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Saturday, June 30  
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# The Post Dispatch

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## Relay For Life collects \$16,000 for ACS drive

by Michele Rasbeary  
Relay For Life came to Post, Texas on June 1, 2001. This event was held at the High School Practice Field and the turnout was spectacular. The goal set for this years Relay For Life was \$10,000.00.

With the help of thirteen (13) teams this goal was exceeded. During opening ceremony 25 survivors of cancer walked the first lap around the track to kick-off the event. At 10:00 p.m. a Luminary Ceremony was conducted by the lighting of candles and light sticks in honor of cancer survivors and in memory of love ones who had lost the battle to cancer.

It was announced during closing ceremony that Relay For Life had raised over \$16,000.00 in the fight for a cure for Cancer. During closing ceremony the following awards were distributed:

- Most Creative Campsite went to the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility - Gilligan's Island.

- Most Spirited Team went to the Bandana Babes.
- Most Laps by a Team went to Leslie Acker's Courthouse team.
- Most Laps by an Individual went to James Soto.
- Best Spirit Stick and Most Monetary Donation went to the Well's Fargo Team.

We look forward to next year's Relay For Life being bigger and raising more money for the fight against cancer.

Relay For Life would like to thank the following individuals/companies for their generosity to our event and the fight for a cure:

Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility, Bridgett Ayala, OS Museum, Post Community Center, Wells Fargo Bank; Signs on the Go, Women's Chamber of Commerce, A Laser Touch, Covenant Lifestyle Center, Royal Daulton, Joe & Michele Rasbeary; Post ISD, Bob & Debbie Macy, Jason Porter, Subway

Sandwiches, Radio Shack, Dalby Cattle Company, Post Auto Parts, Giles W. Dalby, Jr.;

Joe Gregory, Clay Ham, Jeff Lott, Made to Order, Higginbotham-Bartlett, Covenant Sports Medicine, Video Showcase, Fred Postell, Well's Pharmacy, Post Dispatch, Sonic Drive-In, Jimmy Castillo, ACS, Citizen's Bank, Jimmy Redman, Metta Tyler, Sherriff's Department, Post Automotive, Earl Campbell, Steve Mason, Tamara Mason, Pat Bilbo, Lane Tannehill, Carol Williams;

Charles & Dedra Adams, Jimella Simpson, Chamber of Commerce, Richard Gorman, Kathy Vickers, Pam Gorman, Rodney Tidwell;

John Lowe, Nancy McDonald, Kay Postell and All Team Captains.

We would especially like to thank Wells Fargo and Maria Kiousis for helping us after hours with our Bank Nights.



Having fun and helping a good cause last Friday were (left to right) Renee Gearhart, Alex Chapa, Bert Crisp, Stepanie Gearhart and Heather Mason at the Relay for Life. (Photo by Sandy Smith)

## Post ISD trustees wrestle with roofing conflict

An ongoing dispute over roofs damaged by hail in May 1999 was the subject of a closed-door meeting of the Post Independent School District trustees May 30.

School board members met to discuss litigation with their attorney, according to the meeting's agenda.

Although he could not disclose specifics regarding the discussion, Superintendent Dr. Bobby Bain said the executive session discussion did concern the ongoing disagreement between the school district and the insurance company, Hartford.

According to district officials, Hartford's proposed allowance for the damage that occurred in the storm two years ago is far less than was anticipated.

No action was taken following the executive session.

In other business, trustees adopted a new policy stipulating that students who fail the state-mandated TAAS (Texas Assessment of Academic Skills) test be retained or encouraged to attend summer school. Bain said the new board policy was made in response to the state's recent decision that, beginning in 2003, all

students who fail the TAAS test will be retained; no summer school option will be available. The board also made some decisions concerning the painted trim on the new gymnasium and discussed the engraved brick project.

## District Judge Hansard's retirement was a bit of a surprise for some

State District Judge George Hansard of Lamesa retired in early April, just six months prior to reaching the mandatory retirement age of 75.

According to stories published in The Dallas Morning News, Hansard penned a letter to Gov. Rick Perry dated April 5. "It is time to retire," the letter read, asking that his retirement be effective beginning April 6.

The initial news of the judge's sudden decision to retire was published in the Lamesa Press Reporter.

The judge's retirement was announced just weeks after the Dallas newspaper talked with him about his allowing prosecu-

tors to help arrange court-appointed attorney representation for indigent defendants, according to an April 12 Morning News story written by Steve McGonigle.

According to the original story in the Morning News, concern had been expressed by the executive director of the State Commis-

sion on Judicial Conduct that such a practice could be an improper. The judge and District Attorney Ricky Smith denied it was inappropriate.

Another retired judge, Gene Dulaney, has been tapped to replace Hansard until Gov. Rick Perry makes his appointment to the post.

**Post Senior League  
team on a roll...  
see page 6**

## Comptroller reports lower sales here

Fourth quarter sales for the year 2000 were down in both the retail trade division and in all industries in Garza County, according to the State Sales and Use Tax Analysis by County released May 24 by the state comptroller's office.

For the retail trade division, fourth quarter gross sales in 2000 were \$7,071,571, down 6.1 percent from the 1999 fourth quarter figure of \$7,527,828. Reporting outlets also dropped, from 253 to 225.

An even bigger drop was realized in the "all industries" category, with \$18,961,566 in fourth quarter gross sales at the end of the last calendar year.

That figure was down 20.5 percent from the previous year's \$23,855,527. Reporting outlets dropped from 345 to 307, according to the comptroller's report.



Poppy Sales

Members of the Post Ladies' VFW Auxiliary busy selling poppies in support of disabled veterans were (left to right) Carol Jean Light, Janet Ratliff, Buddy Poppy Taylor Gray and Sheri Riedel. (Photo by JoAnn Stelzer)

## Post Notes

### Church sets Saturday Taco meal

A fund raiser for the Bethel Assembly of God Church will held Saturday, June 9 beginning at 6 a.m. The church is selling barbacoa tacos to benefit the Youth Department.

### Bake Saturday at Pleasant Home Church

The Pleasant Home Baptist Church, 508 N. Avenue G, is holding a bake sale Saturday starting at 9 a.m.

### Blood drive Monday

A special blood drive will be held Monday, June 11 from 4 to 9 p.m. at the Church of God Prophecy Fellowship Hall, 602 W. 14th St. For appointment call Jose Payano at 495-2006. Please bring photo identification and lists of medications. The goal for this drive is 30 pints. The blood drive is conducted by United Blood Services.

### Youth invited to reading sessions

The Post Middle School is inviting all middle school aged youth to participate in the "reading time" at the school this month. The program is from 8:30 a.m. to 10:15 in Room 113, through June 29.

### Church softball league sign-ups

It's that time of year again, the church softball league is getting started with sign-up deadline set for June 25. The cost is \$50 per team, which will be due before the first game. To sign up, call the First United Methodist Church office at 495-2942.

### "Chill Out" Polar Expedition set

The First United Methodist Church invites children to "Chill Out" on a Polar Expedition, sponsored by the church beginning Monday, June 18. The event continues through Friday, June 22. "Explorers" meet at the church each day from 9 a.m. until noon. To pre-register, call 495-2942 or 629-4340. Pre-registration is not required, but appreciated, by Friday, June 8.

### True Value Country Showdown June 30

The True Value Country Showdown will be held in Post Saturday, June 30 at the Tower Theater. Performances begin at 7 p.m., with the box office opening at 6 p.m. General admission tickets, sold only at the door, are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children ages 12 and younger. Aspiring musicians interested in competing for the \$50,000 national prize should contact Sandy Smith at (806) 495-2816 for an application.

### Girls' basketball camp set

July 15 is the registration deadline for the August 13-15 girls' basketball camp for grades third through eighth. T-Shirts and basketballs will be provided. For more information contact Christy Daily 495-4178.

### Drawing for t.v. June 8

The Garza County Trail Blazers will draw the winners name for the color t.v. raffle on June 8 at the Senior Citizen lunch in the Post Community Center. The planned BBQ has been postponed due to construction delays.



