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Retiring Garza County Attorney, Preston Poole was given a rousing sendoff Monday after commissioner's court, complete with a suitcase for stumping purposes for this year's general election. A crowd of about 50 people showed for the event. For as many retiring gifts he received, Poole passed out some gifts of his own, which included "blue" neck scarves for some of the elected officials.
Photo by Kent Mahoney

Man to see jail time for DWI accident

By Kent Mahoney
Post Dispatch

LUBBOCK — A repeat offender will be serving six years in the state prison after being convicted of DWI in Lubbock County District Court.

William Jayson Ellison, of Lamesa, was convicted of charges stemming from a 2013 accident in Lubbock. Ellison has previous convictions in Dawson and Hockley counties, but never received jail time for any of those offenses.

According to published reports from the trial, Ellison had a blood alcohol content of .271, more than three times the legal limit. During the sentencing phase, it was revealed that he also had four prior convictions.

According to a published report in a Lubbock paper, Ellison was a danger to the public.

"This is the fifth time he's stood before the court with a conviction for DWI," said Lubbock County Assistant District Attorney Matt Morrow. "We're here because we have to keep our streets safe. There's only one way to make sure he won't be behind the wheel."

Sugarcain bugs heading north, could affect local sorgum crops

BALLINGER — Sugarcane aphids have jumped their primary host crop sugarcane, and have landed in the Concho Valley, a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service expert warns.

Rick Minzenmayer, AgriLife Extension entomologist for Runnels and Tom Green counties, said the pest is not new in the U.S., but what is new is its rapidly expanding

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Man's best friend

Officer, canine helping to keep Post area safe

By Kent Mahoney
The Post Dispatch

POST — Do you smell that?

Take a deep breath through your nose. What do you smell?

Now imagine that you have about 300-something more nerve endings in your nose. You would be able to smell just about everything that Zara the police dog smells.

And thanks to the generosity of Post, and her longevity, Zara will be serving the needs of Post, Garza County and the surrounding area for some time to come.

Zara is the fourth in a line of canines that have served as part of the local law enforcements war on crime and drugs.

"These animals actually save lives," said Post Independent School District police officer Bobby Dean. "They help deter narcotics from coming into the country and that saves lives."

Dean has worked in law enforcement for 30 years and he has been primar-



Zara is shown searching student lockers at Post High School in a demonstration with Post ISD Officer Bobby Dean. Zara goes into action on Dean's command and then freezes when she has picked up the appropriate scent.

Courtesy photo

ily working as a handler in Post for a majority of that time.

There have been three other dogs in Post prior to Zara. Coco, Duchess and Nika, whose picture can be seen in the trophy case at Antelope Arena.

That alone should speak to the fondness of the animals in general by the school district.

Without going into a history of crime in Post, there has been the standing notion that Post has had their issues with drug trafficking.

"Back in the early days in Post, there was a lot of interdiction work here," Dean said.

"We went out and got a white German shepherd and I trained him myself."

Ranger was that dog and according to Dean, he just wasn't aggressive enough. A trade was made for Duchess and the line of police dogs in Post began.

When Nika went out of service, it was crucial

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Rodeo Stampede is in the making

By Kent Mahoney
Post Dispatch

POST — Dubbed the "Best Rodeo in the West", the 74th Annual Post Stampede will take place the second weekend of this month, Aug. 7th, 8th and 9th at the Stampede arena.

The rodeo is an approved event by five associations, including TCRA, UPRA, NMRA, CPRA and WPRA. It is produced by T-N-T Rodeo Co. out of Anson.

"We've added prize money this year and a Thursday night dance," said Stampede Board President Lane Jones. "Everything else is pretty much the same. If it ain't broke, don't fix it."

Prize money totals \$10,000 and will include steer wrestling, bareback bronc, calf roping, saddle bronc, barrel race, team roping, bull riding, break away roping and ranch bronc riding.

As with every rodeo, it's the stock versus the cowboys and this year shouldn't disappoint. Although the cowboys don't book in until Sunday and Monday, this year's stock is coming from T-N-T, who brings the best-voted stock on the circuit.

From last year's final standings, T-N-T grabbed five of the eight top stock spots, including bareback, saddle bronc, bull and ranch bronc of the year honors as well as the ranch bronc of the finals award. Mitch Terrell was voted the top

stock contractor on top of the stock awards.

"This should be one of the biggest contestant turn-out we've ever had," Jones said.

