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Groom I.S.D Named Exemplary By State

By Ben Ingham

I am very proud and pleased to announce that Groom ISD (K-12) is EXEMPLARY. Several districts have one campus or another listed as exemplary. Please note that our rating is for the entire district. State wide, the ratings, which are basically the school's report card vary from the

writing. A school's rating can be no higher than its lowest score. For the past several years we have been recognized because one or more of our scores was in the high 80's.

See included chart for specifics.

Several years ago, one of the state agencies used the phrase "teaching

| Student groups | Groom ISD Spring 1998 | State Avg. '98 | Groom ISD Spring 1997 | State Avg. '97 |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| READING | | | | |
| All students | 95.7% | 87.1 | 90.9 | 84.0 |
| Economically Disadvantaged | 95.7 | 73.5 | 87.5 | 73.7 |
| MATHEMATICS | | | | |
| All students | 95.7 | 84.3 | 93.2 | 80.1 |
| WRITING | | | | |
| All students | 97.0 | 87.4 | 97.4 | 85.3 |
| RATING | EXEMPLARY | | RECOGNIZED | |

very best, exemplary, to a academically unacceptable, the worst. The ratings are based on three things: 1) Attendance rate (Groom's was 97.3%, statewide 95.2%) 2) Dropout rate (Groom's was 0.0%, statewide 1.6%). and 3) The TAAS test. A 90% passing rate or higher is required to be exemplary. All students, except those specifically exempt, in grades 3 through 8 and then the 10th grade take the tests. The TAAS covers three main areas; reading, math, and

everybody takes everybody. Congratulations go to not only the students and their teachers, but to the entire community; parents and relatives of the students, businesses, literally every member of our school community; whether you live in our district or not. Without a committed "team" effort, such wonderful results are not possible. Congratulations to all of you, and "thanks." Your support of the school and its many activities is exemplary.

Groom Clinic Welcomes New P.A., Jerry Wilson



The Family Health Clinic of Groom welcomes aboard new Physician's Assistant, Jerry Wilson.

Wilson has been the P.A. at the McLean Clinic for quite some time and is very familiar with all the services that the Family Clinic's provide.

He was born and raised in Newcastle, Oklahoma. After graduating from high school he enlisted in the Navy and spent four years as a Hospital Corpsman. He attended the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine Physician Associate Program,

See Clinic, pg. 4



Sisters Performance Inspirational At Friday Night's Prayer Rally For Rain

Twenty-four nuns from the Community of The Lord Jesus Christ, 8 miles south of Channing, attended the prayer rally at the Cross Friday, August 7, 1998 in Groom.

Five sisters led the music, singing beautifully and playing their guitars and tambourines. The Texas panhandle weather could not have cooperated any better for the crowd of approximately 125 who witnessed a magnificent and beautiful sunset and then about thirty minutes later, watched a full moon peeping in and out of the dark blue clouds.

To really appreciate the

feeling and the inspiration at the Cross Friday night along with the atmosphere, the weather, prayers, and the sisters' beautiful singing, made a special event, a very special event that more would like to see again.

Only being there could one actually feel the inspiration in the air as Jesus Christ was present in the hearts of so many filling them with the warmth and joy.

In addition to the program, three ministers were asked to say a word concerning the night and Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Those making up the crowd at the rally were a

fair amount of Groom folks, a good number of White Deer residents and several visitors stopping by the Cross off the interstate to join in the song and praise of Our Lord Jesus Christ. There were 18-wheelers pulling onto the parking lot to attend. Also vehicles were stopping along I-40 to watch, and take pictures. A husband and wife and two small children climbed down from a big truck to walk approximately a half mile

across the rough field to participate in the rally.

Sister Cecilia was asked to please come back to Groom before long and lead another service so others who might have missed this one could catch another chance to receive the very joyous feelings brought about by the sisters' participation.

"Sisters, you all made the evening a very special night. We all enjoyed you enormously. Please come again."

Community Calendar

GROOM Kindergarten students will be dismissed from school at 12:05 until August 21. No buses will run.

ANNUAL St. Jude's Bike-A-Thon to be held Aug. 22. Contact Jan Britten 248-7250 or 248-7414.

STUDENTS MAY pick up their new schedules between 7:45 - 7:50 on Thursday morning. Seniors go to the Business Room, Juniors, the English Room, Sophomores, the Math Room, Freshmen, the Science Room; 7th grade, Room A; and 8th grade, Room B.

TIGERS scrimmage with Lazbuddie at Silverton on Aug. 21 at 5:00 pm.

WELCOME BACK Groom ISD students! School takes up today at 7:55. Last bell rings at 8:00. Buses run at 3:00.

TUESDAY PRICES AT ATTEBURY GRAIN CO.
Wheat-\$2.43
Milo-\$3.32
Corn-\$3.76
Soybeans-\$4.95
.25" Rain reported this week



The Sisters of Prayer Town commented that the Cross was a beautiful sight, and the weather and sunset were fantastic. They all enjoyed themselves.

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Rip and Joy Snyder visited Truman Goodlett and L.M. Rowan in McLean rest home and with Dorothy McKee in McLean on Saturday.

Rip and Joy Snyder visited with Mr. and Mrs. Les Neal on Sunday at the Palo Duro rest home in Claude and with Alfred and Mary Nel White.

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Local Happenings

Evelyn Hubbart has visiting with her for a little while her daughter Sharron Saam and her daughter Melanie and son Zachary from Columbus, Ohio. Also visiting is Evelyn's other daughter Ernestine Nunes and her daughter Susan from Visalia, California.

Catherine Cortez from Hereford joined the family on Saturday for lunch and looking through picture albums.

