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## GHD board tables term limit issue

A narrow margin of voters participating in the May 4 election advised members of the Garza County Health Care District to establish term limits, but board members steered clear of action on the matter last week by tabling the issue.

Following a lengthy discussion, board members seemed to agree that they had fulfilled the legal requirements mandating a referendum on term limits; however, the issue demands further consideration.

"We've got to get on with the things that are more important," board member Zoe Kirkpatrick said.

In the referendum on board member term limits, a total of 89 voters gave a thumbs-up to the need for limits, while 57 voters said no, according to figures reviewed during the meeting.

Of those who supported term limits, 66 voted in favor of limiting board service to a pair of two-year terms; 14 favored the allowance of three two-year terms; five supported a four-term limit; and two voted in favor of allowing five two-year terms to be served.

During their discussion board members suggested that voters have the capacity to limit a board member's term through the voting process; that is, each board member's seat opens up every two years. Voters who dislike a particular board member are free to elect someone else to fill the position.

It was noted, however, that the board is essentially having to "recruit" potential board members. Board members discussed the vacancies that could potentially be created through overly stringent term limits.

The referendum was placed on the ballot as a result of an agreement with plaintiffs in a law suit challenging the district's former voting method of at-large elections.

In other action, district board members:

- Voted to reorganize the board as is the practice after each regular election. The board unanimously tapped Mike Travis to return to the position of president. Danny Guthrie was elected vice president, and Kirkpatrick will continue with the secretarial duties.
- Discussed the vacant Precinct 1 board member position. Since no one stepped forward to run for the post in the recent election, it

is up to the board to make an appointment to fill the position, Travis said; however, board members agreed they are in no hurry to fill the slot. Board members agreed to talk to prospective members in an effort to recruit an interested Precinct 1 resident to fill the vacant seat.

- Tapped new board member Ray Bagby as the board's second representative to the Ambulance Committee. Bagby has experience

working with ambulance services, and the board agreed his knowledge would be helpful in service to the committee. Kirkpatrick is the health care district's other Ambulance Committee representative.



Willa Didway (left) and Marge Tannehill

## Middle School teachers honored

A recognition luncheon was held May 17 honoring two Post Middle School teachers who had announced their retirement effective May 31.

Willa Didway, a 1956 graduate of Post High School, majored in vocational homemaking and earned her education degree in 1960 from West Texas State University in Canyon.

Didway taught 38 years, beginning with high school homemaking in Slaton. After a year there, she spent the remainder of her career with the Post Independent School District, teaching high school homemaking, elementary fifth grade and middle school reading. During this time, she took courses in education from the University of Texas, the University of Arizona and at Texas Tech University in Lubbock where she earned her reading certification.

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This handsomely decorated special Santa has been created by Boyd's Collections in Post in a special commission for the Vatican Art Exhibit Foundation. The unique, one of a kind Santa, will be auctioned at a special event to assist in the funding of the Vatican art treasures being exhibited at Texas Tech University. (Photo by Rebecca Sturgeon)

## Good news, bad news on water rates

There's good news and bad news when comparing the city's sewer and water rates to those of other West Texas communities.

In a recent comparison of rates compiled by the Texas Municipal League, Post had one of the highest water rates — \$23.75 per 5,000 gallons of water for residential customers and \$32.50 for 10,000 gallons — in the year 2000. Those rates, well above the averages of \$16.12 and \$25.26 respectively, were topped only by rates in three other West Texas cities — Floydada, Lockney and Slaton.

The lowest residential water rates were afforded residents of Dimmit, where the 5,000-gallon fee was \$8.25 and the fee for 10,000 gallons was \$13.25.

Perhaps balancing the scales a bit, though, were Post's low rates for residential and commercial sewer fees. Post boasted the lowest residential sewer fee in fiscal year 2000, charging \$3.50 for 5,000 gallons and the same price for \$10,000 gallons. Dimmit edged Post

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Post High School seniors Meagan Mills (left) and Tandi Humble have earned their share of awards during their high school days, including graduating as Valedictorian (Mills) and Salutatorian (Humble) of the Class of 2002. (See pages 6, 7 & 8 for Salute to the Class of 2002)

## Post Notes

### Basketball Camp June 3-6

Coach Vick's Antelope Basketball Camp will be held this year from June 3-6 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. at the Antelope Arena. A coach or camp counselor will be in the gym during lunch for those who wish to bring a sack lunch for the day. The camp is \$20 per student age third grade through ninth grade. Participants will need "a great attitude, water bottle, gym shoes, shorts and light colored t-shirt and money for refreshments."

### Visitors welcomed Thursday

There will be gathering at the Hotel Garza Bed & Breakfast Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. to welcome Post visitors Horst and Ursula Stoudt from Nuremberg, Germany. Ursula is the sister of Hildegard Marlin. "We want all our friends to stop by for refreshments and welcome them to Post," Hildegard urges.

### Summer rec program starts June 3

The Garza County summer recreation program begins June 3 at 8 a.m. at the Middle School gymnasium. Registration and trip schedules will be available at that time. For more details, call Rodney Tidwell at 269-3960. The program is open for youth, kindergarten through high school. The program, along with lunch, will continue Monday through Friday through June 28.

### Summer food service program

The Post ISD announces the sponsorship of the summer food service program, to be held Monday through Thursday beginning June 3, 2002. Breakfast and lunch will be provided at the school cafeteria through June 28. Breakfast will be served from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and lunch from noon until 1 p.m. Children 18 years of age and younger are eligible to participate.

### Church seeks donation for special event

The Calvary Baptist Church is accepting donations to be used for a city-wide Family Fun Carnival set for Saturday, August 10. Donations will provide free food, drinks, gifts and entertainment. The carnival will be a block party for adults and children. The church needs help for this event to be successful. Contact Pastor Les Atkins at 495-2342 or 495-3342 to help.

### Calvary Baptist Revival June 9-12

Bill and Vicky Murphy will lead a revival at the Calvary Baptist Church, Avenue H and 6th St., June 9-12. Sunday services are at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m., with Monday through Wednesday services at 7 p.m.

### Forever Families seeks volunteers

Catholic Family Services Inc. is seeking volunteers for its Forever Families project. Contact the service at 877-924-5437 for information regarding adoption or fostering. The project is offered by Amarillo Catholic Family service and serves people of all faiths.

### Cancer survivor walk

The Relay for Life Survivor Walk will be held Friday evening, June 7 at the Post ISD track. If you or someone you know, is a cancer survivor and would like to participate, please contact Nancy McDonald at 495-3315 or Pat Bilbo at 495-3613. Everyone is welcome. There will be a reception immediately following the walk for all survivors and their families.

### Methodist Church sets VBS dates

The First United Methodist Church will hold its annual Vacation Bible School from June 10-14 from 9 a.m. to noon. All kindergarten through fifth grade are welcome.

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Something new has been added to the highway sign just north of Avenue S on U.S. Hwy 84. The Antelope Booster Club, with the help of a number of volunteers, has added a special tribute to the Post antelope football teams of 1983 and 2001. Both teams were State Semi-Finalists.



## Memorial Day has special significance for Williams family

by **Barbaralee Newcomb**

My grandmother, whose name was Louise P. Williams and who was my father's mother, had six children - Kathleen; Max; the twins (identical) were Edwin Keith Williams, my father, and Keith Edwin Williams, his twin brother; Everett, who is the youngest son, and Betty Jean, the youngest of them all.

Max was a pilot in the old Army Air Force and was shot down. The twins were pilots who had their training at Pensacola, Florida, and Everett in the regular Army, who went to France and died July 27, 1944, and is buried in Britney Cemetery in France.

Keith was a pilot at Hickman Field when the Japs bombed Pearl Harbor. It was two weeks before my grandmother heard from him - he was alive and not wounded. He went on to fly in the Army Air Corp in the Pacific and was wounded while flying in the Pacific and was sent state-side to recover when he was told in 1944 that Max, his older brother, had died while flying in Burma and Everett died while fighting on the ground in France and his twin, Edwin (my father, who was a B-17 bomber pilot) in England. He was told he was discharged from the service because his mother, my grandmother, had lost three sons. He then cried for four days while in the hospital. He was the most irresponsible one and yet he was married with a wife and four children at home.

Max had three children and the youngest son had cerebral palsy. Everett had new twins he had never seen.

My father had two girls - myself and my sister, who is younger than I am. I was 7 years old at the time. We lived in Mount Pleasant, Michigan, at that time. My father and his brother were raised in North Dakota where my parents met and married in Fargo in 1935. Both brothers had their training at Pensacola before the war and then later on became private pilots afterwards. My father became an optometrist and his brother and wife were professional dancers. When the war came along, all were called up. My dad was in his early 30s.

I remember one day my mother was crying as she helped my dad pack and leave home for the war. He was sent back to Pensacola to teach new pilots. My dad and Keith both went there. Later on, my dad sent for us to come and stay there off base in a house he had rented for us. So my mother closed up our house with dad's optical equipment in it. In those days, the optometrist not only examined your eyes but also made the lenses. Then about a year later my dad was sent to England and we went back to our home in Mount Pleasant and Dad's brother was sent to Heckman Field in the Hawaiian Islands.

My dad was called "the old man" because most of the guys were teen-agers. My dad was in command of a B-17 bomber wing. He got his bomber training someplace in the U.S. I can't remember where. Then he was sent to England. He flew over 45 missions and when D-Day came.

He eventually learned to walk with an artificial leg and not long before he died, he crawled up the stairs to my bedroom one night and he told me he had to leave and I didn't want him to. He was trying to tell me he was dying. He used to be my Sunday school teacher at church, and I went up in

class according to grade. He did also. I think having a handicapped dad helped me better accept my daughter, who is blind. And I still go to church as he did. I'm a senior citizen now. I was 9 when he died.

My dad's brother was there, his mother, my mother, my sister and myself. He died at home where he wanted to be. I was holding his hand when he died.

He was buried in Arlington National Cemetery. I grieved so badly I flunked one grade of school, so my mother put me in a Catholic school. I was the only Protestant kid in a Catholic school. I had a tendency to daydream in school, but the sister had a ruler and she would always tap me with it. So I didn't daydream any more in school.

I learned from my dad that you can't live your life as a victim, but make the best of whatever comes your way as he did.

My dad's twin, Keith, became father to seven orphaned children in the family, plus his own four. On all birthdays and at Christmas, he would send all of us presents from our dads and he would say your dad would want you to have this. He also educated five of us, as well as his own. He became a stockbroker and at age 17, he sent me to New York City to stay with him and his family while I studied opera with a voice teacher from the Metropolitan Opera for one year. (I started studying voice at age 10.)

There were 5,000 ships and all aircraft on D-Day in France June 6, 1944. His plane had been hit and he had his crew bail out over the North Sea and he and his co-pilot were the last ones to bail out, only his co-pilot didn't tell him that he had been hit and he couldn't get out of his seat. So my dad had to drag him out and put a parachute on him and himself. He then realized it was too late to bail out, so he tried to get them back and just made it over the cliffs of England when it crashed.

At first they told us he had died and his co-pilot did, then we got another telegram saying he was alive. So his brother thought he was dead at first. My dad was sent stateside when I was 7 years old. He was in Walter Reed Army Hospital for one year. He had lost his left leg just below the knee and fingers and toes and had his back broken in 14 different places and all kinds of internal injuries. He lived two years after that crash and died directly as a result of his war injuries. I learned they don't always die right away. I watched him slowly die a little at a time.

I remember my mother taking my sister and I to see Dad at Walter Reed. She had gone several times before without us and had tried to prepare us. When I saw my dad, I was so happy I kissed him and told him I loved him and that it really didn't matter if he didn't have a leg. He was still my dad and I meant it. Then there was a tear in his eye.

The most irresponsible became the most responsible. He died of a heart attack in 1962, and my grandmother died in 1964. She lost three out of four sons in World War II.

There are 10,000 graves at Normandy. "The Hallelujah Chorus" was there last year in June. There were three car parking lots, one tour bus parking lot and one school bus parking lot and they were all filled. There were a lot of people in Normandy Cemetery - more than we have here at home.

Please remember this Memorial Day what price freedom costs. Thank every military person you see for the job they do. We are at war again. A different kind of war, but it is still war. (I have a grandson in this war.)