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## Candi Reed honored at bridal shower

Candi Reed, bride-elect of Chris Dawson, was honored with a bridal shower at 3 p.m. Sunday, June 3, 2001, in the Citizens Bank Room in Post. Guests were served homemade cookies, fresh fruit and punch from a table featuring the bride's chosen colors of lavender and buttercup yellow. Special guests included the bride's mother, Jerri Reed, her grandmothers, Marita Reed and Joann Blacklock; and the groom's mother, Joy Dawson. Jana McCallister, Donna Baker, Linda Waldrip, Kay Wallace, Raquel Britton, Christie Curb, Alexa Collier, Edna Owen, Kathy Fluitt, Norman Gafford and Mary Miller presented a hostess gift of a vacuum cleaner to the couple.

## Three local students earn nursing degrees

Three South Plains residents with local ties have successfully completed the registered nursing program at Covenant School of Nursing in Lubbock. Graduation ceremonies were conducted Friday at the First Church of the Nazarene in Lubbock. Rosa Linda Gutierrez of Post, Dianna Garza Gaona of Lubbock and Michelle Ann Flores were among those participating in commencement exercises. Gutierrez is married to Noah Gutierrez of Post and is the daughter of Conseula Garcia of San Antonio and the late Nicholas Garcia. She is the daughter-in-law of the late Anna Gutierrez and Felipe Gutierrez. Gaona is married to Tony Gaona Jr. of Lubbock and is the daughter of Alice Garza of Lubbock and Raymond Garza of Post. She is the daughter-in-law of Tony and Carmen Gaona, also of Lubbock. Flores is the daughter of Mary Helen Flores of Dimmitt and the late Marcello G. Flores.

The first direct dial coast-to-coast telephone call made without the aid of operators took place in 1951 when the mayor of Englewood, N.J. called the mayor of Alameda, Calif. For the first time a three-digit area code was used.



Patricia Diane Willis and Michael Brandon Clemmons

## Patricia Willis, Michael Clemmons engagement

Patricia Diane Willis and Michael Brandon Clemmons have announced their engagement and approaching marriage. The couple will be wed July 21, 2001, at the Market Alumni Center on the Texas Tech University campus in Lubbock. Parents of the bride-elect, who is employed by Women's Protective Services in Lubbock, are Roy and Carolyn Willis of Lubbock. Parents of the prospective bridegroom, a U.S. Postal Service mail carrier in Post, are Les and Sherrie Clemmons of Lubbock. Following a wedding trip to Orlando, Fla., and the Bahamas, the couple will reside in Lubbock.



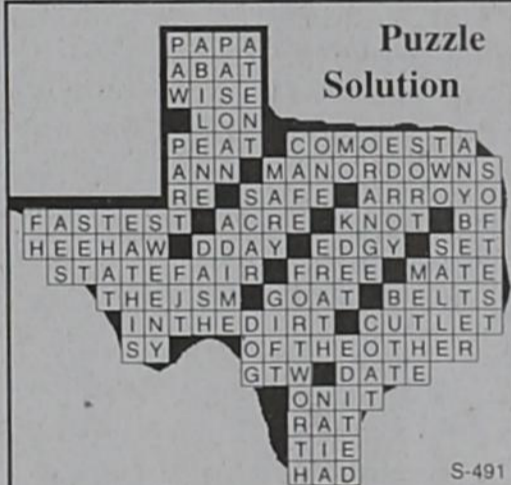
Shirley Williams (left) and Lana Comer were busy last week selling poppies at United Supermarket as part of the Ladies Auxiliary VFW project to help disabled veterans. (Photo by JoAnn Stelzer)

## Tye Basquez earns state title

Tye Basquez was named state champion of the Division I-Level I tumbling and Level II trampoline at a tournament conducted May 12 in Floydada. Basquez, 4, is a member of the Airborne Athletes team.



Tye Basquez



## Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush

Welcome summer! Boy! It came in with a bang didn't it? I guess we can just be thankful for a good place to live!

You know it never fails to amaze me how a child sees things so differently. Tuesday we were out watching Zachary play T ball. We had Kylee, our three-year old granddaughter with us. She rode home with me and I remarked to her how hot it was. She said the dirt was warm. Go figure.

### Yesteryears

We have had many calls about the Yesteryears page. Pat Burnett has been down since the first of April battling a nerve problem in her back and leg. The Yesteryears page is Pat's pet project and she does it so well. Hopefully she will soon be able to come back and once again stir memories with Yesteryears, till then please bear with us.

### True Value Country Showdown

You will be seeing a lot of advertising in the next two weeks concerning the True Value Country Showdown.

Folks, don't miss this. It will be held at the Tower Theatre on June 30. The tickets will be \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for youth 12 and under.

Now if you have never heard of this show, it is a talent show featuring local talent and also others from all over that want to enter. Some of the folks that have been involved with this show are Willie Nelson, Mark Chesnut, George Gones, Tanya Tucker, Sawyer Brown, The Oak Ridge Boys and many more. The winner will try for state, regional then national. National title winner gets \$50,000.00. This show is big.

There are already many entries. Post is fortunate to be able to have this talent show, so please support it so that we may be able to do it again next spring.

### Getting Old

(Just received this on e-mail this morning)

I have always dreaded old age. I cannot imagine anything worse than being old...How awful it must be to have nothing to do all day long but stare at the walls or watch TV.

So last week, when the mayor suggested we all celebrate "Senior Citizen Week" by cheering up a senior citizen, I determined to do just that I would call on my new neighbor, an elderly retired gentleman, recently widowed, who, I presumed, had moved in with his married daughter because he was too old to take care of himself.

I baked a batch of brownies, and, without bothering to call (some old people cannot hear the phone), I went off to brighten this old guy's day. When I rang the doorbell this "old guy" came to the door dressed in tennis shorts and a polo shirt, looking about as ancient and decrepit as Donny Osmond.

"I'm sorry I can't invite you in," he said when I introduced myself. "But I'm due on the Racquet Club at two. I'm playing in the semi-finals today."

"Oh that's all right", I said, "I baked you some brownies...."

"Great! he interrupted, snatching the box. "Just what I needed for bridge club tomorrow! Thanks so much!".... and just thought we would visit a while. But that's okay! I'll just trot across the street and call on Granny Grady...."

"Don't bother", he said, "Gran's not home, I know. I just called to remind her of our date to go dancing tonight. She may be at the beauty shop. She mentioned at breakfast that she had an appointment for a tint job".

So I went home, called my Mother's cousin (age 83); she was in the hospital...working in the gift shop.

I called my aunt (age 74); she was on vacation in China.

I called my husband's uncle (age 79); I forgot, he was on his honeymoon.

I still dread getting old, now more than ever. I just don't think I'm up to it!

### Odom Reunion

The Odom reunion this weekend at the Graham Community Center. They want any old friends to drop by and visit. They will be at the center from 8 am till 3 pm. I'll have more next week.

### Birthdays:

Friday, June 15: Jason Bevers, Gary Blevins and David Posey; anniversary, Tom and Barbara O'Brien; Saturday, June 16: Alyce Mosser; Sunday, June 17: Happy Fathers Day Dads!, Rochelle Jones and Judy Sanderson; Monday, June 18, Debbie Sneed and Valerie Moreno; anniversary, Darrell and Ruby Jones; Tuesday, June 19, Bailey Odom and Jessica Morris; anniversary, Jaime and Diane Zobia. Wednesday, June 20: Blake Davis, Linda Rivera, Ross Babb and Rachel Hubble; anniversary, Kenny and Carla Reiter, Dennis and Debbie Mason and Lupe and Cindy Aguilar. Thursday, June 21: Dominic Pequeno, Russ Rainey, Cameron Josey, Melissa Adams and Justin Terry.. (Missed birthday: Christine Cyann Willson, June 9th)

### Hymns (for those that speed on the highway)

- 45 mph....God Will Take Care Of You.
- 55 mph....Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
- 65 mph....Nearer My God To Thee.
- 75 mph....Nearer Still Nearer.
- 85 mph....This World Is Not My Home.
- 95 mph...Lord, I'm Coming Home.
- Over 100 mph...Precious Memories

### Till Next Week

Have a great weekend. May God hold you in the palm on his hand and the angels watch over you. See ya next week.



