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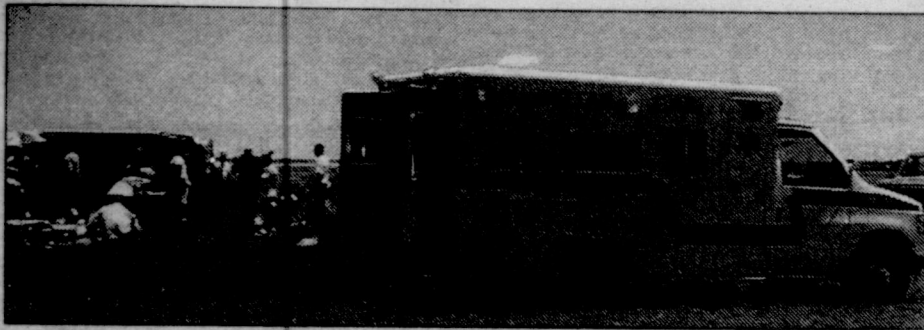
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EMS Respond To Major Accident

McLean EMS and five other area ambulance departments responded to a call for help just west of Groom on I-40 on Monday.

A 1991 GMC Van pulling a trailer blew a tire and lost control. The van rolled 1 1/4 times. Ten people were

inside the vehicle ranging in age from 5 to 84, five children and five adults. Miltona Denny of Shawnee Oklahoma was the driver of the vehicle which was on it's way back to Oklahoma from Arizona.

Emergency units from Groom, Claude, White

Deer, Pampa, as well as McLean and the Lifestar helicopter transported the ten patients to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

According to Senior Trooper on the scene, Gary Davis, the accident could have been much worse than it was.

"Injuries range from minor to serious," he said. "bruises, broken limbs and some internal injuries but nothing appeared life threatening."

Trooper Davis cautioned everyone to check their tires before leaving home as a bad tire can be very serious.

Top O'Texas Rodeo To Be Held In Pampa

Entries are now being accepted for various events of the Top O'Texas Rodeo to be held July 11-17, 1999 in Pampa, Texas. The Kid Pony Show entry forms are now available at the rodeo office, 200 N. Ballard for youths up to age 15. The Kid Pony Show performances are Sunday, July 11 at 4:00

P.M., and Monday and Tuesday, July 12 and 13 at 7:00 P.M. nightly. It is exciting that the boys and girls from the Cal Farley Family Center will be participating in the Kid Pony Show this year. Donations for their entry fees are now being accepted in the rodeo office. These children are very appreciative of

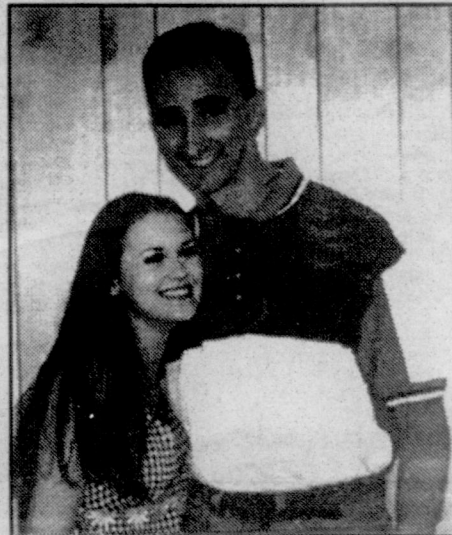
the opportunity to come to Pampa and participate in the Kid Pony Show. Kid Pony Show entries close at 5:00 P.M. July 9, 1999. No entries will be accepted after that time.

Entries are also being accepted for the Mutton Busting event to be held during the 53rd Annual PRCA Rodeo. This

event will be held nightly Thursday through Saturday and is open to boys and girls ages 7 and under and limited to 6 contestants each night. There is no fee for

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City Welcomes New Trooper

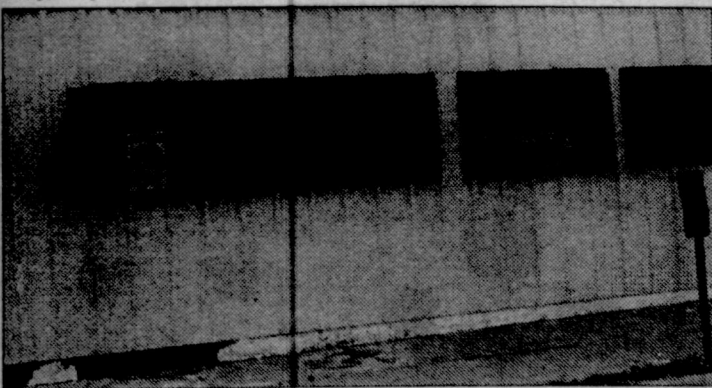


McLean has two new highway patrol officers to brag about. The first is Joe Hill. Joe and his wife Amanda came from Marshall, Texas. Joe had to have surgery and spent three months on light duty before starting work in McLean.

Joe stated that he and his wife like the small

towns. "We are still trying to get to know everybody. But we like it." Joe and Amanda also just found out that they are expecting a baby.

The newspaper will feature, Jerome Ingle, the other new highway patrol officer in next weeks edition.