My dad's flag was stolen from our

house in 1998 when we first came here. It was my dad's casket flag and this newspaper ran my story and it was returned the next day after the story was printed. I asked them to run the story of the stolen casket flag and they did in hopes of getting it back. I did get it back.



Patrick Neal Mahaffey and Candice Annette Dickerson were united in marriage May 11, 2002 at the Hotel Garza Bed & Breakfast in Post. Bo Jackson performed the double ring ceremony in the courtyard gazebo. Parents of the bride are Mr and Mrs Stanley Dickerson of Odessa and the late Carolyn Dickerson. Candice is the granddaughter of Nadine Vaughn of Post. The groom's parents are Mr and Mrs Rick Mahaffey of Odessa. Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the hotel lobby. Approximately 60 guests attended the joyous occasion. Candy is employed at Quality Tire Co. and Pat is employed at Aaron Furniture Rental. They are at home in Odessa.

## Local republicans to state convention

The Republican Party of Texas will conduct its 2002 convention June 7-8 in Dallas, and four members of the Garza County Republican Party plan to attend.

David Stelzer, Ross Aten and Kenda Bartlett will attend as delegates, and Terry Bartlett will attend as an alternate.

The three primary purposes of the state convention include the election of a chairman and vice-chairman of the State Republican Executive Committee; the election of 62 members of the State Republican Executive Committee; and the adoption and announcement of the party's platform of principles.

While in Dallas, the local representatives will attend two Senatorial District Caucus meetings and two

general sessions of the convention. Upon their return, they will conduct a town meeting to present the Texas Republican Party platform to all interested individuals.

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—William James



Britany Cemetery in France is the burial site for WWII soldiers killed. (Photo by Barbara Lee Newcomb)

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Congratulations to Post High School Honor Graduates - (back row, left to right) Emily Smith, Meranda Hernandez, A.J. Dickman, Naomi Gonzales, Meagan Mills, Kim McClain, (front) Manuela Hernandez, Kelly Moore, Tandi Humble, Tammy Sparks and Heather Bullard.

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# South Plains Electric Cooperative hosts safety program for youth

More than 150 area students attended an electrical safety demonstration sponsored by the South Plains Electric Cooperative on May 3 in Spur.

The event was designed to promote May as Electrical Safety Month.

Sixth grade students from Post, Motley County, Crosbyton, Patton Springs and Spur schools traveled to the Dickens Division office for a four-part program and lunch.

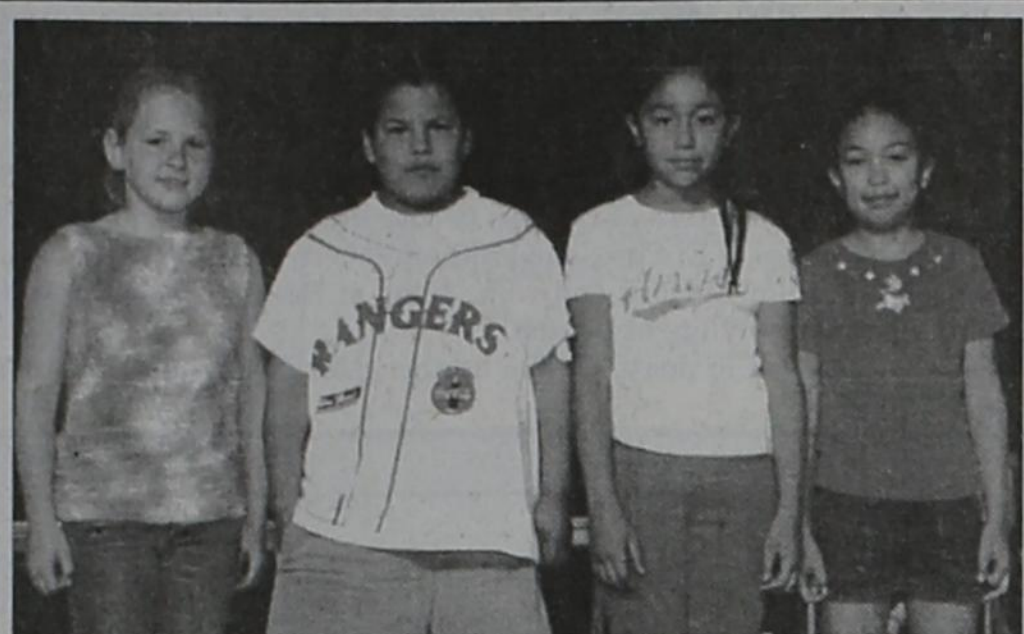
As a Touchstone Energy Cooperative, SPEC officials believe in commitment to community and the safety of local residents.

Gordon Folmar, representing the Texas Electric Cooperative Loss Control Program, and SPEC employee Bucky Phelps used a skit to show the danger of overhead power lines when fishing, hunting or flying kites.

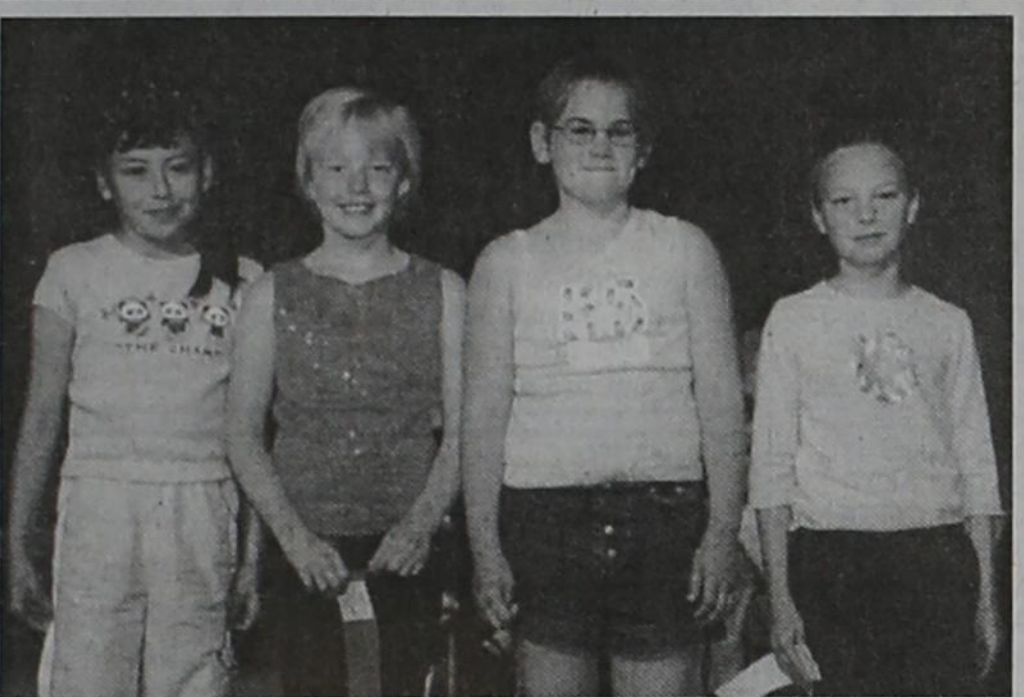
SPEC employees Shane Shobert and Larry Taylor used a mini-trans-

former/power line set up to demonstrate different dangers of contacting overhead power lines. The demonstration unit produced 5,000 volts,

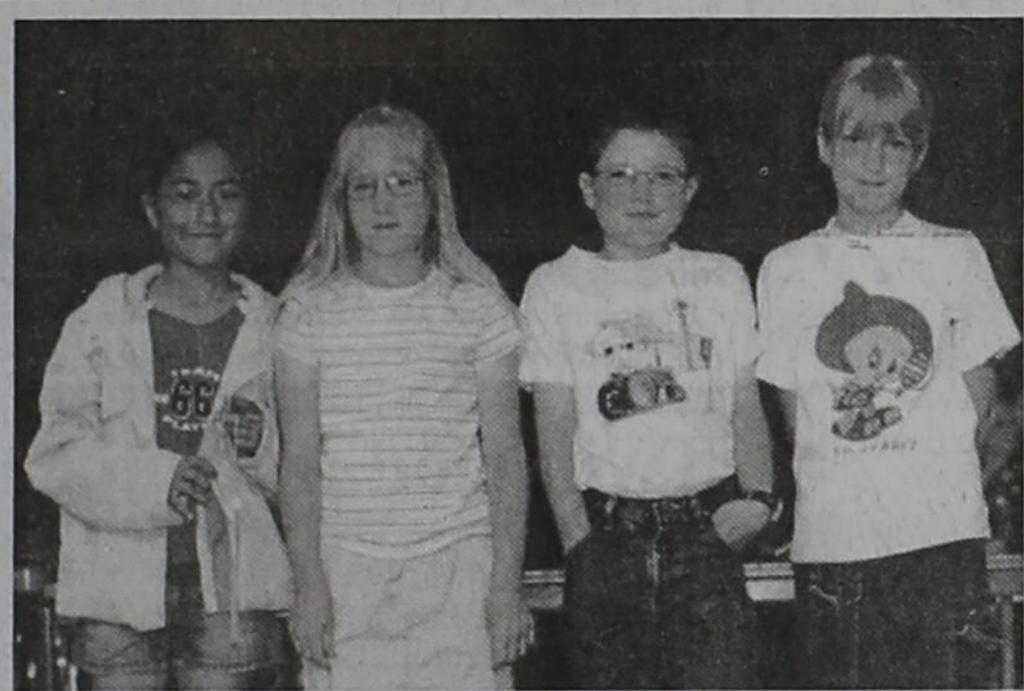
which is less voltage than an actual power line, but produced sparks and fire to impress the students with the real danger of power line contact.



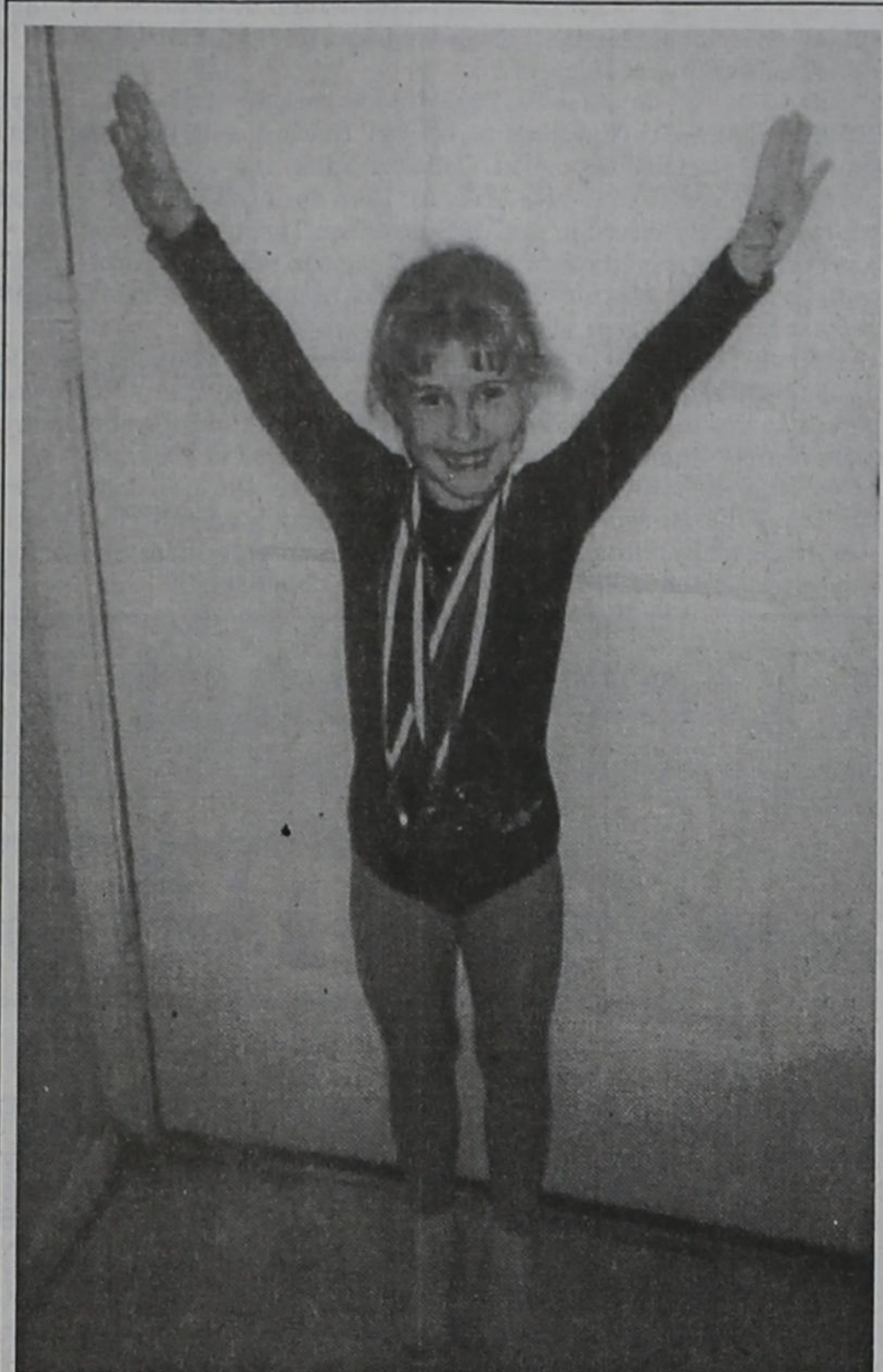
Post Elementary students recognized for excellence at last week's awards ceremony were (left to right) Lindsey Morrow, Adrain Basquez, Melinda Vega and Alexandra Rodriguez.