Mrs. Virginia Snyder of Amarillo and daughter Loretta Rowler of Denver, Colorado visited Rip and Joy Snyder on Friday.

On The Sick List
 Mildred Miller, Wynona Koetting, Evelyn Hubbart, Gary Friemel.

It's A Boy



Look Who's New!

A baby boy was welcomed into the home of Jerome and Judith Ingle of White Deer. Andrew Scott Ingle was born July 29, 1998 at 1:50 a.m. He weighed 7 pounds 1 ounce and is 20 inches long.

He has a brother, Stephen, 8 years old and a sister, Cassondra, 3 years old.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ingle of White Deer and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ruthardt of Groom.

Great-grandparents are Mrs. Bess Ruthardt of Bogata, and Esta Brown of Blair, Oklahoma.

Granddaughter Of Local Woman Earns Kudos



The United States Achievement Academy announced that Delilah D. Clark from Canyon has been named a United States National Award Winner in Science.

Clark, who attends Happy High School was nominated for this national award by Ms. Leslie Philipp, a science teacher at the school.

Clark, will appear in the U.S. Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally. Clark was also awarded the Who's Who of American High School Students, National Science Merit Award, and the all-American Scholar Award.

She will attend AACAL and Happy High School this fall and will be taking pre-med classes at Amarillo College. She also won the Division II Regional Championship in gymnastics at Snyder.

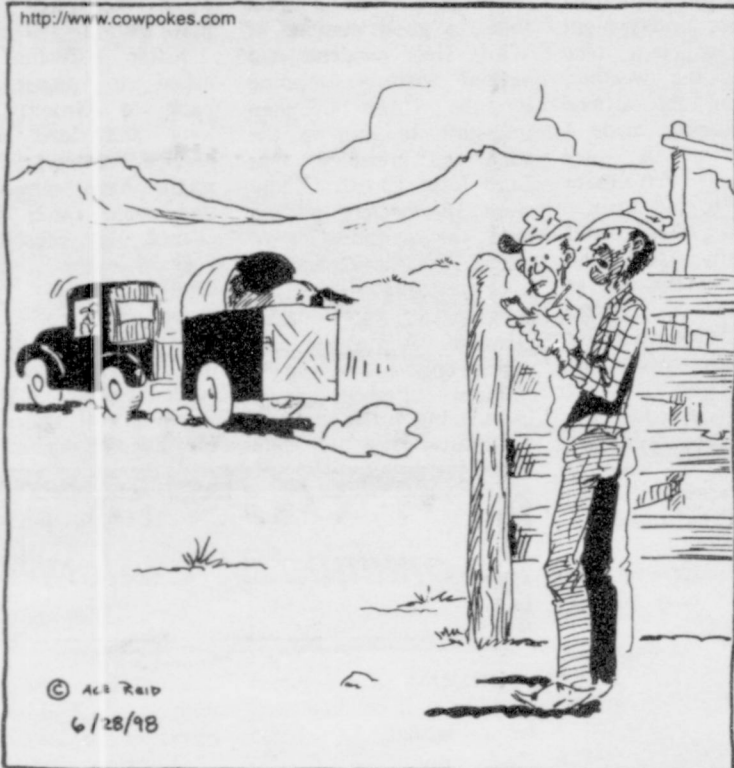
Following high school graduation, Clark hopes to attend UCLA Medical School in Los Angeles, California.

Clark is the daughter of Larry and Karen Clark from Canyon. The grandparents are Ted and Shirley Heath of Amarillo and Dorothy Clark of Groom.

COW POKES

By Ace Reid

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7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Loretta Britten

Monday Through Friday

7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Due to our patient load, we encourage making appointments in advance. As always, please remember that emergencies take priority.

Come by and meet Jerry Wilson, P.A.
 Dr. Craig Shaffer is the Medical Director

Local Happenings:

On Saturday, August 8, at the Lion's Club meeting, Boss Lion Martin Hermesmeier presented to Mayor Joe Homer (who is also a Lion's Club member) 108 silverware settings for the Community Center.

The "Rafter L" Ranch Rodeo team consisting of Lonny Brown, Tim Mansfield, Ty and Ryan McCoy and Jimmy Uptagrove competed and won the Claude Ranch Rodeo last weekend. There were sixteen teams from notable ranches like the JA and 6666

competing. They won hand-made head stalls and belt buckles.

Rip and Joy had their granddaughter Hallie from Amarillo, Monday and Tuesday. She was on her way to Austin, Texas to make her home. She is quite a golfer.

Surprise, Surprise And Surprise Again

It was one surprise after another August 2nd for David and Lanna Brown. They were honored with a surprise 25th anniversary dinner hosted by their children Amy and Brody Brown and Chris Williams at the Newport Apartment Clubhouse in Amarillo. The couple was joined by family and friends and totally surprised by Brody's arrival from Pope Air Force Base, North Carolina. After everyone enjoyed the dinner catered by Cattle Call, the final surprise for the day came from Chris when he proposed to Amy.

Thank you to everyone who came and shared this special day with us. It was full of memories we will cherish forever.

County To Benefit By Suit

Carson County will receive approximately \$116,139.00 from the state's settlement with the tobacco industry according to preliminary estimates released by House Speaker Pete Laney's office. State officials and the industry wound up their negotiations last week with the tobacco companies agreeing to pay Texas \$17.6 billion over a 26-year period.

The settlement is more than \$2 billion higher than the industry originally said it would pay the state.

"The trust account will provide a substantial, perpetual source of revenue to help offset the cost of providing health care," Laney said. "This approach to managing the funds will ensure that the payments we receive now will provide lasting benefits for future Texans."

SHOW YOUR GHS TIGER SPIRIT!