According to Jones, Post Stampede is the only sanctioned event on this particular weekend.

Post was a Top Five Rodeo last year and Co-Rodeo the year before that.

"We're shooting for Rodeo of the Year this season," Jones said.

The ever-popular Rodeo Parade will be Saturday at 3 p.m. Nightly shows beginning at 8 p.m. with the grand entry at 7:45. Tickets each night are \$5 for adults and children over age 6.

Dances will be held nightly as well. Thursday's dance will feature Vance Guthrie & Junction 84, with Jody Nix on Friday and Wes Nickson Band on Saturday. Admission to all dances is \$10 per person.

For the children, there will be a flag race for persons age 12 and under with a \$10 entry fee. Entries will be limited to the first 10 to sign up and the top five advances each night. The winner will receive a belt buckle.

Mutton Bustin' will be on tap for children 8 and under. Again, a belt buckle each night will be awarded the winner.

Books for the youth events open Monday morning at 8, while cowboys can book in between 12:30 and 6:30 p.m. Sunday.

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Texas Honor Flight

The Texas South Plains Honor Flight is taking applications through Aug. 8. The registration form can be downloaded from the website at texasouthplains-honorflight.org. The flight this year will be in October. For more information, please call 806-990-3128 or 806-620-0262 and ask for J.W. Jolly.

Community Survey

A community survey is now online at www.csurvey.com/texas, which is sponsored by the Lubbock Endowment Foundation. This survey is designed to gauge the implementing of funds being passed to communities like Post. Your participation is greatly urged. If you do not have access to a computer, you may find one at the Post Library or Trailblazers.

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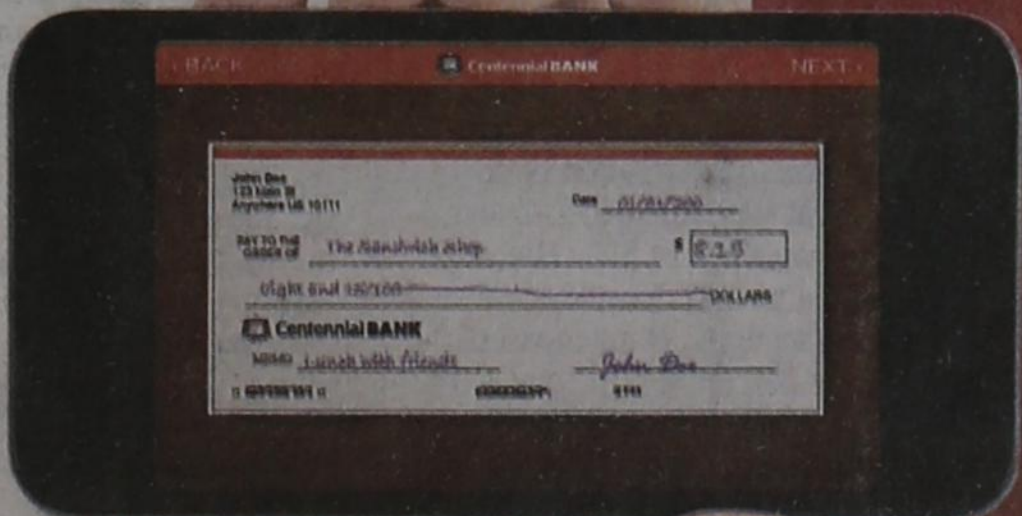
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Deaths

Nedra Evans Foster

A beloved mother, sister and wife; a kind and gentle woman to her Terrace United Methodist and "Voyager" friends; and an affectionate "Mimi" to her grandchildren and great grandchildren; Nedra Evans Foster, 89, joined the Lord in Heaven early Friday morning, July 25, 2014. There, she will be reunited with her brother, Jack Evans, and sister, Marion Wheatley, as well as with her daughters, Rebecca Manry and Lisa Foster.

Born to Eula and Boone Evans of Post, TX - where she will be laid to rest at Terrace Cemetery Saturday, August 2, 2014, at 10 a.m. - she was the third of four children. As a young woman, she enjoyed riding horses on the open range and played the clarinet in the marching band in high school. She attended West Texas State Normal College (now West Texas A&M) in Canyon, TX, where she met the love of her life, Robert Donnell (Don) Foster after having caught his eye in a play she had performed in. They later married in 1945 and lived in Austin, TX, while Don finished his education before moving to Houston where they would begin their family and eventually



NEDRA FOSTER

spend 69 wonderful years together.

