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# Post Kids Mystery Solved!

he Post Kids Summer Mystery Writing Contest uncovered talented young writers who may be the next generation's John Grisham or Patricia Cornwell. The contest, announced in the June 23 issue of ShopTalk, asked children of Post employees to finish a mystery that appeared in the issue. The contest is similar to the serial mystery writing contest running this summer in KidsPost.

The three contest winners whose entries were picked in a random drawing were Mark Lieberman, 11, son of **Roy Lieberman**, Advertising; Pia Kochar, 9, daughter of **Yuvi Kochar**, Corporate, and Charlie Williamson, 8, son of **Elizabeth Williamson**. News.

The winners received a Nationals gift package of tickets, a T-shirt and cap, as well as a KidsPost prize package.

Many thanks to all the Post kids and their parents for participating. Here is the beginning of the mystery and the three endings provided Mark, Pia and Charlie.

Ned the Newshound and KidsPost's Chip were thrilled. The two of them were on an adventure to visit The Washington Post's College Park and Springfield printing

plants. They couldn't wait to see the huge red presses, the big rolls of newsprint, and the busy docks where the newspapers were picked up then delivered to readers. "I'm going to write a story for KidsPost telling readers about our trip," Chip explained to Ned. Ned smiled at his buddy as they pulled into the College Park plant's parking lot. Then he looked

toward the plant and blinked, then rubbed his eyes. "Oh my," whispered Chip. "This is going to be a more exciting story than I thought." They couldn't believe what they saw.

## By Mark Lieberman:

Actually, it wasn't exactly what they saw that startled them. The building looked just the way it should, except for the fact that a sign was hanging on the door. It was the effect of the words on the sign that startled the two friends. It read: "CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER



Mark Lieberman, with his proud dad, **Roy**, models the Nationals T-shirt and cap he received from The Post Kids Mystery Writing Contest.

NOTICE". "WHAT?" yelled Ned, "Why?" Just then a man who was passing by said, "They had a break-in yesterday. Everything was a mess." Looking heartbroken. Ned and Chip said, "Thanks." They went home glum. The next day, Chip and Ned were watching the news when they heard about a break-in happening at the Springfield printing plant. Ned and

Chip ran down the street (they lived in Springfield) and saw a man running out of the building and caught him. He went to jail and Ned and Chip finally got to see the press.

#### **By Pia Kochar:**

Thick layers of smoke surrounded the plant. There was no sound coming from anywhere except birds flapping overhead. "What happened here?" Ned asked a police officer. "Someone short

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# 2005 Business-Side Interns

unch with President and General Manager

Steve Hills, hands-on experience with some of the country's top newspaper professionals and an insider's look at the machinations of a major daily newspaper are among the opportunities being enjoyed by this summer's 41 business-side interns. The group includes 36 undergraduate students from colleges across the country and five students from the



Publisher **Bo Jones** with the Eastern High School interns (I-r) Donnisha Barnes, Latoya Welch, Raquel Durham, Brittney Wright. Not pictured is Tyneisha Knight.

District's Eastern High School.

The interns are providing fresh ideas and valuable support to Accounting,
Administration, Advertising,
Circulation, Human
Resources, IT, Marketing,
Public Relations, Security, and the Writer's Group. The group is also gaining valuable advice from vice presidents, directors and managers from

throughout the newspaper during weekly lunches coordinated by the Human Resources and Public Relations departments.

Here are the 2005 business-side interns:

#### Sonia Ahluwalia

IT

George Washington University

#### Adeolu Alamutu

Accounting
Stanford University

#### **Donnisha Barnes**

Public Relations Eastern High School

#### Tyla Bodrick

Circulation

West Virginia Weslyan University

#### **Jihad Bruce**

Circulation
University of Maryland

#### **Kionna Bush**

Human Resources North Carolina Central University

#### Tricia Carlisle

Writers Group University of Virginia

#### **Cecily Chambliss**

Advertising University of Miami

#### **Derek Child**

Advertising Georgetown University

#### **Bernadette Contreras**

Advertising George Washington University

#### **Danielle Creek**

Accounting
Trinity College

#### **Sandra Davis**

Accounting Clark Atlanta University



The business-side interns outside the Springfield Plant prior to a tour of The Post's production facility. The interns shown are (front, 1-r) Sandra Davis, Ruth Hughes, Carissa Maye, Tyla Bodrick, Krystal Smith, Danielle Creek, Jihad Bruce, (second row, 1-r) Ashley Soloff, Tiffany Shaw, Derrick Child, Fred Peterbark, Cecily Chambliss, Bernadette Contreras, Jennifer Woglom, Sonia Ahluwalia, Alice Shin, Lauren Marshall, Susan Rundbaken, Ryan Nunez, (third row, 1-r) Tamela Odom, Tricia Carlisle, Tim Wilson, Sezer Solak, David Peng, Anna Myagkota, Emily Murphy, Andrew Palen, Robyn Stern, Gina Giardiello, Steve Kontson, Laura Schneider, Ashley Zaleski and Stephanie Shaw. Not pictured are Adeolu Alamutu and Margarita Juarez.

