



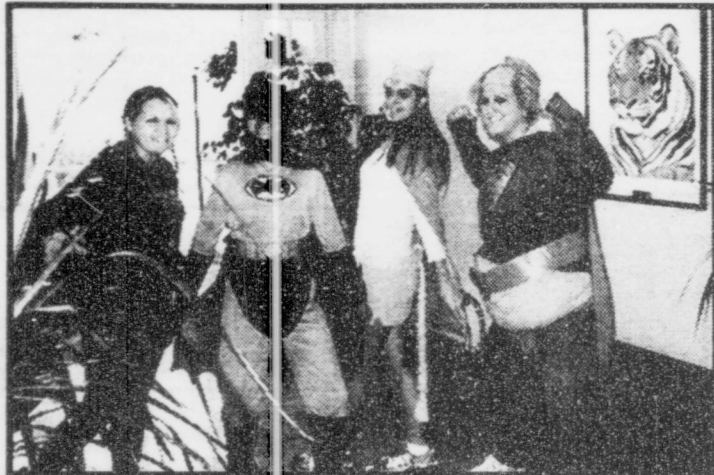
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Tamara Loya, Arely Vega, Jessica Mann and Tara Thomas show off their super hero spirit during Homecoming Week.

Various Activities Highlight Tigers Homecoming Week

Super Heroes at McLean School? Well, of course, if you were there on Tuesday. Super Hero Day was only one of the days students and employees wore costumes to school to boost spirit during Homecoming Week. Others included camouflage day, class colors day, black & white day and black & gold day.

Tonight at 8 PM, the Athletic Boosters and McLean ISD will host a hot dog cook-out and a community "pep rally under the lights". During the pep rally, the cheerleaders will name "the most spirited person". Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. Lots of black and gold will be seen in the stands on Friday night. The

junior class has been selling mums, garters, and spirit items. The homecoming game will feature the McLean Tigers vs the Hedley Owls. Before the game, the homecoming queen will be crowned. Young ladies vying for the crown are Sheri Haynes, Kelsey Tate, Ashley Green, Tara

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McLean City Council Meets In Regular Session; No Tax Comments From Public

The City Council of McLean met in regular session Monday, September 11, 2006 in the City Hall. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor and opened with an invocation at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Bob Martin, Molly McDowell, Betty Taylor, George Shaw and James Troy. Mindy Reeves was absent.

Others present: Toni Bohlar, Roby Lynn, Marjorie Fish, Duwain & Peggy Baer, and Lynn

Reeves.

The minutes of the August meetings were approved.

By unanimous consent the Council agreed to pay the bills.

McLean EDC - Alderman Taylor informed the Council that the EDC's sign had been put on the pavilion and that tiger paws had been painted on the sidewalk. She also said that David Haynes had approached them about redoing the tennis courts and that the estimate that

he had brought them was for \$11,000.00 with a 6 year guarantee, but that they had asked him to get other estimates.

Public Hearing on 2006 Tax Rate - there were no comments from the citizens present.

Approve 2006 Ad-Valorem Tax Rate - Motion by Alderman Troy, second by Alderman Shaw to approve the tax rate at .68 per \$100.00 value, with all voting in favor.

Adopt Tax Ordinance # 309 - Motion by Alderman

Shaw, second by Alderman Taylor, with all voting in favor to approve and adopt the following ordinance:

"An ordinance fixing the tax rate and levy in and for the City of McLean, Texas, for the year of 2006, upon taxable property in said City of McLean, Texas, for the purpose of providing for the General Fund for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, providing for a penalty, providing that in the event any provision of this ordinance be held

unconstitutional and invalid; that such holding shall not effect the remaining provisions thereof; and repealing all ordinances and parts thereof in conflict therewith."

Amend 2006-2007 Budget - Motion by Alderman Taylor, second by Alderman McDowell, to approve the budget amendment as presented, with all voting in favor.

Gray County LEPC Donation - The Gray County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) requested that the City of McLean participate and support the LEPC for the coming year and asked for an annual \$100.00 donation. Motion by Alderman Shaw, second by Alderman McDowell, with all voting in favor to participate and send them the donation.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SCHOOL BOARD will meet Monday, Sept 18 at 7 PM in the School Business Office.

CIRCLE OF Friends dinner will be Saturday, Sept 16, at 6:30 PM at the Devil's Rope Museum.