Frank Sparling has renovated the building at 210 West 1st for his new automotive shop.

Sparling Opens New Business

Frank Sparling has opened a new business in McLean at 210 West 1st Street. Mr. Sparling has renovated the building by replacing windows and making a new front. He

has also bought new equipment. He has had two car lifts put in, a tire machine, a balance machine and an alignment computer. Mr. Sparling says that

his shop is a basic all your needs kind of place. You can have your exhaust system fixed, a flat fixed or get your car washed. He even offers coffee while you wait.



Old Glory still flies strong and high in McLean, Texas during the celebration of Independence Day on the 4th of July.

MCLEAN REMINDERS

VACATION Bible School starts July 12 at Trinity Baptist Church. Ages Pre-K to 6th grade.

VEGGIE TALES!! Trinity Baptist will begin Vacation Bible School, July 12 at 6:00 pm.

THE CITY Council will meet in regular session tonight at 7 pm.

THE SCHOOL Board will meet on July 12 at 7:00 pm at the Business Office.

BREAST Screening Clinic today at the library. By appointment only.

BRIEFS

James, Luann and Caitlin Mantooth are home from a long trip to Virginia where their niece has been very ill.

Emma Jean McDonald is doing better after spending several days in the hospital.

Billy Bybee is now ranked 10th in the world in Federal Mobile Dragster. He placed 1st Runner-Up in Denver on June 20.

McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

- July 8 - Dale Johnston, Deborah Longino.
- July 9 - Beatrice Brown, Gwen Henley, Dick & Pam Crockett (A).
- July 10 - Kay Hallum.
- July 11 - Bonnie Nell Fabian, Daniel Harris.
- July 12 - Russell Littlefield, Laura Morris, Justin Phillips.
- July 13 - Joyce Haynes, Z. A. Myers, Angie Staton.
- July 14 - Peri Grigsby.

State 4-H Roundup

Three girls from McLean did an outstanding job in the State 4-H Roundup and State 4-H Photography Contest. Sarah Myers received second place

honors in Apparel Design. Jessi Fish placed 4th in the Texas 4-H Food Show, and Jennifer Myers received the Red Award for photographs in Color/Landscaping. 4-H is also exploring summer with a program



Meet The Van Brocklin's

Gaylord and Missi Van Brocklin have lived in McLean since August, 1998. They moved here from California to get away from city traffic and congestion. They also have family in McLean. Missi is the sister of Mayor Charlie McClendon. "When I used to come and visit, everyone was so nice to me," stated Missi. The Van Brocklins have two children, daughter Deanna; who

just graduated from McLean High School and son, Gaylord the 3rd who is 19 years old and stayed in California. They also have one grandson, Brent. Gaylord is an air-conditioning and heating technician out of Pampa. Missi works part-time at The Hop. They have also been remodeling a house in McLean and hope to be moved in soon. Welcome to McLean.

in the park on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the city park in McLean. The program is a hands on activity planned for anyone from ages 7-12 who is looking for things to do during the summer. Activities are planned for July 1, 8, and the 15th.

"Active Duty Enlistment" Volunteer

Donald R. Basham, Jr., son of Donnie and Mary Basham of McLean, Texas, entered active duty in the U.S. Air Force on June 2, 1999, according to TSgt Pearce, Air Force Recruiter.

Donald is a graduate of McLean High School. Upon successfully completing the Air Force's six week basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, near San Antonio, Texas, Donald is scheduled to

receive technical training in the security career field. In conjunction with the vocational skill, he will be earning college credits towards a Associate Degree through the Community College of the Air Force while attending Basic and other Air Force technical training schools.

Petty Reunion Held

The descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty of McLean held their bi-annual Petty Family Reunion June 25-27, 1999, at Moberly, Missouri, with the hostess being Mrs. Frances Ann

(Petty) Hutchinson of Mexico, Missouri and her parents, Harold and Amy Petty of Moberly being co-host/hostess.

Present were: Mr. and Mrs. Barrett Hutchinson and son, Bradley, Mexico, Missouri; Mr. Benjamin Hutchinson, Mexico, Missouri; Mr. and Mrs. Larry McDaniel, Holden, Missouri, and grandchildren, Joshua and Hanna McCormick, Long Jack, Missouri; Dr. and Mrs. Robert Harold Petty and children, Harold Luther and Amy Lisa of Sedalia, Missouri; Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Morehead of Paris, Missouri; Nora Loveland, Dallas, Texas; Zora Billingsley, Amarillo, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Luther Kennedy and grandchildren of Belton, Texas (grandchildren were Cole

and Dylan Lyons of Belton and Little Miss Taylor Kennedy of Seguin); Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Petty, Moberly, Missouri; and Mrs. Frances Ann Hutchinson, Mexico, Missouri. Guests were: Brooke Meuschke, Mexico, Missouri; Ya Ya Sanchez, Sedalia, Missouri; and Mr. and Mrs. Kazuma Murata, Tokyo, Japan.

One son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty, Herman Petty of Abilene and family, could not attend because of Herman Petty's illness.

Mrs. Billingsley and Ms. Loveland both returned home Monday, June 28.