Although petite in stature, Nedra's brimming and adventurous spirit carried her to exotic and home-grown locales alike. Whether it was as one of the first Americans to venture back into Communist China in 1979 with Don, or during her regular girls-only shopping trips to Wimberley with her sisters, she always touched the hearts of those she came across. Yet even during her busier years, she never forgot to show her kin how much she loved them and how proud she was of their accomplishments.

Funeral service will be held at Terrace United Methodist Church on Wednesday, July 30, 2014, to celebrate

a life well-lived and well-loved. Visitation was held prior to Wednesday's service on Tuesday, July 29, 2014, also at Waltrip Funeral Home.

Her family would like to welcome you all to a 10 a.m. service at Terrace Cemetery in Post on Saturday, August 2, 2014, to celebrate a life well-lived and well-loved. Visitation will be held prior to Saturday's service on Friday, August 1, 2014, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Justice-Mason Funeral Home, 301 West main Street in Post, where stories and memories were shared with her friends and her family, to include: husband Don, son Michael with his wife Joan, sister Joyce with her husband Gene, and her grandchildren Brandon with his wife Gail, Eric with his wife Sheila, Lindsey with her husband Clifton, and Taylor, in addition to her seven great-grandchildren, Jonathan, Benjamin, William, Ethan, Cara, Evangeline and Anselm.

She will be missed but not forgotten. And to ensure this - in lieu of flowers - remembrances may be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation, American Diabetes Association, or your favorite charitable cause.

Birth Announcement



Paytyn Catherine Tyler born on June 18, 2014 to Jerin and Whitney Tyler in Lubbock, Texas at University Medical Center. She was 7 pounds and 19.5 inches long. Proud grandparents are Jerry and Marinette Tyler of Post and Jim and Susie Justus of Crosbyton. Great-Grandparents are David and Nellie Tyler of Post and Pete and the late Juanelle Hays of Post.

Trailblazers Menu

Trailblazers Menu for August 4th - 8th

Monday: Polish Sausage, Sauerkraut, Potato Salad, Black Forest Parfait, and Cornbread

Tuesday: Smothered Steak, Mashed Potato, Greens, Apple Slices, Roll

Wednesday: King Ranch Casserole, Veggies, Pinto Beans, Sugar Cookies, and Wheat Roll

Thursday: Beef & Mac, Lima Beans, Veggies, Fruit Bar, and Cornbread

Friday: Fish or Chicken Tenders, Corn on Cob, Cole-slaw, Peach Cobbler, and Hushpuppies

Yesteryears

10 yrs ago

Forty-five Post students attended Your Power Camp sponsored by Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) and the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission at San Angelo State University in San Angelo July 21-24. The goal of the camp is to empower youth with the knowledge and leadership skills necessary to initiate change in their communities to reduce underage alcohol use, the No.1 youth drug problem in the U.S. Once again, Post had the largest group in attendance out of 600 member camp.

20 yrs ago

After many months of work and planning the "Tower Theatre" opened

its doors to a packed house Saturday night. Doc Caldwell's medicine show headlined the entertainment along with Shanna VanWinkle, Texas Dust Devils, Travis Ware, Jack Woody and many more talented performers. Micky Miller a Post school-teacher sang the old Patsy Cline smash hit "Crazy" to an audience that could hardly wait for the song to end before applauding. "The Heartbeats" of Lubbock played their fiddles in more than the normal fashion. Aaron and Jevon Hart ages 19 and 12 (respectively) have been trick fiddling, singing, acting and dancing for audiences professionally for the last few years.

30 yrs ago

Joel Seffel, planner for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and Kathy Nichols, TPWD specialist on backpacking trails, were in Post last week surveying the Caprock for a potential parks trail. The two were hosted by Chamber of Commerce manager Lewis Earl and while here were provided a tour of the Boy Scouts of America Camp Post by Chief Runkels. Seffel was particularly interested in looking at the Caprock trail proposal that has been mentioned in various early planning documents.