#### **Raquel Durham**

Accounting
Eastern High School

#### **Gina Giardiello**

Accounting
Temple University

#### **Ruth Hughes**

Human Resources Old Dominion University

#### **Margarita Juarez**

Human Resources National Cathedral Scholar Program

#### **Steve Kontson**

Accounting
Penn State University

#### Tyneisha Knight

Accounting
Eastern High School

#### **Lauren Marshall**

Advertising University of Maryland

#### **Carissa Maye**

Accounting Virginia State University

#### **Emily Murphy**

Advertising Georgetown University

#### Anna Myagkota

Accounting
Georgetown University

#### **Ryan Nunes**

Marketing University of Pennsylvania

#### **Tamela Odom**

Human Resources George Mason University

#### **Andrew Palen**

Accounting Georgetown University

#### **David Peng**

Accounting Virginia Tech

#### **Fred Peterbark**

Advertising
University of Michigan

#### Susan Rundbaken

Marketing/Security University of Maryland

#### **Laura Schneider**

Advertising University of Florida

#### **Stephanie Shaw**

Circulation University of Tennessee

#### **Tiffany Shaw**

Security/Administration St. Mary's College of Maryland

#### **Alice Shin**

Advertising University of Virginia

#### **Krystal Smith**

Accounting
University of Pittsburgh

#### Sezer Solak

Accounting Virginia Tech

#### **Ashley Soloff**

Accounting
Princeton University

#### **Robyn Stern**

Accounting
University of Maryland

#### LaToya Welch

Accounting
Eastern High School

#### **Timothy Wilson**

Public Relations University of Maryland

#### **Jennifer Woglom**

Marketing Syracuse University

#### **Brittney Wright**

Human Resources Eastern High School

#### **Ashley Zaleski**

Marketing
Vanderbilt University

Look for information on Advertising's MBA interns and the Production Department interns in the Aug. 11 issue of ShopTalk.

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circuited the plant!" he exclaimed. "Why?" asked Chip jumping over a spilled bucket of paint. "The manager of the hotel across the street has wanted the land for ages." he replied. They went into the hotel and asked the man behind the desk if he knew anything. "I don't," he said coolly, and picked up a toolbox, hurrying outside. Both friends followed. Ned whispered, "Hey look, tire tracks with a stripe of the same paint!" The man stopped behind a truck and put the box in. "Look! Paint

on that tire," whispered Chip.
"He must be the one!" concluded Ned excitedly, "I'll get
the officer." The man turned
out to be the hotel manager
and was arrested. Chip wrote
the most exciting story!

#### **By Charlie Williamson:**

...Ned and Chip saw a ghost. The ghost said, "I am the newspaper ghost! And I have come to the newspaper presses to steal all the newspapers." Chip said, "Run!" They ran into the plant. "I think we lost him," said Ned. Then somebody said, "Welcome to the College Park Plant. My name is Robert and

this is our tour guide, Sam, who will give you a tour." Sam said," I have things to do besides tours." Ned whispered to Chip, "Something's up with Sam." Chip whispered, "I think he recognizes us." Ned said, "Let's follow him." Ned said, "Hey, the ghost is actually Sam! Sam, we've called the police. Why did you want to steal all the newspapers?" Sam was mad. "Because I wanted to know everything in the world," he said. Chip said, "You only need one newspaper to know everything, Sam."

# 2005 20-Year Club Members

ccording to Human Resources Department records,
The Post staff listed here will reach their 20-year anniversary at The Post in 2005 and will become members of the
20-Year Club. If you or someone you know is eligible for the
20-Year Club and is not listed, please contact Human Resources'
Records Department at x4-6450 as soon as possible.

John Allen Luis Arias

Willie Armstrong

Elgie Barksdale

Marty Barrick

Jennifer Belton

Valerie Bonds Bill Brubaker

Candice Bryant

Frank Chillemi Donna Christian

D'Vera Cohn

Steve Coll

Kenneth Cool

Rita Coopersmith Richard Costantino

Glenn Dana

Ann Marie Ditchey

Paul Donnelly Sean Gardner

Steven Goff

Charles Hall

Cynthia Hardin

John Harris Keith Harriston Lynette Hawley

Richard Hodgens Fred Hurd

David Ignatius

Tajul Islam Herman Johnson

Thomas Kallas

John Kane Mike Keegan

Thomas Lachman

Don Le Gary Lee

Rich Lipski Alfred Lloyd

Steven Luxenberg Joe Malenab

Rolando Mariano Randy Mays

Lee McAdory Martha McAteer

James McPadden

JoEllen Murphy **Lionel Neptune** William O'Brian Jay O'Hare John Payne Patricia Poston Sue Presslev Thomas Redd Michael Sheffer Sandra Simonsen Keith Sinzinger Dayna Smith Janice Stewart John Still Michael Stuntz Robert Thompson

Jeffrey Walton

**Eugene Wingert** 



### **PostScripts**

## McCullough Featured at Book Club Event

David McCullough, bestselling author of several books, including John Adams and 1776, was the featured speaker at a Washington Post Book Club event held at the Northwest Building on Thursday, July 14. More than 300 Post readers attended the event, which was coordinated by Book World and the Marketing Department. Book World Deputy Editor Jabari Asim welcomed the attendees and Executive Editor Len Downie

introduced McCullough. The evening included a discussion with McCullough and a book signing.

