plib to register. For information, contact librarian Peggy Ashley at 990-2149.

**Taxpayer clinic**  
 Students at the Texas Tech School of Law conduct free clinic for low-income taxpayers throughout the year to assist them with federal tax issues related to individual tax matters. Eligibility is determined by the federal poverty guidelines. For information or schedule an appointment, call Nancy Mojica at 806-834-7972 or 800-420-8037.

**Veteran's benefits**  
 Wartime veterans or surviving spouses may be entitled to monthly income from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. For information, contact Marsha Mahurin at West Texas Senior Resources at 806-781-3901 or email marsha.mahurin@yahoo.com.

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**County Commission**  
 The Garza County Commission meets at 9 a.m. the second and fourth Mondays of the month in Commission Chambers at the Garza County Courthouse, 300 W. Main St. For information, call 495-4430.

**School board**  
 The Post ISD Board of Trustees meets at 6:30 p.m. the second Tuesdays of the month in the conference room at the Administrative Offices, 501 S. Ave. K. For information, call 495-3343.