MCLEAN EDC will meet Thursday, September 14 at 6PM at the Library.

BLOOD DRIVE at Bank of Commerce, Monday, Sept 26, 3:30-6:30 PM. Call 1-877-574-8900 to schedule an appointment. Donors will receive a T-shirt.

INNISBROOK SALES to benefit McLean ISD boosters will be Sept 5-22. Contact Amy Herring for information.

HOMECOMING Pep Rally and hot dog cook out will be tonight, Thursday, September 7, at 8PM at the football field. Everyone is invited.

MCLEAN TIGERS vs Hedley Friday, Sept 15 at 7:30 PM at home Homecoming Queen will be crowned at 7:00

MCLEAN CUBS vs Hedley tonight, Sept 14 at 5 PM at Hedley



Lynn Hudson Takes Over As New Deputy Sheriff in McLean & South Gray Co.

Lynn Hudson is the new Deputy Sheriff in McLean. He has been in law enforcement 14 years. His last job was in Brownfield, Texas as Sgt. Deputy Sheriff. His duties here will include McLean, the surrounding area and the southern part of Gray County.

Lynn, his wife, Kim, and their four year old son, Ethan, are excited about moving to McLean because of the friendly atmosphere. If you need assistance, call the Sheriff's Office in Pampa at 669-8022 and they will dispatch an officer.

McLean Birthdays & Anniversaries

September 14 - Jerrett Coleman, Quenton Story, Leslie Darsey.

September 15 - Virginia Jones, Dale and Rose Steel (A).

September 16 -

September 17 - Sondra Bybee, Julia Lee.

September 18 - Elaine Sims, Jared McClellan, Peggy Simpson.

September 19 - Tuffy Sanders, Tammy Syfrett, Carla Kirkland.

September 20 - Joy Brown, Stacie Smith.



Golfers (l to r) Ruben Flores, Bob Glass, Clay Cooper, Kirk Anderson, Casper Smith, Brandon Lewis, Jesse Cooper, Monty Joiner, Hershel Smith. Not pictured: Andy Glass, Buck Lee and Flea Simpson.

Bob Glass Wins Golf Championship

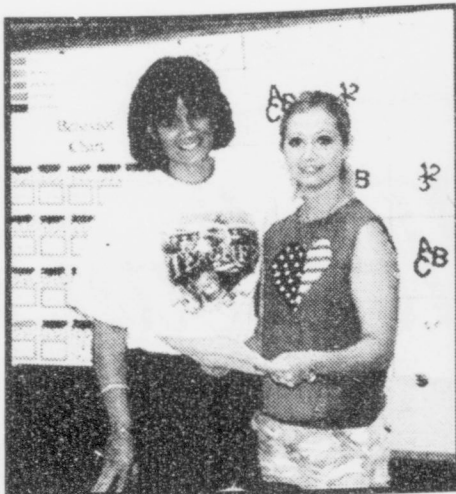
The McLean Golf Association held their annual Club Championship Saturday, September 9, 2006.

Golf club president, Andy Glass, welcomed twelve competitors and recognized sponsors Pucketts, Red River Steakhouse, Wal Mart, Pizza Hut, Hastings, and the Plaza restaurant for prize donations.

Closest to the pin on

number five was won by Monty Joiner and Jesse Cooper. Closest to the pin on number eight was won by Andy Glass and Casper Smith. Longest drive was won by Bob Glass and Hershel Smith.

In the Senior Division, Casper Smith won first and Hershel Smith second. Bob Glass won the Championship with Kirk Anderson placing second.



Diana Watson (left), kindergarten teacher visits with Traci Carter, new kindergarten and second grade teacher's aid.

Mcbean School Menu

BREAKFAST-FRIDAY- Cinnamon roll, toast & jelly, juice, milk.

Monday- pancake/sausage on a stick, toast & jelly, juice and milk **TUESDAY**-muffins, toast & jelly, juice and

milk. **WEDNESDAY**-pancakes, sausage, toast & jelly, juice and milk.

THURSDAY (Sept.21) - scrambled eggs, ham, toast and jelly, juice and milk.

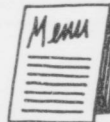
LUNCH-FRIDAY-pizza corn on cob, salad, fresh fruit and milk.

MONDAY-BBQ sausage, pinto beans, salad, cornbread, fruit and milk.

