Soto found in Minnesota

Editor's Note: Greg Soto was arrested Wednesday morning (6/26/02) in Minneapolis, Minn. by FBI officials, who reported to the Garza County Sheriff's Department that four year old Sammy Soto is just fine, and now in the care of a children's shelter.

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Sammy's mother Isela Gomez and his maternal grandmother Liva Rodriguez are scheduled to fly to Minneapolis today. Airline travel is being arranged by Missing Children's Network and the Garza County Victim's Assistance Program.

Greg Soto was identified at a traffic stop in Minneapolis.
The following story was written

prior to today's arrest: by Sheri Lewis

Matthew Soto tells his mother every day that his missing 4year-old brother will return.

"He tells me, 'We're gonna get Sammy back," said Isela Gomez, mother of 7-year-old Matthew and the missing boy. "He's so optimistic. He has so much faith. Even when I tell him that sometimes missing children never come home, he tells me, 'Not Sammy. No, not Sammy."

Sammy Soto has been missing since Father's Day, June 16, when authorities say his 33-year-old father, Gregorio 'Greg' Matillas Soto Jr., grabbed the child and disappeared.

As a result of the accusations against Greg Soto, state warrants have been issues against him for aggravated assault and aggravated kidnapping. A federal warrant for unlawful flight to avoid prosecution also has been issued, Lubbock's FBI office supervisor Miles Burden said.

According to sheriff's department reports, Greg Soto called his ex-wife, Gomez, and asked to see the couple's three children -Matthew, Sammy and 17-monthold Destiney - on Father's Day. Soon, he appeared at the home of his former mother-in-law in the 900 block of West 14th where Gomez and the children were staying, demanding to be allowed inside. Gomez had locked the doors and advised her ex-husband to leave. When he refused, Gomez told her oldest child to go to the back of the house and call 9-1-1.

Forced Entry

Greg Soto kicked through the locked screen door to gain entrance to the home and, according to sheriff's department reports, began physically assaulting his former wife. He knocked her down and used her hair to drag her from the living room area and down the hall to where the 7-year-old was using the telephone.

Greg Soto snatched the phone from his oldest son and used the handheld device as a weapon, Gomez said. He hit Matthew with the phone before turning his attention to his ex-wife. Reports indicate that as Greg Soto was striking Gomez with the cordless telephone, she fell into a nearby bathroom, shutting the door behind her in an effort to ward off the attack.

Chief Deputy Tommy Binford said Gomez reported that while she lay in the bathroom floor, she heard someone pick up her car keys in the kitchen. She opened the bathroom door to see Greg Soto struggling with the lock on the back door to the house. Once the door was open, he jumped into the car and was gone.

Gomez last saw the vehicle, a 1997 blue teal Pontiac Sunfire 4-

door with tinted windows, headed north toward Highway U.S. 84. Registered to both Gomez and her mother, Lina Rodriguez, the car had a full tank of gas when it left the driveway. Its tags read C45 WXZ.

Took the child &

car

Because the only telephone in the house had been destroyed during the incident, Gomez said she was headed next door to use a neighbor's phone when Matthew told her that his father had scooped up young Sammy in a football hold and had taken the child with him.

"I didn't even see," Gomez said quietly. "That's what kills me. I didn't even see.... I never saw Sammy in his arms."

Authorities were notified of the incident at approximately 2:36 p.m.

Gomez was treated for a broken nose – six stitches were required to close a vertical wound across the bridge of her nose – and four stitches were administered to a gash on her temple. She also sustained bruises to her arms and body, her mother said.

Rodriguez said her daughter did not hear from Greg Soto until the following evening when he called shortly after 10 p.m. and talked to his ex-wife. Gomez said that during that call, Greg Soto asked her how it felt to be without her youngest son.

"How's it feel?,' he asked me,"
Gomez said. "He told me I kept
him from his kids. 'How does it
feel to be without your child?' But
I never did that. He always knew
where they were. He always
knew they were alive and safe."

Gomez was allowed to talk to her son, who said his father had gotten his some new clothes. The child also said he and his father were planning to make a trip to the San Antonio Zoo.

"Sammy said, 'I miss you,

Free concerts offered here

A series of free concerts will be conducted under the shade trees at the county courthouse thanks to the Post Commerce and Tourism Bureau.

The first concert, which will feature the talents of the String Technicians trio, will be Tuesday, July 9, beginning at 7:30 p.m. on the south lawn of the courthouse. The Levelland group will playing and singing a variety of music, including cowboy, Celtic, light jazz, pop standards, blues and semi-classical.

The String Technicians were organized in 1998 in Amarillo. British-born guitarist, vocalist and composer Joe Gillis arranges

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Mommy," Gomez said, choking back tears. "I want to see you.' I told him, 'I'll see you soon....'
Then I told him, "Close your eyes, and you'll see your mommy there."

Another call, this one to a Soto family member, was made on Tuesday morning, June 18, Rodriguez said. The first call is believed to have been made from somewhere in South Dakota, while the second call came from North Dakota.

Rodriguez said Greg Soto has no known family members in that area of the country.

According to Binford, Greg Soto is believed to have been in contact with some of his family members. In at least one of those calls, he asked that money be sent.

Greg Soto's family has been cooperating with investigators from the sheriff's department, the Department of Public Safety and the FBI.

Federal authorities joined the investigation immediately after it was understood that Greg Soto was believed to have left the state, Burden said.

Greg Soto, 33, is described as being 6' 2" and 195 pounds, with brown eyes and black hair. He has numerous tattoos, including those on his hands, legs, arms and a shoulder, and "a criminal history of assaultive behavior," Binford said.

Only 4 years old

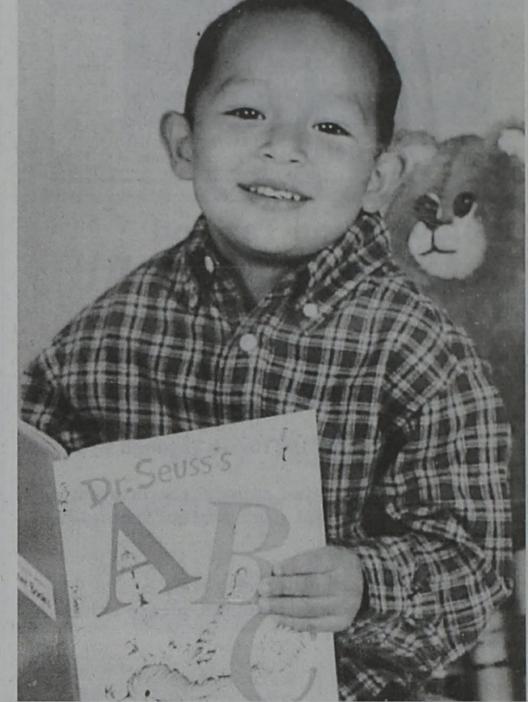
Sammy Soto, who celebrated his fourth birthday in March, is 3' 4" in height and weighs 33 pounds. He has brown eyes, curly brown hair and a birthmark at his beltline on his back. When last seen, the child was wearing blue jeans and a red, white and blue-striped shirt.

He had nothing on his feet – Gomez was helping the 4-year-old with his socks and shoes when his father allegedly broke through the screen door.

"I've tried everything to let him see the kids," said Gomez, who was awarded full custody of the children in the couple's June 7 divorce. "I gave him standard visitation in the divorce. I didn't have to, but I wanted him to see his kids. Regardless of what's happened between us, he needs to be there for the kids....

"I grew up without a dad, and so did he, so it was always very important to us that the kids have their father.... We had agreed we would remain friends."

Burden said investigators are interested in any leads of phone calls that might help bring Sammy Soto home.



Sammy Soto

Making July 4th something special

by Anita Morris

Sept. 11, 2001, was a tragic day in the history of our nation. Our freedom as we knew it seemed to be lost, and fear took its place. This is what terrorism is all about.

Americans did not stand for this. Since that day, the nation seems to have taken on a wonderful outward showing of pride and patriotism. There have been more flags sold and displayed since Sept. 11 than ever before. "God bless America" and "a free nation" has taken on new meaning for many.

Every person in America has been touched in one way or another since that horrible day. Many lost loved ones that day; others had to say goodbye to sons, daughters, fathers, mothers, brothers and sisters that went, once again, to fight for our freedom, while others have the task of keeping our shores safe.