40 yrs ago

Cotton production for Garza County in 1974, it

50 yrs ago

Post's water situation today remains worrisome,

but not critical. Reports indicated between 8 and 9 feet of water in the main reservoir yesterday morning. City Supt. E. A. Warren said consumption here Tuesday was a million gallons and Monday's consumption was 1,021,000 gallons. Sunday's consumption was 723,000 gallons and Saturday's 759,000 gallons and Saturday's 759,000 gallons. Residents are permitted to water trees and shrubs but are asked not to water lawns. Water production remained about the same as last week. "We are just about staying even," Warren said. If consumption does not increase, no shortage is expected.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Garza County will hold a public hearing at the Garza County Courthouse in the courtroom on the 2nd floor on Tuesday, August 5th, 2014 at 5:05 pm, in regard to the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program project that has recently been completed in Garza County.
This public hearing is being held to review the outcome of the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Relief water improvements in Garza County. The grant was used to make water improvements in the following locations:
Contractor has rehabilitated an existing well field to expand its production to provide the White River MWD with an additional resource of water. Contractor shall rehabilitate two (2) wells, two (2) well pumps, piping, and all associated appurtenances. Construction shall take place at well #1, located at approximately two and half (2.5) miles east of the intersection of State Highway 207 and CR 162 on CR 162, at well #2, located at approximately two and seven tenths (2.7) miles east of the intersection of State Highway 207 and CR 162 on CR 162.
Citizens who wish to comment, but are unable to attend this hearing may submit their written comments to Lee Norman, County Judge, Garza County Courthouse 300 West Main, Post, TX 79356. Anyone needing additional information or special assistance may call Courtney Paz at South Plains Association of Governments at (806) 762-8721.

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Parenting / Substance Abuse Education Classes
Parenting and substance abuse education classes will begin at The Community Recovery Center, 405 S Ave. C, Post, on Monday August 4. Parenting classes are from 5-6 p.m. and Substance Abuse Education Classes are 6-7 p.m. Please contact the Community Recovery Center at 806.495.3173 to register for classes or if you have questions.
Back To School Splash
The Community Recovery Center is hosting its annual Back To School Splash on Thursday, August 14, from 6 - 8:30PM, at the Post Public Pool. Admission is by wristband only and free wristbands may be picked up at the Community Recovery, 405 S. Ave. C, Post, Monday thru Friday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Please come join in our last pool party of the year.
Benevolence fund
Dusty and Renee Clary have a Benevolence Fund set up at Centennial Bank. For more information contact Marie Odum 806-495-4757.
Burger feed
Trailblazers will be having a fundraiser for the Center on Saturday Aug. 9, from 11 a.m. till 1p.m. Hamburgers with all the trimmings. Dessert and drink included. Music and Fun! \$6 a plate at 205 East Main St.
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The Paperboy

Two families in need of healing

Lives can change in an instant. A little over a week ago, Jaydan Willis, 6, a Childress boy, could not stop his forward momentum and was struck by a man driving a pickup.

In an instant, the lives of two families were changed.



CHRIS BLACKBURN

There are many emotions in such a tragedy, Jaydan - what can you say? He's a great kid and he's fighting for his life. He's showing some incredible heart at University Medical Center in Lubbock. Childress, like every small town I know of, has rallied for Jaydan. Prayer vigils, Sunday school classes, Facebook posts ... all reflect an outpouring of love and well wishes for this

young man.

Prayers are also being sent up for Joey Bourland, a man who happened to be at the wrong place at the wrong time. Mr. Bourland, the driver of the vehicle, has probably played the scene out in his head over and over. It's a natural reaction. I'm sure the Willis family has as well. Each person wishing they could go back in time and just change things for an instant.

When my oldest son Jackson was 4, he dashed out behind my wife who was already in reverse. Sharon never saw him as her SUV backed over him.

Jackson only suffered minor head injuries as the

vehicle somehow straddled his body. The wait to find out whether those injuries were serious or not was excruciating.

To say Jackson was lucky is an understatement. The accident with Jaydan brought many emotions forward again. Not just for me, but Sharon as well. We have prayed for the Willis and Bourland families daily. We pray for healing, both physically and mentally. We also pray for understanding what is nearly impossible to understand.

While we all wish the accident would have never happened, we realize that lives have been changed. Hopefully, they are changed for the better. If not now, down the road.

Sometimes there is no rhyme or reason as to why things happen. And as hard as it is to believe, we are all pretty lucky to be here. A few seconds here or there and things could be much different for each and every one of us.

Jaydan is making progress. His little body is doing its best while a team of talented doctors do theirs.

Mr. Bourland is fighting as well.