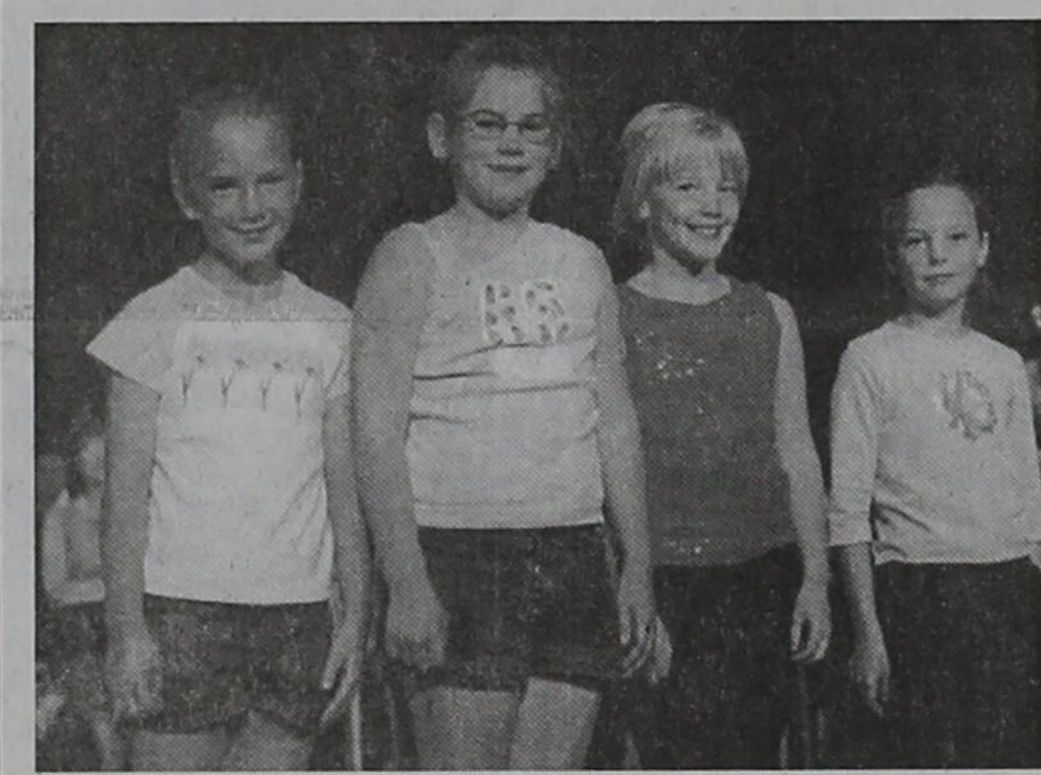
Post Elementary students recognized for excellence at last week's awards ceremony were (left to right) Janelle Degadillo, Kari Dunn, Hannah Kirkpatrick and Lillie Cooper.



Post Elementary students recognized for excellence at last week's awards ceremony were (left to right) Tanisha Paiz, Caitlin Cravy, Ben Mason and Tierni Crenshaw.



Kelbie Oden, daughter of Rodney and Marcie Oden, won the Southwestern State Championship in tumbling and trampoline at the state gymnastics meet May 13 at Ropesville. Kelbie is the granddaughter of Alfred and Linda Oden and Debbie Sneed. Her team is Air Extreme from the Ready, Set Go, Gym in Lubbock.



Post Elementary students recognized for excellence at last week's awards ceremony were (left to right) Kumbry Mason, Hannah Kirkpatrick, Kari Dunn and Lillie Cooper.



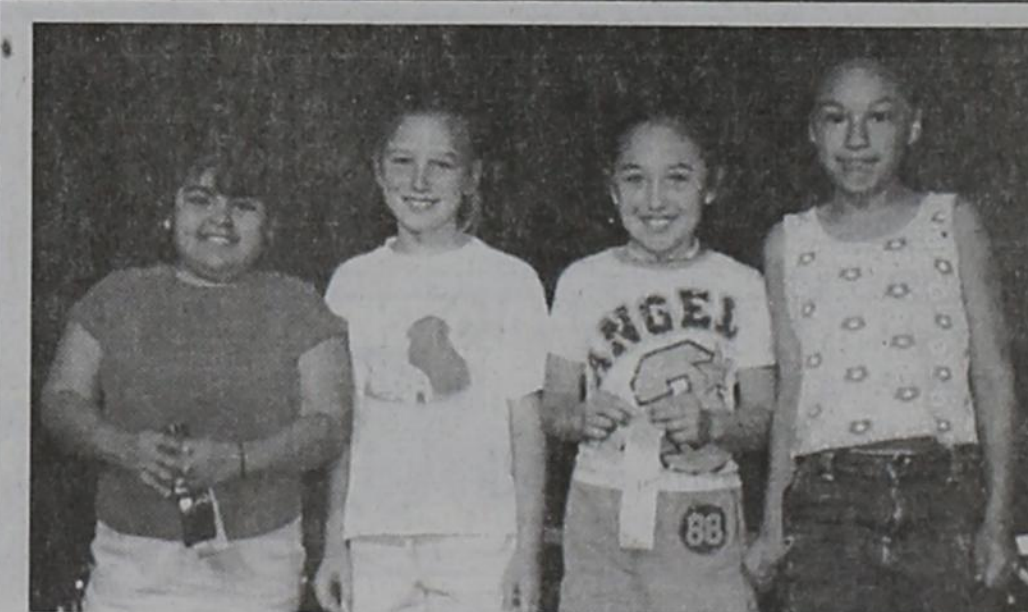
Kindergarten students at the First Baptist Christian School gave their teacher a special gift at graduation ceremonies last week. Nancy Gordon (center) was treated to a unique, handcrafted cross with the names of her students emblazoned on the wood. Graduating to first grade were (back row, left to right) Matthew Ham, Brandon Hervey, Kelsi Pierce, (front row) Campbell Kirkpatrick and Blace Stevens.



Post Elementary students recognized for excellence at last week's awards ceremony were (left to right) Phyneshia Rutherford, Sierra Hodge, Amber Wilson and Tanisha Paiz.



Post Elementary students recognized for excellence at last week's awards ceremony were (left to right) Macy Blair, Katie Hair, Amber Wilson and Sabrina Perez.



Post Elementary students recognized for excellence at last week's awards ceremony were (left to right) Evette Rodriguez, Allisha Jones, Sydnee Jones and Leah Perez.



Post Elementary students recognized for excellence at last week's awards ceremony were (back row, left to right) Morgan Pementer, Blaine Osborne, Joshua Collazo, Patricia Wright, Klent Baker, Latasha Soto, Solomon Abraham, (front row, left to right) Allen Perez, Steven Howard, Nichole Ramirez, LaNette Perry, Jacob Perez, Pam Spann, Brandon Martin and Adriana Ceja.

## Jeremy Josey graduates at ACU

Jeremy Kyle Josey, son of Kyle and Diane Josey of Post, received a Bachelor of Arts degree in history and a Bachelor of Science degree in education during commencement exercises for Abilene Christian University held at 2 p.m. May 11, 2002, in Moody Coliseum in Abilene.

While attending ACU, Josey was a member of Gamma Sigma Phi, a social club in which he served as an officer for two years; ACU's honor society for history majors; and Kappa Delta Pi, an international honor society in education. Also, he served with the Wildcat Kids Organization and the Welcome Week Committee.

Josey is the grandson of Rayford Holtman of Childress and Theona Josey of Post and the late Lester Josey.



Post Elementary students, teachers, staff and parents enjoyed a field day last week, with fun and competition. (Photo by Rebecca Sturgeon)



Post Elementary students recognized for excellence at last week's awards ceremony were (left to right) Brandi Hewitt, Clint Windham, Jonathan Esparza, Michael Gonzales, Meagan Davis and Ashlee Henry.



# Obituaries

## Buena Vista Shirley Bouchier

Services for Buena Vista Shirley Bouchier, 98, will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 4, 2002, at the First Baptist Church. Burial will follow in the Terrace Cemetery under the personal care of the Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

The body will be at the funeral home for viewing beginning Sunday, June 2. She died Saturday, May 25, at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

Born in Roby Oct. 22, 1903, she moved to Post from Vernon with her parents, the late George and Susie Hitt Shirley, and brothers, the late George and Joe Shirley. After graduating from Post High School in 1921, she attended the College of Industrial Arts, receiving her state teaching certificate from West Texas State University in Canyon. She taught school in the Verbena and Gamolia communities and in Post prior to her marriage in 1928 to Tom W. Bouchier, who preceded her in death.

A lifetime member of the First Baptist Church, she was a Sunday school teacher and worked as a bookkeeper for many years with her husband, who managed the Higginbotham-Bartlett Lumber Company in Post. She and her husband were active in many community organizations.

Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law, Ronald and Linda Bouchier of Houston; one foster daughter and son-in-law, Yolanda and Julio Arnado of Panama City, Panama, and San Jose, Costa Rica; three grandchildren: Ryla B. Bouchier of Houston, Ronald Lew Bouchier of Austin and Thomas Blair and Janice Bouchier of Houston; one great-granddaughter, Catherine Nicole Bouchier of Houston; nieces, nephews, and grand and great-grandnieces and nephews. Also, she is survived by a special friend, Nancy

Gordon of Post, and her children - Doug, Maggie, Nick and Abby Flanigan.

Serving as pallbearers will be Blair Bouchier, Lew Bouchier, Doug Flanigan, Nick Flanigan, Mark Kirkpatrick, Drew Kirkpatrick and Lee Norman. Bob Collier will be honorary pallbearer.

The family has suggested that in lieu of flowers memorials be made in the name of Buena Bouchier to the First Baptist Church, 402 W. Main St., Post, TX 79356 or The Christian School, First Baptist Church, 402 W. Main Street, Post, TX 79356.

## Bill Thomas

Services for Bill Thomas, 77 of Post were 2 p.m. Saturday, May 25, 2002 at the First United Methodist Church of Post. The Rev. Lloyd Stice officiated and Rev. Will Thomas, Methodist Chaplain and son of Bill assisted. Military graveside rites followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home of Post.

Thomas died Tuesday, May 21, 2002. He was born September 11, 1924 at Calhoun Falls, South Carolina to Warren Howard and Ira (Blanchet) Thomas. He attended school at Calhoun Falls and attended Clemson University. He served in the US Army Air Corp during WWII and received one Silver Star. He served in the Mediterranean Theater.

After returning from the service he later came to Post from Tarbell, N.C. to work for the Postex Cotton Mill. He married the former Lois Byrd October 5, 1955 at Lovington, New Mexico.

They made their home in Post and in 1956 returned to South Carolina to work for Burlington Industries. They later returned to Post and he was supervisor at Postex Cotton Mill until it closed. At that time he went to work for American Cotton Growers in Littlefield and retired in 1989.

At that time he returned to Post and was active in the local John Miller VFW Post #6797. He served as Quarter Master until his death. He assisted in conducting many military graveside services for his comrades who served there country in the Military. He was a life long Methodist.