TUESDAY-nachos w/ meat and cheese, refried beans, salad, pudding and milk.

WEDNESDAY-chicken fried steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, English peas, mixed fruit and milk.

THURSDAY(Sept. 21) - corn dog, French fries, pork-n-beans, apricots, jello and milk.



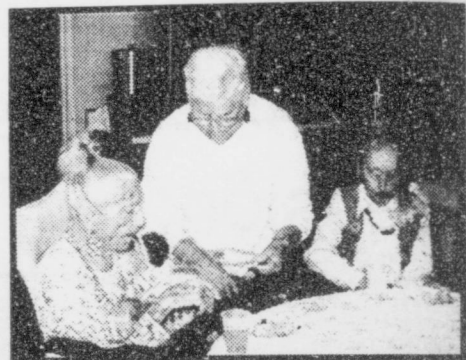
McLean Care Center Celebrates September Birthdays



Ida Myers and Debra Davis enjoy punch at their birthday party.



Babe Brown (left) and Sheri Martindale (right) have cake with birthday honoree, Mary Powell (center).



Mary Dwyer (center) celebrates with birthday honorees Margaret Steel (left) and Billie Moore (right).



K.R. Olson-birthday honoree



Eloise Haws-birthday honoree

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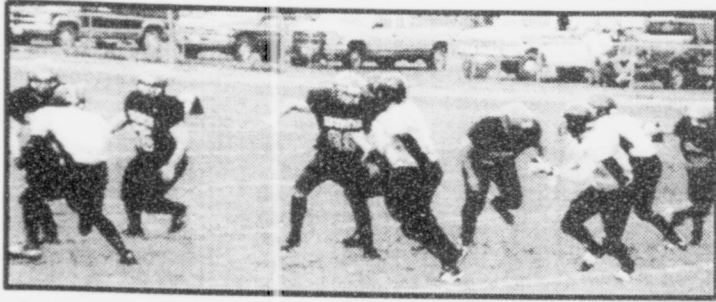
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McLean Tigers Blank Higgins



Tiger Defense contains Higgins Coyotes in a 56-0 shut out.

The McLean Tigers needed only two quarters against the Higgins Coyotes last Friday night to notch their first win 56-0. The Tigers record is now 1-1 for the season.

Higgins offense never got pass their own 20 yard line as the Tigers defense dominated the game. Mark Smith and Jayme Welch both scored

touchdowns on Coyotes turnovers.

The McLean's offense ignited for six touchdowns. Jayme Welch scored one, Zach Richardson scored two, Corey Graham two, and Seth Childers scored one in the game. Head coach Jack Graves stated, "The team's hard work paid off. Our boys played well both on offense and

defense. We know Hedley will be tougher and we are looking forward to playing them."

Hedley Owls will travel to McLean to play in the Tiger's Homecoming game. Hedley was 5-5 last year and are picked to finish 3rd in their district. Game time is 7:30 PM Friday at Duncan Field.



(Left) Tanner Cadra and the Cubs line up for the kick-off (Right) Zach Seymour and the Cub defense closes in on Darrouzett.

Cubs Beat Darrouzett



Jordan Herring sprints for a touchdown.

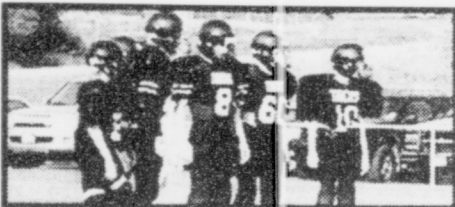
The McLean Cubs won their opening game last Thursday night with a convincing 71-31 score over the Darrouzett Longhorns.

Scoring points for the Cubs were Clay Crockett, Tanner Cadra, Jordan Herring, Tyler Lamb, Johnathan Green, George Patterson, Chase West, and Stormy Manns.

The Cubs will travel to Hedley tonight for a 5:00 PM game.



Clay Crockett scores Cubs first touchdown.



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Bailey/Ware Funeral Home 779-2424

The Flower Cottage
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Homecoming

Thomas and Amanda Fricks. Festivities begin at 7 PM Friday night.