Celebrating Volunteer Week recently at Golden Plains Care Center were Post VFW Ladies' Auxiliary volunteers (left to right) Wilma Williams, Roberta Miller, Iwaina McCrary and Ruth Walls. Volunteers Carol Light and Melvis Taylor were not available for the photo. (Photo by JoAnn Stelzer)

## Ode to Kelly Baker



Just look at him  
Like he was back then  
Ain't he cute with that big ole grin?  
He's working out & gettin' thin  
But Kelly we all know  
That this is the year, my friend  
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## Neighbor to Neighbor

by Sara Stevens, CEA-FCS

### Summer Jobs Can Benefit Kids

Children can benefit from summer jobs in countless ways depending on their individual development and the opportunities around them, according to Dr. Lynn White, a Texas Agricultural Extension Service family economist specialist.

White said many children begin earning money as early as 9 and 12 years old. However, she said, most occupations require a child to be at least 14 due to health and safety codes. Other jobs require them to be at least 18 or 21, depending upon if they are around hazardous equipment, serving alcohol or driving while on the job.



White said good first jobs range from babysitting, mowing yards, running errands, having a paper route, and washing cars to utilizing personal computer skills. "It depends on the child and the opportunities around them, but it needs to be something that is within their level of responsibility they can assume," White said.

White recommends parents talk with their children about the kinds of things they consider their talents and their interests and then look and see how to market them in the neighborhood.

She also encourages parents teach their children some basic money management skills. She said children often spend more money as they earn more money rather than learning to save it and set goals.

"Learning not to consume every penny the moment they get it is really as important as getting the job," White said. "Learning how to make money do what they want it to do for them is as critical a life skill as learning to make the money."

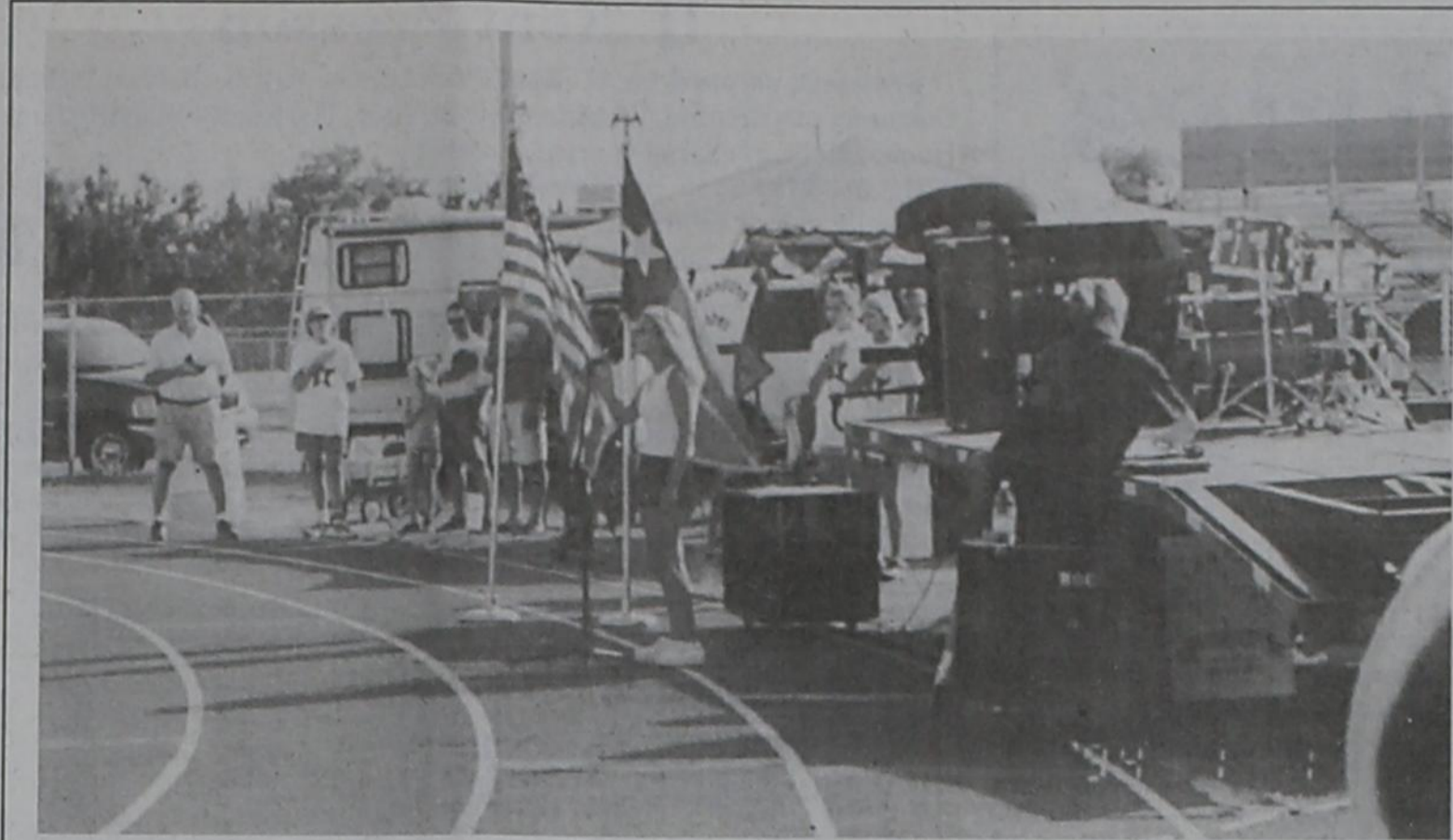
White said the main benefit a child can gain from working is an understanding about how the economy functions. They can appreciate what other businesses must do in order to provide the things that they are able to buy.

She said children also learn to manage time and set priorities so that they have time to work and play as well as balance their family responsibilities.

"It helps them to start realizing that time has economic value and they begin to see that some jobs are given certain value while other jobs are given a greater or lesser value," White said.

She said children can look through the want ads for summer jobs. Children can also advertise their own talents by advertising their skills and phone numbers on the World Wide Web or in papers. White also suggests young people actually visit businesses where they are interested in working to inquire about possible jobs.

"The simplest way to market yourself is to really show that you are energetic, you're self-directed, and you really do want to give the people who are employing you value for their money," White said.



Last Friday's "Relay for Life" fund raising event for the American Cancer Society was the center of attention in Post. Among those organizations assisting the event was the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility. (Photo by Sandy Smith)