The 2001 Reunion will be in Amarillo with Mrs. Billingsley as hostess and Ms. Loveland as co-hostess. The date and other details will be decided later.

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Lifelong Resident Passes Away

James Vernon Barker, Sr.

James Vernon Barker, Sr., 73, died July 6, 1999. Services will be Thursday at 2:00 P.M. at the First Baptist Church in McLean, with Rev. James Martindale, minister, and Elder Norman Jones, minister, and Elder Norman Jones, minister of the Primitive Baptist Church of Elk City, officiating. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean, under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa. Barker was born July 23, 1925 at Sayre, Oklahoma. He had been a resident of McLean most of his life. He married Patsy Egleson on June 29, 1947 at Amarillo. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving during World War II. He was an oil field operator for Barker Drilling Company in Shamrock. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Amarillo. Survivors include his wife, Pat, of the home; one son, Jim Barker of Amarillo; one daughter, Janice Bible of Savannah,

Georgia; and four grandchildren. Memorials are requested to BSA Hospice of the Panhandle, Box 2795, Pampa, Texas 79066-2795.

Devil's Rope Museum

By Davie Gipson
June was a busy month at the Devil's Rope Museum. Our Heritage Room was used for the 40th Anniversary party for Dick and Barbara Bode. Their children hosted it and they had a good crowd of people congratulating them.

Wes Langham rented the Heritage Room for the Class of 1949's fiftieth Anniversary class meeting. They decorated the room in the 49ers theme of gold mining days. Most of their class was able to attend their meeting and a good time was had by all. The room is already rented for June 17, 2000.

Our volunteers were treated to free tickets to "Texas" dress rehearsal on June 8th. The Assembly of God Church loaned us a bus and driver which enabled everyone to go together. A few sprinkles fell but didn't dampen the spirit of the group.

On June 10th we had a bus tour from Oklahoma City on their

return trip from seeing "Texas." We always enjoy the people taking tours.

During the month of June we had 855 visitors. Forty states were represented. We had 99 visitors from 15 countries. Check out our web pages at [HTTP://WWW.BARBWIREMUSEUM.COM](http://WWW.BARBWIREMUSEUM.COM). You will be impressed.

Library Announces Bookmark Winners

The McLean Lovett Memorial Library announced the winners of the bookmark contest recently. The winners were Courtney Lamb, daughter of Joe Lamb, and Stephen Ingle, son of Jerome and Judith Ingle.

The children drew pictures that will be featured on this year's bookmarks that everyone can get at the library. The children received "Hank the Cowdog" and the "Case of the Measled Cowboy," by John Erickson. The bookmarks will be available this fall.

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L.H. Webb To Host Field Day

L.H. Webb, a local rancher will host the field day on July 24 in cooperation with the Gray County Soil and Water Conservation District, the Texas Wildlife Association and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

The field day will deal with deer, quail and wild turkey management, the Lesser Prairie Chicken,

fish pond management and the ecology of riparian zones in the Rolling Plains.

L.H. and his wife, Nama, have a ranch north of McLean. For reservations call 1-800-TEX-WILDLIFE.

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Weekly Bible Question

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Q. Does doctrine matter (Part 2)?

A. Last week we read that Jesus considered doctrine to be of utmost importance. The Apostle Paul warns of being deceived by false doctrines in Ephesians 4:14, 1 Timothy 1:3, 1 Timothy 4:1, 1 Timothy 6:3, and 2 Timothy 4:3. He calls it "strange," "different," "doctrines of demons," and "windy." His condemnation of false teachings is direct and forceful.

How does one recognize false doctrine? Paul says that we must "agree with sound words," (1 Timothy 6:3) and that elders in the church must "hold fast the faithful word which is in accordance with the teaching." (Titus 1:9). The process is simple but it requires hard work! Compare what is being taught with what God says in His Word. Study it for yourself. Do not rely only on teachers or preachers. Become a student of the Word. For example, what does the Bible say about baptism, the Lord's Supper, church government, the Second Coming or spiritual gifts? If what we practice in religion does not agree with what God says in His Word, then we are not exercising dependable doctrine. If we do not agree with God's Word, then we cannot possibly please God.

The Apostle Paul warns "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires; and will turn away their ears from the truth, and will turn aside to myths," 2 Timothy 4:3,4. God's Word is reliable. Let every believer seek truthful doctrine in the Bible.

Send your Bible questions to: McLean Church of Christ, Box 155, McLean, TX 79057. May the Lord bless you in the prayerful study of His Word. Request a free in-home Bible study or Bible Correspondence Course.

Coming Soon! Kid's Zoo

Scheduled to Open July 12

A fully licensed and insured day-care facility with a home like atmosphere. Operators will be Tracy Keelin and Heidi Garrison and we will be located at 407 Walnut. We are currently taking enrollment. We would also appreciate donations of any kind. Transportation to and from school will be available. Hours will be Monday-Friday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

McLean Church Directory

Assembly Of God 4th & Main
779-2902 * 779-2221

Sunday School all ages 9:30 a.m.
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Night & Youth Services 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Adult Bible Study &
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Church Of Christ 4th & Clarendon
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Wed. Bible Class 7:30

United Methodist Church 2nd & Gray
Pastor Thacker Haynes 779-2049 779-2337
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:50 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Sun Sr. High Youth Alpha Chi 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Choir 7:00 p.m.