Council

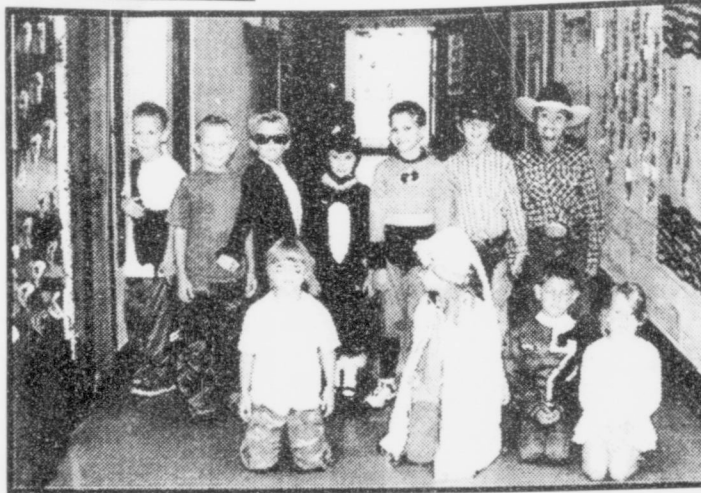
Mitigation Action Plan Resolution - Mayor Martin explained that if the resolution was not passed, the City would not be eligible for any government grants. Motion by Alderman Shaw, second by Alderman Taylor, with all voting in favor to approve the following resolution:

"A resolution by the City Council of the City of McLean, Texas, accepting the multi-jurisdictional Gray County Hazard Analysis and adopting multi-jurisdictional Gray County Mitigation Action Plan, as required by Title 44 Code of Federal Regulation, Part 201."

Auditor Engagement Letter - Motion by Alderman McDowell, second by Alderman Taylor to engage Foster & Lamber CPA's to do this year's annual financial audit, with all voting in favor.

Director's Report - Roby Lynn said that all was going well. The fuel pump in the front end loader was out and that they were in the process of trying to find one. He also told the Council that some work had to be done to the Semi that was very costly in the amount of approx. \$2600.00. The second pond at the sewer plant was half covered with clay now, so good progress had been made.

Other City Business - Mayor Martin said that he had talked to Sheriff Copeland about some of our problems here in town. There is a new deputy, Deputy Hudson, that will be living here in McLean and he is an experienced law enforcement officer. Sheriff Copeland told Mayor Martin that if there was any new program initiated here in McLean, he would be glad to attend the meeting. Sheriff Copeland also said that if anyone has any problems or complaints to please call



Super Heroes Rance Blaylock, Hunter Burnett, Wyatt Armbrister, Chelsie Jasper, Morgan Reynolds, Callie Crockett and Rachel Soto (Front) Brooke Alley, Aerial Michaelenko, Jack Reyna and Trista Greenwood.

McLean 4-H ers Induct New Officers



New Officers Britnie Cooper, Becca Reyna, Braxton Cooper, Tammy Syfrett, Danny Syfrett and Saber Bohlar

Four Clover 4-H club had their induction of new officers on Monday, Sept 11 at 8 PM in The Church of Christ Annex. Tammy Syfrett is the new president. Other officers include Saber Bohlar, VP, Brittanic Cooper-treasurer, Becca Reyna-secretary, Braxton Cooper-reporter and Danny Syfrett-council delegate.

the Sheriff's office at 669-8022 and talk to the dispatcher or the Lieutenant on duty and it would be taken care of.

Visitor Comments - a short discussion was held by the citizens present and the Council concerning the problems in town and sufficient law enforcement.

The meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Four Clover 4-H has 18 members. Adult leaders are Linda Syfrett, Heidi Syfrett, Sally Bohlar, Tanya Soto, Tracy Cooper

and Ella Mae Reyna. Adult leaders are always needed and welcome. If you are interested in becoming a leader, contact Linda Syfrett.

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New Life Assembly of God 4th & Main
Pastor Z.A. Myers
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Sunday night Service 6:00 p.m.

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Pastor Kelly Raymond 779-2175
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:50 & 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m.

United Methodist Church 2nd & Gray
Pastor Thacker Haynes 779-2049 & 779-2337
Sunday 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:50 a.m.
Wednesday Choir 7:00 p.m.

Heald United Methodist Church
Kellerville Road
Sunday 9:15 a.m.

Trinity Church Railroad Street
Pastor Larry Perkins 779-3207
Sunday worship 10:45 a.m.
Life Groups-Sunday-5:00 p.m.
Solid Rock Youth & Sonshine Children's Ministry
Wednesday 6:00
Adult Bible Study-Wednesday-7:00 p.m.