Order your T-Shirt or sweatshirt today! You can pick up an order form at the grocery store, or call and order for Mary at 248-7287. Forms need to be turned in at the school office.

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If you want to wear your spirit shirt to the first Tiger football game you need to order by Tues. August 18.

Groom School Menu
August 16 - 20

Monday Breakfast: Cold cereal, muffins, juice, milk. Lunch: Burritos, corn, graham crackers, pears, milk.

Tuesday Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk. Lunch: Turkey, noodles, mixed vegetables, cheese zombies, fruit cocktail, milk.

Wednesday Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, hash browns, juice, milk. Lunch: Pizza, salad, crackers, peaches, milk.

Thursday Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, milk. Lunch: Fried chicken, green beans, mashed potatoes, hot rolls, cherry cobbler, milk.

Friday Breakfast: Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk. Lunch: Cheeseburgers, french fries, chocolate chip cookies, milk.

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Notice of Effective Tax Rate

1998 Property Tax Rates in Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District No. 3

This notice concerns 1998 property tax rates for Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District No. 3. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

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| Last year's tax rate: | |
| Last year's operating taxes | \$302,705.00 |
| Last year's debt taxes | 0.00 |
| Last year's total taxes | \$302,705.00 |
| Last year's tax base | \$2,453,036,923.00 |
| Last year's total tax rate | 0.012347/\$100 |

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|---|--------------------|
| This year's effective tax rate: | |
| Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property) | \$302,905.00 |
| + This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property) | \$2,572,893,092.00 |
| = This year's effective tax rate | 0.011772/\$100 |

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| This year's rollback tax rate: | |
| Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function) | \$302,876.00 |
| + This year's adjusted tax base | \$2,572,893,092.00 |
| = This year's effective operating rate | 0.011772/\$100 |
| x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate | 0.012713/\$100 |
| + This year's debt rate | 0/\$100 |
| = This year's rollback rate | 0.012713/\$100 |

Schedule A
Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Type of Property Tax Fund | Balance |
| General Fund | \$160,000 |

Schedule B
1998 Debt Service

* Total Debt Levy -0-

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at: 201 W. 3rd St., White Deer, Texas
Name of person preparing this notice: C. E. Williams
Title: General Manager
Date Prepared: August 6, 1998

County Approves Slightly Lower Tax Roll

Carson County Commissioners' Court met on August 10, 1998 with all members present. Minutes were read and approved and all claims were approved.

The court reviewed correspondence from General Telephone concerning excavation around underground communication lines. Individuals should call

Clinic

receiving his degree as a Physician Assistant. He practiced for a year at the Federal Correctional Institute in El Reno, Oklahoma. From there, he practiced in Fairview, Oklahoma for two and a half years, until his move to this area.

Wilson encourages everyone to come by and get acquainted with him and say hello to Loretta Britten, the Clinic's nurse. New hours will be from 7:30 - 4:30 daily. Wilson, however, will be there only in the morning hours. It is a good idea for patients to call for an appointment.

G.T.E. before they dig in order to eliminate damage to underground communication lines. "There are new laws concerning this situation and individuals could be held liable for any damage which they might have caused."

Judge Roselius informed the court of the Panhandle County Judges and Commissioners' Association Fall meeting on Friday, September 18, 1998. The meeting will be held at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center, 6500 Amarillo Blvd., Amarillo.

The court was also informed that District Judge David McCoy recently renewed the commission of Jackie West, Carson County Auditor, for the next two years.

The proposed '98-'99 Carson County budget was reviewed and discussed by the court. It was noted that the county wide evaluations were up some from last year. Net requirements

for the new budget are \$1,847,041.00 for the general fund as opposed to the present budget of \$2,053,149.00. The requirement for the Road and Bridge committed

accounts \$547,859.00, as opposed to the present requirement of \$526,258.00. The proposed tax rate to cover the expenses of the new budget is .3191 as opposed to the current rate of .3228.

A letter from the Amarillo Tanker Base was reviewed. The letter stated that the Texas Forest Service has staged four single-engine air tankers (SEAT) at Amarillo and two helicopters at Childress. The aircraft can respond and support local firefighters as they attack wildfires.

"Vegetation is still dry in the county, and conditions for wildfires are high. Residents should use extreme caution," commented Judge Roselius.



Class Of 1953 Meets Groom Day

Groom Day '98 Reunion of the Class of 1953: (left to right) Greg Lamb, David Patterson, Ed Koetting, Patsy Fraser, Leon Neal, Cora Hearn Corral, Germaine Britten Meyer, Wilma Hickox Hughes, Bob Musser, Nell Dean Knight Bagwell, Doug Black, and Doris Schaffer Boody.

1998 Property Tax Rates in GROOM ISD

This notice concerns 1998 property tax rates for GROOM ISD. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the school district used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the school district can set before it must hold a rollback election. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

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|---|-----------------|
| Last year's tax rate: | |
| Last year's operating taxes | \$738,179 |
| Last year's debt taxes | \$0 |
| Last year's total taxes | \$738,179 |
| Last year's tax base | \$51,620,889 |
| Last year's total tax rate | 1.430000 /\$100 |
| This year's effective tax rate: | |
| Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property) | \$738,179 |
| / This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property) | \$49,829,940 |
| = This year's effective tax rate | 1.481396 /\$100 |
| This year's rollback tax rate: | |
| Amount of local taxes needed based on state funding formulas and 1998-99 student enrollment | \$705,713 |
| / This year's adjusted tax base | \$49,854,690 |
| = This year's local maintenance and operation rate | 1.415539 /\$100 |
| OR adopted 1996 maintenance and operation rate | 1.440000 /\$100 |
| = This year's maintenance and operation rate (use greater of 2 rates above) | 1.440000 /\$100 |
| + \$0.08 | 1.520000 /\$100 |
| + Rate increase adopted for 1997-98 school year | 0.000000 /\$100 |
| + This year's debt rate | 0.000000 /\$100 |
| + Rate to recoup loss certified by commissioner of education | 0.000000 /\$100 |
| = This year's rollback rate | 1.520000 /\$100 |

Schedule A: Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

| Type of Property Tax Fund | Balance |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS | \$510,000 |

Schedule B: 1998 Debt Service NONE

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 102 S. MAIN PANHANDLE, TX.