As I watch other countries in the news where there are suicide bombers taking the lives of so many, terror in the streets, fear and starvation in the eyes of children, I am so proud to live in America and to be free. I am proud to live in Post, a small but safe place to raise our children.

I would like to invite everyone in Post and surrounding towns to come help celebrate July 4th, our "Independence Day," at the City Park. Let's gather together to make this the biggest and best Fourth of July in the history of Post. There will be food booths, fun booths, music, a kids parade and fun for the entire family. Activities will start at 5 p.m. and will end with fireworks at dark. See you all there!

Bicycle parade set for July 4th celebration

A decorated bicycle parade for youths of all ages will be held at the City Park on July 4. Prizes will be given for participation, so all area youngsters are encouraged to get their bikes, trikes and riding toys decorated and ready to join in the fun. The parade will begin at 6 p.m.



"Charlotte's Web" cast entertaining at the Garza Theatre are (back row, left to right) Drew Wyatt, Taylor Blevins, Alexander Coor, Zachery Kocurek, Stacy Bocko, Mandi Robnett, Kaci Capps, Abby Mays, Clarissa Baker, Lyndsey Capps, Ronnie Woodard, (front row) Nolan Bryan, Brandon Blevins, Tanner Britton, Leigh Anne Logsdon, Elizabeth Elston, Chasity Rutherford, Savanna Baker, Addison Morris, Tianna Reyna, katie Dunn and Madison Bryan. (Photo by Rebecca Sturgeon)

Post Notes

Car wash, sale helps church youth

The Bethel Assembly of God youth group will hold two fund raising events Saturday, beginning with a garage sale from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 102 W. 5th (just off US Hwy 84) and a car wash at United Supermarket parking lot from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. A youth service is also set for Thursday (6/27) at 7 p.m. at the church, 407 May Street. All youth are welcome.

Church offers meal Friday

Holy Cross Catholic church members are offering chicken, rice and beans from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday. Plates are \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children.

Open House June 24 at My Special Place
My Special Place Christian Preschool and Daycare will be holding an

My Special Place Christian Preschool and Daycare will be holding an open house Monday, June 24 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to tour the facility and enjoy the refreshments.

Class of '62 reunion June 29

The PHS Class of 1962 will hold its reunion Saturday, June 29 beginning at 10 a.m. at CitizensBank community room. Classmates from as far away as Washington and Connecticut will be here to reminisce. If you remember who we are, please drop by for a visit. We all want you to see us!

Country Showdown August 24th

Contestants interested in performing at the August 24 Colgate Country Showdown should visit KPOS Radio website www.postcityradio.net for application information. The show is hosted by KPOS Radio (Classic Cable Channel 12 and 97.7 FM), to be held at the Garza Theatre with The Classics band returning by popular demand. Tickets for the event are \$5 each for reserved seats and may be ordered by calling the Garza Theatre at 495-4005. "Last year was a sellout," KPOS Radio manager Wesley Burnett emphasizes, "it would be a good idea to order your tickets early. The theater only seats 200."

Class of '92 seeks classmate contact

Plans for Post High School Class of 1992 reunion are being made for the weekend of September 20, 2002. Organizers are seeking addresses and phone numbers of classmates. Class of 1992 classmates should call Sandy Allen at 512-797-8757 or Tamra Gerner at 817-426-5257 or e-mail: phs92rules@hotmail.com.

Reward offered by BNSF

Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) is offering a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) involved in the recent theft of a yellow, 5 ft by 8 ft, single-axle utility trailer containing a diesel powered, Lincoln commercial welder, Victor cutting torch assembly and accessories. The trailer was parked near the BNSF Depot in Post, when the theft occurred. If you have information about this theft, please contact the BNSF Railroad Police (800-832-5452) or the Garza County Sheriff's Dept. at 495-3595.

"Charlotte's Web" at Garza Theatre

The Garza Theatre's production of "Charlotte's Web" is getting rave reviews at the theatre. The play continues June 28, 29, 30 and July 5 and 6. Call the box office at 495-4005 for reservations.

Dept of Labor offers help for jobs

People having difficulty finding a job or advanced education are encouraged to consider the WIA program, funded by the Dept of Labor. For more information, call 806-771-3815, extension 284.

July 4th volunteers needed

Volunteer workers are needed for the big July 4th celebration, sponsored by MAD DADS, Inc. Organizations or individuals interested in setting up booths or bands willing to provide music, please call Diana Poe at 495-3069.

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Kelci Hart, Jordan Brock exchange wedding vows

Kelci Alyse Hart of Post and Jordan David Brock of Spearman were wed Saturday, June 15, 2002, in the First Methodist Church in Post with the groom's uncle, James W. Brown, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Royce and Marianne Hart of Post and granddaughter of Mrs. H.H. Hart and Mrs. Paul H. Jones, both of Post. Parents of the groom are Kim and Stephanie Brock of Spearman. Grandparents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Dave Warren of Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Brock of Spearman.

Matron of honor was Katie Duncan of Lubbock, cousin of the bride. Bridal attendants were Janna Brock of Spearman, sister of the groom; Mollie Mankins of Crandall; Malissa De La Garza of Canyon; Lydia Jackson of Duncanville; and Camie Payne and Marci Beene, both of Lubbock.

The attendants wore black gowns. Serving as best man was John Brock of Spearman, the groom's brother. Groomsmen were Jeff Brock of Spearman, brother of the groom; Matt Gillen of Allen; Jenson Gainer of Snyder; Shay Ratliff of Brownwood; Greg Wiggins of Austin; and Reagan Renner of Spearman.

Flower girl was Aliah Warren of Canyon, a cousin of the groom. Ring bearer was Jordan Jones of Plano. Ushers were Patrick and Brady Herbert of Borger, cousins of the groom, L.S. McClain of Snyder and Kevin Hart of Post, brother of the bride.

Program attendants were Meg, Meryl and Mackenzie Brock, cousins of the groom. Janet Herbert of Borger, the groom's aunt, created the floral arrangements and decorations for the ceremony.

Special music was provided by Mrs. Bob Murphy and Mrs. Colby May, cousins of the groom, and L.S. McClain. Songs included "I Fall on My Knees"

For her wedding, the bride chose a white, spaghetti-strapped princessinspired Oleg Cassini gown. The satin corset was accented with beads and Alencon lace motifs. The tulle skirt was embellished with beaded Alencon lace motifs as well. The tulle bridal veil included a matching Alencon lade headpiece.



Mrs Jordan Brock

The bridal bouquet was a mixture of yellow, pink and orange roses centered around a pincushion mum accented with greenery.

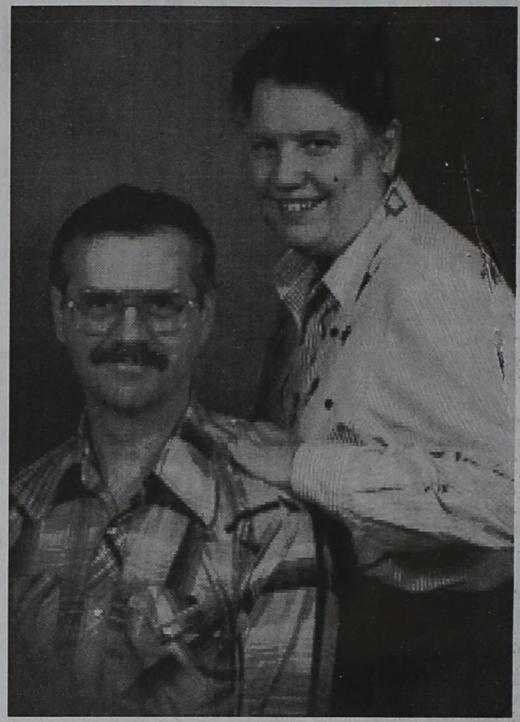
The groom was attired in a black tuxedo with yellow-gold tie and boutonniere. The wedding reception was conducted at the historic Hotel Garza.

Butterflies were released when the bride and groom left, signifying a new beginning.

The bride, a 2000 graduate of Post High School, is a student at Abilene Christian University where she is majoring in accounting.