Survivors include his wife, Lois of Post. Three sons: Will and wife Winnie of Atlanta, Ga., Russ and wife Eri of Circleville, Ohio and Warren and wife Sandee of Jasper, Alabama.

Two daughters: Anna and husband Frank Scarcello of San Marcos, California and Judy and husband Steve Redinger of San Antonio.

Two sisters: Jenny Merritt of Spokane, Washington and Toby and husband Leroy Power of North Augusta, South Carolina.

Ten grandchildren: Emily Thomas, Kaili Thomas, Amanda Thomas, Kelly Scarcello, Kimberly Redinger, Dylan Thomas, Sami Scarcello, Zachary Redinger, Ian Thomas and Megan Thomas also survive him.

Pallbearers were be Frank Scarcello, Steve Redinger, Ian Thomas, Joe Swindoll, Lewis Ammons, Tim Ryle, Edward Byrd and Randy Ammons.

## B.F. (Billy) Cox

Graveside services for Billy Cox, 90, of Pinetop, Ariz., were held at 3 p.m. Saturday, May 25, 2002, in the Terrace Cemetery in Post with Dr. Gene Hendrix officiating. Hudman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

He died Thursday, April 25, in Snowflake, Ariz. Memorial services were held Saturday, April 27, at the Owen Mortuary Chapel in Sholow, Ariz.

He was born Sept. 11, 1911, in Snyder. His family moved to Post in 1917 where he lived until 1930 when he moved to Arizona. He married LaVonne Boldin in 1937. They lived in Menard County for 14 years where he ranches. They returned to Arizona in 1956, where he was associated with the First National Bank of Arizona until his retirement in 1976.

Survivors include his wife of 65 years; two daughters, Dorrit White of San Antonio and Nina Burford of Denver; two sisters, Gladys Hendrix of Post and Barbara Jones of El Paso; one brother, Robert Cox of Post; and three grandsons, Nathan Burford and wife, Julie, of Denver, Jake Burford of Denver and Monty White of Denton.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Morris Cox, and one sister, Mabel Green.

# Post Devotional Page

## Facts About The BIBLE BY JOHN LEHTI

### THE JUDGES OF ISRAEL

BEFORE THE ADVENT OF KINGS THE LEADERS AMONG THE ISRAELITES WERE JUDGES. THESE WERE THE HEROES WHO GUIDED AND GUARDED THE PEOPLE FROM THEIR MANY ENEMIES. THERE WAS OTHNIEL OF JUDAH, DELIVERER OF ISRAEL FROM THE MESOPOTAMIANS, AND EHUD, WHO EXPELLED THE MOABITES AND AMMONITES, AND BARAK, WHO LED NAPHTALI AND ZEBULUN TO VICTORY AGAINST THE CANANITES. ALL TOLD THERE WERE TWELVE OF THEM. THE PERIOD OF THE JUDGES HAS BEEN CALLED ISRAEL'S IRON AGE. IT WAS, TO SAY THE LEAST, A CRUEL AND BLOODY ERA. IN FACT, IT CAN BE SURMISED THAT A STATE OF ANARCHY EXISTED WHEN ONE REALIZES THAT MOST OF THE TALES OF THESE JUDGES WERE PREFACED BY THE STATEMENT, "IN THOSE DAYS THERE WAS NO KING IN ISRAEL, BUT EVERY MAN DID WHAT WAS RIGHT IN HIS OWN EYES." ALSO, THESE JUDGES DID NOT FORM AN UNBROKEN SUCCESSION OF RULERS, BUT APPEARED SPORADICALLY. THEY WERE OFTEN LOCAL HEROES WHOSE COURAGEOUS DEEDS SPREAD BY WORD OF MOUTH ONLY IN THEIR LOCAL DISTRICTS. FOR INSTANCE, SHAMGAR, DESTROYER OF SIX HUNDRED PHILISTINES, WAS NOT KNOWN THROUGHOUT ALL THE TRIBES ALTHOUGH HE HAS BEEN RATED A SAVIOR OF ALL ISRAEL.



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# Opinions



## And thereafter, do we want democracy?

by Walter E. Williams

What's so good about democracy — generally understood as having trust in the general will of a democratic people, as expressed by a vote of the majority, to make all important decisions? If a majority of our 535 congressmen votes for one measure or another, is that all right with you?

You say: "What's the story, Williams? Is there a better method of making important decisions?" I say yes, but let's first decide whether we'd really like rule as a criterion for making important decisions. Suppose you're making the important decision to marry.

Would you like the decision about whom you marry to be made through a democratic procedure where what the majority of Americans think determines whom you marry? How about using the democratic process to decide what we have for Thanksgiving dinner?

Majority rule determines whether everyone has turkey, or ham, or duck, or capon. Once the vote is taken and, say, turkey wins, everyone is obliged to serve turkey. You say, "C'mon Williams, when people say they're for democracy, they don't mean private decisions!" You're probably right. Indeed, if democratic procedures were applied to those private areas of our lives, we'd see it as nothing less than tyranny.

That's one important problem with democracy: It creates an aura of moral legitimacy for acts that would otherwise be considered tyranny. That's precisely why our Founders thought a Bill of Rights was a crucial protection. Thomas Jefferson said, "The majority, oppressing an individual, is guilty of a crime, abuses its strength, and by acting on the law of the strongest breaks up the foundations of society."

So we should ask what life decisions should and should not be made through the political process. Should a democratic process determine how much I put aside out of my weekly earnings for food? What about housing? What about for my daughter's education? You say, "Williams,



majority

that's your business and none other."

Then I ask why it isn't also my business how much of my weekly earnings is set aside for retirement. In our country, how much is set aside for retirement is, as Jefferson might put it, criminally determined by Congress through Social Security laws.

Democracy was viewed with disgust by most of the nation's founders. Alexander Hamilton said: "We are now forming a Republican form of government. Real liberty is not found in the extremes of democracy, but in moderate governments. If we incline too much to democracy, we shall soon shoot into a monarchy, or some other form of dictatorship."

In Federalist Paper 10, arguing for a constitutional republic, James Madison said, "... democracies have ever been spectacles of turbulence and contention; have ever been found incompatible with personal security or the rights of property; and have in general been as short in their lives as they have been violent in their deaths."

John Adams said: "Remember, democracy never lasts long. It soon wastes, exhausts and murders itself. There never was a democracy yet that did not commit suicide." U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice John Marshall said, "Between a balanced republic and a democracy, the difference is like that between order and chaos."

The observation about democracy that I like best was that of H.L. Mencken: "Democracy is a form of worship. It is the worship of jackals by jackasses."

When the Founders thought of democracy, they saw democracy in the political sphere — a sphere strictly limited by the Constitution's well-defined and enumerated powers given the federal government.

Substituting democratic decision-making for what should be private decision-making is nothing less than tyranny dressed up.

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## He spoke for a nation

by Vin Suprynowicz

It's a different Memorial Day, 2002. This first weekend of summer has long since become a time of picnics and barbecues and trips to the beach. To their credit, Americans never actually forgot the sacrifices of those who gave the final measure to protect the freedoms we now hold so casually.

But their sacrifices were safely pigeonholed in a brief ceremony at the cemetery, a few moments of young kids scrambling to pass out flags in the sun ... even that, these days, more often than not observed on TV. More convenient that way. Not so distressing. The corpses of the frozen dead at Choisin Reservoir or massacred at Malmedy?

Another world. Memorial Day, 2002 was supposed to be another holiday like that. Proper lip service to the sacrifices of America's heroes, you understand ... but they would be, as ever, heroes distantly remembered, symbols conveniently abstract, words of some historic speech memorized and recited by the best student in the class.

That was the way it was supposed to be, the way we expected it to be, again as ever ... up through September 10th, anyway. The formulations came trippingly to the tongue: "Our boys at the front" ... "Our men and women in uniform." Of course, America's independence was won because the French threw in on our side, those many years ago.

Franklin couldn't convince King Louis' ministers to do that till the colonials proved they could win a real pitched battle against British regulars — not just some skirmish against a sleepy mercenary garrison, like Trenton or Princeton. A real battle to prove our Revolution had a chance of success.

Washington couldn't produce that victory — he was busy fighting a competent but doomed withdrawal from Philadelphia before Lord Howe's superior advancing army, in that late summer and fall of 1777.

No, the one vital, necessary victory was won by the Revolution's greatest hero, New Haven shopkeeper Benedict Arnold, not even officially in command, grievously wounded but rising again and again, rallying the troops from the front as one horse after another was shot from beneath him, rallying his forces to defeat an army of stunned British regulars emerging from the northern New York forest at Saratoga under the command of General "Gentleman Johnny" Burgoyne.

"(start ital)What(end ital) forces?" both Ambassador Franklin and King Louis of France wanted to know. Washington had the entire regular Continental Army with him at Philadelphia. (start ital)What(end ital) army had won the great battle at Saratoga?

No army, came the answer. Men without uniforms. American farmers in homespun, answering their country's call. The militia. Plenty of America's heroes do wear uniforms. Americans have again seen the full measure of their bravery, as Navy SEAL Neil Roberts found himself alone on the ground in Afghanistan March 3, and seeing no other way, decided to take the fight to the enemy.

He was still fighting long after the ammunition was gone. Not knowing for sure that Roberts had already earned his medal and his flag, the First Platoon of Alpha Company, 1st of the 75th Rangers, dropped in to join the rescue mission, climbing to a 12,000-foot ridgeline under fire.

There, Rangers like Bradley Crose and Matthew Commons of Boulder City, Nevada again reminded Americans what is meant by the full measure

of devotion. But, as in all our wars, not all America's military heroes today wear uniforms. Todd Beamer, 32, was an Oracle Inc. executive from Hightstown, N.J. Jeremy Glick, 31, was a sales manager for Vividence, an Internet service provider.

Thomas Burnett, Jr., 38, was CEO of a California firm that manufactures medical devices. Mark Bingham, 31, a 6-foot-4 giant with the San Francisco Fog amateur rugby team. All four were on United Airlines Flight 93 when it left Newark bound for San Francisco at 8 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11.

The plane never arrived. Hijackers armed with knives seized the flight, turned it around somewhere near Cleveland, headed for their chosen target in Washington, D.C. Todd Beamer's wife, Lisa, says he had a contagious catchphrase everyone knew him by. "That's Todd," she said, upon receiving a call from the GTE supervisor who had talked to Beamer on his cell phone during the last 13 minutes of Flight 93's journey.

"My boys even say that. When we're getting ready to go somewhere, we say, 'C'mon guys, let's roll.' My little one says, 'C'mon, Mom, let's roll.' That's something they picked up from Todd."

After making her promise to call his wife and their two boys, David, 3, and Andrew, 1, Todd Beamer told GTE supervisor Lisa Jefferson that he and the others, finding themselves separated from the main body of the 38 passengers and herded together at the back of the hijacked Boeing 757 — and now aware thanks to their cell phones of what had happened to three other hijacked flights that day — had decided they were not going to stand by and remain mere pawns in the hijackers' plot.

Without uniforms, without orders, disarmed by a government that seems to have temporarily forgotten what it is that's "necessary to the security of a free state," Todd Beamer, Jeremy Glick, Thomas Burnett Jr., and Mark Bingham may not even have thought of themselves as militia.

But as Todd Beamer extracted his promise that Jefferson would call his family, as he dropped the phone, leaving the line open so the phone company supervisor could hear his final words, as he headed for the front of the plane to force it down in a remote strip mine area of Somerset County, 80 miles southeast of Pittsburgh, Todd Beamer spoke for a nation.

He said, "Let's roll." And then there was silence. Lisa Jefferson hung up the phone at 10 a.m. Eastern Standard Time, realizing no more would be heard from Flight 93. Memorial Day.

The bugles blow, laughing children place flags on the graves of the fallen, the surviving comrades of the silent dead squeeze into too-tight uniforms (could they ever really have been so thin?) to march a block or two beneath the flag.

But today the dead are no longer so distant. In that one brief moment, Todd Beamer and Jeremy Glick, Thomas Burnett Jr. and Mark Bingham ceased to be "civilians." Surely they've earned their medals and their flags — and surely those who follow in their footsteps should no longer be disarmed by their own government — do you think?