Name of person preparing this notice: DONITA DAVIS

Title: CHIEF APPRAISER

Date prepared: AUGUST 10, 1998

1998 Property Tax Rates in CITY OF GROOM

This notice concerns 1998 property tax rates for CITY OF GROOM. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

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|---|-----------------|
| Last year's tax rate: | |
| Last year's operating taxes | \$52,743 |
| Last year's debt taxes | \$0 |
| Last year's total taxes | \$52,743 |
| Last year's tax base | \$10,883,022 |
| Last year's total tax rate | 0.484635 /\$100 |
| This year's effective tax rate: | |
| Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property) | \$52,743 |
| / This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property) | \$10,911,850 |
| = This year's effective tax rate | 0.483355 /\$100 |
| This year's rollback tax rate: | |
| Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function) | \$69,838 |
| / This year's adjusted tax base | \$10,911,850 |
| = This year's effective operating rate | 0.640020 /\$100 |
| x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate | 0.691221 /\$100 |
| + This year's debt rate | 0.000000 /\$100 |
| = This year's rollback rate | 0.691221 /\$100 |
| - Sales tax adjustment rate | 0.155978 /\$100 |
| = Rollback tax rate | 0.535243 /\$100 |

Schedule A

Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

| Type of Property Tax Fund | Balance |
|---------------------------|----------|
| GENERAL FUND | \$82,219 |

Schedule B

1998 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

| | |
|--|-----|
| Total required for 1998 debt service | \$0 |
| - Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A | \$0 |
| - Excess collections last year | \$0 |
| - Total to be paid from taxes in 1998 | \$0 |
| - Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 94.00% of its taxes in 1998 | \$0 |
| - Total debt levy | \$0 |

Schedule C: Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax

In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive \$17,095 in additional sales and use tax revenues.

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Come In And WIN!

Cosper To Seek Election



Office since January 1991. I was appointed Tax Assessor-Collector by the county commissioners in May of 1998 after the retirement of Roslyn Watson.

I have taken all of the courses required by the state, including the six hour exam, to be certified as a tax collector. I have been certified in this field since 1985, which is required to hold this position.

I will work very hard to see that all the operations of the tax office are carried out in a positive and accurate manner. I enjoy working with the public and strive in making the tax office a friendly and helpful place of business.

I will be on the ballot in November as a candidate for the Carson County Tax Assessor-Collector, and would very much appreciate your vote.

My name is Barbara Cosper. I am running for the position of Carson County Tax Assessor-Collector.

I have been a resident of Carson County for the past 16 years. I am married to Carl 'Dick' Cosper and we have three children, Billy Cosper, Bobby Inman, and Ann Inman. All three children graduated from Panhandle High School. We have two beautiful grandchildren and another on the way.

I worked in the Carson County Appraisal District from 1982 to 1990 and have worked in the Carson County Appraisal District from 1982 to 1990 and have worked in the Carson County Tax

Groom Day Pictures are now available at The News Office. Come by and save a memory!

The Children and Grandchildren of Beth and Carol Brewer invite you to share in the joy of celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary Saturday, August 29th from two until four o'clock in the afternoon Jamesa Delphan Club Corner of Ave G and 15th Jamesa, Texas

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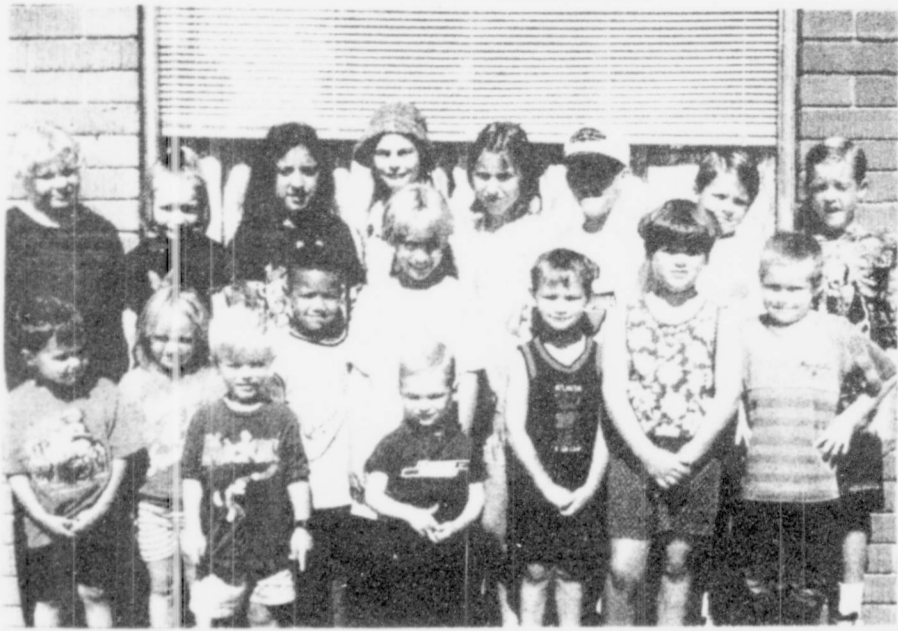
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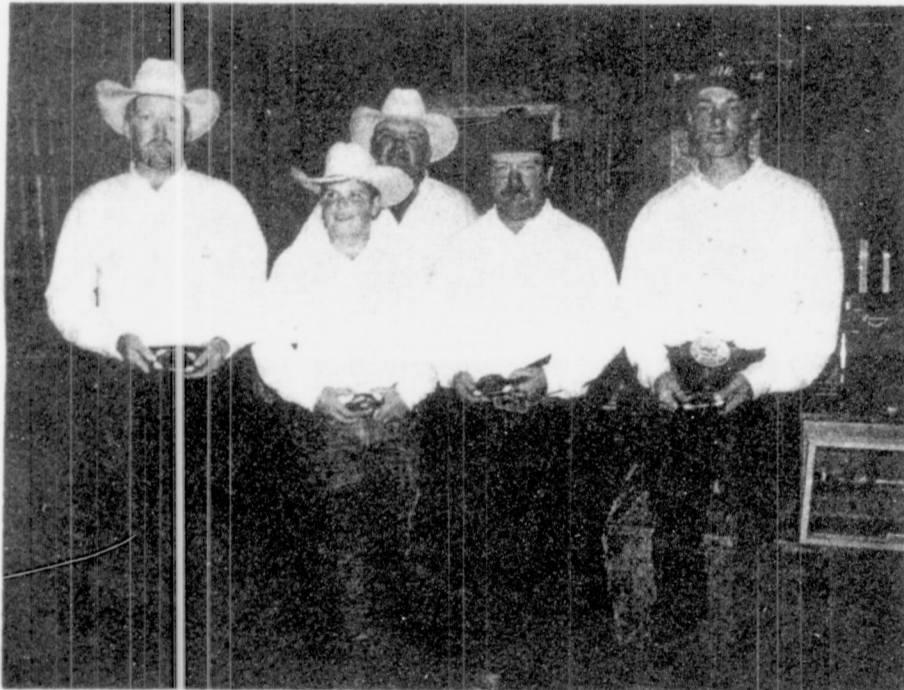