### Did You Know?

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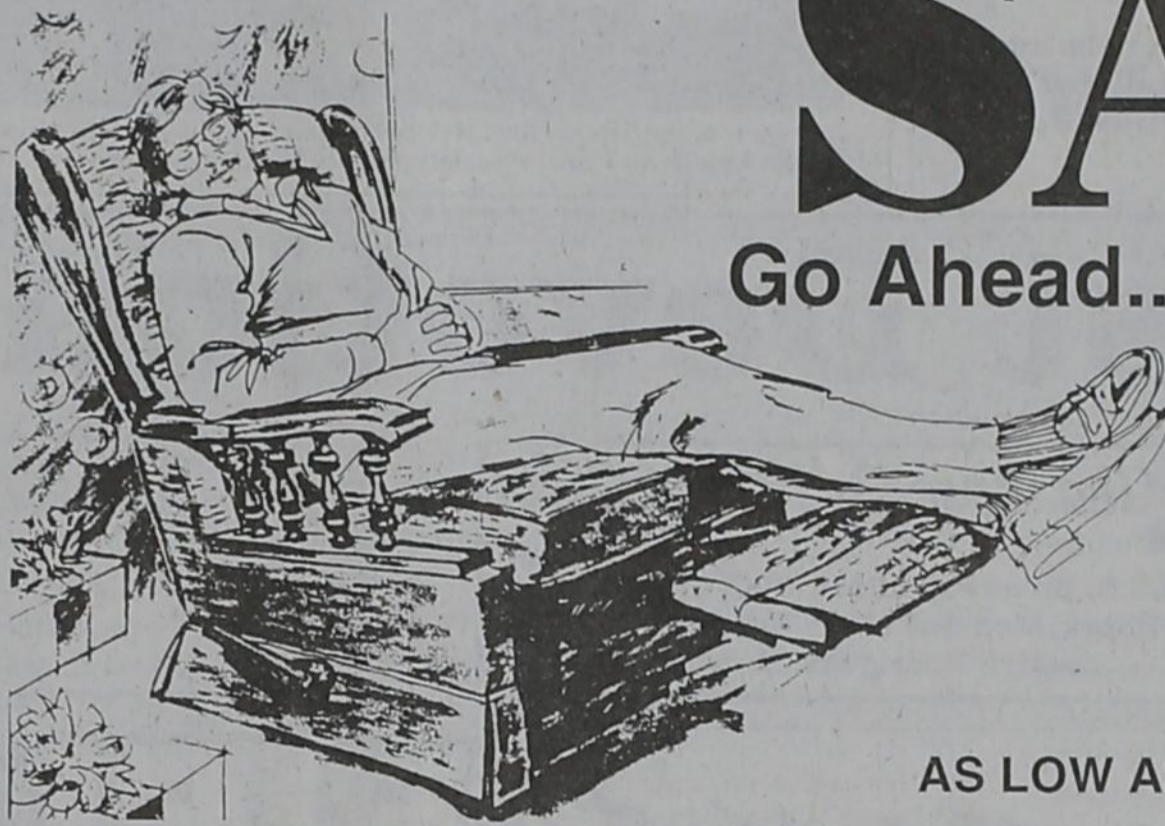
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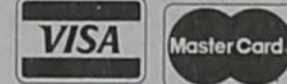
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# Obituaries

## Lewis Martinez

Services for Lewis Martinez, 80, of Post were held Wednesday June 6, 2001 at 10:30 AM at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Post, with the Rev. Malcolm Neyland, pastor officiating. Burial followed at the Terrace Cemetery under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Rosary was Tuesday at 8:00 PM at the Holy Cross Catholic Church. Mr. Martinez died on Sunday June 3, 2001 at his residence.

He was born on August 25, 1920 to Luciano and Severta (Cervantez) Martinez at Roswell, New Mexico. As a baby he came to Post with his family. He served in the US Army during WWII and married Sofia Jimenez on August 14, 1956 in Slaton, Texas. He worked for Santa Fe Railroad until he retired. He was a member the VFW and he was a Catholic.

He is survived by Spouse, Sofia Martinez of Post, One Son, Ray and his wife Virginia Martinez of Waco and a Daughter, Linda Martinez of Post. Two Brother's, Mike Martinez of Post and Antonio (Tony) Martinez of Albuquerque, NM. Four Grandchildren: Jamie Hernandez of Post, Kris Hernandez of Post, Christina Martinez of Waco and Angela Martinez of Waco. He is also survived by his two pets: Pretty Boy and Brownie Girl.

Pallbearers were Roger Martinez, Cecil Martinez, Nick Pantoja, Walter Perez, David Hernandez and Luis Ayala. Honorary Pallbearers were: Herbert Pantoja, Felipe Martinez, Jr. Joe Martinez and Billy Martinez. Memorial are asked to the American Cancer Society.



## H. Kent Presson

Graveside services for H. Kent Presson, 84, will be held at Arlington Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia, June 11, 2001. The Everly-Wheatly Funeral Home will be in charge of arrangements.

He died May 23 in Vero Beach, Florida. Born Feb. 24, 1917, in Sulphur, Okla., he moved to Post in 1923 and graduated from Post High School as valedictorian in 1933. He graduated from Texas Tech in 1939 and from Georgetown Law School in 1949.

He worked in the Bankruptcy Division of the U.S. Courts and was a lieutenant colonel in the Army Reserves. He was a member of the Methodist church.

Survivors include his wife, Lois Presson of Vero Beach; one step-daughter, Karen Breckenridge of Grandby, CT; one brother and sister-in-law, Glendon and Margaret Presson of Corpus Christi; one nephew, Jan Marc Olson of Post; and two nieces, Melinda Hord of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and Karen Free of Corpus Christi.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Wilma Boo Olson.

## Lloyd Mock

Services for James Lloyd Mock, 73, of Post were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 6, 2001, at the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Keith Cooper officiating. Burial followed at 5 p.m. in the Trickham Cemetery in Trickham, Texas, under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

He died Monday at Covenant Medical Center-Lakeside in Lubbock. Born Feb. 15, 1928, in Lynn County, he married Lea Mitchell Dec. 13, 1959, in Garza County. He worked for the George R. Brown Partnership for 40 years, retiring as production foreman.

He was a Mason and a member of the Post Volunteer Fire Department for many years, serving as fire chief.

Survivors include his wife, Lea, of Post; two daughters, Nora Jane Lesley of Lubbock and Jennie Stitt of Honolulu, Hawaii; one son, James Mock of Dripping Springs; two sisters, Nelda Rudd of Slaton and Janice Martin of Amarillo; and eight grandchildren.

The family has suggested memorials be made to the First Baptist Church Christian School, 402 W. Main, Post, TX 79356 or Down Home Ranch, 20250 FM 619, Elgin, TX 78621.

## Moore earns TTU degree

Detra Lashay Moore received a Bachelor of Science degree in communication at the Friday, May 18, commencement exercises for Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center conducted in the United Spirit Arena.

Moore received her degree from the School of Allied Health. Area residents were among 150 School of Allied Health students who received their degrees.

Do not be afraid of the past. If people tell you that it is irrevocable, do not believe them.

—Oscar Wilde



Just a few of the "Relay for Life" participants at the Post ISD track during last Friday's successful fund raising event for the American Cancer Society. (Photo by Sandy Smith)

Dogs are assets to candidates, and the feeling seems to be engendered that if a dog loves the candidate, he can't be all that bad.

—Dick Gregory

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# Opinions



## And thereafter, inept teacher training

by Walter E. Williams

American education will never be improved until we address a problem seen as too delicate to discuss. That problem is teacher philosophy and incompetency. If we were serious about efforts to improve public education, we'd shut down schools of education.

Why? Schools of education, either graduate or undergraduate, represent the academic slums of any university. They're home to students who have the lowest academic achievement test scores, be they the SAT, GRE, ACT, MCAT or LSAT.

They're also home to professors with the lowest academic respect. A recent study by Lance T. Izumi and K. Gwyne Coburn titled "Facing the Classroom Challenge: Teacher Quality and Teacher Training in California Schools of Education," published by the San Francisco-based Pacific Research Institute, gives us some insight into education philosophy.



An education text used at California State University, Dominguez Hills says, "We cannot afford to become so bogged down in grammar and spelling that we forget the whole story ... the onslaught of antihuman [sic] practices that this nation and other nations are facing today: racism, and sexism, and the greed for money and human labor that disguises itself as 'globalization.'"

That's a message from a chapter titled "Spelling and Social Justice," in Enid Lee, et. al., "Beyond Heroes and Holidays." At San Francisco State University, "About Teaching Mathematics," a text written by Marilyn Burns says, "There is no place for requiring students to practice tedious calculations that are more efficiently and accurately done by using calculators."

Instruction "should not aim toward an answer-oriented curriculum," but toward one that values a "reasoning process." A September 2000 Brookings Institution study, using data from the National Assessment of Educational Progress, found that fourth-graders who used calculators every day had lower math scores than students who didn't.

Another text used at San Francisco State University, "New Designs for Teaching and Learning," by Dennis Adams and Mary Hamm says:

"Content knowledge is not seen to be as important as possessing teaching skills and knowledge about the students being taught. ... Successful teachers understand the outside context of community, personal abilities and feelings, while they establish an inside context or environment conducive to learning."

That means, what the heck if teachers haven't mastered ninth- and 10th-grade math, writing and English such as that found in the California Basic Education Skills Test (cbest.nesinc.com).

Harvey Daniels' and Marilyn Bizar's text "Methods That Matter," takes subject knowledge a step farther, saying, "Students can no longer be viewed as cognitive living rooms into which the furniture of knowledge is moved in and arranged by teachers, and teachers cannot invariably act as subject-matter experts."