The groom graduated from Spearman High School in 2000. Also an ACU student, he is a member of the ACU Wildcat football team, majoring in business management.

Following a Jamaican honeymoon, the couple will reside in Abilene.



Joe Shafer and Bobbie Leatherwood

Leatherwood, Shafer announce wedding

Bobbie Leatherwood, daughter of Cleone Coursey of Spur, and Joe Shafer, son of the late Fred and Dot Shafer of Fluvana, announce their engagement and July 4 wedding at the Post Church of Christ. shafer is employed at Golden Plains Care Center in Post.

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Two Post students complete degrees

Two individuals with Post ties received degrees during Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center commencement exercises held May 18 in Lubbock's United Spirit Arena.

Terika Rodriguez Vu, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Ricardo Rodriguez, received a BS in occupational therapy from the School of Allied Health.

Macee Mills, daughter of Larry and Kim Mills, received a BS in communication disorders from the School of Allied Health.

A total of 218 School of Allied Health students received their degrees during the ceremony.

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Stephen R. Ellis, M.D. was awarded Chief Resident's Intern of the Year at the June 14, 2002 awards dinner at the Hustorian Hotel in Houston, Texas. Stephen has been a surgery resident at Christus St. Joseph's Hospital in Honston for the past year. He will be joining the University of Texas Aresthesiology Program in July and plans to pursue a field in Pain Management. Stephen, his wife Sonya and son Cade reside in Pearland, (xas. Stephen is the son of Richard Ellis of Southland and Christine Triggs of Kingwood, Texas. He is also the son-in-law of Jacky and Thressa Harp of

Lacy Williams carries pageant

Former Post resident Lacy Love Williams was crowned Our Diamond Girl in the Our Diamond Miss 2002 Texas State Pageant held June 7-9 in Abilene. She also took home trophies in modeling and talent and the state win in

Special guests attending the state competition included the girl's mother, Mona Williams of Vega, Texas, and grandparents Wanda Dooley of Post and Dixie and Wayne Porter of San Angelo.

Williams and her family moved from Post about three years ago, but would like to send a special thanks to all of her supporters, as well as a special nod to Jerry's Photography, Cathy's Clippers and Trista Mathis, herself a former Our Diamond Miss Texas state title holder.

With the win, Williams is eligible to represent Vega at the national pageant to be held in Oklahoma City July 27-31. She said she is excited about representing Vega and, as a former Postite, Post in the national competition.



"Charlotte's Web" entertains audiences

Web," performed by a 36-member allchildren's cast, is now playing at the Garza Theatre.

children's classic is brought to life by some talented young people and is delightfully funny. Juanetta Bocko is assistant director.

that is befriended by a little girl named Fern and a barnyard full of animals, only to find out he is to especially that of the goose, the become someone's breakfast. Saved by the cunning and intelligent spider, Charlotte, Wilber the pig learns a lesson about love and sacrifice.

Chasity Rutherford delivers an

Elston, is unforgettable. There is received standing ovations. great chemistry between Wilber and Directed by Laura Bryan, this Fern, played by Lyndsey Capps-the kind of chemistry you would expect between a little girl and her pet.

The Arable family, which includes characters played by Joshua Blevins, It's the story about a spring pig Alexandra Coor and Ronnie Woodard, are delightful.

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Shane Walker, a former Post resident and student at the First Baptist Church Christian School, recently graduated at the top of his class at Frenship High School. Walker, the son of Lena Walker of Lubbock and Pat Walker of Lubbock, has been accepted at the prestigious Stanford University in California. Shane delivered the valedictorian address at Frenship's graduation ceremony.

If you don't laugh at troubles, you won't have anything to laugh at when you grow old. -Edward W. Howe

A prudent man does not make the goat his gardner. —Hungarian Proverb

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Richard Hudman graduated May 10, 2002 from Amarillo College with an Associate Degree in Morltuary Science. Richard graduated with highest

honors for maintaining a 3.8 or above grade average while attending his studies. He was a member of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society for Junior Colleges. He has successfully passed his national board exams and is

currently serving his apprenticeship with Hudman Funeral Home. Richard and his wife Lichele live in Post, where they are the third generation of the Hudman family to associate with Hudman Funeral Home and Hudman

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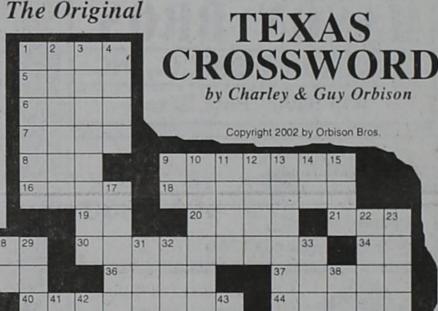
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4-H Records Due Date Extended

July 1, 12 Noon, is the new due date for project forms and record books to be completed and turned in to the office. If you need assistance with these come by the Extension office.

District Trap & Skeet Shoot....

.....will be June 28 and 29 at

4-H Bears & T-Shirts The 2002 Centennial 4-H bears

and Garza County 4-H T-shirts are available in the Extension office if you would like one. The bears sell for \$10 and the T-shirts sell for \$7.50. **Te**x

Texas Country Cleanup If you missed the Texas Country Cleanup in Post, there is one scheduled July 25, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon, at Max Lee Crop Spraying Service in Slaton. If you have used oil, oil filters, lead acid batteries or empty and triple-rinsed plastic

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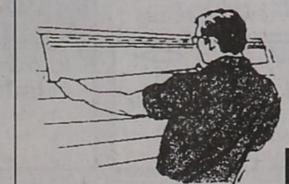
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Descendants of the John Riley Claborn family celebrated a reunion June 15, 2002.

Home cooking, visiting, sharing family photos and family history and grandchildren. were enjoyed by those in attendance.

Family members on hand for the occasion included Marie Anderson of Roswell, N.M.; L.E. (Gene) Claborn Claborn, Lisa Elmendorff and son Jonathan, Belinda Baker and C.J. Cabaniss of Lubbock; Peggy Claborn and Debbie Friedman of Springfield, Ill.; and Glenda Sue Williams, Joella Eaton and sons Colton and Jacob, Jodie and Sharon Convers and grandsons Christopher and Zachery Sessions of Dallas.

Also, Evelyn Hamilton, Prissy Mayhan and daughter Patsy of Odessa; Mary Miller and husband Tom of Missouri; Andra Hamilton, daughter Evelyn and grandsons

Andra and Angel of Gardena, Calif.; Nina Baker and husband Tommy of Colorado City; J.R. Williams, Rebecca and Asa Hipp of Nevada, Texas; and Darlene Edmonson of Malvern, Ark.

Some of the family members had not seen each other in 25 years and enjoyed showing off their children

Everyone enjoyed the event, and all are looking forward to next year's

This year's reunion was conducted III and wife Mary Lee of Post; Renee in loving memory of family members who have died-L.E. (Luther) Claborn Sr. and wife Ola; L.E. (Fay) Claborn Jr. and wife Ruby; Irene Claborn; Carl Claborn; John L. Claborn and wife Mary; Josie Claborn Ferri; T.W., Claborn and wife Nancy; George Conyers; Kenneth Hamilton; Ardell Williams; Forrest Claborn; Frank Anderson; Jayne Claborn; and Debbie

> Live together like brothers and do business like strangers.

-Arabic proverb

Diamondbacks win 3-0

In the final game of the 2002 Junior League Baseball season, the Post Phillies lost to the Post Diamondbacks 3-0.

The Phillies, managed by Jimmy Valdez, hung tough in the game, a single contest winner-take-all for the city championship, but Joe Mason's Diamonds walked away with the win.

The game was a defensive gem with a strong pitching performance from Eric Reyna, who went the seveninning distance. The D'backs saw a strong pitching game from Andrew Espinoza, who also went the full seven innings, but the team was unable to push across any runs while stranding eight base runners against the Phillies' four.

Each team turned one double play. The Phillies' Eric Reyna threw 108 pitches, with four hits, seven walks, no hit batters and three strikeouts. Espinoza threw 124 times, with three runs scored on three hits and six walks, one hit batter and 11 strikeouts.

The Phillies plated two runs in the top of the fourth inning on Reyna's walk, followed by Blake Nichols' RBI triple to the left center fence. Zach Perez followed with a sacrifice fly for the second run of the inning. T.J. Copeland blooped a single between the first base and right field, eventually stealing home for the final score of the game.