Heald United Methodist Church
Kellerville Road
Sunday 9:15

Trinity Baptist Church 603 Commerce
James Mantooth 779-3207
Sunday School 9:45 am Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Bible Study & Prayer Meeting Wed. 7:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church 206 E. 1st
Pastor James Martindale 779-2175
Sunday School 9:45; Worship 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
(Youth) & Wed. Bible Study, Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Sun. Youth Bible Study 5:00 p.m.

Good Neighbor Pharmacy Topics

By Don Biggers, RPh

Ginkgo Biloba: The Mind Herb

Ginkgo biloba is the world's oldest living tree species and can be traced back more than 200 million years.

Ginkgo biloba has been used medicinally for more than 2,000 years.

The tree grows higher than 100 feet. It has fan-shaped leaves that resemble those of the maidenhair fern.

Traditional Chinese doctors use ginkgo leaves to stimulate the brain and to relieve symptoms of asthma and coughs.

Today, extracts of the ginkgo leaves are used widely in Europe to treat memory loss and other problems associated with dementia.

The herb has also shown some benefit in patients with Alzheimer's disease.

Other conditions that may be helped by ginkgo biloba include disturbances in concentration, tinnitus (ringing in the ears), headache, depressive emotional conditions, and dizziness.

Side effects of ginkgo biloba are rare but may include stomach upset, headache or allergic skin reactions.

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These kids and teachers take time out from Summer School to have a little fun.

Summer Fine Arts Program Kicks Off

The Summer Fine Arts Program started in McLean on July 5. Various classes range from watercolors, drama, plaster miniatures and pottery and print making.

The program is being sponsored by the McLean PTA in conjunction with the Pampa Fine Arts Association. Janice Sackett, is teaching the watercolor class and is the current "Artist of the Year" for the Pampa

Fine Arts. Rita Crawford is teaching the miniatures class and her and her son Shaun are well known in McLean.

Shaun features his work at the local Main Street Art Gallery downtown. He has sold pieces in Dallas. His works sell for as much as \$1500.00. James Hinkley of White Deer is a former "Artist of the Year." He is retired and enjoys giving

classes. Drama is taught by Dr. Carole Manning-Hill of Claude. Hill is the drama teacher at Claude I.S.D.

Friday students will present their work to the public between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. in the elementary building.

Thought For The Month:

We have two ends with a common link; with one we sit, with one we think, success depends on what we use - Heads we win; Tails we lose.

(Right) James Hinkley shows students the art of pottery. (Below) Rita Crawford is pictured with her student during miniature class.



McLean Care Center

Sunday activities began for the residents with

Sunday School with the Friendship Methodist Church. In the afternoon the residents attended church with the Assembly of God Church. Those attending services Sunday were: Florence Drake, Truman Goodlett, Sue Cubine, Essie Knowles, Boots Phillips, Pat Seymour, Marjorie Turnage, Dorothy Patterson, Phyllis Bailey, Pansy Mounce, Polly Burnett, Thelma Finson, Johnnie Mertel, Dovie Simmons, Sylvia McClellan, Christine Shipley, Jess Coleman, Varnie Lowe, Don York, Dick Wheeler, Bud Simpson, Duella Beverly, Hadda Moore, Eula Morrow, Bessie McClemore, Ora Billingsley, Helen Simmons, Fern Patchin, Lois De Foor, Beryl Halbert, Joe Fortin, M.L. Rowan, and Relia Ayers. Monday morning was nail care time for the residents. In the

afternoon the residents played bingo. Afterwards were exercises. Bananas furnished by the Lion's Club were enjoyed.

Tuesday morning was craft time for the residents. In the afternoon the residents played bingo.

Wednesday morning was Wed. Morning Circle.

Thursday morning the residents played beachball kick. In the afternoon they played bingo.

Friday morning was nail care time for the residents. In the afternoon they played dominos.

Saturday was the July resident birthday party. July birthdays are M.L. Rowan, Duella Beverly,

Pat Seymour, and Dorothy Patterson.

The annual Bar-B-Q will be Saturday July 17th at 5:30 p.m. All friends and family are welcome. Everything will be provided except dessert. We ask that each family bring a

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2-FAMILY Garage Sale
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3 FAMILY Garage Sale:
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Rodeo

entering this event but participants must be entered in the Kid Pony Show to be eligible to participate and they must furnish their own helmet. Prizes will be awarded to the winners.

Plans are also under way for the Celebrity

Pick Up Race scheduled for 6:00 P.M. on Thursday, July 15, 1999. This exciting event is sponsored by CN Ranch - Carla & Randy Norris. Double Mugging is another exciting event where local cowboys try their skills. Sponsored

by Signal Fuels, this event allows local cowboys and cowgirls the opportunity to test their skills at a rodeo event. Entry forms are now available at the rodeo office for both of these events. Be sure to come out to see the local folks in these events.

