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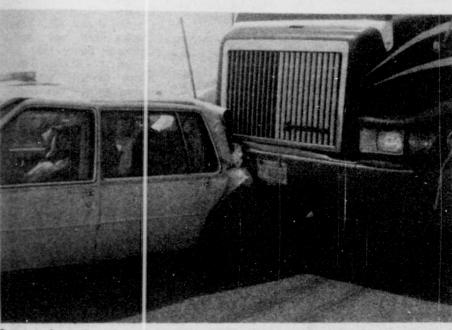
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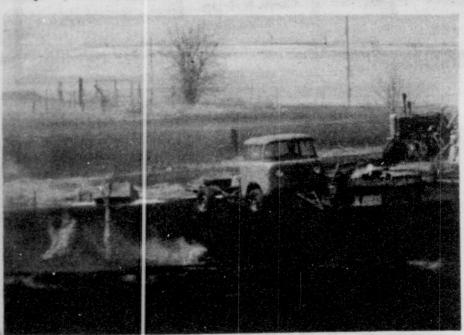
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Fire Closes I-40 After Many Wrecks Occur



Just one of several accidents that occured while the smoke was so heavy on I-40. A few injuries were reported, most were minor.



Smoldering fence posts and old truck tires keep the fire burning long after it should have been



Fire trucks, ambulences, DPS, and Sheriff's Deputies were all kept busy in last weekend's blaze

that burned over 600 acres.

High winds on Saturday blew a small trash fire into a raging inferno in the western section of Carson County. Firefighters from Groom, Panhandle, White Deer, Potter County and Pantex battled the blaze that eventually burned nearly 600 acres.

Groom sent two firefighting units and an ambulance to the blaze.

Thick smoke stopped traffic along I-40 for over an hour. Between six and

eight accidents occurred during that time due to low visibility caused by the thick, black smoke. Some injuries, mostly minor, were reported when several vehicles collided. Two people were taken by ambulance to Amarillo's Northwest Texas Hospital. One of those is reported to still be hospitalized.

A double wide trailer and several out buildings were engulfed by fire.

Carson County Sheriff, Loren Brand, was overcome with smoke and treated on site. Some firemen also were given oxygen during the blaze.

A small blaze broke out in Groom proper on Sunday. A resident was burning off their backyard when the fire got out of his control. A firefighting unit was dispatched and the blaze was quickly brought under control.

Democratic Run-Off Election Draws Near

Carson County Democrats will go to the polls next Tuesday to elect their choice for Carson County Treasuer. The runoff election will be held on Tuesday, April 12, 1994. Linda Orr and Jeanne

Cunningham are the two candidates voters will pick from. The March primary election pared the field down from three.

Who ever wins the election will go on to the general election which will be held in November.

Who ever your favorite candidate is ... get out and

LEWIS COMPETES IN JUNIOR OLYMPICS

Jeremy Lewis recently competed in the 1994 National Junior Olympic Shooting Championships. The invitational meet was for top performers in each age group from the state Junior Olympics.

See Lewis, pg. 3

Cafeteria Given A+ After Inspection

The Groom ISD Cafeteria received excellent marks from the state inspector recently. The onsite monitors found no deficiencies in the whole program.

Looking at food service, quality, menu planning, on time report filing, perpetual inventory, decorations, meal counting and collections, the state rated the cafeteria at 100, a perfect score.

"They monitor us every four years," said Nancy Patterson, head food "To my director. knowledge, this is the first perfect score that we have am. ever received. It was the first perfect score the inspector said she had ever





Community Calendar

TEXAS DEPT. Health will sponsor an Clinic on Immunization April 13th at the Community Center from 10 am to 4 pm.

ELEMENTARY Students will host a program on April

EARLY VOTING will begin April 18 for School and City Elections.

BASEBALL MEETING Sunday, April 10 at 2:00 pm at the Community Center. We need anyone interested in helping to PLEASE attend so we can get started for the summer.

APPLICATIONS WILL be passed out at school to all the kids interested in playing BASEBALL.

MONDAY, APRIL 11 Dinnertainer at the Groom Community Center, 7:00

THE BAPTIST Senior Supper is April 12 at 7:00

GROOM AA MEETING meets at 8:00 pm every Tuesday at the Groom Branch Library.

THE DISTRICT TRACK Meet will be in Groom on April 14 & 15.

THE REGIONAL Academic meet will be at Levelland on April 22.

MAY 2 IS THE Groom ISD Staff Development Day. Students will not have school.

THE NEXT STAFF Development day at Groom ISD is May 2nd rather than May 3rd as previously reported.

BAPTIST SENIOR Supper will be held April 12 at 7:00 pm.

KOUNTRY Neighbors will meet at 1:30 pm at Mrs. London's home on April 13.

NOTICE TO ALL Pee Wee Basketball players: Please turn in your shirts to Nila Burgin as soon as

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CARD OF THANKS

Thanks to all my friends and family for the prayers, cards, food, phone calls, flowers, visits and other acts of kindness during my five month illness. A special thank you to the Home Health nurses Jerry, Judy, Wendy, Charleen, Charlotte for all their tender loving care. God Bless each of you.