Batting for the Phillies were Coco Valdez, one walk; Colter Creech, one walk, one on-base by hit batter; Eric Reyna, one walk; Blake Nichols, one triple, one walk with an RBI; Zach Perez, one walk, one sacrifice fly with one RBI; Shawn Merritt, one single; T.J. Copeland, one single; and David Perez, one walk.

Batting for the Diamondbacks were Miles Grey, one walk, one single, one -fielder's choice hit; Wilson Cash, two walks, one single, one fielder's choice hit; Pat Reiter, one single, one fielder's choice hit; Jonathan McGregor, one walk: Andrew Espinoza, one fielder's choice hit, one single; Colt Mason, one walk; Josh Lee, one walk; and Clint Chapman, one walk.



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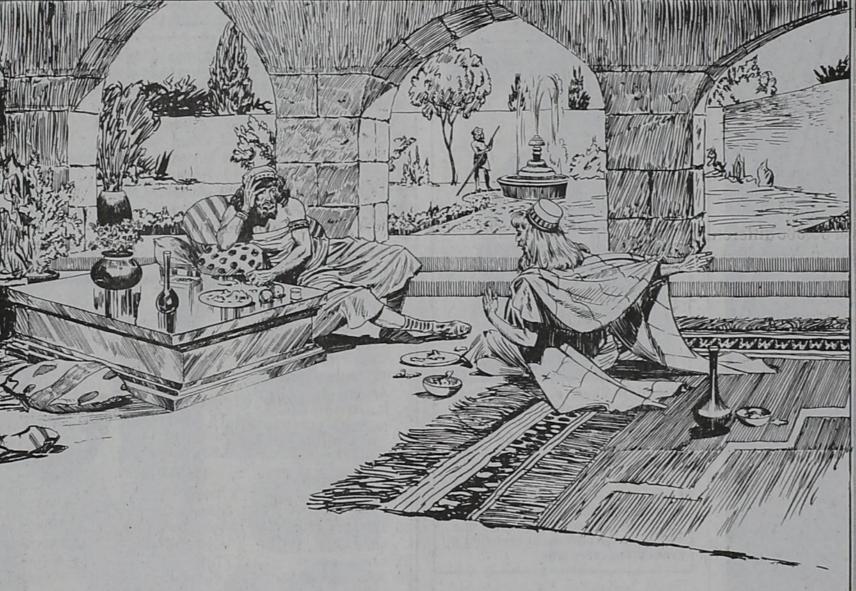
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And thereafter, does it count?

by Walter E. Williams

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If someone does something wonderful, but didn't intend to, does it count? Should we see ourselves as blessed? You say, "Williams, what are you talking about?"

Try this. In 1846, there were 735 U.S. whaling ships, 80 percent of the world's whaling fleet.

American whalers killed an average of 15,000 whales per year, mostly to produce oil for lamps.

By the time whaling dropped off, toward the end of the century, there were only 50,000 whales alive. Had whaling continued, there would be no whales today. So, who was responsible for saving the whale from extinction? Was it Greenpeace?

No, it was multimillionaire David Rockefeller, who successfully marketed kerosene, which took over the illumination market. Later, Thomas Edison's incandescent light bulb ran both whale oil and kerosene out of the illumination market.

Some might say that Rockefeller's and Edison's saving the whale doesn't count because they didn't intend to do it. They were just greedy capitalists who cared more about profits than saving whales. I say three cheers for Rockefeller and Edison. There's another wonderful thing that we never think about, and that's our supermarkets.

The average well-stocked supermarket carries over 50,000 different items. For visitors from other countries, a trip to one of our supermarkets must be like a trip to Disneyland. But what's the driving force behind this miracle? There's a bunch of people, literally millions, who don't give a hoot about you and me personally, but they serve us well.

But as far as motivation, they're in it for themselves — they want more profits, wages, interest and rent. The list of wonderful things that people do for us is unending. But the most wonderful thing about it is they do it without loving us —they might even hate us.

They do it voluntarily; and while we sleep, they're awake trying to discover other ways to please. That has got to be as close to Paradise here on Earth. I'm not the first to think about this. In 1776, Adam Smith —the acknowledged father of economics — published "An Inquiry into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations." In it, he eloquently captures the essence of this wonderfulness, saying:

"He (the businessman) generally, indeed, neither intends to promote the public interest, nor knows how much he is promoting it. .. . He intends only his own security; and by directing that industry in such a manner as its produce may be of the greatest value, he intends only Politicians who know how to manipulate the mob are in control. his own gain."

Smith continues: "He is in this, as in many other cases, led by an invisible hand to promote an end which was no part of his intention.

. By pursuing his own interest he frequently promotes that of the society more effectually than when he really intends to promote it. I have never known much good done by those who affected to trade for the public good. ... It is not from the benevolence of the butcher, the brewer or the baker that we expect our dinner, but from their regard to their own interest."

Self-interest is the human motivation that is most trustworthy and predictable, and gets the most wonderful things done. I love it when people, in effect, offer, "Williams, I really don't give a hoot about you, but if you do this wonderful thing for me, I'll do this wonderful thing

What worries me is when someone tells me, particularly a politician, "There's nothing in it for me, but I really care about the health and education of your daughter." Even more disturbing is when I ask that politician whether he even knows my daughter's name and he can't

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Why we oppose democracy

Almost every day some American politician spouts off to the television cameras about what a great "democracy" we have, and how wonderful it is, and how we must protect this democratic way of life.

When I first began to notice this kind of babble from the mouths of politicians. I was at first somewhat astonished. Could it be they really meant "republic" but just slipped up? Could it be that they don't know the difference between a republic and a democracy?

However, after years of listening to this nonsense, which is repeated over and over again by so-called news media mouthpieces, I am no longer astonished or surprised. I've come to the inescapable conclusion that those who promote this idea of a democracy know exactly what they are saying.

They actually believe that a democracy is a good thing.

The promoters of democracy understand the power of mass media, propaganda and the influence it has on the mob. As in all democracies, majority rule takes precedent over everything else, including the rights of individuals.

With a democracy, there are no restraints. "The American people overwhelmingly support this new government plan," is the battle cry for more and bigger government. "Polls show that Americans want government to (put whatever program is popular today in this space)," the government mouth pieces spew out over the airwaves.

A democracy is a great thing, at least for those who desire to live in a socialist state. Socialism thrives only by the force of the mob. As long as the mob can be stirred up, the socialist state is safe in its cocoon.

With a democracy, there can be no assurance or security for anyone. For what is okay today, may not be okay tomorrow, depending on the mood of the mob.

Want a new federal bureaucracy? Get the mob stirred up and watch the wheels turn. Want more money for the war on (put in here whatever favorite war you'd like to create)? No problem, get the publicity machine to pump out horror stories about the evil of the target, stir up the mob, take a few polls, and wha' la, you've

That's the way government works in a democracy.

How are these programs paid for? By theft, of course. "Everyone has to pay his fair share (sounds like socialism and Marxism to me)," is the battle cry for democratic government. There is no end to the demand for more money to fund a democracy ... and rightfully so, the mob gets a piece of the action.

The end result of all democracies, and this is especially true of socialist democracies like the United States, is economic, social and moral collapse. The former Soviet Union is only the latest example.

It is inevitable ... democracies pander to the mob, and the mob always more of the pie. The pie is not big enough to feed the mob, so government makes a bigger pie ... it gouges itself in the consumption of productivity from a smaller and smaller number of productive people.

Eventually the non-productive in a democracy smother the productive to the point of destruction. It has been estimated recently that more than 50 percent of Americans derive their daily sustenance directly or indirectly from government.

And where does government get the money to fund those millions? It gets it from the productive people. Right now, for instance, it takes two working people to pay for each social security recipient. In a few years it'll be one to one ... one working person paying for the upkeep of one retiree. When it reaches the point of one working supporting person for every two retirees, workers will just quit working and demand their share of the take. (More on this subject next week)

. Celebrating the 4th of July as it was...

by Wes Burnett

In June and July 1776, a hot, tired and somewhat edgy group of men worked in Philadelphia constructing a statement of intent, designed to clear the air of any doubt regarding a political connection to their home country.

modern times, the signal to the world's greatest nation, both economically and militarily, that a subjugated people were fed up with their subjected treatment by a callous and tyrannical government.