Summer Readers Earn Prizes

Groom's Library sponsored a Summer Reading Program with each child reading at least twenty books. Some read many more than twenty. Prizes were awarded for points ranging from 25 through 125.

The following children participated in the program: Chad Barkley, Thane Barkley, Chance Barkley, Taylor Drewery, Gailynn Drewery, Kailey Crump, Dakota Crump, Angie Moss, Michelle Nunn, Bailee Ruthardt, Stetson Ruthardt, Berklee

Ruthardt, Jaxon Rogers, Tyler Babcock, Tyus Crane, Chera Chavedo, Haleigh Wilson, Brady Painter, Tiffeny Edwards, Noel Loner, Jan Ratterree, Jonathan Robinson, Malorie Homen, Ashley Murray, and Trent Murray.



W & C Team Earn Round-Up's Top Honors, Mitchell Named Top

The 1998 Groom Day Ranch Roundup was enjoyed by all! The announcer for the events of the day was Dale Stapp with help from Karla Koetting, Fred Brown and Susan Brown.

There were ten teams with five members on each team participating. So at least fifty cowboys were involved in entertaining the crowd and winning money and belt buckles! After a crowd pleasing afternoon the cowboys enjoyed the delicious barbecue and some enjoyed the dance Saturday evening.

The winning team was awarded five handmade belt buckles made by Bill Homer. They also won money for their efforts. The top team was W&C Land and Cattle. Members were Wesley Miller, Dan Law, Mark

Miller, Roy Don McCracken, and Randy

McCracken. Second place was tied by three teams. Marc Miller's team with members Marc Miller, Johnny Hill, Pacos Hagler, Tanner Johnson, and Aaron Harper. The J.A. Ranch team members were Barry Clower, Ryan McCoy, Billy Hollowell, Rhett Cauble, Nick Awker, and the third team tying for second place was the Out of Grass team with cowboys Ken Collins, Kenny Chambers, Greg Stephenson, Michael Stephenson, and Ryan Ross. These three second place teams also won money.

Third place was tied by two teams, Lonny Brown's team and the 4 6's (6666).

A set of hand-made bits, made by Bill Homer, was awarded for

best horse with the winner being Steve Shaller's horse "Nowt."

The Top Hand award was given to Jimmy Joe Mitchell with a pair of hand made spurs from Bill Homer as his prize.

The Calf Scramble local winners were Kade Brown and Stetson Ruthardt.

The Steer Dressing event was for local cowboys only with five teams entering. Winners were Wesley and Cindy Miller and Tom Wagner. The Ollinger's team drew no time because the pants did not fit Chief Koetting!

Lonny Brown wants to thank everyone for their help, donations, time, cattle, pens, tractors, landowners and leasee's, Bill Homer and everyone for all their help making the 1998 Roundup a success. And thank the Good Lord for Rain!!

THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES

The 21st Anniversary of Groom Day has come and gone and we would like to thank all the people who planned, organized, painted, set-up, worked the booths, cooked, served and most of all cleaned. We cannot list every name but we want you to know how much we appreciate your generosity of time, money, and effort to make a homecoming for Groom Day a success!

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Methodist VBS Well Attended

"The Eleven Commandments" Vacation Bible School held on June 24-26 at the United Methodist Church was a big success. On Friday, June 26, forty certificates were awarded to the children who attended. The children enjoyed Assembly with Thacker Haynes and Dan Fish; Bible Stories from Linda Syfrett; Arts and Crafts taught by Renea Chambers, Kristie Crockett, Misty Hannon, Freda Holland and Beverly Odom; Snacks served by Ginger Haynes; Singing led by Dan Fish; and Playtime with Rose Steel and Adella Jackson.