In love, Peggy Ham Firefighters Attend Workshop

Ten local firefighters attended a rescue workshop in Brownfield recently. Kevin Kerlee, Raymond Ruthardt, Jody Ball, Donald Burgin, John Homen, John Bohr, Michael Bohr, Corkey Hickey, Rick Prather and Randy Johnson were among the group of volunteers that gathered to learn more about house-fire rescue and using air pack. All of the men received their certification for the course.

Another school will be held in Canyon during the month of July for those who were unable to attend. Local Happenings

ON THE SICK LIST Hap Watson Laverne Schultz

Trisha Treadwell traveled to West Texas A&M University with Pampa's UIL academic team. Trisha placed fifth in news writing. She competed against students from Borger, Dumas, Hereford, Tascosa, and Caprock. Pampa placed first in the district for the third year straight.

NEW ARRIVAL Mike and Jennifer

Mike and Jennifer Conrad have a new arrival in their home. Cody Michael was born at 2:08 am on March 30. He weighed 8 pounds and 6 3/4 ounces and was 21 inches long.

The proud grandparents are Marcia and Donnie Conrad of Groom, and

Becky and Mike Thomas of Amarillo.

Great-grandparents are Louise Conrad and Irma and Page Conrad all of Groom.

Great-great-grandmother is Mrs. Ethel Blackwell.



On Friday and Saturday, April 1st and 2nd Brent Longway entered the Oklahoma Inaugural Agricultural and Youth Expo finals by being one of the top ten in the 8 and under class after two go arounds. In the finals Brent took 5th with a total of 59 points after competing in the Arena Race, Goat Ribbon Race, Pole Bending and Barrel Race.

Memorial Donations To Groom Community Center

For Ethel Neal: Mr. and Mrs. William Neal, State National Bank, Bill and Norma Jean Homer, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kuehler, Bertha Knight, Class of '37.

For Bill Cornett: Bill and Norma Jean Homer.
For Buster Shultz: Mr.

and Mrs. Robert Kuehler. For Pete Miller: Mr. and Mrs. E.N. Babcock.

For Emaline Hermesmeyer: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kuehler.

> Honor Thy Father And Mother

George and Joleta Keeter and Verena Puckett are looking forward to seeing their nephew, David Beron play his role in the television movie produced by Fox Productions. The movie according to the New York Times will be April 18th in the evening at 7:00 or 8:00 pm.

David will play Erik Menendez. The Menendez brothers killed their parents according to news reports for their money. Later in the month CBS will present their version of the tragedy.

Shannon Peek of Amarillo spent Easter Sunday with her grandmother, Helen Witt and attended church services and fellowship dinner at the Church of Christ.

Visitors in the Glynn D Harrell home Sunday were Bob and Louise Mulkey, Steven and Sara-Allyson Hightower, Robert and Whitney of Panhandle, Jim and Beverly Ingram of Amarillo, Glynda Eschle of Lubbock and Jeremy Mulkey of Bryan. The April birthdays of Glynn D, Jim, Sara-Allyson and Jeremy were recognized.

The Reverend Mark Metzger, Glynn D and Sybil Harrell attended a Lenten Service and supper at the United Methodist Church in Panhandle Wednesday evening, March 30. Mark was the guest speaker. DID YOU LOAN THE News Office a picture? Please come by to see if any of these are yours!

GROOM BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

April 7 - Candace D. Schulte.

April 8 - Marcia Conrad, Angela Conrad, Maggie Thomas.

April 9 - Charles Donald Fields, Shannon Miller, Hugh Weinheimer, Blake Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Brooks (A), Mr. and Mrs. Skeet Brown (A).

April 10 -April 11 - George (Jigger) Britten, Jr., E.O.

Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Bowers (A).

April 12 - Rodney Bohr, Evelyn Ollinger, Brandon Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ruthardt (A), Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Lamb (A).

April 13 - Craig Howard.

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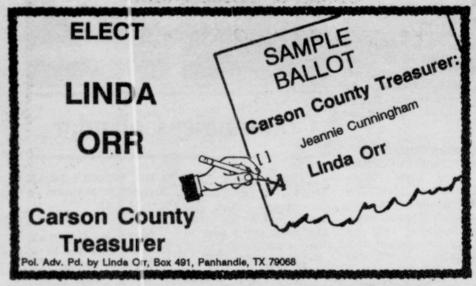
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Julie Lyles Named To Who's Who -

Wayland Baptist University has had 33 of it's students recognized nationally as outstanding leaders in the 1994 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

Students are selected by campus nominating committees, and are chosen based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued Students are success. chosen from more than



1,400 institutions of higher education in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and several foreign nations.

Julie Lyles of Groom has been included in this list. A member of Theta Alpha Psi and Student Foundation for three years, she is also TAP's secretary, and has been vice-president for Student Foundation.

Lyles has been secretary/treasurer of her sophomore class, vicepresident of her senior class, and has been included on the Dean's List for five semesters.

A senior business administration major, Lyles is the daughter of Don and Mary Sue Lyles of Groom.

THANK YOU CARD

My deepest thanks to all my lovely friends for the wonderful surprise birthday party at the Grill. The nice gifts and well wishes were very sweet of you.

Allie Hoyt

LEWIS

Jeremy won first place in two different events. Out of a perfect score of 600, he scored 544 points in the sub-junior (age 14 & under) Men's Air Rifle.

In the Three-Position Rifle competition he scored 1084 points out of 1200 for the win.