The authors add, "The main use of standardized tests in America is to justify the distribution of certain goodies to certain people. And no matter what the test, does anyone seriously expect rich suburban kids, whose 'Nordic' neighbors create and sell these tests, to wind up at the bottom?"

What if parents want basic skills for their children? Ed Labinowicz, in "The Piaget Primer," says that parental support of school reforms that stress basic skills are simply satisfying "parental ego needs" that "they can flaunt before their neighbors" that "have little to do with children's best interests."

Translation: Parents who want basic skills and traditional values for their children are seen as education obstructionists. President Bush, the Congress and state legislators handing over more money to the education establishment will do nothing to end America's education rot. More money will simply spread it. As to teacher training, what's needed is for teachers to have degrees in the subject they teach and maybe a class or two in pedagogy. For this, schools of education are surely not needed.

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## America's largest gun control organization

by Vin Suprynowicz

On Jan. 16, 1968, in an address to the New York State University law school in Buffalo, Sen. Robert Kennedy, D-N.Y., stated: "I think it is a terrible indictment of the National Rifle Association that they haven't supported any legislation to try and control the misuse of rifles and pistols in this country."

NRA Executive Vice President Franklin L. Orth took great umbrage at this remark in the October 1968 issue of the NRA's magazine, *The American Rifleman*, terming Sen. Kennedy's accusation "a great smear of a great American organization." Mr. Orth then went on to point out, "The National Rifle Association has been in support of workable, enforceable gun control legislation since its very inception in 1871."

Really? But the NRA has always been portrayed in the mainstream press as a radical anti-gun-control organization. Is it? Has it ever been?

In that 1968 issue of *The American Rifleman*, associate editor Alan C. Webber picked up the defense of the NRA's gun-control credentials. I quote again from the NRA's own, official organ:

"Item: The late Karl T. Frederick, an NRA president, served for years as special consultant with the Commissioners on Uniform State Laws to frame the Uniform Firearms Act of 1930. ... Salient provisions of the Act require a license to carry a pistol concealed on one's person or in a vehicle; require the purchaser of a pistol to give information about himself which is submitted by the seller to the local police authorities; specify a 48-hour time lapse between application for purchase and delivery."

Remember, I'm not asking whether you think these are good ideas (though they're surely unconstitutional — "shall not be infringed" is pretty clear.) I'm asking whether the NRA is the pack of wild-eyed, take-no-prisoners, "pure language of the Second Amendment, take my gun from my cold dead fingers" radical extremists which the national press corps would have us believe. In fact, can the NRA rightly be said to be a "gun rights" organization, at all?

"Item," Editor Webber of *The American Rifleman* continued back in 1968: "The NRA supported the National Firearms Act of 1934 which taxes and requires registration of such firearms as machine guns, sawed-off rifles and sawed-off shotguns. ..."

"NRA currently backs several Senate and House bills which, through amendment, would put new teeth into the National and Federal Firearms Acts. The essential provisions which the NRA supports ... would ..."

"4) regulate the movement of handguns in interstate and foreign commerce by a. requiring a sworn statement, containing certain factual information, from the purchaser to the seller ... b. by providing for notification of local police of prospective sales; c. requiring an additional 7-day waiting period by the seller after receipt of acknowledgement of notification to local police," etc. etc.

Nor is there much room to believe the NRA has changed its stripes in the past 23 years.

In Utah this year, M.D. and Utah Gun Owners Alliance lobbyist Sarah Thompson had worked to get through "a good bill that would have honored concealed-carry permits from any other state without restriction," notes Dennis Fusaro, who himself was let go from GOA in March for not being cooperative enough with the gun-grabbers at the NRA.

In the final days of the session, however, NRA lobbyist Brian Judy

arrived in Salt Lake City and made a deal to add an amendment that the out-of-state permits would only be honored for 60 days.

"Sarah had the senators pretty well under control and was pushing them with grass-roots pressure, and then Brian Judy goes in the back room and accepts this bad amendment," Fusaro reports.

"The NRA has never been pro-gun," Dr. Thompson told me last week. "They've always be interested in kind of being double agents, telling their supporters they're the strongest gun rights group around and then going into the back rooms and cutting gun-control deals which make the NRA more powerful and allow them to go to their members and get more money. I think the NRA ultimately wants to move into taking over the gun control bureaucracy in this country; they could become the Department of Gun Control or some such nonsense. ..."

"The NRA helped write the National Firearms Act of 1934, the Gun Control Act of 1968. ... Here in Utah they backed our Olympic gun ban" (restricting the right of Utah citizens to carry permitted weapons at Olympic venues while the winter Olympics are in town, so as not to offend the homophobic foreigners).

"In the 2000 (Utah) Legislature the NRA backed a midnight gun control bill that vastly expanded the list of people prohibited from owning guns in the state, a retroactive ban on people who were adjudicated years ago. As a result of this I get calls from people who have been hunters for years who now have to go through a background check, who did something wrong as a juvenile 30 or 40 years ago, and they've lost their gun rights."

The test case for whether GOA or the NRA remains a true "gun-rights organization" will be "what's going on with (President) Bush's proposal for Project Safe Neighborhoods," Thompson warns.

Project Safe Neighborhoods is designed to prove the Bush administration is not against "sensible" gun control, she explains, "and the tagline on it is, 'If you use a gun illegally you will do hard time.'"

"But you don't have prosecutors saying 'We're not going to prosecute rapists because they're really good people.' That's not the problem. Those laws are already enforced. So the people they're really going after are people who are violating one of the 20,000 unconstitutional gun laws, people who put a flash suppressor on their rifle, or have a high capacity magazine on their firearm, or who drive by the school with a hunting rifle in the back of their truck; it's all the unconstitutional, politically correct gun control laws they're going to be enforcing."

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"When great changes occur in history, when great principles are involved, as a rule the majority are wrong. The minority are right." — Eugene V. Debs (1855-1926)

"The whole aim of practical politics is to keep the populace alarmed — and thus clamorous to be led to safety — by menacing it with an endless series of hobgoblins, all of them imaginary." — H.L. Mencken

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## Abolish the welfare state

by Wes Burnett

In his new book, "Tethered Citizens: Time to Repeal the Welfare State," Sheldon Richman sheds profound insight into how America devolved from a land of freedom and liberty to a land of welfare and theft of property.

He has acutely and bravely called for the complete abolition of the welfare state and the use of force to strip people of their property and earnings. Here's an example of how Richman brilliantly exposes the evil and immoral depravity that suffocates Americans today:

"Morally speaking, there is no justification for continuing the institutionalized theft that constitutes the welfare state's forced transfer.

"Most important, abolition of the welfare state will remove the tethers that prevent individuals from living completely human lives, for human beings survive and prosper essentially through reason, and for reason to function in its fullness, human beings must be free from aggressive force (and fraud). This in the end is a matter of morality. Morality is about value and virtue." (Page 133).

"We can take care of ourselves, untethered, through voluntary association for mutual benefit. Anything less only diminishes us as human beings."

The one thing lacking in Richman's neat little book is a solution. His call for dismantling the welfare state is on target, but he provides no practical methods by which individual citizens could affect that change.

Here's what others are saying about Richman's contribution to enlightenment for our time:

**Congressman Ron Paul**

"By tracing the history of the welfare state and detailing how redistributionism damages both the taxpayer and the recipient of government aid, Sheldon Richman has produced a book that is essential reading for any American wishing to understand how the welfare state is incompatible with constitutional government and a free society. Such understanding is the first step toward reclaiming liberty. For only when the American people fully understand how damaging the welfare state is to both the nation's economy and its moral character will the welfare state join other forms of statism on the ash heap of history."

**Laissez Faire Books**

reviewed by Jim Powell

Why did Americans abandon libertarian principles which had brought so much peace and prosperity? How could people long accustomed to a reasonably free life accept the pervasive taxes and restrictions of the welfare state? What lessons must be learned for us to turn the tide? Richman answers these and many more crucial questions in this fine book. He tells a fascinating story of how the drumbeat of "progressive" intellectuals and involvement in several wars convinced Americans that government control of our lives would make everything better.