Those men were considered at that time to be not only radical, but downright dangerous. They were called all sorts of names: crazy, mad, idiots, trouble-makers, traitors and worse. Most were officially on the "most-wanted" list of their day, and those who weren't, would be branded as such shortly after issuing what we celebrate Sunday as The Declaration of Independence.

"How dare they be so bold as to challenge the King of England!" was the cry heard throughout the colonies. There was but very little public support for such a drastic measure. All around them, men of substance (who had great fortunes to lose) urged caution and compromise.

Compromise, bowing and scraping was still a way of life for most of the colonial subjects of "His Royal Majesty King George." Fortunately for us, there were a handful of men willing to stake their lives and their fortunes for a life of freedom and liberty.

With a master of literacy and craftsmanship chosen to draft a statement, the other 55 sat back and waited for Thomas Jefferson to present them with a proposal. It was simply, a masterpiece of logic, reason and boldness. The compromisers were stunned, the radicals delighted.

When we consume ourselves in food, drink and fun on July 4th, celebrating the efforts of our ancestors, I dare say very few among us will be even remotely aware of the dangers and turmoil that faced those 56 men. Most ended up in poverty, many died during the ensuing conflict, but they will all be remembered for that singularly courageous act of defying their "sovereign king" at the expense of death itself.

The opening of the declaration is astoundingly brilliant, and capsulizes what few of us would dare to say today. Try quoting the opening of this document and see how many people would actually

Here's what flowed from Jefferson's pen:

"When in the Course of human Events, it becomes necessary for one People to dissolve the Political Bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the Powers of the Earth, the separate and equal Station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent Respect to the Opinions of

Mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel

them to the Separation.

We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable We know that event as the cataclysmic political revolution of Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just Powers from the Consent of the Governed. That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these Ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its Foundation on such Principles, and organizing its Powers in such Forms, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient Causes; and accordingly, all Experience hath shewn, that Mankind are more disposed to suffer, while Evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the Forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long Train of Abuses and Usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object, evinces a Design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their Right, it is their Duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future Security. Such has been the patient Sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the Necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The History of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated Injuries and Usurpations, all having in direct Object the Establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid World."

> The document continues with a long list of abuses. Interestingly, among that list are many abuses under which we suffer today. I challenge opponents to political change to read that list constructed in the summer of 1776. The critic of change today will find the list replete with similar conditions today.

> As in Jefferson's time, most people would rather suffer the indignities of a tyrannical government than to take a chance with real freedom and liberty. Nothing much has changed. Today's political radicals, who call attention to the abuses of government, are demonized even more effectively than in those colonial times. The methods may be different, but the outcome is the same.

> Because I support the ratification of a new constitution for Texas which reclaims those liberties and freedoms enjoyed by our ancestors, I too have been the subject of ridicule. To me, it is a high honor to be considered worthy to carry the label of those American heroes we celebrate on July 4th.

> Whenever government "becomes destructive of these Ends," denying and stripping its people of the very basic unalienable rights defined in the American Declaration of Independence, "it is the Right of the

People to alter or to abolish it ... "Jefferson was correct, long established governments are difficult to trim or reduce, but he and the other radicals of his time demonstrated that it can be done.

Let us celebrate this July 4th with a solid reminder of what that event is all about. It is about standing in the face of giant odds, demanding that a tyrannical government and its leaders cease and desist in their attempts to enslave the very people who feed them.

According to the 56 men who signed that document in 1776, it is our duty to do so. Think about that the next time your liberty is restrained and your pocket book robbed.

Whether it be such a simple act as having the flashing lights of the King's highwaymen running you off the road, or a notice from some government agency that you have violated some nonsensical rule, your status today is not much different from those who signed that great and powerful declaration on July 4, 1776.

Liberty, the unrestrained exercise of free will, was as much valued by our colonial ancestors who demanded and won those rights, as any or all the wealth they owned. One of those radicals said later, "Give me Liberty, or give me death." And Virginia's Patrick Henry meant it. What do our political leaders say today? "Give me your taxes or give me your life."

Which is to be? Shall we be the slaves of tyranny, or shall we be free to do and say and go as we please, as long as we don't violate someone else's rights?

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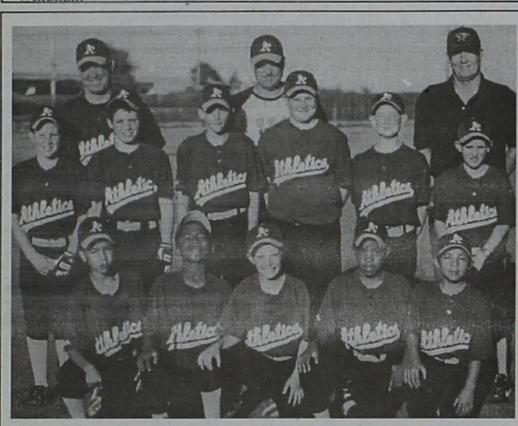
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Post 11-12 year-olds Little League All Stars - (back row, left to right) coach Danny Martinez, coach Mark Odom, Giles Wilson Dalby, Sadler Hair, Eric Guerrero, Jeremy Short, Kamron Shumard, coach Gary Blevins, manager Mark Short, (front row) Jesse Vera, Timothy Crenshaw, Jarrett Blevins, Patrick Martinez, Timothy Garza, Tyler Odom, Timothy Wilson, Call



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Jr League All- Stars compete in Lubbock

The Post Senior League will be playing the All-Stars in Lubbock at the Dixie Little League beginning July 5 or 6.





Post T-Ball - Diamondbacks - (back row, left to right) coach Ryan Jeffrey, coach Greg Jones, coach Steve Pena, Katie Colvin, Triston Dunn, Kaegan Eagle, Jay Wiseman, Taylor Reed, Pake Jones, (front row) D.J. Brown, Josh Hataway, Denny Martinez, Theron Pena, Rebecca Taylor, Tyler Cowley, (not pictured Matthew Taylor)(photo by Pam Gorman).



Post T-Ball - Yankees - (back row, left to right) coaches Tonya and Drev Kirkpatrick, Paden Babb, Trey Vargez, Campbell Kirkpatrick, Blace Stevens, Sabrina Silavas, (front row) Eric Gomez, Kimberly Johnson, Carson Kirkpatrick Brandy Benivedez, Michael Silvas, (not pictured Rebecca Perez, Clarissa Martinez)(photo by Pam Gorman).



Post Minor League - Rangers - (back row, left to right) coach Russell Benham, Travis Morris, Fermin Rivera, Anthony Bishop, Dylan Huffman, Kyle Copeland, (front row) Dalton Holly, Jose Rodriguez, Troy Copeland, Bradley Benham, (not pictured Mike Holly, Mike Copeland, Tony Bishop)(Photo by Pam Gorman).



Post Minor League - Cardinals - (back row, left to right) coaches Johnny and Diane Torres, Michael Guerra, Francisco Gonzalez, Joel Whorton, T.J. Basquez, Will Storie, (front row) Jordan Curtis, Nathan Guerra, Cody Blacklock, Johnny Torres, Steven Howard (not pictured Keagan Soto) (Photo by Pam Gorman).

Local residents who have the Coach is Wayne Mckim, and scorekeeper is Greg Williams.

Team members include Quinton Team manager is Cain Abraham. Odom, centerfield; Mark Norman, shortstop; Randon Blacklock, pitcher, shortstop, centerfield; Theo Paiz, catcher; Justin Williams, third base; Javin Abraham, first base; David Lee

Rivera, second; Joseph Espinosa, pitcher, third base; Brice Feagin, left field; Kyle Gunn, right field; Garrett Chapman, second base; and John Castro, pitcher and shortstop.