Children present at Bible School were: Nicholas Odom, Kristen Odom, Zachary Odom, Jack Odom, Dustin Lee, Kaela Lee, Lucas Webb, Charlie Webb, Clay Crockett, Cody Crockett, Taylor Fish, Haliey Chambers, Tori Bybee, Shiloh Brown, Sami Staton, Amber Staton, Ashley Byron, Caitlin Mantooth, Tammy Syfrett, Michael Doniz, Janie Jackson, Kassi Jackson, Katrina Thomas, Kay Taylor, Cameron Taylor, Bailey Taylor, Nicole McClendon, Trenton Darsey, Jamie Sanderson, Trae Hannon, Devin Chambers, K.J. Averett, Hayley Burnett, Minnie Buckhaults, Lee Buckhaults, Jamie



Children attending the McLean Vacation Bible School enjoyed a variety of activities including arts and crafts and singing.

Alvarez, Alivia Allen, Tyler Lamb, Sheri Haynes, John Haynes, Nikki Alvarez, Ashley Nobles, Tanner Wilhelm, Shay Nobles, and Anthony Ruiz.

Helpers at the Vacation Bible School in addition to those already mentioned were Lacey Steel, Shaley Steel, Helen

Taylor, Bron Bohlar, Kelly Byron, Brianne Burnett, Amanda Hauck, and Sasha Fish.

Many people contributed to the success with donations of cookies, Kool-aid, craft materials, and money. The United Methodist Women gave a generous donation.

McLean School Earns "Recognized" Status

McLean ISD has been rated "Recognized" by the Texas Education Agency.

The ratings are based on attendance rate, drop out rate and the TAAS score.

The TAAS test is given yearly to all students grades three through eight, and tenth grade, except those who

are exempt. This test covers the subjects of math, reading, and writing.

McLean's attendance rate for 1996-1997 was 96.1%, and there were no drop outs in grades seven through twelve.

The rankings a school can receive range from exemplary to academically

unacceptable. Recognized, such as McLean received, is the second-highest rating a school can achieve.

Superintendent John Griffin was pleased with this year's performance rating. "I'm proud of all of our teachers. They've done an excellent job preparing students for the future."

Fine Arts Program Completed

The Fine Arts Summer Program had a great turn out for its first year. Three classes were offered and there was a total of sixteen children from Pampa and McLean in attendance.

Mrs. Katrina Hildebrand of Pampa instructed the Recorder class. She had five students in her class: Nikki Alvarez, Arely Vega, Tammy Syfrett, Xenia Buckhaults, and Lindsay Sackett.

Danelle Comer instructed the charcoal and watercolor class. There were six students in this class: Chase Bohlar, Trent Dorsey, Emery Crawford, Travis Fish, Mitchell Steward and Jacob Eddleman.

Roger Reyna from Pampa instructed the Drama class. Five students attended: Russell Dougless, Robert Dougless, Matt Daugerty, Leda Juengerman, and Jessica Baggerman.



New Teachers Welcomed

Mrs. Patty Hall is a new addition to the McLean Independent School District faculty.

Mrs. Hall spent her childhood in El Paso, but has lived in McLean since 1979. She and her husband, Steve, have one daughter, Sara Beth, who will be a freshman this year at McLean High School.

Mrs. Hall is a graduate of Texas Tech University in Lubbock, and is currently working on an alternate certification from West Texas A&M

University in Canyon.

Duties for Mrs. Hall this year will include teaching secondary Spanish and working with the Special Education program.

Coach James Burch and his family recently moved to McLean after he accepted the position of head football coach.

Coach Burch and his wife Candy have a daughter, Misty, 19, in college, and twenty-month old Jordan. They came to McLean from Lake Arthur, New Mexico.

School Board Approves Tax Increase Of 3.78%

The McLean Independent School District Board of Education met in special session August 10, 1998. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by

President, Neal Odom. The opening prayer was led by Eugene Galley. Present at the meeting were members Bob Glass, Eugene Galley, See School Board, pg. 10

McLean Reminders...

REGULAR School Board meeting, August 18 at 7:00 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL meeting has been changed to 8:00 p.m. in the Library, Thursday, August 13, 1998.

McLean Birthdays Anniversaries
 August 13 - Bill Thomas, Chloe McMullen.
 August 14 - J. Boyd Smith, Thacker and Sharon Haynes (A).
 August 15 - Shirley Bentley, Dick Wheeler, Holly Hefley, Mark Jones.
 August 16 - Stacia Howard, Evelyn Riley, Shaley Stalls.
 August 17 - Rachell Glenn Melville, Blake Crockett, Joe Burroughs, Dale and Mary Lou Glass (A).
 August 18 - Kristina Carter, Ella Ann Hanes, Teresa Haste, Rodney Luther Kennedy, Charlotte Bockmon, Lacy J. Ferguson, Brock and Kristie Crockett (A).
 August 19 - Cynthia Hauck.



Magee-Holwick Exchange Vows In New Mexico Historical Church

Mindy Joe Magee and Cal Ware Holwick were married in Santa Fe, New Mexico on July 10 at the Loretto Chapel. The bride's parents, Joe and Kay Magee and the groom's parents, Bob and Virginia Holwick attended the wedding. The bride is a McLean High School graduate and recently received a Bachelors degree from West Texas A&M. She is employed at First Bank Southwest in Pampa. The groom is

also a graduate of McLean High School and received his degree from Tarleton State in Stephenville, Texas. He is an adult probation officer for Gray County. The couple will reside outside of McLean. Mindy's grandparents are Dent and Bess Bradley of Dimmitt, and Ruth Magee of McLean. Grandparents of Cal's are Elmer and Ruth Ware of McLean and Audrey Westmoreland of Lubbock.