#### Washingtonpost.com Launches Separate Home Pages

The Washington Post reported on Thursday, July 15 and an editor's note appeared

## washingtonpost.com

on washingtonpost.com, that the Web site now has two separate home pages, one for local readers and another for

> national and international readers. The home page an online reader receives is determined by the Zip code that was used when the reader registered on the site. If a reader has not registered on the site, they will view the



## Retail Advertising Unit Has "Reel" Good Time at Meeting

Staff from the Retail Advertising Unit's (RAU) specialty stores and health group performs their version of "West Side Story" as part of a team building exercise at RAU's sales meeting held at the Northwest Building on Friday, July 15. RAU's sales and service team led by Major Accounts Director Royston DeSouza performed their own Post-versions of several classic movies, which also included "Shaft" and "Casablanca" among others. The "Reel Time" skits program was the brainchild of Brian Gilman, sales manager for The Express.

national/international page as a default, until a local Zip code is registered. Tim Ruder, vice president of marketing for WashingtonPost.Newsweek Interactive (WPNI) noted in The Post article that 80 percent of the 8.5 million unique visitors each month to washingtonpost.com are from outside the Washington, D.C. metro area. He also said that local readers return to the site more frequently and linger longer.

## No ShopTalk on Aug. 4

ShopTalk will not be published on Thursday, Aug. 4. The next available issue for Marketplace ads is Thursday, Aug. 11. The deadline to place a Marketplace ad in that issue is Friday, Aug. 5 at noon. Ads can be e-mailed to ShopTalk@washpost.com.



Executive Editor Len Downie at The Washington Post Book Club event with Rosalee McCullough (David McCullough's wife), featured author David McCullough, Downie's wife Janice and Book World Deputy Editor Jabari Asim.

## **Marketplace**

FOR YOUR NEW BABY: A nicely-crafted wooden crib, barely used; a bassinet; a changing table; a portable crib (Eddie Bauer "pack'n'play"); a sturdy high chair; an infant chair; a circular bouncer with dangling toys; a "Band Walker" musical toy for learning to walk; and an infant car seat—all for \$500/OBO. We would need you to cart these items away, but it will save you many trips to the store—and at a fraction of the original cost. E-Mail Paul at blusteinp@washpost.com, or call x4-6096 or (301) 896-0589.

**FOR RENT:** Prague, Czech Republic, two BR apartment, \$40 pp per night, sleeps up to five. Photos available. Call Myra at x4-5185 or (703) 276-1147.

FOR RENT: Enjoy Vermont's spectacular fall foliage during the peak week of Oct. 14 – 21. Two BR condo in luxury resort, two BA, fully equipped kitchen, tennis, indoor pool and more. Available eight days and seven nights, \$1,130 including tax and cancellation fee. Call Doug at (540) 636-6712 or isabeaumarie@earthlink.net.

**FOR SALE:** Lexmark Color Jetprinter Model Z715, brand new, never out of the box! Asking \$50. Prints up to 17 ppm in black, 10 ppm in color. Prints popular sizes of borderless photos from 3.5" x 5" to 8.5" x 11". Call Yvette at x6-1182 or (703) 731-5494.

**FOR SALE:** Doghouse, large-medium breed, sturdy plastic, excellent condition, disassembles easily, center skylight. Asking \$45. Call Danielle at (301) 839-3629.

**FOR RENT:** Bratislava, Slovakia, walk to Old Town, one BR apartment, \$30 pp per night, sleeps up to three. Photos available. Call Myra at x4-5185 or (703) 276-1147.

**ISO:** Linksys wireless 802.11B network adapter. WUSB11 v2.6. Can only use version 2.6. New or used. Willing to trade my brand new v4.0. Call Joyce at x4-5926.

**FOR SALE:** Hotpoint 25 cu.ft. side-by-side refrigerator with icemaker and in-door ice/filtered water dispenser. White. 36"W x 70"H x34"D. Practically brand new! Only \$600. Call Liz at x4-7623 or (703) 931-3761.

MARKETPLACE DEADLINE: Noon Fridays. Please include your name, extension and home phone number. Ads are for Post Employees only. Send ads to Shop Talk, 7th floor, or call x4-6803. To send ads via fax dial x4-4963; via e-mail send to shoptalk. Ads run two issues unless otherwise requested. One ad per employee, please.