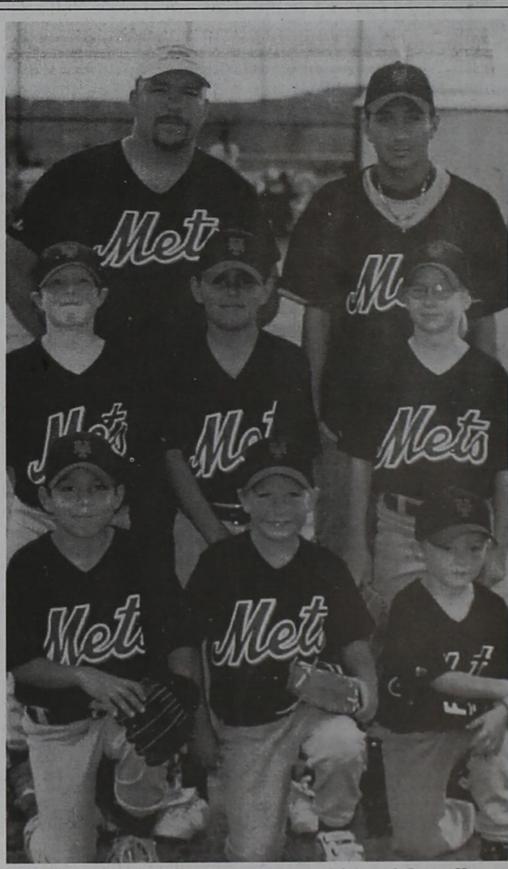
The senior league team played all 12 of their games in Lubbock at Dixie Little League.



Post Softball - Superstars - (back row, left to right) coach Becky Storie, Kenzie Mason, Kallie Smith, Chloe Mason, Misty Ayala, Renee Storie, Amber Wilson, Crystal Ayala, (front row) Tanisha Paiz, T.J. Wait, Gloria Martinez, Kairlyn Smith, Cheyenne Poe, Morgan Permenter, Nicole Ramirez (Photo by Pam



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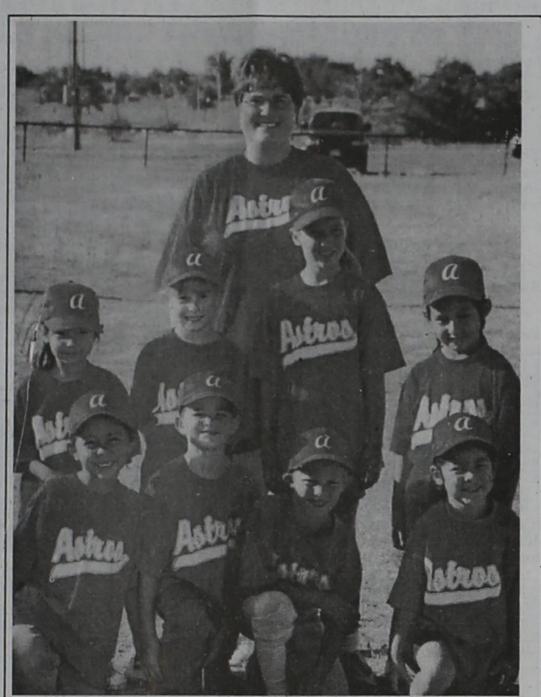
The 2002 baseball/softball/T-ball season has wrapped up, and local champions have been named for each of the age groups. In Little League, the Dodgers took first place, followed by the Astros, Cubs and

the A's. In Minor League, the Indians edged out the competition for first, with the

Cardinals taking second place. In third place were the Rangers, followed by the Diamondbacks and the Mets.

The Senior League squad for Post took first place.

The Junior League Phillies captured first place, while the division's Diamondbacks came in second place.



Post T-Ball - Astros - (back row, left to right) coach Marcie Oden, Lillian Torrez, Kelbie Oden, Taylor Osborn, Meagan Torrez, (front row) Zachary Quinonez, kaleb Crenshaw, Blain Osborn, Gabby Soto (Photo by Pam



Post T-Ball - Rangers - (back row, left to right) coach Peter Benevidez, coach Freddy Pena, Taylor Cunningham, Tristen Benevidez, Brooke Daily, , Stephen Rodriguez, (front row) Christian Pena, Tyler Summar, R.J. Perez, Matti Smith, (not pictured Zachary Bush)(photo by Pam Gorman).



Post T-Ball - Braves - (back row, left to right) coach Michael Self, coach Russell Benham, Zachary Pearson, Tye Basquez, Jose Araiza Jr., Daisha McAdams, Miranda Solorzano, Jordan Solorzano, (front row) Ethan Baldree, Wyatt Benham, Chelby Baker, Philip Gonzales, Jamie Zubia (photo by Pam Gorman).



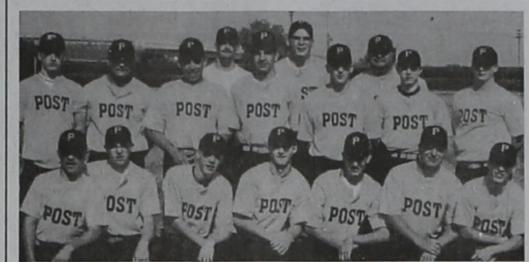
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In softball, the Covergirls were the top team. The Queenbees took second, the Superstars placed third and the Groovies finished in fourth place:

In T-ball, all teams - the Diamondbacks, the Yankees, the Braves, the Rangers and the Astros - were declared "winners." No places were awarded.

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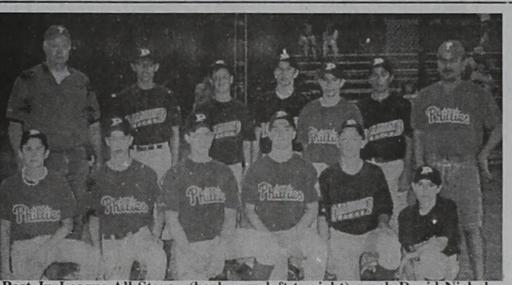
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Post Sr. League - (back row, left to right) coach Jason Powell, coach Wayne McKim, (middle row) Mark Norman, Theo Paiz, Joseph Espinoza, Tony Garay, Justin Williams, Kyle Gunn, Mitchell Mills, (front row) David Lee Rivera, Javen Abraham, Brice Feagin, Randon Blacklock, Eric Gonzalez, John Castro, Quinton Odom (Photo by Pam Gorman).



Post 9-10 year-olds Little League All-Stars - (back row, left to right) coach Chris Belongia, Angel Espinoza, Chase Greathouse, Solomon Abraham, Jake Wischkaemper, Garrett Pena, M.J. Wynne, manager Dick Odom, (front row) Clint Windham, Allen Duran, Travis Bergin, Reece Belongia, Dale Diaz, Chase Odom.



Post Jr. League All-Stars - (back row, left to right) coach David Nichols, Andrew Espinoza, Pat Reiter, Miles Gray, Zack Perez, Aaron Fox, manger Jimmy Valdez, (front row) Colton Valdez, Braden Bratcher, Blake nichols, Eric Reyna, Wilson Cash, Clint Chapman, (not pictured D.J. Biaza).



Post Jr. League Diamondbacks - (back row, left to right) coach Rex Cash, Josh Lee, Andrew Espinoza, Jonathan McGregor, Wilson Cash, Miles Gray, manager Joe Mason, (bottom row) Zack Witcher, Robert Apolinar, Aaron Fox, Pat Reiter, Justin Loera, Colt Mason(photo by Pam Gorman).



Post Jr. League - Diamondbacks - (back row, left to right) coach Rex Cash, Aaron Fox, Wilson Cash, Andrew Espinoza, Josh Lee, Jonathan McGregor, manager Joe Mason, (front row) Clint Chapman, Robert Apolinar, Pat Reiter, Zack Witcher, Miles Gray, Colt Mason (photo by Pam Gorman).



Post Jr. League Phillies - (back row, left to right) coach David Nichols, Shawn Merritt, Steven Polanco, Davin Perez, Zack Perez, T.J. Copeland, manager Jimmy Valdez, (front row) Braden Bratcher, Blake Nichols, Colter Creech, Colton Yaldez, Eric Reyna, (not pictured D.J. Biaza) (photo by Pam Gorman).

The Romans would never have found time to conquer the world if they had been obliged first to learn Latin.