The competition was held at Colorado Springs,

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Local Happening

Allie and Norris Hoyt hosted an Easter celebration on their "Ponderosa" at Lake Greenbelt, Sunday. Attending were Jim, Donna, Melody and April Burton and Nellie and Burl Painter. Marge the "fluffy" dachshund also was present.

NOTICE OF __CITY __ ELECTION __CITY___) election to elect three Aldermen e, por las prosenie, que las casillas electorales situdos abajo se abrirda desde las 7:00 a.m. basta los 7:00 a.m. el 7 de MAY para ster en la Elección para elect three Alderman LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES (DIRECCIOM(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ("LECTORALES) Groom School Superintendent's Office 304 W. Third Early voting by personal appearants will be conducted each weekday at (Le resocide on adelantade on persons as licrosed a cabe de lases a viernes en) City Hall - Groom, Texas 203 Broadway en the hours of 9:00a.m. and 4:30p.m. beginning on April 18, 1994 tre las 9:00de la matana y las 4:30de la tarde empezando el APT 11 18, 1994 mg on ___ Hay 3. 1994 Hay 3. 1994 if early voting will be held at the same location as follows:* Debbie Anthony April 29, 1994 Issued this the __ 8 __ day of _ February 4 February 19 94

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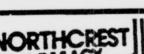
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Notice Of Right To Nominate

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Persons nominated should have an interest in a farm as an owner, tenant, or sharecropper within the County or area in which activities of the County or Area Committee are carried out. They must be citizens

of the United States or aliens lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence, and well qualified for committee work. Spouses of those persons who meet the eligibility criteria are also eligible for nomination for election to the county committee. Nominations must be received in the Amarillo County Office, located at 3002 East 3rd, P.O. Box 31595, Amarillo, Texas, no later than May FmHA 15, 1994. committee elections are open to all eligible voters without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, age, political affiliation, marital status, sex, and/or handicap.

Groendyke Reports To L.E.P.C.

Carson County Local Emergency Planning Committee heard from Delton Smith, Safety Supervisor for Groendyke Transport, Inc. on his companies safety responsibilities. Present for the L.E.P.C.'s quarterly meeting were Judge Jay Roselius, Robert Engliss, Vic Kowalewski, Tony Treadwell, Lovell Kennard, Ricky Hamilton, Phil Miller, George Powell and Chief of Police Kenny Rogers. Absent from the meeting were Sheriff Loren Brand, Wanda Hood, Mike Tice, Brent Stephens, Kevin Blodgett, Steve Huckins, and David Martin.

Minutes from the November 15, 1993 meeting were read and approved.

Delton Smith said

"Groendyke Trucking

high quality of safety." The company was started in with one truck, now the company runs over 800 trucks under Harold's son John. John Groendyke strives to be a leader in the trucking industry, operating throughout the United States, Mexico and Canada. Groendyke said that

specializes in hauling

hazardous materials with a

when a spill occurs, primarily caused by accidents that these spill cleanups are a multi-million dollar operation.

All the paper work on the material being hauled is stored in the door. Smith said every driver must be able to take tests to

maintain their high quality of knowledge of safety. These papers are required to tell what should be done in case of a spill or accident.

Smith also says that anyone seeing a Groendyke truck driving carelessly or having any other problems that the company wants to

LOCAL HAPPENING Brian and Marie Baker

visited their parents Jesse & Jo Ann Baker and Donnie and Marcia Conrad over Easter weekend.

Groom Seniors spent the day at the WTAMU Library Wednesday to do research for a project they are working on.

Golf Teams Win District

Groom ISD Golf Tearn attended the District tournament at Clarendon. Both boys and girls teams won first place in the meet.

Ty Lambert was low point over all.

Those on the team are Ty Lambert, Collin Downs, Bo Burgin, Bart Britten,

Matt Miller, Scott McLaughlin, Jeremy Chavedo, Brad Sustaire, Craig Baker, Brian Crowell and Joe Britten.

The girls team consists of Aimee Lyles, Misty Homen, Stacy Fields, Jill Howard and Melanie Friemel.

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Belcher - Black Exchange Vows March 31

Angela Donnael Beicher, Friona, and Pvt. Aaron Keith Black, Killeen, were married March 31 at Calvary Baptist Church of Friona with the Rev. Virgil Ichtertz of the church, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Belcher, Friona. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Goff, Pampa. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Black, Friona.

Maid of honor was Alice Black, sister of the groom, Friona. Bridesma ds were Gena and Tena Willard both of Lubbock. Jessie London, cousin of the groom, Friona, was flower

Standing as best man was Kelly Jack, Lubbock. Groomsmen were Eddie

Wilson and Britt Conklin, Lubbock. Serving as ushers and candlelighters were Jason Wright, Lubbock, and Jay Belcher, brother of the bride, Friona. Ring bearer was Theo Anderson, cousin of the bride, Oklahoma City.

Providing music for the occasion were Mrs. Bobby Jordan, Friona, on organ, with Britt Conklin singing and accompanying himself on guitar. LeeAnn Ford, Friona, provided piano

Following the service, the couple was honored with a reception in the church. Guests were served by

Renee' Martin, Abilene, Mendi Milner and Sheryl Dement, Lubbock, Tammi Potts, Amarillo, and Vacresia White, LeeAnn Ford, Mrs. Galen Jack, Mrs. Jim Taylor, and Devin Black, Friona. Guests were registered by Mendi Milner.