He traces Social Security, supposedly a bulwark of our democracy, to the late 19th-century Prussian official Josef Maria von Rodowicz who advocated a "social kingdom," and to the authoritarian German chancellor Otto von Bismarck who carried it out with "blood and iron."

Richman talks about Herbert Croly who, though little-read today, influenced Theodore Roosevelt, Franklin D. Roosevelt and many others with his denunciations of the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, individualism, free enterprise and just about everything else we cherish.

*The Future of Freedom Foundation, 11350 Random Hills Road, Suite 800, Fairfax, Virginia 22030; ISBN 1-890687-01-4 (cloth) - ISBN 1-890687-02 (pbk).*

### Democracies always destroy liberty

"A democracy cannot exist as a permanent form of government forever. It will only exist until the people learn that they can vote money for themselves from the treasury and the politicians learn that they can distribute that money, to buy votes to perpetuate themselves in power. Hence a democracy always collapses over weak fiscal policy - to be followed by a dictatorship."

(British historian Alexander Tyler, written over 100 years ago. He added that the average age of the world's great democracies between birth and death (or collapsing) was 200 years.)

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## Sheriff reports 11 arrests

Eleven arrests have been made recently by Garza County law enforcement officers. According to the Garza County Jail log book, a 17-year-old man was arrested on a warrant on May 24. On May 25, a 42-year-old man was picked up for a commitment. On May 26, a 32-year-old man was jailed on a warrant. A 21-year-old female was arrested May 27 for possession of marijuana. Also arrested on that date were a 46-year-old man for no driver's license and a 23-year-old male for DWI. On May 29, a 29-year-old male was picked up on a warrant. On May 30, a 49-year-old man was arrested for possession of marijuana and possession of a controlled substance. Two arrests were made June 1, including that of a 20-year-old male for revocation of probation and a 22-year-old male for driving while license suspended. A 25-year-old man was jailed June 2 for driving while intoxicated.

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Garza County 4-H Shotgun Sports will have a Trap Shoot June 9 at Monk Palmer's Gun Club. Early registration ending June 1, if \$5 plus \$5 per round. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. with the shoot beginning at 10:00 a.m. on June 9.

#### Record Book Workshop

June 19 and 20 are the dates for the 4-H Record Book Workshop at the Extension Office. The sessions will begin at 10:00 a.m. each day. Remember, to be eligible for the top county and state awards, you must complete a record book. By the end of the day June 20, you should have a completed record book ready to turn in!

#### 4-H Electric Project

The Garza County Electric Project will be held June 11 and 13 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at the Extension Office. Topics such as an introduction to electricity, electrical safety and building electrical projects will be covered. If you would like to attend, please call 495-4400 by Friday, May 8, to reserve a spot.

#### State Steer Validation

All potential steer feeders for 2001-02 must have their steers on feed and be validated June 26 at Syd Conner's lot. All steers will be weighed for the rate-of-gain competition on this date. Validation will begin at 5:00 p.m.

#### 4-H Clothing Project

Mark your calendar for July 9-11 and July 23-24 for Clothing Project sessions this summer. Session I will cover construction and Session II will concentrate on comparison shopping and clothing purchases. Call 495-4400 to sign up.

## Letters to the Editor

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### Take pride in our town

I have a question. Why are weeds growing in the cracks of the sidewalks in downtown Post? Does no one care? Post needs a Karen Malouf. We could get some good ideas from her on how to keep Post beautiful.

Katherine Johnson

### Letters must be signed

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## Braves big bats continue winning streak, 9-0 record

In Senior League action last Monday, the Post Braves played their closest contest of the season to post a 9-0 record.

Post quickly jumped out to a 1-0 lead over the Dixie Blue Jays off a triple by leadoff batter and pitcher Mitchell Mills. Cleanup hitter Kenny Ratke plated Mills with a RBI single.

Mills faced five batters in the Blue Jays' bottom half of the inning, scattering two singles, but holding the Blue Jays to no runs with two strikeouts and a third popup to pitcher. Second inning action saw Post score four quick runs as Brody Robertson, Jett Lott, Patrick Gonzales and Mitchell Mills came in.

Mills shut down the Blue Jays in the bottom of the second on one walk and three strikeouts. Third inning action saw the Blue Jays nine put together their best inning, defensively and offensively. Defensively, Post went down quickly on three outs — the last two on a 6-4-3 double play.

Offensively, the Blue Jays scored four runs on a grand slam homerun after walking the bases full. Dixie managed to load the bases again via two hit batters and a walk wrapped around two outs. Playing their first game in 13 days, Post appeared slightly out of sync and a tiring Mitchell Mills ran into control problems in the third, throwing eight strikes and 24 balls but still having six strikeouts.

A fresh Cody Fox retrieved and induced Blue Jay Brad Willis to chase a low ball for the inning-ending third out. In the fourth inning, neither team could do much offensively as both teams were shut out. Score after four full innings, Post 5, Dixie 4.

Fifth inning action saw Post score one more run as Kenny Ratke led off with a double and eventually stealing home. Post held on for the victory.

Batting for Post were Mitchell Mills, one single, one triple, one RBI and scored twice; David Rivera, one double, two RBIs; Mitch Holly, one walk; Kenny Ratke, one single, one double, one RBI, scored once; Coby Jones, one single; Joseph Espinoza, one walk; Brody Robertson, two singles, one walk, scored once; Jett Lott, one single, scored once; and Patrick Gonzales, two walks.

## Post Diamondbacks crush Tahoka 16-2

In Junior League action at home, the Post Diamondbacks crushed the No. 2 representative team from Tahoka 16-2, easily run-ruling the visiting team for a five-inning victory.

Pitching the complete game for the Diamondbacks was Andrew Espinoza, who had only four walks, seven hits, no hit batters, nine strikeouts and 115 pitches thrown.

Batting for Post were Israel Barbosa, one single, one walk, scored twice; Miles Grey, three walks, one RBI, scored three times; Stace Norman, one single, two doubles, three RBIs and scored three times;

Theo Paez, two walks, one fielder's choice single, one E-8 double, scored twice and three RBIs; Javen Abraham, two walks, one E-8 single, scored twice with one RBI;

Jonathan McGregor, one walk, one E-4 single, one triple with four RBIs and scored twice; Colt Mason, one walk, one single, one RBI and scored once; Michael Soto, two E-4 singles, one single.

## Local youth earn awards at basketball camp

More than 40 campers, ranging from third grade through ninth grade, attended Coach Vick's Antelope Basketball Camp last week. The camp was declared a success, and participants learned many fundamentals. Awards were given in two age divisions, but only one Camp MVP and one Mr. Hustle award were given. Those awards went to Jett Lott, MVP, and Josh Hair, Mr. Hustle. Other awards given at the close of the camp included:

- Best Offensive Players — Jerrad Grisham, Cass Tatum
- Most Improved Offensive Players — Tanner Vickers, Stace Norman and Chase Odum
- Best Defensive Players — Tony Garay and Tim Wilson
- Most Improved Defensive Players — Jace Pollard and Brandon Martin
- Best Shooters — Sterling Smith and Call Windham
- Most Improved Shooters — Wilson Cash, Clint Windham
- Best Dribblers — Colton Valdez, Jarrett Blevins
- Most Improved Dribblers — Heath Fellhauer, John Rodriguez, Garrett Pena
- Best Passers — D.J. Biaza, Quinton Valdez
- Most Improved Passers — Zack Lopez, Travis Rasbeary
- Best Rebounders — Chris Curb, Jeremy Short
- Most Improved Rebounders — Jonathan McGregor, Chad Miller
- Lay-up Champions — Tanner Vickers, Cass Tatum

### Summer art classes offered

The Post Independent School District will offer a pair of summer art classes targeting adults and high school students.

An evening class in pastels for adults will be conducted Friday evenings from 6:30-9 p.m. June 8 through Aug. 10. Classes will be in Room 105 of Post High School. Cost will be \$100, which will pay for required materials.

The class will be limited to the first 12 registrants. A class in screenprinting will be offered to high school students. The class will be held Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 1:30-4:30 p.m. June 12 through Aug. 12 in Room 105 of the high school.