-Heinrich Heine



Post Softball - Groovies - (back row, left to right) coach Shannon Blair, coach Rachel Dunn, Rashea Hair, Alex Cruz, Tori Zapata, Leri Nobles, Micaela Taylor, Alexa Dunn, Raegan Belongia, (front row) Branda Stevens, Alex Hart, Sierra Hodge, Courtney Basquez, Chelsey Hair, Macy Blair, Jacy Kimmons, (not pictured Ashley Henry, Miranda Hair)(Photo by Pam



Post Little League Softball - Queenbees - (back row, left to right) Alex Miller, Franchesca Torres, Kelsey Overton, Victoria Guerrero, Marla Crenshaw, Alejandra Rodriguez, coach Isabelle Overton, (front row) Mercedes , Jessica Rodriguez, Rebecca Horton, Sidney Jones, Teraka Cowley, Allisha Jones, (not pictured Rachel Payne, coach Christina Jones)(Photo by Pam Gorman).



Post Softball - Covergirls - (back row, left to right) coach Cynthia Williams, coach Alice Perez, Sabrina Perez, Andi Polaneo, Amanda Duran, Marci Perez, Natasha Soto, Patricia Wright, (front row) Syrina Perez, Kyla Perez, Aspen Wischkaemper, Danica Williams, Kaitlyn Short, DeAnna Hudson, Brittney Taylor (Photo by Pam Gorman).

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Thank you does not begin to express our gratitude to the members of First Baptist Church and the people of Post, Texas. You helped make this time very special by the phone calls,

offers of housing, flowers and food. The meal at the church before the service was such a blessing. Our family enjoyed being together as well as being with may of you. Thanks to Dee Justice for directing such a beautiful service. A special thanks to Bo Jackson who went the extra mile to get here because of a request mother had made many years ago. Thanks to all of you!

Most of all, thank you for loving our mother throughout her years. She loved people and especially the ones here in Post. This was her home even though she had been gone for the last few years. there is nothing like coming "home" to rest the body

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The family of Opal Williams Jackie & Horace Bowden Tommie & Jack Coulter Joe & Mary Ann Dowell Jody & Marilyn Mason

Many, many thanks to all who helped me when I fell and since. I'm grateful for each prayer, the kind concern, cards and food. Special appreciation to Olive Shaw. God's blessings on all of you. Lois Nantz

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We also want to thank all the local churches who donate to us each month. And to our great volunteers, Diana Bias, Jane Bias, Shirley Williams and Christy Rutherford and her helpers Benny Wilks and Johnny Melton. We really appreciate you all. The crew at Meals on Wheels

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Requests for a public information interview must be made in writing to the Joint Commission no later than 5 working days before the survey begins. The request must also indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Such requests should be addressed to

Division of Accreditation Operations Account Representative

Joint Commission on Accreditation of Helathcare Organizations One Renaisssance Boulevard Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181

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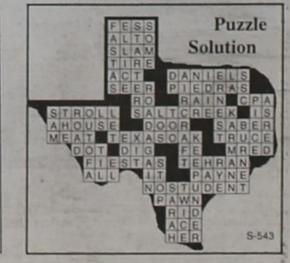
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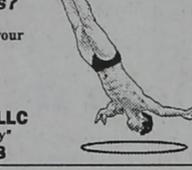
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Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor Policy: We require all letters to be signed. Letters may be edited for brevity, grammar and punctuation. Opinions expressed in Letters to the Editor do not necessarily reflect those of The Post Dispatch nor its staff.

Fiscal responsibility?

After last week's article on city fees and tax rates, I would like to make some observations.

Agovernmental entity's responsibility to its citizens is to charge them fees and taxes to pay expenses that will provide only the necessary needs of the community.

It is not their duty to set fees and taxes so that they will meet that of other municipalities.

Whatever happened to fiscal responsibility? Terry Moore

Thanks for support!

Another Little League season has come to an end and I would like to take this time to thank everyone for there help and support.

All the players, parents, managers, coaches, umpires, Kenneth and Carolyn Williams for the concession stand, all the sponsors for the new score boards, Citizens Bank, MTC Management so please help us find someone. This Corp., Jenkins Brothers Electric, Wells will be my last season as president and Fargo Bank, Guinn Miller, Artie Aguilar, Steve Hamilton, United Supermarket and Donnie Windham for all the help and vision to make it

A big thank you to Mrs. Crenshaw for keeping our books for the Little League season. I would also like to thank my board Donnie Windham, Guinn Miller, Steve Henry, Larry Mills, Cain Abraham, Robert Wilson, Rachael

Dunn, Shannon Blair, Rodney Tidwell, Kenny Ratke, Mark Odom, Wayne McKim, Jimmy Valdez.

We need nominations for board members for next season. Call Greg Williams at 747-2955 (day) and 495might want on the board.

We need volunteers for the All-Star Tournaments for 11-12 year old and Junior League. Both tournaments will be held in Post beginning July 5, 2002. Contact any board member to sign up to help. We do need you for concession stand work, taking money at the gate for the Junior League Tournament and passing the hat and raffles at the game. There will be many other jobs that need to be done to make this a success.

There will be many towns in our area coming to Post and we want them to have a positive response. Any organization that wants to put in time and volunteer, it would be welcomed.

me. But we do thank you. We need a president for next season, Neff, and Jason Wright

I have enjoyed working with everyone the past five years.

Greg Williams

Concerts

(Continued from Page 1)

most of the group's music. Western Swing Hall of Fame bassist titude of musical genres. Jean Warren, classically trained performer and teacher, add a refresh Michael Jayson, June 3 violin/fiddle and vocal ability to The Post Diamond Jubilee official provide yet another dimension of souvenir program and booklet is now sound.

Concertgoers are urged to bring

Birthdays This Week

June 27-Debbie Martin, Kris Hernandez, Joe Sanchez, Wilma

Banner June 28-Wesley Jarrett Jr., Sue Maxey, Pam Gorman, Tallen

Burns, Bryson Daily June 30-Anna Crenshaw

July 1-Larry Mills July 2- Janie Winfree, James

Morgan July 3- Susan Pennell

Menus

Garza County Trailblazers July 1- Pork Roast, mashed potatoes, mixed vegtables, coleslaw, biscuit, brownies July 2- Hamburger, cheese slices,

lettuce & tomatoes, tator tots, baked dean's honor list. beans, fruit

July 3- Brisket, potatoe salad, fried okra, sliced tomatoes, cornbread, apricot cobbler

July 4- Closed

July 5- Closed



Miami, the most southerly major city on the continental U.S. sits about two degrees north of the Tropic of Cancer.

Let thy speech be better than silence, or be silent.

Yesteryears

June 24, 1992 10 Years Ago

Attending an emergency called meeting Wednesday, June 17, the Post ISD board of trustees approved the air conditioning of the Middle School and High School as part of a series of 3880 (night) if you know of anyone that projects that have been on the "Drawing board". Resurfacing of the track was also approved.

If you like to laugh, and who doesn't, the current Garza Theater production of "The Wrong Husband' is a must see.

Residents here are urged to save Post cereals box tops for the 1992 Founder's day pioneer lady and pioneer gent voting. The popular annual event will again be a part of Founder's Day in October.

The first Annual Eddie Warren Bike ride, sponsored by the Post Peddlers bicycle club, was a great success. Over 20 bicyclists from the region came and participated in the ride. Four members of the Post Peddlers took part in If anyone was left out, please forgive the first annual event, they are Preston Poole, Susan Pennell, Josh

June 24, 1982 20 Years Ago

A hot oil truck, owned by Palmer's of Post, exploded near Lubbock Monday burning the operator, Paul Quinonez, who remains in a Lubbock Hospital with burns to his body.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pewitt announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Twila, to Raymie Holly, son of Boog and Dora Fay Holly of Post. Miss Lana Dunn, bride-elect of Chet Calcote brings years of pro- Randy Conner, was honored with a fessional experience from a mul- bathroom shower Saturday morning

the home of Mrs. Mike Tatum. Michael and Connie Vance would like to announce the birth of their son

on sale. Recently received from Ammons Printing of Post, who printed the book, it was officially put out for sale during the Tuesday night fish fry at the community center. The cover of the book was designed and drawn by Ben Miller and is very attractive. Ed Neff and Lil Conner were the photographers for the new pictures in the book, Glenda Morrow did the art work, with so many more helping the make this a success.

June 22, 1972 30 Years Ago

Pete Hays, an employee of the Springer Drilling Co., suffered two broken legs in a drilling accident Saturday night on a new drilling test in the Kalgary vicinity.