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## Of Cowboys and Terrorists

by Daniel New

Talk to me about Terrorists, and let me tell you about Indians. I don't mean the basket-weavers or the mound dwellers. I don't mean the Navajo or the Alabama Coushatta. I'm talking about what used to be called the "bloodthirsty savages of the plains," or the "ravaging hordes of the forests of the north." Specifically, I'm thinking the Apache and Comanche, since we had a little experience with those two tribes here in Texas.

When I dutifully attended college and university, I listened with patience to my bleeding heart professors who strove to tell me that the Indian was a "noble savage," a misunderstood and mistreated victim of Anglo exploitation. They told me a lot of things that later reading of older history books has refiled in the memory banks, from "history" to the realm of "fiction" where it belongs.

But I can't help thinking these days that there may not be one single thing you can say, in a general way, about terrorists, that could not also be said about Indians in the late 19th Century! Think about it.

According to my professors, those "Noble Savages" were simply trying to hold to a code that we Anglos did not understand. Well, wouldn't you agree that the 21st Century Terrorist is holding to a code that we don't understand?

"The Indian," they said, "is really a very responsible citizen within his own society, it's just different." Misunderstood. Well, there are those who say that radical fundamental Muslims are good family men, responsible, just different. Misunderstood.

We were told that the Indian was defending his turf from those who invaded his land. I think most Muslims will tell you they were in Palestine for a long time before the Jews came. From their point of view, they have been invaded, and they want it back.

We were told that what seemed harsh and cruel to us was simply a lifestyle among the primitive Indian, and that they neither gave nor asked for quarter. Well, what Terrorists think is effective warfare seems pretty harsh and cruel to most Americans. And I've never heard of one yet asking for quarter.

I am told the Indian was no coward, he simply fought a different lifestyle, he fought to the death, and he expected to die violently. You've read the eulogies to the bravery of the Terrorist, who seems to be cut from the same mold as the wild Indian.

So you go ahead and think of something that was, in general, true of the "wild" Indian of the prairie. I'll bet you that there will be others around who will be able to apply it, in general, to the revolutionary Muslim.

Okay, drag it out as far as you like. When we're all done comparing, if you accept my premise that there are many striking similarities between Indians in the 1800's and Terrorists in the 2000's, then let's look at solutions.

The Yankees in Washington in the 1800's had one approach, which was containment, reform, education, reservations, and rehabilitation. It subjected the survivors to untold humiliation, loss of self respect, dependence and alcoholism, and that debacle continues to this day.

Texas used a different approach. It was called annihilation. The losers died with their honor intact, the way they lived. They were not ashamed. The survivors assimilated.

Washington Yankees are still controlling the policy toward "marauding terrorists," and still cannot find its way out of the bureaucracy to change the way it has always dealt with enemies. Reason, logic, good intentions, and money thrown all at once at the problem. Rebuilding plans even before the bombs fall.

We haven't played Cowboys and Terrorists yet. Give us a holler down here in Texas, when you'll get serious about resolving this problem.

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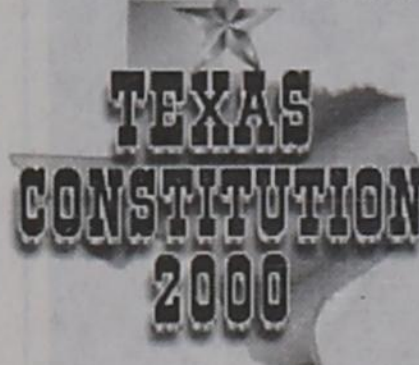
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Justin Acevedo is the eighteen-year-old son of Oscar and Sue Acevedo. He is undecided about his future plans.

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**Allen Bell**

Allen Bell is the eighteen-year-old son of Linda and Willie Bell. After high school he plans to leave Post, get a good paying job, and attend Cisco Junior College.

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**Jeremy Landon Bland**

Jeremy Landon Bland is the eighteen-year-old son of John and Shirley Bland. Jeremy plans to go to WTC to be a golf course landscaping technician.

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Willis Blake Brown is the eighteen-year-old son of Debra Brown. After he graduates, he plans to work very hard and go into some kind of business for himself and his family.

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**Heather Bullard**

Heather Nicole Bullard is the 17 year-old daughter of Kathryn Bullard. She plans to attend Midland College and major in drama and continue at the University of Texas.

**Giles & Nelda Dalby**



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Erika Bustoz is the eighteen-year-old daughter of Ernie Bustoz and Mari Bustoz. She plans to join the Army to study labor and delivery nursing.

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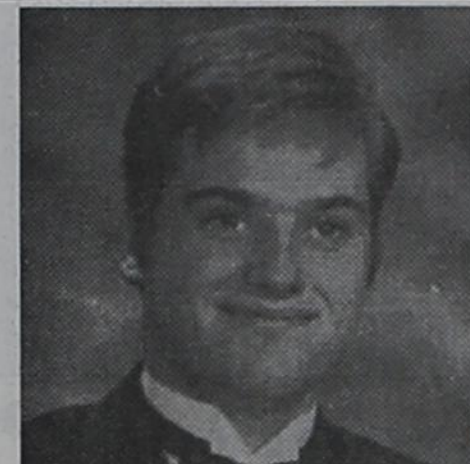
Roland Castaneda is the seventeen-year-old son of Ruthann Castaneda. He plans to attend college, graduate, and become a coach and possibly play baseball in the major or minor leagues.

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**Chanda Clay**

Chanda Clay is the eighteen-year-old daughter of Sharon Drones. She plans on leaving Post and making something of herself.



**Jay B. Cole**

Jay B. Cole is the seventeen-year-old son of Tommy and Rosemary Cole. He plans to join the Marines.

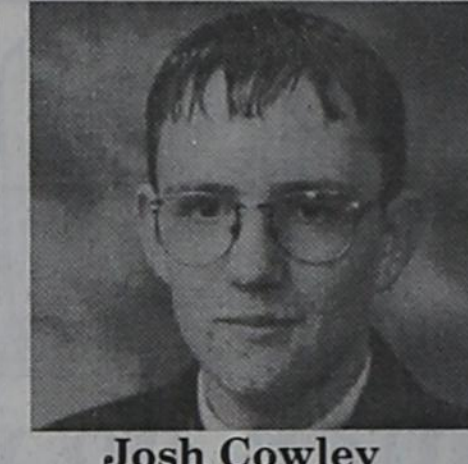
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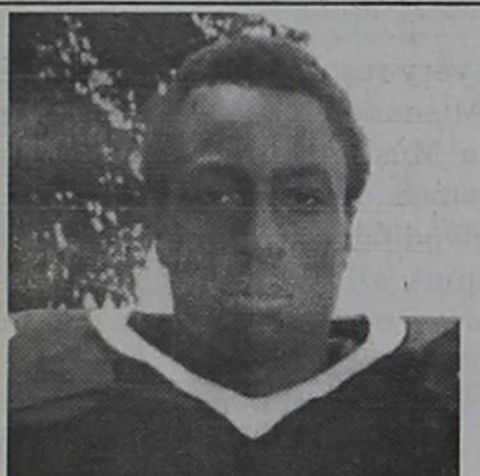
Josh Cowley is the eighteen-year-old son of Debbie Cowley and the late Donnie Cowley. He plans to attend UTI in Houston.



**Tisha Ann Cowley**

Tisha Ann Cowley is the eighteen-year-old daughter of Debbie Cowley. Tisha plans to attend Western Texas College in Snyder and earn an associate's degree in early childhood education.

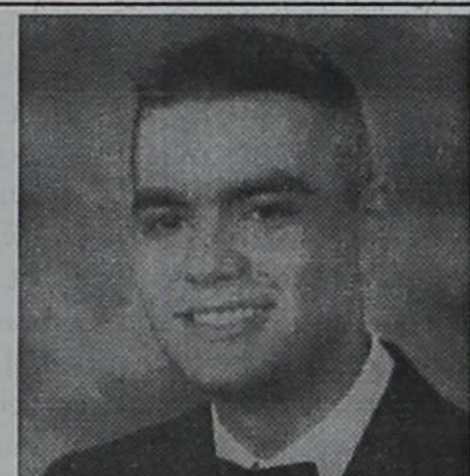
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**Jonathan Curtis**

Jonathan Curtis is the seventeen-year-old son of Linda Bell. He plans to attend Blinn College.

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**A.J. Dickman**

A.J. Dickman is the eighteen-year-old son of Aaron Dickman. After high school, he plans to attend Texas Tech University, be successful, and have fun.

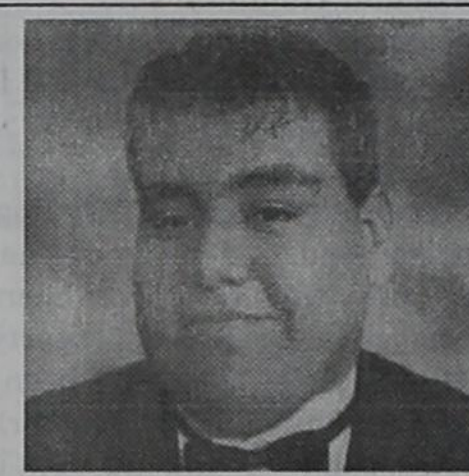
**Leslie Acker**



**Gary Louis Eaton**

Gary Louis Eaton is the eighteen-year-old son of Silvia Cruz and Gary Eaton. Gary plans to join the Navy then pursue a career in the medical field.

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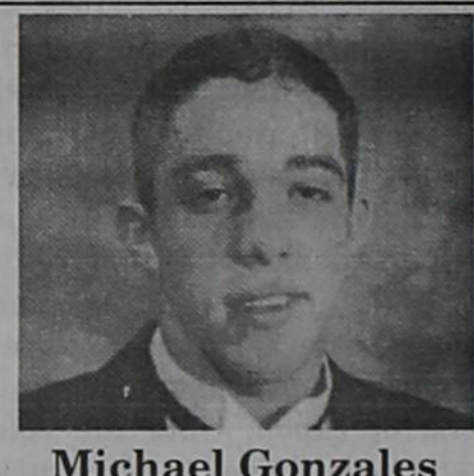
Rodney Flores is the eighteen-year-old son of Jearid and Terry Stratford and the late Bobby Flores. In the future Rodney plans to work for a year and then attend college at San Angelo for massage therapy.



**Samantha Foreman**

Samantha Foreman is the 18 year-old daughter of Linda Joann Foreman of Post and John David Foreman of Spur. She plans to attend Tarleton University to pursue a degree in the medical field.

**Curtis & Tommie Williams Psalms 91**



**Michael Gonzales**

Michael (Mikey) Gonzales is the eighteen year old son of Jackie Gonzales and the late Michael Gonzales. Mikey plans to attend WTC and major in drama.

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**Naomi Gonzales**

Naomi Annette Gonzales is the eighteen-year-old daughter of Tommy and Julie Gonzales. After graduation she plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in Management Information Systems.

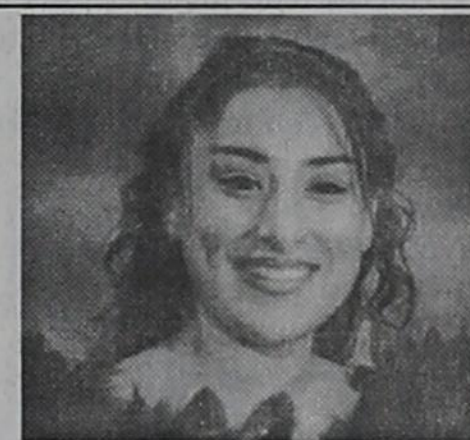
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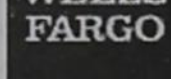
Elizabeth A. Hernandez is the eighteen-year-old daughter of Esther Hernandez and the late Santiago Hernandez. Elizabeth plans to go to work when she gets out of high school and then move and go to college in Austin.

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**Manuela Hernandez**

Manuela Hernandez is the eighteen-year-old daughter of Carlton and Yolanda Jolly. "Manny" plans to attend college, major in nursing, and eventually start a family.



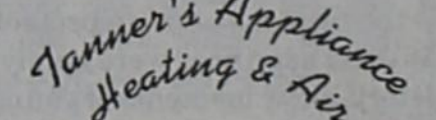
**Angela Hester**

Angela Hester is the eighteen-year-old daughter of Shorty and Carol Hester. She plans to attend South Plains College in the fall and pursue a career in family studies.