The 53rd Annual Top O'Texas Rodeo performances will be held Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 15, 16 and 17 at 7:30 P.M. Beutler and Gaylord Rodeo Company will produce this years show with outstanding NFR stock. They have world champion stock that provide many challenging thrills to some of the worlds best cowboys. Charlie Throckmorton of Kennedale, Texas will be announcing the fast action again this year.

On Thursday, July 15 starting at 5:30 P.M., there will be free bar-b-que for ticket holders. Sponsors of this year's bar-b-que are Mundy Companies, Bowers Ranch, Albertsons, and Taylor Petroleum. While eating bar-b-que, you can watch the ever popular Celebrity Pick Up Race. This event always provides lots of entertainment. Entries are now being taken for this event which pairs a cowboy and a "city slicker" for lots of fun and excitement.

Friday night, July 16 is family night so bring the entire family for loads of fun. At 5:00 P.M., the horsemanship competition of the Queen pageant will be held in the arena. Beautiful young ladies will be displaying their talents during this event. Discounted ticket prices are also available on Friday night for Senior Citizens and children when an adult ticket is purchased for Friday's performance.

Saturday, July 17 is

loaded with fun for everyone when the Rodeo parade kicks off at 10:00 A.M. Starting at the M.K. Brown Auditorium lot and winding it's way through downtown Pampa, this parade is one of the largest in the Texas Panhandle and always provides lots of interesting and unusual sights. Entries are now being taken for anyone interested in participating in the parade.

Once again, the Wrangler Bullfight will be presented each night. This is one of the most exciting events of the rodeo and it is sponsored by Wayne's Western Wear and Bowers Ranch. We have some of the top PRCA bullfighters coming to compete this year. Former World Champions Greg Rumohr and Bob Smets will challenge newcomer Dustin Brewer to be his very best. 1998 Barrelman for the Wrangler Bullfight Finals, Jim Bob Feller, will be assisting these bullfighters and helping to protect them. Come early because the bullfights now start the rodeo instead of being the last event.

Special entertainment each night will be provided by the Tommy Lucia Revue. Tommy Lucia and his trained animals have provided laughter and entertainment to crowds from Canada to Latin America for over 30 years. When Whiplash, the Cowboy Monkey, rides into the arena astride his Border Collie mount, the audience will be assured of an incredibly unique performance. This is a must see performance.

The Top O'Texas is a Dodge Ram Tough Rodeo thanks to Robert Knowles Dodge. Coors and the North Country Coors Distributorship are also helping sponsor the rodeo performances. The rodeo dance sponsored by Taylor Petroleum and

Bowers Ranch will be held Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion. Slide Bar will be playing and tickets may be purchased at the door for \$7.00 each.

The Top O'Texas Rodeo Association is proud to be holding the Miss Rodeo Top O'Texas Pageant in conjunction with this years rodeo. Major pageant sponsors include Ace Transportation, JLB Ranch, Clark Carr & Sons Memorial, Carla and Randy Norris, Pampa Chamber of Commerce Tourism Committee, Nortex Operating - Authorized Agent of Cellular One, Bob Clements, Inc., and Uniglobe Complete

Travel. This years queens have worked untiringly representing Pampa and the Top O'Texas Rodeo Association at many functions. The Luncheon

and Style Show will be held on Thursday, July 15 at 11:30 A.M. at the Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. Tickets are on sale at the rodeo office and the public is encouraged to attend. The new queens will be crowned during the Saturday night rodeo performance and the public is encouraged to join us as we say "Farewell" to our current queens and "Welcome" to our new representatives.

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WE SAW

Joe and Phil Miller attending Mass Saturday evening in Amarillo. Cardinal Law and Bishop Yanta officiated the event. Cardinal Law, 68, archbishop of Boston, is one of the leading Catholic figures in the United States.

The Forrest McLaughlin's home looking very busy last week, as they prepared for Scott and KayLynn's wedding.

Kenny Jackson cleaning up his pickup and getting prepared for another week.

Michele Bohr looking through the old pictures at The Groom News office.

Former pastor of Groom's St. Mary's Church, Father Ray Crosier attending the special Mass presented by Bishop Yanta and Cardinal Law.

Ellis Stapp lending a hand at the First Baptist Church.

Kenny Weller getting a jump start on the lawn situation early Monday morning.

The Lewellen's moving into their new home on Eastern.

Justin & Julie McGee's back yard pool being the favorite meeting place on these hot afternoons.

Lots of activity going on at the Groom Grocery Store. Progress is looking good for an opening in the near future.

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6 Area EMS Respond To 10 Victim Accident

Six area ambulance departments responded to a call for help just west of Groom on I-40 on Monday.

A 1991 GMC Van pulling a trailer blew a tire and lost control. The van rolled 1 1/4 times. Ten people were inside the vehicle ranging in age from 5 to 84, five children and five adults. Milona Denny of Shawnee Oklahoma was the driver of the vehicle which was on it's way back to Oklahoma from Arizona.

Emergency units from Claude, White Deer, McLean, Pampa, Groom

and the Lifestar helicopter transported the ten patients to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

According to Senior Trooper on the scene, Gary Davis, the accident could have been much worse than it was.