I pray the Willis and Bourland families get some sense of relief soon. They've really been through it. And I hope that the good people of Childress recognize how special they are. Really, there's nothing quite like a small town rallying during a time of need.

Chris Blackburn serves as CEO at Blackburn Media Group, proud owner of Red River Sun, The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon, The Knox County News-Courier and The Post Dispatch. He can be reached by email at chris@blackburnmediagroup.com and you can follow him on Twitter @WCSBlackburn.



Post Ag instructor Perry Smith hosted a six-hour welding class for beginners recently. Pictured are those who received certificates of their participation. Pictured are (front row from the left) David Robles, Bruce Ledbetter, Rick Jones, Nancy McDonald, Carol Williams, and Dakota McDonald; (back row from the left) Rick Taylor, Gary Graves, Aaron Cowley and Smith.

Courtesy photo

BUGS

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range and newly acquired taste for grain sorghum.

"The pest left the Rio Grande Valley and moved into the blacklands and northern blacklands areas of Texas earlier this summer. They were found last week in Coleman and San Saba counties," Minzenmayer said. "Now, they've moved west into Runnels, Tom Green and Concho counties.

"Currently, no Concho Valley fields have been treated, but the infestations are being monitored regularly and when the crop-damage threshold is reached, an insecticide can be applied," he said. "The Texas Department of Agriculture has issued a Section 18 emergency use permit for Transform insecticide. It is the only insecticide currently available that will provide 90-plus percent control."

The Section 18 emergency label granted by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency earlier this year for Transform allows for application rates from 0.75 to 1.5 ounces per acre, Minzenmayer said.

Only two applications can be used during the growing season, so proper timing and thorough crop coverage are crucial for best results, he said. The pesticide also requires a 14-day interval between application and harvest.

The sugarcane aphid, *Melanaphis sacchari*, was first found in Texas late last summer but has been known in Florida since 1977 and Louisiana since 1999, Minzenmayer said. Known to feed on grain sorghum in other parts of the world, they have not been recorded on grain sorghum in the U.S. prior to last fall.

The aphid damage includes death of seedling sorghum plants, reduced seed set and at harvest their sticky prolific honeydew, or excrement, can cause harvesting machinery problems," Minzenmayer said.

"The sugarcane aphid first became a problem in Texas in 2013, starting in the Rio Grande Valley and moving up the coast and then into Louisiana and Arkansas, where it caused significant problems," Minzenmayer said. "Being a tropical insect it was pushed back to the Valley in the winter of 2013-14. In January of 2014, entomologists in South Texas documented sugarcane aphids reproducing on Johnson grass and volunteer sorghum plants. The rest is history."

Minzenmayer added that growers in the Rio Grande Valley have had to deal with this pest for the second year with varying results.

AgriLife Today on July 23 reported the Coleman/San Saba finds which Dr. Charles Allen, AgriLife Extension statewide integrated pest management coordinator in San

Angelo, said were the first documented instances of the insect west of Interstate-35.

"Finding sugarcane aphid further west does not necessarily mean that the aphid will move into the large grain sorghum producing areas in the Rolling Plains and High Plains, but growers need to be aware that sugarcane aphids have been found west of where they were seen last year," Allen said. "Growers should keep a close watch on their grain sorghum fields as the plants begin to head."

The tan to cream colored sugarcane aphids initially colonize on the undersides of leaves near the bottom of plants, then move up the plant as populations increase, Allen said.

"When about 40 percent of the plants are infested, it's time to spray," he said. "Plants are considered infested if they have 100 or more aphids on one of the leaves."

The U.S. Department of Agriculture-National Agricultural Statistics Service reports 3 million acres of grain sorghum in Texas — about 1.9 million acres are west of I-35.

The West Texas crop which includes the Concho Valley, is generally harvested in late August through early October and is used primarily as livestock feed, according to Minzenmayer.

For more information, contact any AgriLife Extension office.

Marriage Licences

The following people applied for and were given marriage licenses by the Garza County Clerks office.