New Lions Club officers will be installed in July. They are C. V. Smith, president; Charles Adams, first vice president; Bob Zivec, second vice president; Everette (Heavy) Windham, third vice president and Eddie Gonzales, Lion-tamer:

Mrs. Anita Blantonof Post was one of the 469 students in the College of Home Economics at Texas Tech University who qualified for the

The boston Super Dog, Post's big,

new drive-in restaurant, opened here Tuesday at 202 South Broadway under the management of L. L. (Link)

From The Post Dispatch, June 28, 1962

Probably the biggest day of the 1972 tourist season is due next Wednesday when some 450 to 500 kids and their parents pour into Post for the district 2 4-H Horse Show. And that's not counting all the horses.

Mrs. James Minor is now at home after undergoing surgery on her knee in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

Four post students qualified for the dean's honor list for the 1972 semester in the College of Education at TTU. The four are Maury E. Shiver, Marita Jackson, Adrienne C. Hays and Marsha Tipton.

June 28, 1962 40 Years Ago

Post is going to have its first Sidewalk Sale ever-Friday and Saturday, July 13-14. Local merchants attending a special luncheon at Levi's Restaurant Wednesday noon voted unanimously to participate.

Alfred Beauchamp, 38-year-old navy navigator and bombardier from Post, parachuted to safety in the Atlantic ocean off Fernandina Beach, Fla., Monday when a heavy bomber crashed into the ocean with two members of the four-man crew missing and believed lost.

Mrs. Don Greer, the former Alice Joy Nichols, was honoree at a pink and blue shower last Friday night in the Community Room

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Gonzales are the parents of a son, born June 20 in Garza Memorial Hospital. The baby was named Joey Dee. Charles Hopkins, Post's golfing

school teacher, was tied for the lead in the 34th Annual West Texas Golf tournament at Hillcrest Country Club in Lubbock Sunday with nine holes to play, but got into trouble with his putter on the final nine to finish fifth with a 289.

June 26, 1952 50 Years Ago

The Garza county Baby Derby is on! At their Monday night meeting the Post Chamber of Commerce directors voted to sponsor a Baby Derby for the first baby to be born in the new Garza Memorial hospital. They also voted to get the drive off with a bang by giving a \$25 War Bond to the first baby.

A daughter, Jodi, was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Cash in Lubbock Memorial hospital, at 3 o'clock, Tuesday. Mrs. W. R. Graeber and Mrs.

George Samson will leave next month for New York City, where they will sail, on August 8, for a world tour. Jack Ballentine won a music schol-

arship to Texas Tech, Lubbock, as the result of a recent audition in which he sang three number. Max Gordon from Garza Tire

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to begin early Tuesday morning, Mrs. Lorene Benson, City Secretary, announced.

Sheriff reports eight arrests

Eight arrests were recorded in the Garza County Jail log during the past According to records provided by the sheriff's department, a 49-year-old

male was picked up on a Garza County warrant June 18. Two arrests were made on June 21, including that of a 25-year-old female

and a 31-year-old male. Both were arrested on warrants. A 24-year-old male was picked up for driving while intoxicated on June 22. Also arrested for DWI was a 22-year-old male. A 48-year-old male was picked

up for commitment. Another arrest for DWI, this one involving a 23-year-old male, was made

On June 24, a 22-year-old male was arrested on a Tyler County warrant.



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The Starlitz finish undefeated

The Starlitz, the Post 14- and under girls' fastpitch softball team, recently finished their season with an undefeated 12-0 record.

The team plays in Lubbock as part of the South Plains Fastpitch League.

Team members include Traci Nelson, Ashley Powell, Alana Zubia, Allison Blevins, Sunnie Barbosa, Ashley Wilson, Tori Gonzalez, Cora Crane, Erica Ruiz, Danielle Wright, Josie Whisenhunt, Hayley Massey, Natasha Scroggins, Loren Gonzalez, Ashley Scroggins and Gabby Paiz.

Manager is Jaquita Blevins. Coaches are Sherry Young and Melissa Arredondo.

Five members of the team will represent the SPGFP All-Star Team scheduled to play in San Angelo July 19-21. The names of those players will be announced at the 6 p.m. closing ceremonies on Saturday, June 29, at Mackenzie Park Softball Complex in Lubbock. Jaquita Blevins and Sherry Young will coach the All-Star team.

H&M Dirt Contractors sponsored the local team. Other contributors were Caprock Veterinarian Hospital. Ira Pump & Supply and Blevins Pumping Service.

Some are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon 'em. -William Shakespeare, Twelfth Night



The Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility added a little color to the Little League Baseball field recently when the new sign for the two teams ponsored by Management and Training Corp. went up. The sign, designed by Mark Odom and Benny Owen, was built by students in Mr. Owen's vocational class at the facility. Celebrating the new sign are (back row, left to right) Roger Jaquess, John Fields, Trey Jones, Gary Blevins, Mark Odom, Warden Joe Rasbeary, and Benny Owen. 2nd row: Sadler Hair, Tyler Odom, Giles Wilson Dalby, Angel Espinosa, Dalton Doron, Juan Gomez, Allen Heckaman, Jesse Veva, Zachary Rivera, Kalen Perez. Front row: Travis Bergin, Ulisis Garcia, Fravis Rasbeary, Allen Duran, Peabody Garcia, Ches Postel, John Bocko, Jarret Blevins, Joel Horton and Dale Diaz. All are representing oaches and members of the Astros and Cubs.

Local folks help in search

Local residents are stepping Others have been taped or nailed up Lubbock TV stations as well. forward to try to help bring Sammy throughout area communities. Soto home.

posters featuring the missing Post child's picture had been distributed throughout Garza County, the South the posters and post them along their Plains and the state of Texas.

Jayta Cravy, victims advocate with Program, has been making copies of

Some of the handbills made their way as far as Palestine, Texas, thanks to a friend headed in that direction.

Post ISD adopts budget

Attendance was low at the public hearing on the proposed budget for the Post Independent School District 2002-2003 school year. No taxpayers were on hand for the hearing, which drew the attendance of four board

Following the time allotted for the hearing, trustees considered the adoption of the proposed budget, which includes \$8,563,268 in projected revenues and \$8,479,127 in expenditures.

"There were no cuts," board president Mark Kirkpatrick said. "We'll just try to hold the line on expenses."

Kirkpatrick said the budget could 'definitely" be described as conservative.

The new budget was adopted early

so as to enable the school district to observe the same fiscal year as the federal government. This move, officials have said, will make it easier in the handling of federal monies received by the school district. Trustees do not plan on changing

the district's tax rate from \$1.39 per \$100 valuation, despite being faced with a projected tax revenue loss of approximately \$500,000. The loss is expected due to a \$36 million drop in valuation of the district's tax base.

In other business, trustees: · Employed a girls basketball coach - Randy Courtney of Andrews - and his wife, who will serve as a

They've been mailed to concerned Rodriguez of Post, said she is working As of Tuesday afternoon, dozens of residents in several of the state's metropolitan area, and Cravy has even called on a few truckers to take

the Garza County Victims Assistance been spreading e-mails with Sammy's photo to friends and family members the poster and distributing them to throughout the U.S. Phone calls, too, on an upcoming episode. anyone who'll promise to pass them have been part of the effort to get the

> people in the community very supportive of this family," Cravy said.

This week, a television appearance on KLBK-TV's afternoon "4 Women" show has been scheduled, Cravy said. the effort to locate the missing child

The child's grandmother, Lina

closely with the National Missing Children's Alliance to get additional posters printed and distributed throughout the country. Calls also have been made to FOX-TV's Additionally, local residents have "America's Most Wanted" television program in the hope that the nation'd show would broadcast Sammy's photo

Although no reward fund had been established as of early this week, "There have just been so many Cravy said many local residents hav shown interest in providing additional assistance to help bring the 4-year-old home.

Anyone interested in assisting in Contacts have been made with other should contact Cravy at 495-2479.



Dakoda Sky Peterson (left) and Mark E. Shipton of Lubbock hold the fish they caught recently at Two Draw Lake. In addition to the bass and catfish they are holding, they also caught another bass and a shad of similar size.

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