"Injuries range from minor to serious," he said. "bruises, broken limbs and some internal injuries but nothing appeared life threatening."

Trooper Davis cautioned everyone to check their tires before leaving home as a bad tire can be very serious.

Groom Has New SPS Rep.



the position of lineman journeyman, in 1990 and for the next nine years he was a journeyman serviceman for SPS.

Doug, was born and raised in Tulia and is a graduate of Tulia High School, and a graduate of Amarillo College. He is married to Debra, a middle school secretary

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New Face In Post Office



There's a new face in the Groom Post Office and it's not on a "wanted" poster!

Mike Ford of Amarillo is the new Distribution Window Clerk in Groom. You will see Mike a couple of hours each day and when Postmaster Doris Kuehler is off work.

Ford is originally from



In the midst of chaos comes order, in the form of Trooper Gary Davis, as he coordinates rescue efforts, traffic control and begins his investigation as to the cause of the accident.

Groom Day Planning Underway

Summer is rapidly passing us by! There are only 29 days until Groom Day's. Planners are gearing up and making the final arrangements for "the best of the century." All kinds of games and fun for all ages are in the works.

The planning committee will meet on Friday at the Community Center at 7:30. Everyone is asked to come to help with the most important stages of the details that

always make Groom Day great!

Some of the contact people you may need to get in touch with for different events are listed below: Parade, Dondra Downs 248-7947; Craft Show & T-Shirts, Sandra Britten 248-7226; Rodeo & Sunday Roping, Lonny Brown 248-7310; Tent Activities, Donna Barnett 248-7058; Raffle, Karen Brown 248-7210; Tractor pull Michele Bohr 248-7018; Tennis Match, Shirley Fields 248-7435; 3 on 3 Basketball, The Groom Coaching Staff

248-7616, and Volleyball Tournament, Tim Case 248-7290.

Do You Have Reunion Information?

If you are looking forward to seeing old friends and classmates on Groom Day, it may be time to plan a class reunion. The News has not received any specifics as of yet but the classes who may be holding reunions are as follows: Class of '94-5th reunion Class of '89-10th reunion Class of '79-20th reunion Class of '74-25th reunion Class of '69-30th reunion

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COMMUNITY CALENDER

DONT FORGET! This Saturday is the City-Wide Garage Sale in Groom! See the classified section for listings.

THE GROOM DAY Committee will meet on Friday, July 9, at 7:30 pm at the Groom Community Center. This is a final planning session and everyone who is participating needs to attend so their input can be taken into consideration.

ATTENTION GISD athletics. Make an appointment for your back to school physical.

Groom Day will be held on Aug. 7 this year.

CHRISTIAN Volunteers needed to greet travelers at the Cross. 3, 6, & 8 hour shifts available. Please call Bobby Thomas at 665-9603.

COMMUNITY Choir Practice, Sunday, July 11, 5 pm, United Methodist Church. Community Singing, July 18.

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Local Happenings

Martha Snyder of Pampa had eye surgery recently and is recovering nicely.

Harry and Nancy Johnston of Conroe, Texas visited Rip and Joy Snyder on Friday. Nancy is a niece of Rip.

Card Of Thanks

Thanks for all the prayers, cards, visits, and phone calls, while I was in the hospital and at home. They will always be remembered and appreciated. It is good to know, I have so many caring people. Thanks again and may God bless all of you.

Breeze Kuehler



New Baby

Nick and Renee Weinheimer are proud to announce the arrival of their son Blake Christopher on June 25. He weighed 10 pounds 3/4 ounces and was 22 inches long.

He was welcomed home by his big sisters Amy and Cari.

Grandparents are James and Janice Weinheimer of Groom and Ed and Leola Ramaekers of Nazareth.

Great-Grandpa is Alvin Schmucker of Hereford.



Groom Birthdays Anniversaries

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 July 10 - Sue Wills, Al Alward, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Martin (A).
 July 11 - Mark Bivens, Mr. and Mrs. Gregory G. Britten (A), D. Jack and Mary Spencer (A).
 July 12 - Pat Ashford, James Huckert.
 July 13 - Brody Brown, Paula Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Keith Barkley (A).
 July 14 - Mrs. Roselle Collingsworth, Karen Conrad, Nicholas William Bohr.

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in Pampa. They are the parents of two children, Crystal age 26, in Austin, and Ryan 32, a senior at WTAMU.

His civic activities have included being a certified volunteer fireman-Tulia, Tulia Jaycees, Harvester Athletic Booster Club President, Travis Elementary Booster Club President, Coach for Pampa Soccer Association, and Coach for Pampa Optimist Club. Doug's awards include Tulia Beta Sigma Phi Man of the Year and

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His hobbies include hunting, knife making and woodwork. He and his family will be moving to White Deer.