June 4, 2014 Chance Michael Fernandez; Lana Renee Kitten

June 6, 2014 Enrique Escoto Flores; Daniela Alma Elizondo

June 9, 2014 Sebastian Blas Garcia; Ana Laura Prieto

June 9, 2014 Panagiotis Kolliopoulos; Olga Hernandez

June 9, 2014 Raul Ortiz; Edith Hernandez Andrade

June 11, 2014 Dylan Joel Huffman; Alicia Ann Wagner

June 12, 2014 Clay Lindsey Ashley; Marie Yvonne Ramos

June 19, 2014 Christopher Lee Rogers; Sara Elizabeth Coats

June 20, 2014 Donald Wayne Crenshaw; Teresa Diane Crenshaw

June 20, 2014 Keenan Michael Hickey; Kristian Nicole Saxon

July 3, 2014 Samuel James Melton; Kristi Renee Koenig

July 7, 2014 Antonio Rodriguez; Jacklyn Diane Curb

July 7, 2014 Jose Raul Zamora-Badillo; Brenda Trevino

July 15, 2014 Justin James Harris; Amanda Dawn Hair

July 16, 2014 Mario Ramirez Contreras; Keila Consuelo Rodriguez

Cryptogram

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

Hint: Quote by Muhammad Ali

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PISD to host Antelope Alley

Post Middle School will be hosting "Antelope Alley" for all Post middle school students on August 11th in the school cafeteria. This event will begin at 5:30 following a similar format as last year.

Students can come by the middle school campus the week of the August 4-7 and pick up a packet that contains all the paperwork for the beginning of school. Inside the packet will be a check-sheet for each station during the Antelope Alley event.

When you pick up your packet it will contain all the paperwork you will need for the current year. This will save a lot of time if you can have these forms filled out and correct before bringing these forms to "Antelope Alley". This will allow students to breeze right through this event and receive the student schedule and a prize for completing all the forms.

"Antelope Alley" for middle school will begin at 5:30 for 8th grade, then 5:45 for 7th grade and 6 p.m. for the 6th grade.

With the changes taking place within the building for the '14-'15 school year we will not have mandatory lockers assigned, but rather we will have lockers by request. If you would like a locker, come by the middle school any time the week of the 11th through the 14th and check out your schedule and get your locker assignment.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your middle school office (495-2874) for more information.

ZARA

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to find a replacement.

The search for a successor was an arduous process.

Unbeknownst to Dean, Zara was already being groomed for her present position.

Zara is a specific breed from Serbia that has the highest concentration of nerve endings or receptors in the nose of any other breed of dogs.

She traveled from Serbia through Germany to Denver, where handlers from Ruidoso Malinois who specifically train and certify these types of animals met her, brought her to New Mexico.

The work began to introduce Zara to specific odors and smells. It didn't appear to be work for her as she was rewarded with play-time for every successful find.

According to the trainers, Zara's "unique and special personality" began to immerge and her formal narcotics training began.

"Zara developed a very specific response which is called a frozen stare," they said.

Much like "a tell" by card players, Zara's cold stare would indicate she had found what she was looking for.

This stare is unique to Zara's personality and very helpful to Dean in the performance of a search.

Dean and Zara are certified through the National Narcotics Detector Dog Association as a team, which is crucial in the legal part of the judicial system.

"We must be certified in order to testify in court," Dean said.

"You can't go to court without being certified. It bolsters the testimony ability in court."

"Of course, a lot of what Zara and I do wouldn't be possible without the help and support of the Garza County Sheriff's Department," Dean said. "Sheriff Terry Morgan is responsible for making those decisions. He calls me out to assist on cases. Without that, I don't get near the same amount of training for Zara."

Chemistry is very important in this line of work. The handler and dog must be a cohesive unit.

"Every canine I've had, we've had that connection," Dean said. "It's been that instant connection. I liked them and they like me."

"I was impressed with Zara's focus, desire and love of her work," Dean said. "From Zara's point of view, she is playing games and having fun. She is searching for an odor so she can receive her toy and play with it."

None of this would have been possible had it not been for the generosity of some local people.

"Purchasing and training a search animal is an expensive venture," Dean said.

"We had some help from people in Post and I want to thank them for their help."

The McCrary Foundation was by far the largest donation at \$4,000 and along with other donations by Earl Chapman, Giles Dalby, Jeff Lott, Butch Booth, Sammy Palmer, drew Kirkpatrick and T.K Thompson, Zara came to Post unencumbered.

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0-2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11+

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Weather Trivia

Are small raindrops shaped like teardrops?

Answer: No, they are spherical in shape.