McLean Briefs

Local cowboys Keith Calhoun, Chris Harrison, Kenny Chambers, Steve Lewis and Brock Crockett joined up and with the Matthew's Ranch over the weekend in the Claude Ranch Rodeo and placed fourth out of sixteen teams.

Creed Lamb is home from the hospital after suffering a heart attack.

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Vestal and Pat Bailey were honored on Sunday with a 50th Anniversary party in the First Baptist Church of McLean.

Vestal Bailey and the former Pat Ballard were married August 7, 1948 in the First Baptist Church in Pampa.

Celebrating with the couple were their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchild: Dick and Pam Crockett of McLean; Rodney Bailey, Hobbs, New Mexico; Mark, Cassie and Derek Jones of McLean; Blake Crockett, McLean; Deedra Bailey, San Marcos; and Brooke Bailey of Hobbs, New Mexico.

A special surprise guest was Pat's sister,

Margie Martin, who flew from her home in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Over fifty friends and family members gathered and reminisced with the couple as cake and punch were served.

Guests registered as they came in by a table decorated with a floral arrangement and the couple's wedding picture. Other pictures and memorabilia also decorated the reception.

McLean

Lunch

Menu

Monday Breakfast: Waffles, ham, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: BBQ ribettes on bun, fried okra, fruit, milk.

Tuesday Breakfast: Pancake, sausage on a stick, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Pizza, salad, corn on cob, fruit, milk.

Wednesday Breakfast: Hot or cold cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken nugget, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, hot rolls, milk.

Thursday Breakfast: Biscuit, sausage, gravy, juice, milk. Lunch: Hot dogs, chili, cheese, french fries, pickle spears, fruit, milk.

Friday Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Stuffed potatoes, meat, cheese, salad, jal. pepper cheese bread, fruit, milk.

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The public hearing will be held on AUGUST 20, 1998 at 7:00 PM at MCLEAN ISD BOARD ROOM MCLEAN TEXAS.

FOR the proposal: Neal Odom, Mike Darsey, Bob Glass, Eugene Galley, Ted Davis Simmons, Dqn Dorsey, John Holland

AGAINST the proposal:

PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT:

The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

| | Last Year | This Year |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Average residence homestead value | \$14,534 | \$15,057 |
| General exemptions available | \$15,000 | \$15,000 |
| <small>(amount available on the average homestead, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)</small> | | |
| Average taxable value | (\$466) | \$57 |
| Tax rate | 1.450000 | 1.450000 |
| Tax | \$0.00 | \$0.83 |

Under this proposal, taxes on the average homestead would increase by \$0.83 or 0.00 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by \$0.00 per \$100 of taxable value or 0.00 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

McLean Care Center News

Sunday morning residents enjoyed Sunday School. In the afternoon they gathered for the sermon led by the Methodist Church.

Monday morning was spent with the new activity director getting to know the residents and the routine. Residents gathered to watch their favorite show, the "Price is Right," then played a game of ring toss. That afternoon the residents played bingo. The helper was Betty Lowe. Those present were Bessie McLemore, Lillie Billingsley, Thelma Finson, Ruby Ayers, Phyllis Bailey, Jesse Watson, Don York, Dovie Simmons, Dorothy Patterson, Truman Goodlett, Dick Wheeler, Bud Simpson and Sue Cubine. After bingo everyone enjoyed exercises.

Tuesday morning the residents had their nails done. Then they gathered for the "Price is Right." After the show Jeremy Tidwell read them a story. They all expressed their appreciation. In the afternoon residents

gathered for dominos. Wednesday morning was "Morning Circle." They enjoyed banana nut bread furnished by Inez Trostle and visiting and sharing stories.

Those participating were Lula Sheegog, Phyllis Bailey, Bessie McLemore, Vernie Bowling, Ruby Ayers, Mable Dickey, Helen Glass, Don York, Dovie Simmons, Dorothy Patterson, Sue Cubine, M.L. Turner, Vernie Lowe, Thelma Finson,

Sylvia McClellan, Leon Tate, Versie Collie, Marjorie Turnage, and Truman Goodlett. Afterward the residents gathered for "Price is Right." In the afternoon they enjoyed a movie and popcorn.

Thursday morning the residents gathered in the sun room for beach ball kick. Those present

were Robert Lymburner, Jess Coleman, Sue Cubine, Truman Goodlett, Bessie McLemore, Florence Drake, Duella Beverly, M.L. Turner, Mable Dickey and M.L. Rowan. They enjoyed "Price is Right and later played bingo. Those

present were Mable Dickey, Bessie McLemore, Dick Wheeler, Dovie Simmons, Dorothy Patterson, Phyllis Bailey, Ora Billingsley, Gladys Andrews, Don York, Varnie Lowe, Ruby Ayers, Jess Coleman, and Bud Simpson. Betty Lowe was the volunteer helper.

Friday morning was special moments session for the men. They had some interesting stories. Residents watched "Price is Right" and played ring toss. In the afternoon dominos were enjoyed.

School Board

Mike Darsey, Ted D. Simmons, John Holland, Don Dorsey, and Neal Odom. Also present were John Griffin, Superintendent; and Larry Swanson.

Motion was made by Don Dorsey, second by Mike Darsey, to hire a structural engineer to inspect the concrete slab for the new gymnasium, as a third party with an unbiased interest; and if needed a core test would be done. Vote was unanimous.

Motion by John Holland, second by Don Dorsey, to have a proposed tax rate of \$1.45. Vote was unanimous. The public hearing for the proposed tax rate will be August 20, 1998, at 7:00 p.m. in the School Business Office.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m. with a motion by Don Dorsey, second by John Holland. Vote was unanimous.