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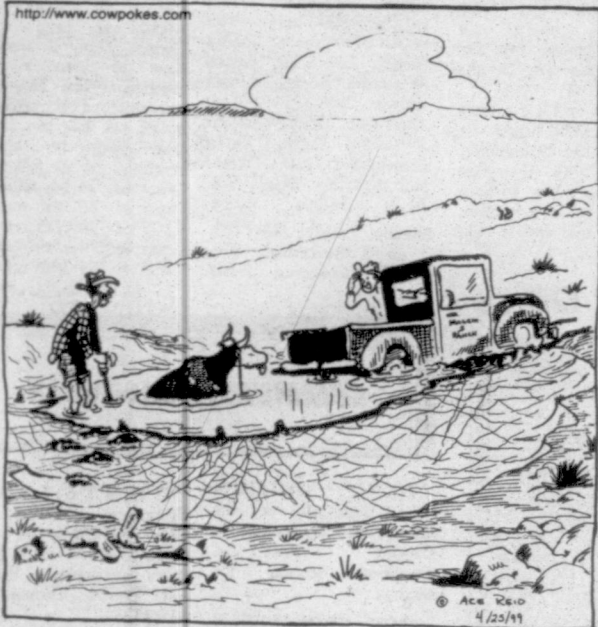
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GISD Announces Free & Reduced Lunches

Federal meals assistance programs have been announced for the 1999-2000 school year. The Groom School District participates in both the breakfast and the lunch programs. The entire range of income eligibility guidelines will be published in the Groom News, reporting weekly, monthly, or annual income figures.

An example of eligibility would be a family of four with total monthly income less than \$2,575.00. Last year's maximum in this category would have been \$2,537.00 monthly. These income figures qualify Groom School students in the family to receive reduced-price meals. Those prices are breakfast for \$.30 and

lunch for \$0.40.

Nutritious meals are served on each school day. The 1999-00 calendar for students begins on August 12, 1999, and ends on May 25, 2000. Children may buy lunch for \$1.40 (K-6) and \$1.50 (7-12) and breakfast for \$0.75. These meals are to be paid in advance.

Any family now receiving TANF or food stamps can receive

breakfast and lunch free for its Groom School students. Persons qualifying under the published income eligibility guidelines may also receive free meals. According to the new

criteria, a family of four with a total monthly income less than \$1,810.00 gross earnings would qualify for free meals.

Parents are encouraged to consult the published guidelines to determine if the household is eligible to participate in the Federal program, according to the Federal letter.

Special situations, such as foster children or handicapped students, are also covered under policy rules.

Once an application has been completed, households have an obligation to advise the school of any change in household size or income. Applications are under the direction of Joyce

Hutsell, Business Manager of the School, and any questions should be directed to her at 806-248-7251. Families should also be advised that the application can be made, or changed, at any time during the school year. Families will be advised on the status of the application on file.

The information used to determine eligibility for the meals program is confidential, and the confidentiality is protected by the application and meal record process. The information may be subject to release only to other means-tested programs conducted by Federal or State

government, but no other circumstance.

The operation of this program guarantees that no discrimination because of race, sex, color, national origin, age, or handicap will take place.

Application forms are available throughout the summer at the school business office at 304 West Third Street in Groom as well as by mail if requested at the above telephone number. In addition, students will be given these applications at the time of enrollment for the school year.

Words Of Wisdom

Nothing arrives more slowly but passes more quickly than a vacation.

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3	18,044	25,678	1,504	2,140	347	494
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5	25,376	36,112	2,115	3,010	488	695
6	29,042	41,329	2,421	3,445	559	795
7	32,708	46,546	2,726	3,879	629	896
8	36,374	51,763	3,032	4,314	700	996
9	40,040	56,980	3,338	4,749	771	1,097
10	43,706	62,197	3,644	5,184	842	1,198
11	47,372	67,414	3,950	5,619	913	1,299
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Ashley Scott McLaughlin and Kay Lynn Britten, both of Groom, were married Saturday evening, July 3, 1999, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. The Rev. Neal Dee officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Lynn Britten of Groom. Grandparents of the bride are the late Mr. and Mrs. Leo Britten.

Parents of the groom are Forrest and Patti McLaughlin of Groom. Grandparents of the groom are Daniel and Pat Ashford of Groom, and Mary McLaughlin of Temple, Texas, and the late Forrest McLaughlin Sr.

Matron of honor was Annet Waxler, sister of the bride from Amarillo, and bridal attendants were Tami Ashford and Dara Whatley both of Groom, and Revenna Barrett of White Deer.

Best man was Nick Ashford, cousin of the groom from Groom, and the groom's attendants were Leo Britten and Cody Britten, brothers of the bride from Groom, and Paul McLaughlin, brother of the groom from Hobbs, New

Mexico. Ushers were Andy Waxler, brother of the bride, from Amarillo, and Toby Burgin and Ty Lambert from Groom.

Flower girl was Niki Merrill of Gulfbreeze,

FL, cousin of the groom, and Ringbearers were Colton and Jack Waxler, of Amarillo, nephews of the bride.

Lector was Carey Major, cousin of the bride, from Levelland, TX. Eucharistic Minister was Loretta Britten, Aunt of the bride, from Groom. Cassie Ashford registered guests. Servers for Mass were Wyatt Britten and Brett Britten both from Groom and cousins of the bride.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a formal gown of delustered Italian duchess satin. The dress features a sleeveless bodice with bateau neckline and a hand-pearled inset band crossing the snugly fitted midriff. A deep V back accented the A-line princess skirt and the detachable chapel train. The bride's color theme was black and white. The bride chose primary color roses as her floral selection.