After a honeymoon to Red River, New Mexico, they are making their home in Harker Heights.

She is a graduate of Friona High School and attends West Texas A&M University. He is a graduate of Friona High School and is serving with honors in the U.S. Army at Fort Hood. They are members of Calvary Baptist Church in Friona.

NOTICE OF GROOM INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION

To the Registered Voters of the Groom Independent School District, Texas:

Notice is her sby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. on May 7, 1994, for voting in a school trustee election to e ect two trustees.

LOCATION OF POLLING PLACE

The administrative offices of the Groom School, located at 304 West Third Street, in the City of Groom, County of Carson, and State of Texas.

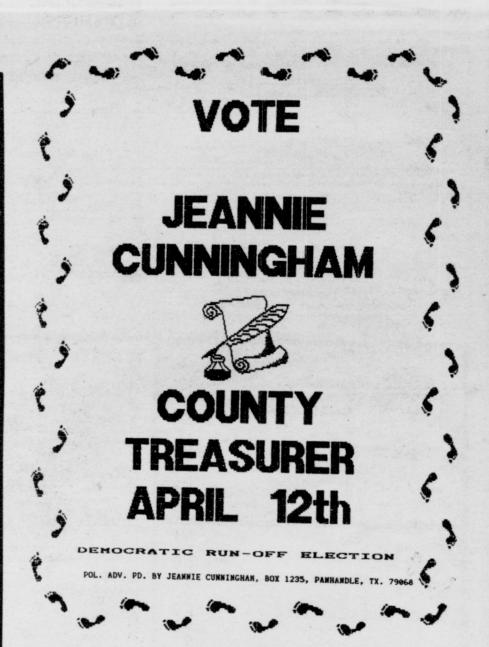
Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the Business Cffice of the Groom School, located at 304 West Third Street, in the City of Groom, County of Carson, and State of Texas, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. beginning on April 18, 1994, and ending on May 3, 1994

Application s for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

Joyce Hutsell, Early Voting. Clerk P O Box 598 Groom TX 79039

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later that the close of business on April 29, 1994.

> Issued this, the tenth day of February, 1994: Signature of Presiding Officer: s/Dennis L. Babcock, President Board of Trustees





Notice To Bidders

Sealed proposals addressed to Jay R. Roselius, County Judge, Carson County, Texas, for the construction of "Exterior upon depositing the sum of Terra Cotta Wall Repairs to \$35.00 for each set of the Carson County documents. Courthouse" will be received by the Carson County Commissioners Court until 10:00 AM, CDST, Monday, April 25, 1994, at which time such Bids shall be publicly opened, read aloud, and considered by the Carson County Commissioners Court.

Bids are to be delivered either in person or by mail to Agnes Bell, County Auditor of Carson County, Texas, at her office in the Carson County Courthouse, located in the City of Panhandle, Texas, or at P. O. Box 369, Panhandle, Texas 79068.

Drawings and Specifications may be examined at the office of the Architect, Ward Associates, AIA, ASID, 2750 Duniven Circle, Amarillo, Texas. Copies of

the above documents may be obtained at the office of the Architect in accord with the Instructions to Bidders

Any bona-fide Bidder, upon returning the documents in good condition immediately following the public opening of said bids, shall be returned his deposit in full. Any non-bidder returning the documents in good condition shall be returned the sum of \$35.00.

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Groom School Lunch Menu

April 11 - Breakfast: Blueberry muffins, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Taco WE HAVE LOTS AND lots salad w/meat and grated of pictures at the Groom cheese, shredded lettuce, cut News Office. Last years corn, flour taco shell, graduation, football, chocolate cake, milk.

April 12 - Breakfast: Groom Day, track Pancakes, peanut butter,

basketball, stock shows,

cheese, lettuce, pickle spears, peaches, milk.

April 13 - Breakfast: Breakfast burritoes, hash browns, juice, milk. Lunch: Sea crunchies, curly fries, carrot sticks w/vegetable dip, graham crackers, milk.

April 14 - Breakfast:

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April 15 - Breakfast: Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls, rice krispie treats,



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Carson County Sheriff's Report

By R.M. Davis, Sergeant
There are currently six
persons in the Carson
County Jail. Charges range
from DWI to Involuntary
Manslaughter.

Firefighters were kept busy at a large fire in the Webb-Bragg area just off I-40 Saturday.

Fire units from Panhandle, White Deer, Washburn, Potter county as well as the Pantex fire department responded to the fire which was at first mostly grass and then threatened several residences.

Five firefighters were overcome from smoke inhalation as was Carson County Sheriff Loren Brand as they attempted to evacuate persons from the path of the fire. Each of the victims were alright at the time of this report.

While the fire did threaten several houses, it consumed one trailer as well as a tractor, and a couple of vehicles.

Both lanes of the Interstate were shut down for about an hour due to heavy smoke from the fire blowing south across the Interstate.

Zero visibility contributed to a seven car axident in the east bound line which resulted in one person being transported by EMS ambulance to Amarillo Emergency Receiving for minor injuries.

The exact cause of the fire which resulted in several thousand dollars worth of damage has not yet been determined.

It is believed that a resident of the area may have accidently tried to burn trash.