Peak Fishing/Hunting Times This Week

Day	Peak Times		Day	Peak Times	
	AM	PM		AM	PM
Fri	4:25-6:25	3:55-5:55	Tue	7:44-9:44	7:14-9:14
Sat	5:11-7:11	4:41-6:41	Wed	8:41-10:41	8:11-10:11
Sun	5:58-7:58	5:28-7:28	Thu	9:41-11:41	9:11-11:11
Mon	6:50-8:50	6:20-8:20	www.WhatsOurWeather.com		

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Fri	6:59 a.m.	8:44 p.m.	12:05 p.m.	11:51 p.m.
Sat	6:59 a.m.	8:43 p.m.	1:00 p.m.	Next Day
Sun	7:00 a.m.	8:42 p.m.	1:58 p.m.	12:27 a.m.
Mon	7:01 a.m.	8:41 p.m.	2:56 p.m.	1:06 a.m.
Tue	7:01 a.m.	8:40 p.m.	3:56 p.m.	1:51 a.m.
Wed	7:02 a.m.	8:39 p.m.	4:56 p.m.	2:41 a.m.
Thu	7:03 a.m.	8:38 p.m.	5:55 p.m.	3:38 a.m.

Last Week's Almanac & Growing Degree Days

Date	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Farmer's Growing Degree Days			
7/22	96	72	92/68	0.00"	Date	Degree Days	Date	Degree Days
7/23	96	67	92/68	0.00"	7/22	34	7/26	36
7/24	98	68	92/68	0.00"	7/23	32	7/27	36
7/25	100	74	92/68	0.00"	7/24	33	7/28	28
7/26	99	72	92/68	0.00"	7/25	37		
7/27	98	74	92/68	0.00"	Growing degree days are calculated by taking the average temperature for the day and subtracting the base temperature (50 degrees) from the average to assess how many growing days are attained.			
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The TICS session is open only to registered participants in the industry and will involve classes, lectures, tours and hands-on interaction through all phases of cotton production.

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Kent's Korner

Honor flights, surveys and rodeos, oh my!

As is sometimes the case in my Korner, we have more than one topic to touch on this week.


The Texas South Plains Honor Flight to Washington D.C. is fast approaching and organizers want those eligible to know that registration for this year's flight closes on Aug. 8.

Interested person's can go to the web site "texassouthplainshonor-flight.org" and print off the application for the October trip.

Honor Flight takes Veterans to D.C. for a three-day trip completely free of charge for the purpose of tours and paying respects at the different monuments and tributes in the area.

There are about 100 slots each year and the event is becoming more and more popular with each flight.

Don't miss this opportunity this year.



KENT MAHONEY

Post Survey

Organizers of the local endowment folks contacted me and they have informed me that a group out of Colorado is conducting a survey to identify better ways to distribute endowment funds.

A community survey is now available online at www.csgsurvey.com/texas. It is a very quick survey and I've already filled one out.

While it is mostly an 'agree or disagree' type of survey, there are a couple of opinion questions.

The deadline for this survey is Aug. 10 and a meeting will be held near the end of the month to discuss the results.

Now... if you do not have a computer at home, I suggest the Post Library or Trailblazers as possible access points.

After doing a cursory investigation, I find this to be a very useful way to determine the use of funds to better the community.

What better way to help out, but to go and take the survey? I think it took me less than 10 minutes to complete.

Rodeo Time

Next week is the Post Stampede Rodeo and organizers are expecting big crowds. And the reason I mention this is that I believe we should be prepared for the influx of people to Post.

Let's put on our best face to represent Post. And not that I'm implying that Post hasn't in the past; I would have had to be here for me to make that call.

But, I am saying that if organizers are spot on with their estimates, it could be just a tad crowded with visitors and such.

These people are coming to Post to spend their hard-earned money. And we want them to continue to come annually for this and other events in Post.

I'm not going to present a "laundry list" of what could be done. We're all adults here. So I'll leave it up to you as to what needs to be done.

(Note to self: call city hall and see if there is a street sweeper for post-parade cleaning)

I, for one, am excited as I missed my annual visit to the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo this past winter.

I truly believe and view the cowboys as athletes. And they wouldn't be able to perform at this level without athletic prowess.

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Redman Team Roping

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

New Art Exhibit

The OS Museum has opened a new

exhibit titled "Magnificent Works of Art Gathered Around the World"

featuring the wood artistry of John Christopher White. Viewing hours are 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday at the museum located at 201 E. Main. The exhibit closes Sept. 27. For more information, call the office at 806-495-3570.

Flag Sales

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

Pictures, stories needed

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