**Michael Huff**

Michael Huff is the eighteen-year-old grandson of Linda Curb. After high school, Michael plans to graduate from college with a degree in physical education.



**Tandi Humble**

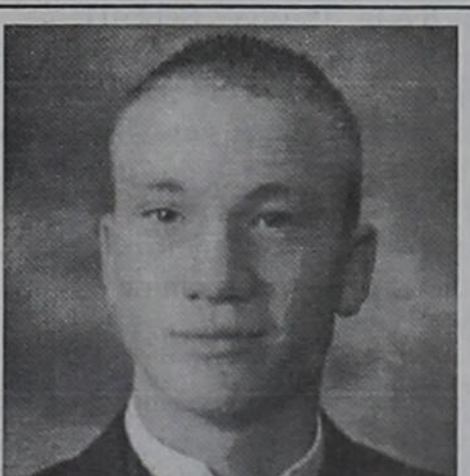
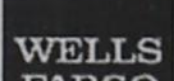
Tandi Humble is the eighteen-year-old daughter of Pam Humble and Fred Humble. She plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in food and nutrition.

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**LaRinda Ledbetter**

LaRinda Ledbetter is the eighteen-year-old daughter of Bruce and Debbie Ledbetter. After high school she plans to move to Lubbock and attend South Plains College to be a surgical technician.



**Brandon Massey**

Brandon Massey is the nineteen-year-old son of Greg Massey and Judy Lund. After high school he plans to join the United States Navy and be a diesel mechanic.

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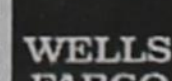
Kimberly Meagan McClain is the 18 year-old daughter of Al Craig and Sherri Craig and the spouse of Marc McClain. She plans to care for her family and finish her degree in web design at South Plains College.

**Wells Pharmacy**



**Meagan Mills**

Meagan Mills is the eighteen-year-old daughter of Larry and Kim Mills. She plans to attend college, major in education, and get her masters in counseling.



**Jessica Montanez**

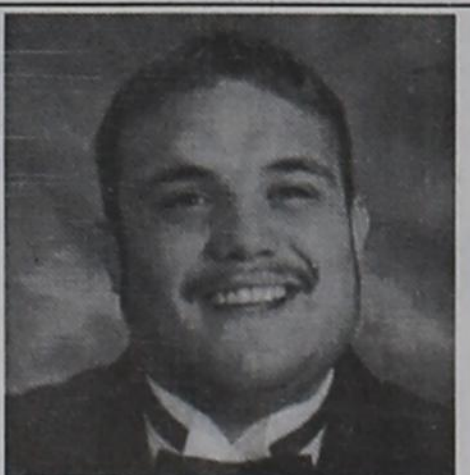
Jessica Montanez is the seventeen-year-old daughter of Juan and Esthela Montanez. She plans to attend Western Texas College in Snyder, then to Covenant Nursing School in Lubbock.



**Kelly Moore**

Kelly Moore is the eighteen-year-old daughter of Jodi Moore and Brad Moore. When Kelly graduates, she plans to attend college and major in nursing.

**CitizensBANK**



**Lazaro Moreno**

Lazaro Moreno is the eighteen-year-old son of Sandra and Fernando Moreno. He plans to work as soon as he gets out of high school.



**Heather Palmer**

Heather Palmer is the eighteen-year-old daughter of Deb and Gina Palmer. She is undecided about where she will attend college, but she would like to major in nursing.

**United Supermarkets**



**Yolanda Perez**

Yolanda Perez is the nineteen-year-old daughter of Beatrice Perez. She plans to enjoy life day by day.



**Amanda Quintana**

Amanda Quintana is the seventeen-year-old daughter of Lupe and Adelina Quintana. She plans to attend South Plains College in Levelland to become a surgical technician.

**United Supermarkets**



**Shalana Reed**

Shalana Reed is the eighteen-year-old daughter of R.C. and Helen Curtis. She plans to attend college and major in childcare.







**Danny Reiter**

Danny Reiter is the eighteen year old son of Jackie Reiter and Becky Beggs. He plans to attend Abilene Cisco Junior college.

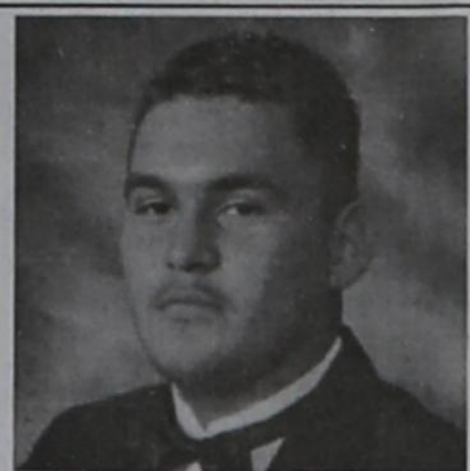
**Strawn Transport**



**Abel Reyna**

Abel Reyna is the eighteen-year-old grandson of Felis and A.T. Reyna. After he graduates, Abel plans on going to school to be a successful auto mechanic.

**Palmer Oil Field**



**Hector Reyna**

Hector Reyna is the nineteen-year old son of Felis and A.T. Reyna. He plans to attend Cisco Junior College.

**Justice-Mason Funeral Home**



**George Rivera**

George Rivera, Jr. is the nineteen-year-old son of George and Sarah Rivera. George plans to search for a good job.



**Alejandro Rodriguez**

Alejandro Rodriguez is the seventeen-year-old son of Armando and Susan Rodriguez. He plans to work.



**Ricardo Saucedo**

Ricardo Saucedo is the eighteen-year-old son of Ricardo and Julia Saucedo. He plans to go to college.

**The Norman Agency**



**Emily Smith**

Emily Smith is the eighteen-year-old daughter of Perry and Kelly Smith. Emily plans to attend South Plains College and major in agri-business.

**Mason Bros. Construction**



**Veronica Rae Soto**

Veronica Rae Soto is the eighteen-year-old daughter of Norma Soto and the late Ray Soto. She plans to work her way through college and get a degree in journalism.

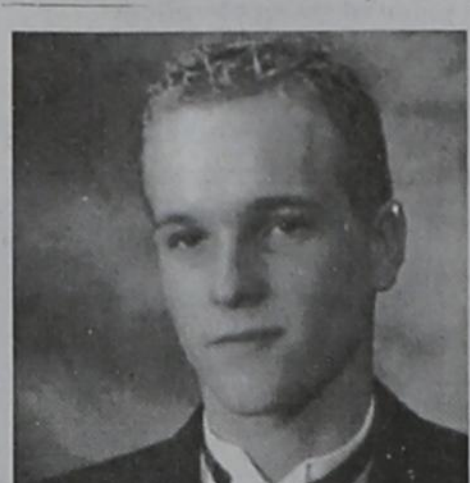
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**Tammy Kaylyn Sparks**

Tammy Kaylyn Sparks is the eighteen-year-old daughter of Jessie Raben and Ned Sparks. Tammy plans to attend Texas Tech, obtain a degree in psychology, and become a child psychologist.

**Rocker A**



**Waylon Strawn**

Waylon Strawn is the eighteen-year-old son of Jay and Susan Strawn. Waylon plans to attend Wyo-Tech in Wyoming and become a gas and diesel mechanic.



**Mariana Torres**

Mariana Torres is the seventeen-year-old daughter of Margarita and Miguel Torres. She is undecided about her future plans.

**H&M Dirt Contractors**

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## Southland High School Class of 2002



**Asia Alomari**

Asia Alomari, daughter of Doraide Alomari and Tammye Alomari, plans to attend South Plains College and obtain a nursing degree.

**Giles & Nelda Dalby**



**Kelly Evan Butler**

The son of Dan and Rhonda Butler, Kelly Evan Butler plans to go to college and major in agriculture.

**B & T Feed Store**



**Christina Colegio**

Christina Colegio, daughter of George and Susan Colegio, plans to attend South Plains College where she wants to major in psychology.

**Tea Rose Quilts & Gifts**



**Zach Ford**

The son of Jack and Becky Ford, Zach Ford plans to attend college and major in agriculture.

**Post Heating & Air Conditioning**



**Jacob Gonzales**

Son of Olivia Magallanes and Ruben Solis, Jacob Gonzales plans to attend Western Texas College prior to moving on to the University of Texas at Austin.

**Parmer Motor Co.**



**Clint Johnson**

Clint Johnson, son of Mike Johnson and Clarice Johnson, plans to work on a ranch where he will train horses.

**Colvin Welding**



**Jace Roye Martin**

Jace Roye Martin is the son of Joey and Marcie Martin. He plans to join the U.S. Marines.

**H&M Dirt Contractors**



**David Martinez**

David Martinez, son of Silvia Padilla and Freddie Martinez, plans to attend Texas Tech and major in wildlife management before moving on to law school at the University of Texas.

**Holly Bros. of Post**



**Phillip Parras**

Phillip Parras is the son of Phyllis Parras. His plans include attending South Plains College.

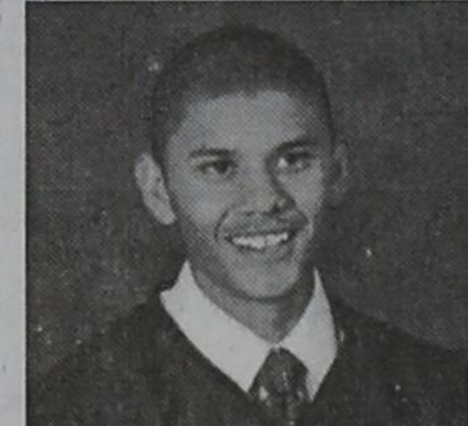
**Germania Insurance**



**Thomas Powell**

The son of James and Dana Powell, Thomas Powell plans to attend South Plains College and become a certified mechanic.

**Vibes**



**Gonzalo Ramirez**

Gonzalo Ramirez, son of Stephanie Ramirez and Eddie Rocha, has enlisted in the U.S. Navy and is scheduled to report in July.

**Budget Inn**



**Anna Alicia Reyes**

Daughter of Amador and Irma Vasquez, Anna Alicia Reyes plans to attend college in the South Texas area where she will major in computer information.

**Covenant Home Health**



**April Saldana Sepeda**

April Saldana Sepeda, daughter of Delores Saldana and the late Bibian Saldana, plans to attend South Plains College and go into the medical field.

**Hudman Furniture**

### Alisha McKim magna cum laude at Texas Tech Univ.

Alisha McKim, daughter of Dan and Meg Nelson, received a Bachelor of Science degree in multidisciplinary studies during commencement ceremonies for Texas Tech University held at 9 a.m. May 11, 2002, in Lubbock's United Spirit Arena.

McKim graduated magna cum laude. While attending Tech, she was a member of the Kappa Delta Pi, International Honor Society and the Council for Exceptional Children.

In August, McKim plans to begin teaching fourth grade in the LaVega Independent School District.

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The way to love anything is to realize that it might be lost.  
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—G.K. Chesterton

### Menus

#### Post ISD

May 30- Breakfast - Cereal, toast, fruit, milk  
Lunch - Chicken sandwich, salad, french fries, fruit, choice of milk

#### Garza County Trailblazers

May 30- Pepper steak, rice, squash, salad, wheat roll, pineapple cake  
May 31- Fried chicken, new potatoes, broccoli, tossed salad, biscuit, brownies

### Melissa Williams earns LCU degree

Melissa Williams of Post was one of 270 graduates participating in commencement exercises for Lubbock Christian University on May 4, 2002.

Williams, daughter of Milton and Bilie Williams of Post, graduated with a Bachelor of Science in kinesiology.

While attending LCU, Williams was named to the President's List.

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Pay attention to your enemies, for they are the first to discover your mistakes.