The Sheriff's Department has requested that an arson investigation be conducted. Total amount of damages

money wise has not yet been determined.

Deputy Jeff Oldham arrested a man for theft after he failed to pay for gas in Groom at the J&N Fuel Stop.

The man, traveling from Kentucky made restitution for the fuel and was allowed to depart after paying a fine.

The Sheriff's Department wishes to send a speedy recovery to the Skellytown City Marshal, Lonnie Easley, who is at home after a short stay in the hospital.

The Sheriff's office would appreciate local landowners assistance, when giving permission for persons to hunt on their land; if they could give written permission that has the owners authorization, in order we not spoil anyone's hunting, etc, etc.. This would expedite things on those times we cannot locate the owner.

It is better to say a good thing about a bad fellow, than to say a bad thing about a good fellow.

To The Citizens of Carson County:

Over the past few years, you probably have been reading and hearing much more about child abuse in our County. Like most people, you may feel shock or sadness for the children

whose lives are torn apart by abuse or neglect.

In Texas and nationally, April has been declared Child Abuse Prevention Month. During this month we want to draw attention to what everyone in the community can do to prevent the tragedy of child abuse. You, as a member of our community, have an important role in

prevention, not only within your own family, but with our community and the state of Texas.

Below are some suggestions of what you can

• Help to keep violence out of your life and of your family. Deal with stress in your life by knowing what situations heighten stress, making adjustments to reduce stress, and sharing stressful feelings with spouse, relatives, friends, or counselor. Set aside some adult time, apart from your children.

 Explore your own attitude toward violence, i.e., corporal punishment, criminal punishment, institutional care, etc.

 Build a supportive neighborhood. Find ways to relieve stress, such as coffee breaks, babysitting, car pooling, shared activities.

 Educated yourself and your community about child abuse and neglect.

• Get involved in your community. Volunteer through your local voluntary action bureau, child protective services, private family service organization or local church or community group.

 Get involved in the legislative process. Call or write your local, state, and national elected officials to express your support for legislation which benefits children and families.

Child abuse prevention is a community concern.
Your effort is important.

Jay R. Roselius

According to Ronald L. Berryhill, director of the Oklahoma City Regional Service Office for the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC), the final date to purchase crop insurance for spring planted

crops is March 31 or April



The Groom 5th and 6th grade boys Little Dribbler's team, coached by Scott Fields, placed 2nd in the Jim Brinkley Memorial Tounament in Panhandle recently. All the boys received medals. They are (back) Chris Ollinger, Evan Crowell, Dusty Crump, Dustin Babcock and Justin Homen. (Front) Dewayne Gray, Nickolas Anthony, Russell Conrad and Jonathan McCall.

Reasons to Re-elect Justice Raul Gonzalez:

Education. Justice Raul Gonzalez holds a doctorate of jurisprudence and a master's in law. His opponent never attended law school.

Experience. Justice Gonzalez has served with distinction on the Texas Supreme Court for 10 years. He also served as a district and court of appeals judge. His opponent has no appellate experience.

3 Integrity. Justice Gonzalez has served with fairness, independence and honesty. That's why he's endorsed by the Texas Farm Bureau and so many others. His opponent is a wealthy trial lawyer who's run a misleading smear campaign and is under investigation by the Texas Ethics Commission.

Pol. adv. paid for by: Johnny and Nancy Brumley, Groom, Texas 79039

Vote in the Runoff Early voting, Apr. 4-8 Election Day, Apr. 12

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1st Annual Easter Egg Hunt Successful

Charlie Ferguson welcomed everyone to McLean's First Annual Easter Egg Hunt. The weather was a little brisk and several people said the wind might blow. The kids came anyway, in hopes of finding that special egg or toy the Easter bunny left at the park. Brother Q.D. Bevill started the hunt with a word of prayer for everyone's safety. Several denominations were represented. There were approximately 90-110 children who participated in the event.

There were three age groups: 0 to 5 years, 6 to 8 years, and 9 to 12 years. Each age division had two golden PRIZE eggs and a combined total of over 800 eggs, with numerous novelties also. The race started at 3:00 pm and the park was picked clean by 3:05 p.m. Competition was fierce and everyone had a good time. We had a great turnout of big and little folks. Thanks for your enthusiasm and also for

taking all those eggs home. The bunny wanted to say thank you to everyone who helped with dying and hiding the eggs. Hope we didn't leave any names out! Cliffie Heasley, Jerry Ferguson, David Hutchison, Gary Bolton, Eric Vega, Steve Parkinson, Angel Harris, Christina Carter. Shanna Daniels, Amanda Harden, Alisha Harden, Shawn Sanderson, Missy Slagle, Michelle Basham, Tammy Hanes, Jaylene Watkins, Lacey Steel, Stephen Pierce, Eric Studebaker, Shelly Holland, Tyler Hanes, Peggy Simpson, Brother Q.D. Bevill, Delores Bevill, Marshall Hanes, Ike Hanes, Amanda Crawford, Emory Crawford, Caleb Crawford, Shawn Crawford, Brother Pat, Brother Dean, Susan Williamson, John Harden, Tex Buckhaults, Amanda Cline, and Delinda Simpson. Everyone dyed real pretty eggs, except Shawn, Tex and Angel, they won the ugliest egg contest hands down.