Cost will be \$100. All materials will be furnished. Class enrollment will be limited to the first 15 who register; however, the class will not be offered if fewer than seven individuals register.

To register, go by the PHS office and see Marta Williams. For more information, contact Stephen Henry at 495-2770 or e-mail [shenry@post.k12.tx.us](mailto:shenry@post.k12.tx.us).

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- Three-point Champions — Jerrad Grisham, Jeremy Short
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- Knockout Runners-up — Wilson Cash, Call Windham
- Three-up Champions — Jett Lott, Colton Valdez
- Three-up Runners-up — Sterling Smith and Jace Pollard Each camper received a participation award, a T-shirt and water bottle.

### Windbreak tree assistance

Assistance in windbreak design, plant specie selection, plant acquisition and other important technical information about windbreaks is available through the Texas Forest Service and its Lubbock-based windbreak tree nursery.

Windbreaks of trees and shrubs can protect homesteads, livestock and fields, or can be used to establish wildlife habitats. Snow barriers also can be created. Summer is the perfect time to design a windbreak.

Trees can be ordered in the fall and delivered in late winter or early spring, just in time for planting. Contact the West Texas Nursery at the Texas Forest Service at 806-746-5801 for more information.

## Knowles featured at conference

Kenneth Knowles, owner of Central Bail Bonds, was guest speaker at the 15th Annual Texas Jail Association Spring Conference in San Antonio.

The event was conducted at the Adams Mark Hotel May 28 through June 1.

Knowles' presentation was on the "Do's and Don'ts for Jailers under Statutory Law."

Knowles is a certified bail agent, the highest educational recognition for a bail bondsman. He is president of the Professional Bondsmen of Texas.

The Texas Jail Association has a membership of more than 700 jailers and other law enforcement officers.

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# LULAC announces annual convention

The League of United Latin American Citizens hosted its 72nd annual state convention in Laredo May 31-June 2.

Cornelio Saldivar Jr., a former Post resident, received two honors at the Governor's Banquet — LULAC Man of the Year for Texas and the Texas LULAC Civil Rights Award given by the governor of Texas, Rick Perry.

Saldivar's youth council, Estacado High School-LULAC 281, won Youth Council of the Year for the state, and Gilbert Garcia, an Estacado member, was recognized as Mr. LULAC.

Saldivar advances to the national convention this weekend in Phoenix, Ariz., where he will attend the President's Banquet.

Attending the banquet will be the governor of Arizona, President George W. Bush, Christina Aguilera, Edward Jan Olmos, La Mafia and the president of Mexico.

Since elected to district director of LULAC, District I, Saldivar has attained many achievements. He formed the LULAC Youth District, LULAC Coalition and has brought more than 250 new members to the district.



Taking time out from a busy Friday afternoon last week were members of the Sonic crew, having assisted the Sand Devils in their fund raising event. Helping were (left to right) Luis Zubia, Alex Rodriguez, Belen Rodriguez, Chalo Perz, Perfect Pena, Jennifer Perez and owner operator Jose Alvidrez. (Photo by Sandy Smith)



Johnny Appleseed (whose real name was Jonathan Chapman) was an American pioneer who planted large numbers of apple trees along the frontier in the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries.

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The wise learn many things from their enemies.  
—Aristophanes  
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# Wimmer earns Cap Rock scholarship

Kelsey Wimmer of Post was one of eight area high school seniors tapped to receive scholarships from Cap Rock Telephone Cooperative Inc.

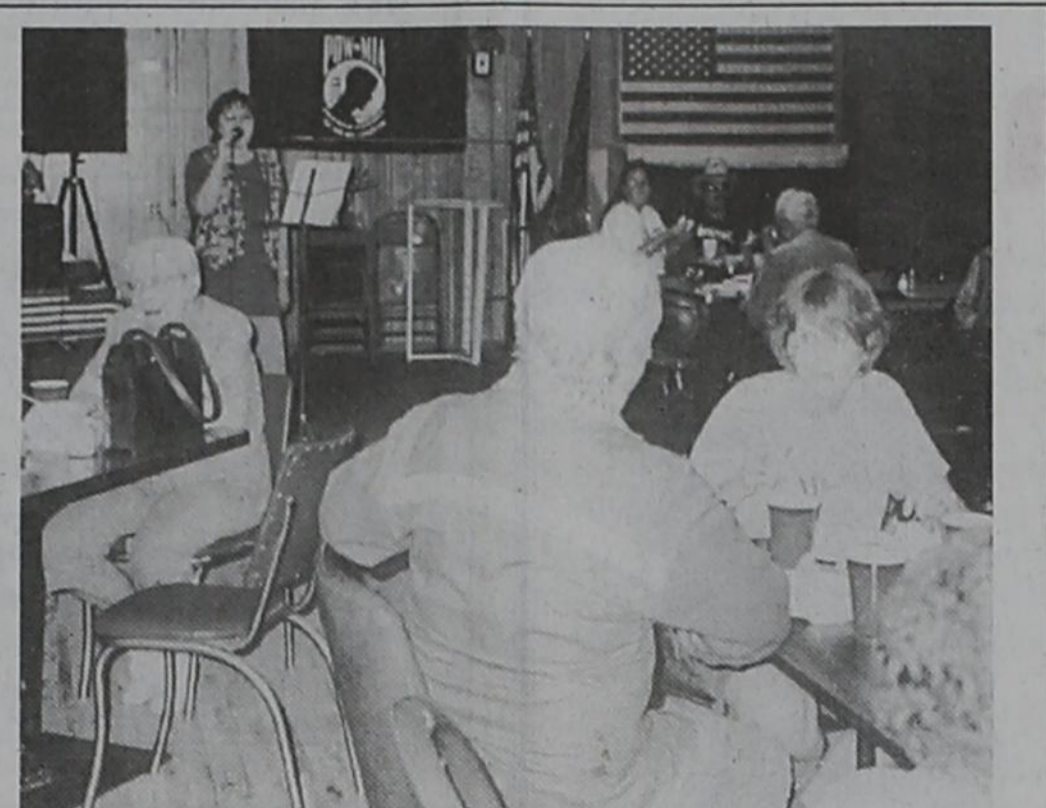
Each of the eight scholarship recipients received a \$1,000 scholarship. The Cap Rock Scholastic Achievement Award is given to students excelling in academics, extracurricular activities and work ethic.

Other students receiving the award were Laressa Skinner of Valley High; Ashley Stevens, Motley County High; William Campbell, Spur High School; Jimmy Sedberry, Aspermont High; Jamie Pigg, Valley High; Seth Jeter, Jayton High; and Amanda Ferguson, Patton Springs High School.

Cap Rock Telephone Cooperative of Spur owns and operates 16 exchanges in 12 counties. The service area extends eastward from the caprock in West Texas through the Rolling Plains, covering more than 5,000 square miles of farms and ranches.

Telephone exchanges include Afton, Dickens, Dry lake, Flomot, Girard, Hackmont, Jayton, Matador, Paducah, Peacock, Roaring Springs, Spur, Verbena, White River, Turkey and Quitaque.

Cap Rock Telephone serves approximately 4,800 access lines located in Dickens, Kent, King, Crosby, Hall, Motley, Garza, Floyd, Stonewall, Cottle, Foard and Briscoe counties.



Marty Edwards (back) entertained visitors and members at the Post VFW during the Memorial Day meal at the post. (Photo by JoAnn Stelzer)

# United Supermarkets names new store director in Post

David Capps has been promoted to store director at the United Supermarkets location in Post, according to a recent announcement by David McKenzie, district manager. Capps replaces Gary Shifflett who has been named store director in Snyder. The appointments were effective May 27.

Capps, a 1998 graduate of United's Manager Candidate Program, has most recently served as Assistant Store Director at the company's Olton Rd. location in Plainview. He joined United in 1993 and has served in various capacities in the two Plainview store locations. He has extensive background in the grocery industry, having worked for three different chains before joining United.