—Antisthenes

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# Borden County High School Class of 2002



**Rika Copeland**  
Rika Copeland, daughter of Brenda and Dan Copeland, plans to attend South Plains College in Levelland where she will major in cosmetology and then to obtain Ben, Bryan & Becky Dee, Janet & Brent



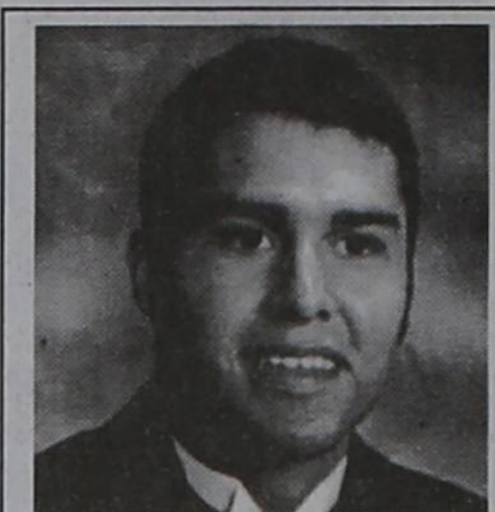
**Jessica Ellison**  
Jessica Ellison is the daughter of Patty Ellison and Brian Ellison. She plans to attend Midland College where she will major in forensic pathology.  
**The Coyote Store**



**Andrea Martinez**  
Andrea Lozano Martinez is the daughter of Dora and Andres Lozano. She plans to take a break prior to going to college.  
**Dr Charles & Dorothy McCook**



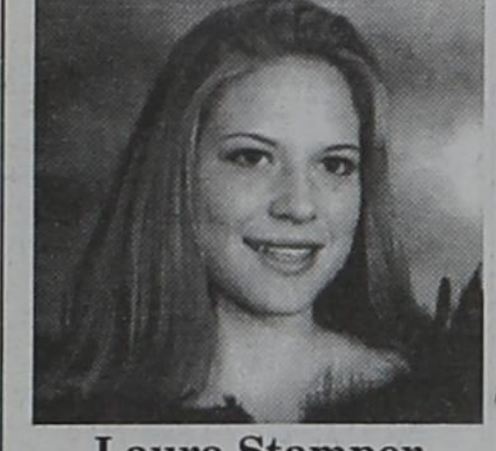
**Cody Navlain**  
Cody Navlain is the son of Jibber and Cindy Herridge of Gail. He plans to pursue a future in landscape architecture and graphic design.  
**Jane & Mack Terry**



**Eduardo Rodriguez**  
Eduardo Rodriguez is the son of Jose and Enriqueta Rodriguez of Gail. He plans to attend WTC and TSU.  
**Twin Cedar Motel**



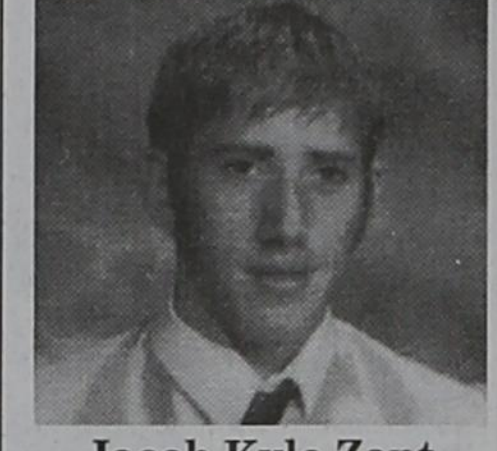
**Miriam Rodriguez**  
Miriam Rodriguez is the daughter of Jose and Enriqueta Rodriguez of Gail. She plans to attend WTC where she will study to become an LVN.  
**A Lock Shop**



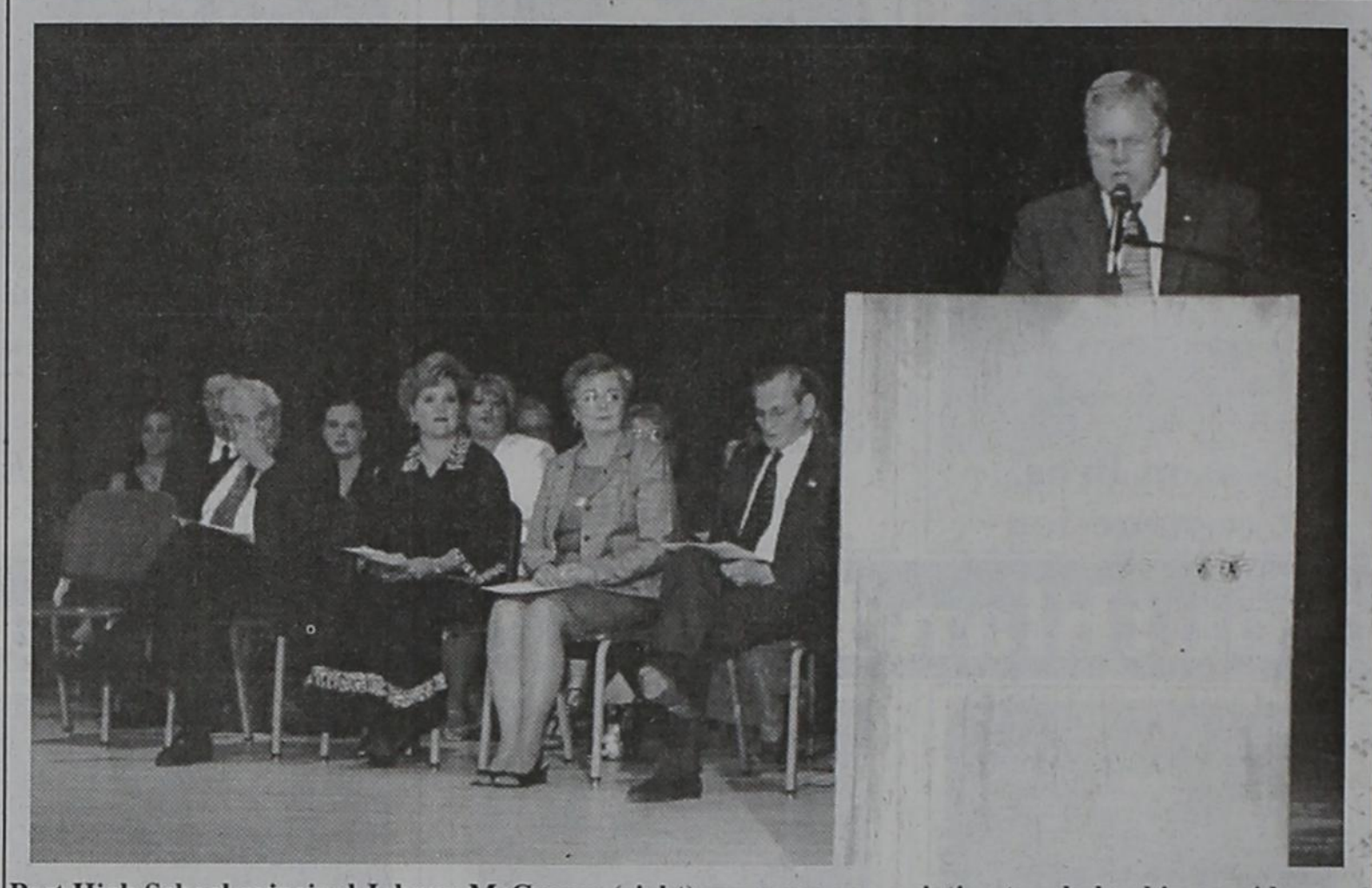
**Laura Stamper**  
Laura Frances Stamper is the daughter of Gregg Stamper and Beth Stamper. She plans to attend Abilene Christian University in Abilene in the fall where she will major in speech and language pathology.  
**York Ranch**



**Tyler Cade Stipe**  
The son of Gary and Connie Stipe, Tyler Cade Stipe plans to attend South Plains College or Texas Tech University. He eventually hopes to become a game warden.  
**The Borden Star**



**Jacob Kyle Zant**  
Jacob Kyle Zant, son of Joe Don Zant Jr. and Debra Kay Milsap, plans to attend Kingsville A&M for two years before moving on to Texas A&M to finish his degree in mechanical engineering.  
**Buchanan Pumping**



Post High School principal Johnny McGregor (right) expresses appreciation to scholarship providers (left) at last week's PHS awards ceremony.



Shaping Success staff members (left to right) Grace Scott, Diane Zubia, center director Willie Thurman and Carol Crenshaw were recently awarded "Top Center" in this area for parent and community volunteer participation. The Post SHAPES center had more volunteer time and contributions from local organizations than any other. Among those volunteers are Pizza Hut, Garza County Sheriff's Department, Dalby Correctional Facility, Tea Rose Quilts & Gifts, Ammons Printing, Family Dollar, CitizensBank and Wells Fargo.

## Area organizations honor graduates with scholarships

Graduating Post High School seniors receiving scholarships at last week's awards ceremony included:

- The Air Force Math & Science Award, presented by Glenn Stanton - recipients, A.J. Dickman, Naomi Gonzales, Chase Miller and Kenda Josey.
- Amity Study Club, presented by Sandra Alexander - recipients, A.J. Dickman (\$500) and Tisha Cowley (\$500).
- The Marion Wheatley Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000), presented by Sandra Alexander - recipient, Tandi Humble.
- The W.F. and Maury Shiver Scholarship, presented by Jack Alexander - recipient, Tandi Humble.
- The Post Rotary Club, presented by Leon Miller - recipients, Meagan Mills (\$250), A.J. Dickman (\$250) and Kelly Moore (\$250).
- The Larry Haynes Jr. Memorial Scholarship, presented by Junior Stelzer - recipients, LaRinda Ledbetter (\$300) and Jeremy Bland (\$300).
- The J.E. and Mayme Durrett Scholarship, given by Maxine Earl in memory of her parents and presented by Lewis Earl - recipients, Meranda Hernandez (\$500) and Tammy Sparks (\$500).
- The Jim and Helen Cornish Memorial Library Scholarship (\$500), presented by Linda Puckett - recipient, Heather Bullard.
- Masonic Lodge, presented by Roy Willis - recipient, Heather Bullard.
- The Post ISD Benevolent Fund, presented by Suzanne Hudman - recipients, LaRinda Ledbetter (\$500) and Tandi Humble (\$500).
- The Danny Foster Memorial Scholarship (\$500), presented by Suzanne Hudman - recipient, Heather Bullard.
- The Post High School Teacher's Scholarship, presented by Suzanne Hudman - recipients, Angela Hester (\$200) and Kim McClain (\$200).
- The Mary Cowdrey Peel Memorial Scholarship (\$3,500), presented by Amy Easterling - recipient, Naomi Gonzales.
- The Xi Delta Rho scholarship (\$300), presented by Jan Acker - recipient, Jessica Montanez.
- The Post Women's Culture Club (\$500), presented by Jan Acker - recipient, Mikey Gonzales.
- The Sonny Gossett Memorial, presented by Barbara Gossett - recipient, Amanda Quintana.
- The Barbara Reece Memorial (\$500), presented by Melanie Morris - recipient, Naomi Gonzales.
- In loving memory of Barbara Reece by Daisy Breedlove (\$200), presented by Melanie Morris - recipient, Naomi Gonzales.
- The Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce (\$500), presented by Tara Williams - recipient, Emily Smith.
- The Pat Ayala Memorial, presented by Leslie Looney - recipient, Michael Gonzales.
- TSTA, presented by Steve Henry - recipient, Tandi Humble.
- Student Council, presented by Suzanne Ferguson - recipient, Meagan Mills.
- James E. Pollard Memorial Scholarship, presented by Nikki Pollard - recipients, Angela Hester (\$250) and Danny Reiter (\$250).
- The Candace Boling Honorary (\$1,000), presented by Nikki Pollard - recipient, Heather Bullard.
- U.S. Army (\$28,000), presented by Staff Sgt. Barnes - recipient, Jay Cole.
- Career Colleges and Schools of Texas (\$1,000), presented by Suzanne Hudman - recipient, Josh Cowley.
- South Plains College, Levelland, presented by Suzanne Hudman - recipients, valedictorian Meagan Mills (full tuition and fees for one year) and salutatorian Tandi Humble (full tuition and fees for one year).
- South Plains College, Levelland, Rodeo Scholarship, presented by Suzanne Hudman - recipient, Emily Smith (full tuition, fees, room and board for one year).
- The Josey World Championship Junior Barrel Race Scholarship (\$500), presented by Suzanne Hudman - recipient, Emily Smith.
- Texas Tech University, presented by Suzanne Hudman - recipient of the Giles & Louise McCrary Endowed Scholarship (\$1,000); Tandi Humble; recipient of the Presidential Endowed Scholarship (\$20,000), Tandi Humble.
- Midland College, presented by Suzanne Hudman - recipient (theater major), Heather Bullard.