Chamber of Commerce Resurrected After A Decade Of Inactivity

By Mark Adams

Twenty eight business owners gathered last Tuesday, March 29th in McLean's Bank of Commerce to discuss goals and voted unanimously to reactivate their Chamber of Commerce, still chartered after a decade of inactivity.

So much has changed since 1985 with Interstate 40 bypassing Texas Route

resurgence of popularity of the historical highway and an excess of potential commercial real estate, both on any of the three I-40 exits/on ramps, on the quaint brick Main Street and the corridor along the two miles that comprise four traffic lanes and four parking lanes of the grand old highway, not

April," motioned Mr. Thomas

Jane Herndon was asked to chair the nominating committee, which will be comprised of Monty Joiner, Mary Dwyer, Roger McCraken, and Garth Thomas. The election of officers is planned for April 12th at 5:30 in the hospitality room of the

Delbert Trew, curator of the Devil's Rope Museum felt that more restoration such as that done at the Cactus Inn was in order, as well as clean up to promote the annual celebration.

"We'll have more to display for visitors..." he stated, "our goal should be to offer visitors...clean selections and we could add a historical wooden windmill at the south end of Main

emphasis should be on selling the community, citing "crime-free environment", "outstanding school", and "a great place to raise children."

utilities, land prices, and location could not be matched anywhere else in Texas."

Gordon Shepler said "The James and Mary Lou Glass, Chamber of Commerce can be the voice of unison."

Some of those in attendance were: Bob, Dan and Marjorie Fish, Betty Lamb, Jerry and Marcio Ferguson, Ralph Ferguson, Karen Brown, Irene Mullinax, Leta Mae Hess,

Scott Shurley, Barbara Richards, Lynn Swanson, J. D. Ward, Delbert Trew, Ruth Trew, Jane Herndon, Neal Odom, Jake Hess, Gordon Shepler, Monty Joiner, Mary Dwyer, Roger McCracken, Garth Thomas and many others.

Reminders

MISS WOO-MAN Contest will be at 7pm, 4 Saturday, April 9.

BLUNCK'S will be coming on Thursday to MHS to take Memory Mates for Grades K-6 and Color Casuals for Grades 7-12. Contact Kim Oldham at 779-2491 for more information.

KINDERGARTEN Pre-Registration for the 1994-95 school year will be April 8th from 12:00 to 2:30 pm. Please bring birth certificate, immunization records and social security number.

McLEAN MASONIC Lodge will have a Fellow Craft degree, Monday, April 11th at 7:30 pm at the Masonic Lodge Building.

BLOOD DRIVE 3-6 pm in the school cafeteria on Thursday, April 7.

HIGH SCHOOL District Tennis in Clarendon. Students will leave at 7:30 am on Friday, April 8.

THE SHRINERS are having a barbecue dinner at the Sportsman Club in Pampa, Sunday, April 10th from 1:00 to 4:00 pm.

RT. 66 ANNUAL Clean up, April 9 at 9am. State and local chapters need your help on FM 273 south & north of town. Meet at the Devil's Rope Museum.

HEALD METHODIST Church and Community will have a covered dish supper, Tuesday, April 5th at 6:00 pm. Everyone welcome! Mark calendars for Heald's 91st Anniversary May 1st!





Republican Run Off Election To Be Held, Tuesday, April 12

Gray County Precinct 4 Republicans will go to the polls next Tuesday to elect their choice for Precinct 4 Justice of the Peace. The run-off election will be held on Tuesday, April 12, 1994.

Jake Hess, Sr. and Mary Ann Carpenter are the two candidates voters will pick from. The March primary election pared the field down from four.

Who ever wins the election will go on to the general election which will be held in November.

Who ever your favorite candidate is ... get out and only gives "McLean, The Heart of Old Route 66" a slogan, but also a reason to be optimistic."

A Chamber of Commerce will best serve membership by formulating short, mid-range and long term goals," said Garth Thomas. "We should begin by renaming the East and West Route 66 Boulevard, buying new signs to designate it and nominate officers before the end of

Jane Herndon felt that the

Neal Odorn stated " .

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McLean Care Center Enjoys Easter Event

McLEAN BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

April 7 - Margaret Milam, Courtni Whetseil. April 12 - Virginia Dalton, Aline Winegeart. April 13 - Lela Kennedy.

Briefs

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Smitherman spent Easter weekend with their son, Bryan Smitherman, MD at Lubbock, Texas.

Nancy Billingsley from California arrived in Amarillo March 27th. She spent last week with her grandchildren in Amarillo and they all came to their grandfathers, J.W. Meacham's, for the Easter weekend. Donna Vinyard, Nancy's sister from Granbury, was also here. attended the United Methodist Church on Sunday. Nancy was to return to California on Monday.

Spending the weekend with Jodie Thomas and Velma Kinard was Deborah, Megan and Zachory Beaty of Idalou, Texas. On Sunday evening, Mike Sanders and Mika Clark came from Pampa. There was a big Easter egg hunt at Jodie's house.

We are happy to report Loma Lou Gibbs has returned home from the hospital.

Sunday Bro. Dean Williamson was here to hold a worship service for the residents.