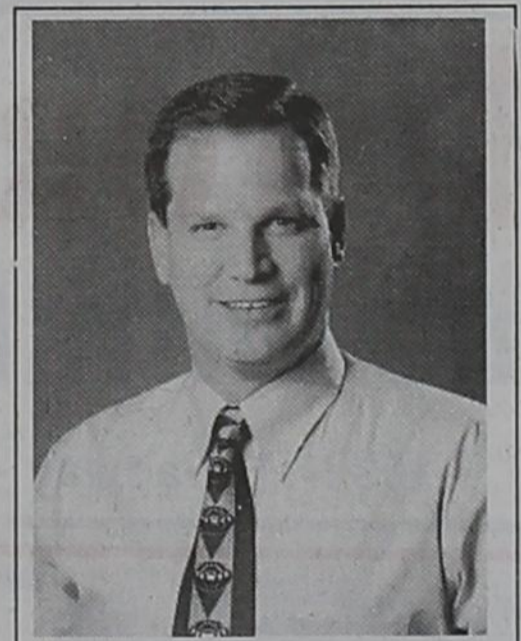
Capps is actively involved in United Way, PTA, band boosters and FFA boosters. Capps and his wife, Sarah, have two children, Kaci and Lyndsey.

"I am pleased about the move to Post. It's a great opportunity to serve the wonderful customers in Garza county and to work with an outstanding team of employees," Capps said. "Sarah and I are eager to become involved in the community."

From his new position in Snyder, Shifflett said, "Vikki and I want to thank everyone in Post for making our family feel so much a part of the community. We will miss the many friends we made and promise to come back often to visit." Shifflett had managed the store in Post since February 1995.

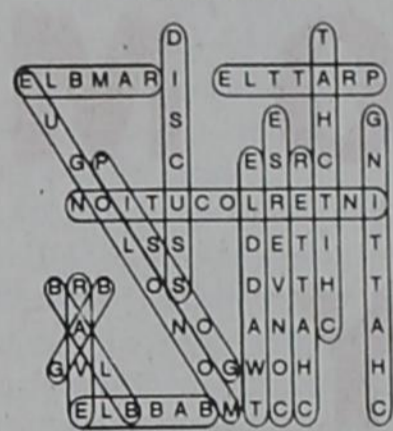
United Supermarkets operates 42 stores in 23 Texas markets and currently is constructing new stores in Pampa and Lubbock. Last year, the company began serving its stores through

a distribution center located at 58th and Martin Luther King Boulevard in Lubbock. United Supermarkets was founded 85 years ago in Sayre, Oklahoma by H.D. Snell, Sr. It was later separated into two companies, one based in Texas and another in Oklahoma. The family of H.D. "Jack" Snell, Jr., owns the Texas operation, which is headquartered in Lubbock. Since its inception, the company has been committed to giving its customers a wide selection of competitively priced grocery offerings, quality meats, fresh produce and perishable items with an emphasis on superior customer service and community involvement.



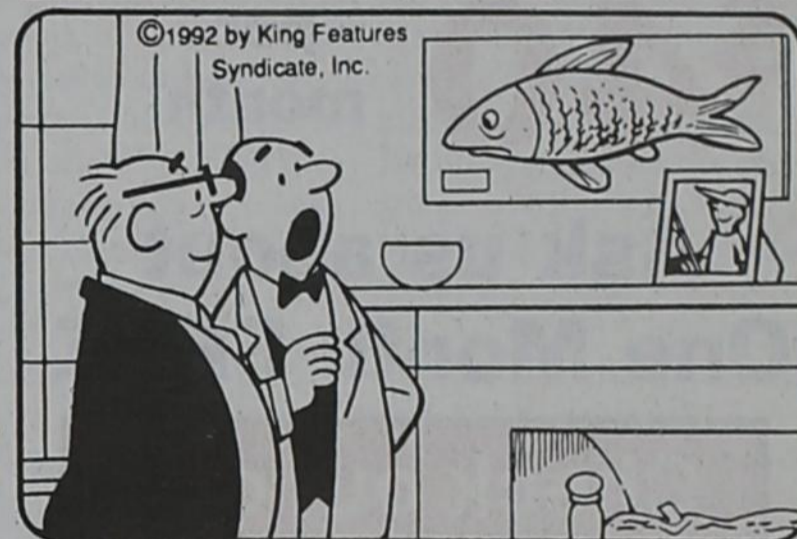
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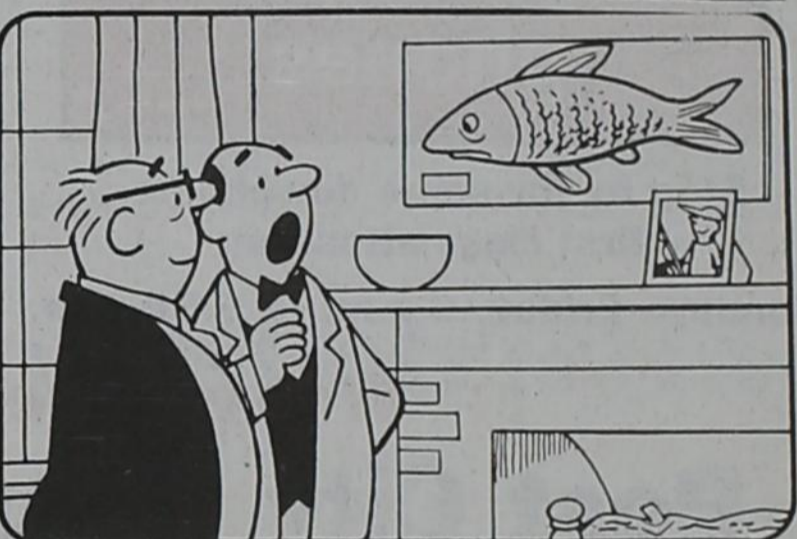


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No one tests the depth of a river with both feet.  
—Ashanti proverb  
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### Vision Teaser



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



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- mama's "bigger half"
- TXism: "blind as \_\_\_\_\_"
- Decatur's county
- Chaney Street is in San Antonio
- TX no longer produces this mineral
- "how are you?" south of the border (2 wds.)
- ex-Gov. Richards
- horse track near Austin (2 wds.)
- TX "Tarzan" (init.)
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ as a squirrel up a tree"
- dry creek bed
- 33-down was \_\_\_\_\_ man in the world
- XIT ranch got land for 50¢ an \_\_\_\_\_
- TXism: "don't get your shorts in a \_\_\_\_\_ (calm down)"
- \_\_\_\_\_ Goodrich
- old TV show of TX Buck Owens
- USS Texas was in this Normandy event
- irritable
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ in concrete (permanent)"
- "Big Tex's" stompin' ground (2 wds.)
- TXism: "footloose and fancy \_\_\_\_\_"
- TXism: "running \_\_\_\_\_ (wife)"
- belief in God
- TXism: "that gets my \_\_\_\_\_"
- cowboys wear 'em with big buckles
- TXism: "joined his shadow \_\_\_\_\_ (fell)"
- veal
- this Young started UT drama club in '09 (init.)
- TXism: "six of one, half a dozen \_\_\_\_\_"
- this Wood was 2nd gov. of Texas (init.)
- Ross and Margot Perot met on a blind \_\_\_\_\_
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ a Hammer"
- "chew \_\_\_\_\_ a while"
- TXism: "rug \_\_\_\_\_ (child)"
- a bolo
- TX Trini's "If I \_\_\_\_\_"
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ it all out" (unravel)
- Texas \_\_\_\_\_step
- TXism: "if it was \_\_\_\_\_ I couldn't stand it"
- TX "Peter Pan" Martin
- most like a baby's bottom
- wound reminder
- this Hoffman was 1st Texan in the major leagues (init.)
- won pres. nom. in Houston in '28 (init.)
- "ready, \_\_\_\_\_ go!"
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ log won't float"
- La \_\_\_\_\_ County
- TXism: "hissey \_\_\_\_\_"
- FW of DFW
- TXism: "give \_\_\_\_\_ bacon without the sizzle" (be brief)
- TXism: "don't look a \_\_\_\_\_ horse in the mouth"
- "B" of TX H.E.B.
- TXism: "that \_\_\_\_\_ won't hunt"
- winter garment
- corrected the Houston Chronicle an athletic confer.

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