McLean ISD Cheerleaders Attend Training

The McLean High School cheerleaders attended camp at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview July 27-30, with sponsor Alicia Reynolds.

The cheerleaders learned new cheers, chants, stunts and jumps and the importance of working together.

McLean can be proud of these young leaders because each of the cheerleaders were nominated for All-American, a very prestigious recognition.

Junior, Jessi Fish, mascot, was named on the All-American mascot team. This is quite an honor because this is her first year to be mascot.

On the last day of camp, the McLean squad was one of only a few who received a spirit stick.

Cheerleaders for the 1998-1999 school year are Vanessa Glass, Senior; Jessi Fish, Junior Mascot; Dee Floyd, Junior; Cesily Cadra and Lauren Williams, Sophomores; and Nikki Hefley, Freshman.

Letter To The Editor

City Needs Improving

To the citizens of McLean. I am writing this letter to express my deep concern for the City of McLean. I have heard of other small towns going under because of mismanagement of city operations. Do we want this to happen to McLean?

I feel there are several issues concerning the city that should be addressed or looked into by the citizens. There are too many issues to address in

this letter, but a few would be: The shape of our city streets and unkept city park.

Another major concern, is the cost of the landfill beneficial to the citizens or do we need another option? Rates have been raised. The Mayor sent a notation stating the gas rates for McLean were cheaper than any other

area town. At the time McLean's gas rates were raised in January 1998. Amarillo, Pampa, Shamrock, and Groom's gas rates were lower than McLean's. I know this to be true because I personally called each city. I am deeply concerned that the Mayor would make a statement to the citizens of McLean to that effect, when the rates in the other cities were cheaper.

Another concern, where are the improvements to our city? Was there a need for the heavy equipment recently purchased at (\$80,000.00) or could that money spent have been put to better use?

Citizens of McLean, these are just a few concerns I've listed. There is much more that you need to be aware of. For years we have sat back and not become involved in our city. It's time we, the citizens of McLean, find out what's really going on in our city. To do this you must come to the meeting August 13 at 8:00 p.m. at the Library.

A concerned citizen and former council member,
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Legal Notice

The Carson County Commissioners' Court will hold a budget hearing concerning the '98 - '99 proposed budget, August 24th, 1998, at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners' courtroom, courthouse, Panhandle, Texas.

This notice published according to sec. III.007, and 111.0075, Texas Local Government Code.

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Political Calendar

The Groom News is authorized to present the name of the following candidates for offices, subject for office, subject to the Elections to be held on March 10, 1998. A fee of \$35.00 has been paid by each candidate for listing in this column from now till the final election in November.

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Memories Of The Dust Bowl Days, Brumley Recalls

Contributed by Johnny Brumley
I was looking through some family papers the other day and the following caught my eye. It was in some notes written by my Mother. Gathered half of a crop in 1933. 1934 was

a complete failure, no rain until 24th of August. On August 27 I planted beans, canned 56 quarts, haven't like beans since, ha. The black dusters were so bad we would light lamps in day time. One morning I got up to build fire in a four eye

bachelor stove (I seldom did this) and told Jack there wasn't any wood in the box, he said there is, it was covered up with sand by a West window. Before I could make breakfast, I used broom and dust pan to fill dish pan with sand. This

duster blew all day and night as did many others later. The section of land paid Mr. Brumley \$17.00 rent in 1935. In 1935 the government had mattress and comforter projects started every where to get rid of surplus cotton. I was appointed supervisor and was paid 25 cents for each of these made. We

had such a good time. We used the Gilpin School house for this. Johnny was born June 16. 1936 was near failure. Drove team across field and Jack cut maize in low places. John and Derrell on spring seat with me. He got enough to fatten one meat hog and feed chickens. We were

happy even though struggling to make a living.

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Committed To
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Classic Cable announced their plans to donate money to local high schools with each new cable installation or upgrade. The company continues to focus their efforts on community, commitment and customer service. According to Jennifer Hauschild, Marketing Manager for Classic Cable the company has committed to donating five dollars to local high schools for each new installation or upgrade during the month of August, plus HBO will donate \$1 for each HBO sale. "We offered a similar campaign in 1997 and generated nearly \$15,000 for local high schools," stated Ms. Hauschild. "We have been working very hard this year on being good neighbors in the communities we provide with cable service and we firmly believe the education of our children is vitally important. This effort demonstrates our continued commitment to our customers, their communities and their children," added Hauschild.

Classic Cable currently provides all schools with free cable television service and has established a college scholarship fund for graduating seniors. In addition, the company makes donations to many community events and donates a large number of toys to needy children during the holidays.

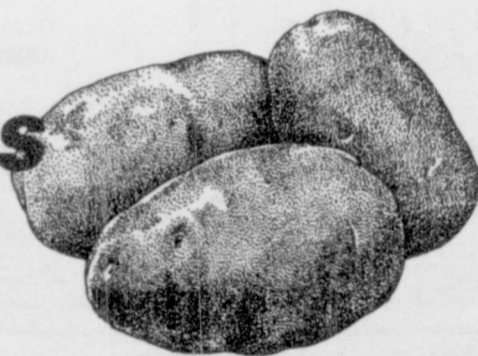
Individuals wishing to install with cable television during this month will not only have the five dollars donated to the local high school but will also receive 50% off the regular install fee. Existing customers wishing to assist with these efforts can do so by upgrading their existing cable service to include any premium service and the donation of \$5 will also be made to the local high school. Again, they too, will receive 50% off the regular upgrade fee.

According to Ms. Hauschild, customers can either call 1-800-999-8876 or stop by their local office to get all the details. "During the month of August everyone can win. Customers will have the best home entertainment value in town, the local high school will receive a donation and Classic Cable will have a valued customer," stated Ms. Hauschild.



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