Residents playing bingo Monday were Adelle Walker, Kittie Hessey, Lorena Bailey, Clyde Trusty, Teresa Richardson, Dick Wheeler, Annie Eudey, Leon Burch, Eula Morrow, and Jessie Coleman. Our helpers were Cliffie Heasley and Betty Lowe. Bananas were furnished by the Lions

Tuesday morning the following residents colored eggs: Dick Wheeler, Kittie Hessey, Lucille Cullison, Doris Reborn, Leon Burch, Vernie Bowling, Polly Burnett Adelle Walker, Burnett, Mamie Hathaway, Jessie Coleman, James Stevens, Virgie Everette, Teresa Richardson, Thelma Hopkins, Lorena Bailey, Lula Sheegog, Eula Morrow and Winnie Morris. Our volunteer helpers were Martha Van Huss, Louise Turner, Joy Cooper, Wanda In the afternoon Myers. Eula Morrow, Dick Wheeler, Leon Burch, Craig Morris, Imogene King, Thelma Hopkins and Teresa Richardson played dominos.

Wednesday morning



Peter Cottontail (Jennifer Pennington) and assistant Kesha Howard watch as Eula Morrow and Cliffie Heasley hunt for Easter Eggs.

members of the Assembly of God Church were here to serve refreshments and fellowship with the residents. A Sing-A-Long was held by Pastor Dean Williamson with Ella Mae Massey playing the piano. Ladies serving were Wanda Myers and Susan Williamson. In the afternoon the following residents played Can-N-Ball: Christine Shipley, Leon Burch, Lucille Cullison, Annie Eudey, Kittie Hessey.

Jessie Coleman, Teresa Richardson, Polly Burnett, Imogene King. Adelle Walker and Duella Beverly were the winners. Following our games an exercise session was held.

The donuts furnished by Leta Mae Hess were enjoyed on Thursday. In the afternoon the residents enjoyed an Easter egg hunt held on the grounds in the front of the Care Center. Volunteers were wonderful as this was an exciting event for all. Each resident was presented a basket made by Imogene King of which special recognition was given to her, we presented her with a large bunny basket Our filled with goodies. volunteer helpers were Sue Marsh and her daughters Tami and Julie, Betty Lowe, Louise Turner, Inez Trostle, Mary Dwyer, Cliffie Heasley and her twin granddaughters Karla and Kesha Howard. Our hunt was scheduled for 2:30 but due to the residents anxiety we started at 2:00 so we wish to thank Laura Kennedy and Ruth Magee for being here at 2:30 to offer their help.

Friday was our Easter Cynthia Hauck party. played the piano while each child modeled their outfits, there were twenty one in all. Our Easter bunny, Jennifer Pennington gave each child a bunny basket filled with candy which were made by the residents. A bunny decorated cake was furnished by Laura Morris and decorated cup cakes were furnished by the McLean Care Center Ladies Auxiliary. A special basket was presented to Jennifer Pennington for a job well

Children modeling done. Stephen and Savannah Williamson, Julie and Tami Marsh, Katrina Thomas, Dustin Lee, Hogan Stump, Tammy Syfrett, Neil Campbell, Stepanie Henson, Skyler Ferguson, Veronica and Terrance Fite, Erin Bailey, Michael Domiz, Twila and Seresa Williams, Kassandra Jackson, Janie Jackson, Lacy Ferguson, and Britnie Cooper. ranged from five months to 12 years. Ladies assisting in helping organize this event and serving refreshments were Inez Trostle, Louise Turner, Betty Lowe, Sue Marsh and her daughters Julie and Tami.

McLean Briefs

Rachel and Sandie Kramer from Skellytown spent Friday night with their grandparents, Mary Lou and Dale Glass. They enjoyed the Easter egg hunt Saturday evening at the park.

Rev. Dean Williamson, Pastor of the Assembly of God Church in McLean, was visited Easter Sunday by his Pastor of over twenty



"Nine blew off in Amarillo once and landed next day in El Paso. Fella shot it down thinkin' it was a flying saucer."



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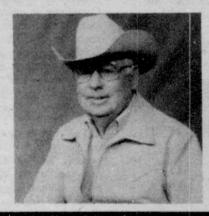
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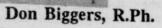
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Letter To The Editor

To Neighbors in the McLean Four County Community:

Years ago I was taught to first get a persons attention before trying to sell a product. To sell services or commodities, there must be buyers. And for such sales to be profitable they must be for new money from outside the family. Such buyers exists in great numbers traveling along I-40. Many are attracted to historical things relating to Ol' Route 66. To get those tourists to stop, there must be an attention getter, and that can't be hidden in a junk yard. Once they stop, maybe we can sell them a hamburger, a motel room for a night, a pair of boots from Mertel's, western clothes from Mullanax's, a shampoo, or something exotic from Corrine's.

So, how do we improve Alanreed, Lake McClellan, McLean, or the historic prisoner of war camp site? And I suggest it can't be

done in one weekend of clean-up effort even though that is needed.

I previously suggested, renaming Railroad and 1st Streets to East an' West Ol' Route 66 Boulevards. Seemingly all cities and towns have a Main Street so how about changing McLean's to "Rowe Ranch Trail"! I understand, there used to be a windmill at intersection of 1st and Main. People are attracted to water fountains and wind machinery, be they old or ultra modern. Someone suggested that the front portion of the abandoned theater structure would make a most attractive art gallery and which would add something else to sell.

Today, people must have entertainment. We must have it in our own neighborhood or we youngsters will go else where. A regular schedule the attractiveness of or singings was once, and could be again, fun (ala Branson).