A reception and dance followed the ceremony at the American Legion Hall in Groom. Reception

attendants were: Kristi Homfeld, Casey Major, and Callie Bichsel, cousins of the bride, and Aimee Lyles, Darcee Lyles, and Rebecca Ashford, cousins of the groom. The couple plans to honeymoon in Ruidoso, New Mexico. They will reside in Kermit, Texas.

The bride graduated from Groom High School. She attended South Plains Junior

College in Levelland, Texas, this past year, and plans to further her education at Odessa Junior College in the fall.

The groom graduated from Groom High School. He attended

Amarillo College obtaining a degree in Electronic Instrumentation. He is currently employed by El Paso Natural Gas in Jal, New Mexico.



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Charles Schaffer Passes Away In California On June 17, 1999

TERRA BELLA, Calif. Charles Schaffer, 68, died Thursday, June 17, 1999.

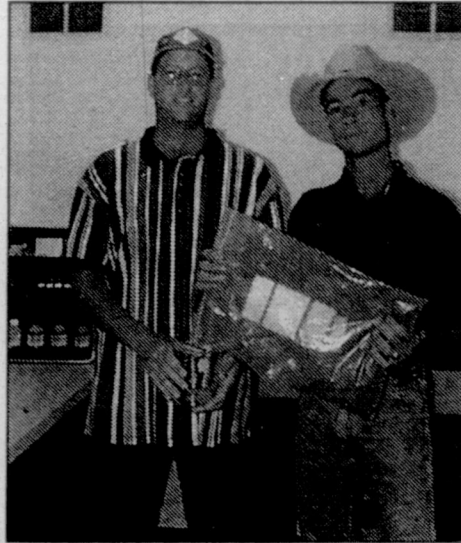
Memorial Services were held in Myers Chapel with Rev. Larry Cluff of the First United Methodist Church of Porterville officiating.

Mr. Schaffer was born in Gray County and went to school in Groom. He was a veteran of the Navy. He was a former member of the Terra Bella REACT and a member of The First United Methodist Church of Porterville. In 1995, he retired from Caltrans.

Survivors include his wife, Marilyn Schaffer; a son, Tom Schaffer of

Silverton, Colo.; three daughters, Judy Early and Kerry Ladrikan, both of Porterville, and Nancy Trupe of Bakersfield; two brothers, Sam Schaffer of Wellington and John Clarence Schaffer of Wheeler; two sisters Doris Boody of Wheeler and Barbara Clark of Shamrock, Texas and seven grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to American Lung Association of Central California, 4948 N. Arthur Ave., Fresno, CA. 93705; or First United Methodist Church, 344 E. Morton Ave., Porterville, CA 93257.



area in which they will be used," added McGee. "We answer directly to the Environmental Protection Agency."

Great Plains Crop Service operates a 180 acre research farm at Claude. They do research trials on crops like corn, cotton, peanuts, wheat, sorghum, soybeans, sunflowers, alfalfa, rangeland grass, pasture, peach trees, pecans, onions and chili peppers.

Tim is a lifelong Groom resident. He and his wife Tammy have two children, Tyler 6 and Tanner 4.

Justin and his wife, Julie, have one son, Riley who is 8 1/2 months old.

Woods Family Reunion
The Woods family is having a family reunion on Saturday, July 17, 1999, at the Groom Community Center. This includes the families of R.B. Thornton, Helen Witt, Annie B. Kirk, Lanabel Newton, Bobby Wood and Becky Finley. Friends from the community may drop by between 3:00 and 4:00 pm to renew old acquaintances.

Business Of The Week Is The Great Plains Crop Service

Great Plains Crop Service is Groom Economic Development Corporation's business of the week. Great Plains Crop Service was established in 1995 by Tim Case and is a contract Crop Research Facility. Justin McGee became a partner in 1998.

The Crop Service researches pesticide residue in crops and does a "real life" sampling under documented

conditions. Case and McGee are both Field Investigators with specialties in Agronomics, Entomology, Weed Science, and Dislodgeables.

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Quisenberry - Welch To Wed

Dustie Michelle Quisenberry and Jimmie Welch, both of Pampa, plan to wed August 14, 1999 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Mears in Pampa. The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Quisenberry of Pampa, formerly of Groom. A home school student, she completed her education in 1998 and is currently employed at E Z Pawn in Pampa. The prospective groom is the son of Janis Fletcher of Truth or Consequences, New Mexico and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Welch of Skellytown. He graduated from Hot Springs, High School at Truth or Consequences, New Mexico in 1991 and is a self-employed welder.

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McCasland - Jaco To Wed

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Jaco is the son of Joe and Ruby Jaco of Canadian.

The couple plans to be wed August 7 at First United Methodist Church in Wheeler.

The bride-elect is a senior pursuing a degree in elementary education with an emphasis in math at West Texas A&M University. She is a secretary at Recreational Sports.

The prospective groom attended Amarillo College. He is manager of the lighting warehouse and a part-time sales associate at Fields & Co.