## PHS students recognized at awards ceremony

Post High School students earning special recognition at the awards ceremony last week included:

Lauded for perfect attendance at the high school were K'Leigh Babb, Ryan Babb, Allen Bell, Heather Bullard, Jay Cole, Russell Eaton, Jonathan Eilenberger, Tori Gonzales, Kyle Gunn, Travis Hopper and Charles Huffman.

Also, Larinda Ledbetter, Bryan Looney, Zachary Lopez, Niebes Marin, Anthony Merrell, Evan Montanez, Jessica Ordonez, David Lee Rivera, Richard Saucedo, Traven Smith, Jessie Soto, Michael Soto, Tammy Sparks, Will Todd, Colt Vernon and Casey Williams.

Named Mr. and Ms. Post High School were Michael Huff and Meagan Mills.

Recipients of the President's Education Award certificate and pin were A.J. Dickman, Emily Smith, Heather Bullard, Kelly Moore, Kimberly McClain, Manuela Hernandez, Meagan Mills, Meranda Hernandez, Naomi Gonzales and Tandi Humble.

Jana Schwarzkopf received the Citizenship Award.

Named UIL Scholars were Meranda Hernandez, Meagan Mills, Tandi Humble, A.J. Dickman and Naomi Gonzales.

Meagan Mills also was named a State of Texas Honor Graduate and received the Principal's Leadership Award.

Jay Cole received the Ray A. Kroc Youth Achievement Award.

Receiving Honor Graduate plaques were Meagan Mills, Tandi Humble, Naomi Gonzales, Mernada Hernandez, A.J. Dickman, Heather Bullard, Tammy Sparks, Emily Smith, Manuela Hernandez, Kimberly McClain and Kelly Moore.

Meagan Mills and Tandi Humble were tapped for the PHS Scholar Awards.

## Cap Rock Telephone scholarships

Cap Rock Telephone Cooperative, located in Spur, awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to PHS senior Tandi Humble. Cap Rock Telephone established the Scholastic Achievement award in order to play a role in the continuing educational efforts of youths within the Cap Rock service area.

Since the inception of the scholarship award program, Cap Rock has provided \$32,000.00 for area students to continue their education. This year Cap Rock awarded eight \$1000.00 scholarships to young men and women across the area.

## Cody Bain earns A&M degree

Cody Bain, a 1995 Post High School graduate, was recently awarded a master's degree in civil engineering from Texas A&M University at College Station.

Bain, son of Dr. and Mrs. Bobby Bain, received his master's degree with an emphasis in structural engineering on May 10, 2002.

Bain plans to reside in Dallas where he will work for the engineering firm of Hunt and Joiner Inc.

Our country is a spiritual thought that is in our minds. It is the flag and what it stands for, it is its glorious history, it is the fire-side and the home.

—Benjamin Harrison

## Pvt Martinez completes training

Marine Corps Pvt. Steven R. Martinez, son of Estella and Cecil Martinez of Post, recently completed basic training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego.

Martinez successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits, both physically and mentally.

Martinez and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m. by running three miles and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, they spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments, which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat and assorted weapons training.

Martinez and other recruits also received instruction on the Marine Corps' core values - honor, courage and commitment, and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

Martinez and fellow recruits ended the training phase with The Crucible, a 54-hour team effort, problem-solving evaluation which culminated with an emotional ceremony in which the recruits were presented the Marine Corps Emblem and addressed as "Marines" for the first time.

Martinez is a 2001 graduate of Post High School.

## Birthdays This Week

- May 30-Jeff Hood
- June 1 -Angela Tobias, Corey Cruse Sr.
- June 2-Krystal Ayala, Reece Belongia
- June 4-Caroline Poe
- June 5- Tad Taylor, Walter McCauley, Dorothy Mason

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| Best Dribbler           | 3 Point Champion        |
| Best Passer             | Free Throw Competition  |
| Best Shooter            | Hot Shot Competition    |
| Best Rebounder          | Ball Handling Champion  |
| Best Offensive Player   | Lay Up Champion         |
| Best Defensive Player   | Free Throw Runner-Up    |
| Most Improved Dribbler  | Hot Shot Runner-Up      |
| Most Improved Shooter   | Ball Handling Runner-Up |
| Most Improved Rebounder | Lay Up Runner-Up        |

3 Point Runner-Up

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# Teachers...

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Marge Tannehill, a 1959 graduate of Abernathy High, attended Wayland Baptist College in Plainview on a basketball scholarship. She played for the Flying Queens from 1959 to 1962 and earned her B.A. in education in 1966.

Tannehill has taught 34 years. In 1962-64, she was an assistant coach at Abernathy. The Morton ISD was her next teaching endeavor - there she taught physical education in high school (1967-68) and fourth grade (1968-69).

During this period of time, Tannehill also took courses in education from Texas Tech, the University of Texas and the University of Arizona.

Brian Brownlow, Post Middle School principal, was joined by former middle school principals Bud Davis and Marita Jackson in presenting awards and recognizing the two honorees.

Guests included Post ISD Superintendent Dr. Bobby Bain; Post Middle School faculty and staff members; Barbara Hardin, a member of the Post ISD board of trustees; and family members Walter Didway and Lane Tannehill with daughter Traci Stevens and grandson Blace Kirk Stevens.



**DRESSED FOR BIG DAY**

Jennifer Miller (extreme left) and Ruben Casarez (extreme right) were individual winners in "Favorite Character Day" at the junior high school Friday. Also standing is Debbie Wyatt, who was Snow White in the "Snow White and Seven Dwarfs," which won the group award. Kneeling, l. to r., are dwarfs Kelly Mitchell, Donna Josey, Nancy Clary, Gloria Martinez, Cindy Kirkpatrick, Nancy McCowen and Dana Giddens.

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## Sheriff reports 10 arrests

Ten individuals were booked into the Garza County Jail during the past week, according to records provided by the local sheriff's department.

On May 23, three individuals were booked into the jail, including a 34-year-old for possession of marijuana; a 28-year-old for assault (tattoo on a

minor without parental consent); and a 19-year-old for assault, Class C.

Three individuals also were booked into the facility on May 24, including a 46-year-old for a DWI-related commitment; a 22-year-old, commitment; and a 43-year-old on a warrant.

Two arrests were made on May 25, including that of a 31-year-old for DWI/third, and a 40-year-old for assault/family violence.

On May 26, two persons were picked up by law enforcement officials - a 24-year-old and a 27-year-old, both on charges of driving while intoxicated.

## Water...

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out slightly in the commercial sewer fee, offering an across-the-board rate of \$4.75, but local businesses enjoyed a below-average cost of \$6.50 per 50,000 gallons or 200,000 gallons.

The average West Texas sewer rates, residential, were \$10.16 for 5,000 gallons and \$11.71 for 10,000 gallons. Commercial rates averaged \$30.98 for 50,000 gallons, and \$95.41 for 200,000 gallons, according to the TML data comparing water and sewer rates of communities with populations of between 2,000 and 10,000 individuals.

Time cools, time clarifies; no mood can be maintained quite unaltered through the course of hours.

—Thomas Mann

**Puzzle Solution**

# Yesteryears

May 27, 1992  
10 Years Ago

Shane Horton along with his mother Debbie Morris and coach Dewayne Osborne signed a letter of intent accepting a football scholarship to Howard Payne University.

Honor graduates recognized at the awards ceremony last week are Brad McDonald, Jay Mitchell, John David Fields, Tray Payne, Ty Hill, Sara Hudman, Lucie Rodriguez, Raeline Bagby, Misty Bartlett and Wendy Clay. Top honors going to Sara Hudman, salutatorian and Jay Mitchell, valedictorian.

Recent Garza County Jr. Livestock Assn. Horse Show winners were Kim Reiter, Grand Champion Mare; Monty Humble, Reserve Champion Mare and Gelding; and Aaron Cooper, Grand Champion Gelding.

C. David Morrow, a Post native, will tour in an east coast production of "Phantom of the Opera" this summer. Morrow, will tour with a Staton Island based company for six months through various Eastern cities.

Post High School choir and band members will be heading for Austin, June 1 for State U. I. L. competition. Representing choir are Radley Nichols and Sara Hodges, with Lynette Graham and Michael Voss competing in band.

May 27, 1982  
20 Years Ago

The home of Mrs. Verna Robert, 416 W. 10th was struck by lightning last Tuesday night and burned the front portion of the home with the remainder sustaining heavy smoke damage.

The class of '82 "had its dreams" come true Thursday evening at Commencement Exercises. Sixty-seven seniors have answered roll call, including honor students, Pam Riley, valedictorian, Trushell Marts, salutatorian.

Lance Dunn helped the South Plains College livestock judging team to reserve championship at the recent National Agriculture Teachers Assn. livestock meet at Texas Tech.

Seven youngsters from the First Baptist Church were awarded plaques during the recent Bible drill held in Lubbock. The youth division consisted of Trevor Thuett, Tyge Payne, Curtis Williams, Brook Capps, Michael Wells, Rachel Wilson and Kevin Williams.

Eighty-one students will mark the transition from junior high to high school Thursday afternoon.

May 25, 1972  
30 Years Ago

Wacker's "twice as big" new store opened today with a rush of shoppers piling in as soon as the doors were unlocked. The store is built on the site of the one razed by the worst downtown fire in Post's history last fall. Wacker's official pointed out the store has added new departments in shoes, men's clothing and electronics.

Chief of Police Otis G. Shepherd, Jr. was relieved of his duties by the city council at a special meeting last night. Mayor Giles C. McCrary described the council's unanimous action in dismissing Shepherd as "an attempt to create more effective law enforcement cooperation."

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Delroy Odom are the parents of a son Aaron Del, born in Garza Memorial Hospital.

Postings: Wayne Whitten is a pleasant friend of almost everyone on Post's Main Street. He recently was badly hurt by someone and when asked "Who did this to you?" Wayne replied: "I can't tell you because the Bible says not to get other people into trouble." Wayne's answer reveals the human dignity with which he regards his friends. He also should be entitled to even greater understanding.

"So many colleges today have had trouble between "cats" and "cow-boys". This has been our best year, as we have been able to communicate with each other, and we owe it all to Jay Bird." A statement made by Tom Selman, director of student activities at South Plains College. Jay, a PHS graduate was a sophomore agriculture major at SPC and will enroll in TTU next fall.

May 31, 1962  
40 Years Ago

United Super Markets have come to Post with the purchase this week of Wally's Thriftway Market at 112 N. Broadway from Wallace Simpson.

Eddie Stewart of Post pull down a first place in bareback bronc riding Saturday night at the weekly rodeo at Aull's Sports Arena in Lubbock.

Dr. A. C. Surman, pioneer Post physician, underwent major surgery Monday at Ochsner Foundation Hospital in New Orleans. His daughter reports he is "doing fine."

Sixty-five Brownies and Intermediate Girl Scouts plan to attend the first day camp held in Garza County nest Monday at the City-County Park.

The Close City school picnic was held a week ago Wednesday at Mackenzie Park in Lubbock for the 1961-62 school year. Baseball was played and prairie dog town visited before the group returned home.

Elvis Presley's latest fun-filled film is "Follow That Dream," opening Sunday at the Tower Theatre and continuing through Tuesday.

May 29, 1952  
50 Years Ago

Approximately 300 persons jammed the new Camp Post dining room here Saturday at a barbecue honoring Mrs. Marjorie Davies, daughter of C. W. Post, who founded the town some 45 years ago. This visit marked the first time Mrs. Davies had been in Post since 1914.

Pat Walker, Post attorney, has been appointed County Attorney of Garza county effective June 1, Judge H. M. Snowden announced Wednesday.

Edna Mae Blodgett observed her 10th birthday Sunday and was honored with a party in her home.

Brownie Troop Four ended its 1951-52 season with a picnic-hike last Wednesday. Attending were Beverly Young, Laverne (Pinkie) Taylor, Sheila Lawrence, Barbara Lou Barker, Beth Kemp and Judy Altman.

Some 4,000 avid West Texans crowded the Post arena to overflowing Wednesday night to witness the opening night of the eleventh annual Post Stampede Rodeo and see it get off to one of its best starts in years. Highlighting the usual thrills and spills of the rodeo was the Lucas Troupe. This group of talented young performers literally brought the house down with their death defying acrobatic acts.

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