> Sincerely, Garth Thomas

Dwyer Gives

"Caring For

One Another

Program"

United Methodist Women

met for their spring

luncheon on March 29th.

Business with letters of

thanks were read and a

Mary Dwyer led the program on "Caring For One Another". Appropriate

scriptures were read by

Loyce Sherrod, Grace

Glenn, Katie Graham and Mary Frasier. A closing

song "Faith Of Our Fathers"

Those attending were:

Dovie Gipson, Grace Glenn,

Wilma Barker, Babe Brown,

Mary Powell, Dorothy

Patterson, Helen Black, Fern Boyd, Fayette Belle

Mary Frazier, Mickie

Jackson, Loyce Sherrod,

Mary Dwyer and Ruth

They were joined by Molly McDowell, Judy

Orrick, Karen and Shawlene

Brown for the salad

luncheon. The tables were

decorated with bright

colored cloths and Easter

centerpieces. The next unit

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> MILLER GOES TO CONVENTION

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- I have served on a committee for the National Cattlemens Association including: research and education, and private lands and environmental management.
- I was a founding member of the Lipscomb County Agri Business Group.

Your support and vote would be appreciated!

Alanreed News

By Lena Carter

weekend.

Shirley Armbrister and Saturday in Pampa.

Elmer Daniels returned home this week after a lengthy stay in St. Anthony's hospital in Amarillo.

Dixie Crockett was in Tyler last weekend to help daughter Juliana move back home.

Word received here this week of the death of Russel Carroll, cousin to the Carter boys and Virginia Dalton Busby.

Visiting with Lena Carter on Sunday was Virginia Busby and Clint Dalton of Mrs. Carter Amarillo. accompanied them back to Amarillo to the Jim Bruces.

Kaye and Paul Bruce spent the weekend here with the Robert Bruces and attended First Baptist Church Sunday.

Visiting with Brad Dalton and others during the weekend was daughter Cecilia and husband of Oklahoma, Virginia Busby

Clint Dalton of in Oklahoma during the Pampa and the Shawn Hardman's of San Angelo.

Visiting relatives here last

a visit.

doors.

The Alanreed Community Improvement Association meeting scheduled for Saturday the 2nd was postponed until Saturday the 9th at 7 pm.

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The Olin Weldon's were Amarillo, the Leathers of

Nora Dragoo spent week was Vicki Hambright and children of Pampa.

> Olin Weldon was called to Alabama last week due to the death of a sister. Mrs. Weldon spent some of the time in Panhandle while he was gone. Her daughter and her grandchildren accompanied her home for

The Robert Burces were in Pampa on Friday.

The First Baptist Church underwent a face lift last week with a new roof and will soon have new entrance

Ruth and Brenda McLain spent Easter in Oklahoma with Ruth's mother.

Denva and Kristi Tidwell and Nora Dragoo shopped in Pampa Friday.

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Lucille Cox

Lucille Cox, 82, died Friday, April 1, 1994. Services were Monday at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with evangelist Jim Blackmon of the Central Church of Christ officiating, assisted by Billy Jones, minister of the Westside Church of Christ. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Cox was born



----- McLean Area Obituaries

August 28, 1911 in Jack County. She was a resident of Pampa since 1938 moving from Erath County. She married Clyde Cox in 1927. He preceded her in death in 1967. She worked as a nurse for Highland General Hospital for 14 years, retiring in 1976. She was a member of the

Central Church of Christ.

Survivors include two daughters, Jerrie Cady of Lefors and Ann Curtis of Fort Worth; a son, Bill Cox of Pampa; three sisters, Ruby Jones of McLean, Betty Gage of Pampa and Naoma Clemmons of Pampa; two brothers, Lester Clemmons of Lubbock and Woodrow Clemmons of Albuquerque, New Mexico;

11 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

Roger J. Newton

Roger J. Newton, 50, the brother of a McLean resident, died Friday, April 1, 1994. Services were Monday in the Bell Avenue Chapel of Schooler-Gordon Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors with Rev. Freddie Richardson of the Souls Harbor Church and Gary Perryman officiating. Burial was in Llano Cemetery.

Mr. Newton was born in Plainview. He graduated from Palo Duro High School. He married Janie Cole in 1987 at Amarillo. He was a veteran, serving with the Army during the Vietnam War. He was a

member of the Second Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Randy Newton of Middletown, N.Y.; a daughter, Janie Marie Bristow of Amarillo; three stepchildren, Milton Jackson, Michael Jackson and Melissa Troup, all of Amarillo; his father, Dalton

Newton of Amarillo; two brothers, Jerry Newton of Mission and Gene Gee of Perryton; a sister, Sue Burrow of McLean; and three grandchildren.

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Fersons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the commission as soon as possible, as an intervention deadline will be imposed. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission's Public Information Office at (512) 458-(256 or (512) 458-0221 for text telephone. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding is May 6, 1994.

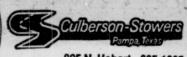
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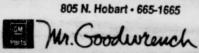
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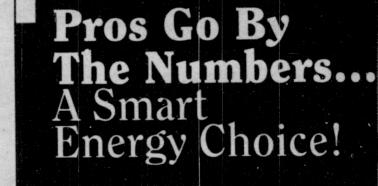
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