McLean Cowboy Church & The Arena of Life 119 E. 3rd
Pastor Ronnie Ferguson, - 779-2135
Worship Service Sunday morning 10:30 a.m.
Bible Study Wednesday evening 7:30 p.m.
AA Meetings on Tues. 8:00 pm

Devil's Rope Museum News by Davie Gipson

August was a pretty exciting month at the museum. We had 413 visitors. Thirty three states were represented along with 143 people from 20 foreign countries. Countries represented were: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, England, France, Germany, Holland, Italy, Ireland, Japan, New Zealand, Norway, Netherlands, Scotland, Sweden, Spain, Switzerland and Israel. The Jet Save Tours visited the museum with 37 people from England, Ireland and

Scotland.

On August 23, two Frenchmen were at the museum to film a documentary promoting French tourism. They interviewed me and wanted to know about the schools, businesses and about McLean before I-40 by passed it. So, the next time you are in France, maybe you will see me on their travel channel.

At the end of August, the museum had 13 motorcyclists from Sweden. They were enjoying their trip and found our museum and gift shop most interesting.


Young At Heart Celebrates Members Birthdays With a Birthday Bash

Young @ Heart met Tuesday, Sept 5, for a "Birthday Bash" for all the members. There was a hot dog luncheon and a birthday card exchange. There were 24 members present. Guests were Jenny Fry and Dick & Effie Everett. There was a drawing for the quilt made by Effie for the Jim Reyna

Fund. Bob Weaver of Colorado Springs won the quilt.

Laura Garrison did the blood pressure checks. Mindy Reeves is now at home. The next luncheon will be September 19, 2006 at the Young @ Heart building. There will be a discussion about re-instating game night.

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County Judge
Republican Candidates
Lewis Powers
Democratic Candidates
Jackie West
County Treasurer
Republican Candidate
Denise Salzbrenner
Democratic Candidates
Dea Schroeder

Tax Assessor-Collector
Republican Candidates
Jackie Lewis
Justice of the Peace
Precinct 1
Democratic Candidates
Bill Hinson

Gray County
Gray County Clerk
Republican Candidates
Susan Winborne
Justice of the Peace,
Precinct 2
Republican Candidates
Mary Ann Carpenter....
Co. Commissioners
Precinct 4
James Hefley

The following candidates have paid a fee to have their name on this political calendar. Their disclaimer statements are on file at The Groom-McLean News for public inspection.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City of Groom Texas will receive sealed bids until 4:00 PM on Friday, October 6, 2006 at Groom City Hall, 203 Broadway, Groom, Texas 79039. Bids will be opened and read aloud at the Groom City Council meeting on Wednesday, October 11, 2006 at the 7:30 PM meeting. Bids to be received for the following: Property located at 98 Broadway, Lots 22 thru 24, Block 1, OT-Groom--building housing former Trinity shop, the old Groom Clinic & Pharmacy, and Vivian's shop.

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Homer Presented 4-H Friend

Each year Carson County 4-H presents a Friend of 4-H Award to an individual or organization that has gone above and beyond in supporting the Carson County 4-H program. At this year's award ceremony, which was held on August 21 at the United Methodist Church in White Deer the honor was bestowed on two very deserving recipients, Joe Homer & Richard Mead.

The first honoree, Joe Homer, graduated from the ranks of 4-H leader and parent but continues to serve not only 4-H by all youth participating in livestock projects throughout the county. He has served in various capacities in the livestock program and for numerous years has served as the president of the Carson County Livestock Association. He not only fulfills the job of president but is also willing to pick



up the slack wherever needed. He spends uncountable hours every year making sure the Carson County Livestock Show runs smoothly.

The second recipient is not stranger to the livestock scene. He not only assists his daughter with their livestock projects, he has spent numerous hours over the past three years, working to make the White Deer livestock pens a place where 4-H members can raise their animals and secured additional funds in order to help. His work has enabled White Deer 4-Hers to have a more usable and convenient place for their animals to be kept. He is Richard Mead

New Wind Farm Abatement Revenue Will Include 13%

The Carson County Commissioners approved a Tax Abatement with High Plains Power, LP during their regular meeting date of September 11, 2006.

"The abatement consists of 87% abatement and the county will receive 13% the first year on a 10 year agreement," said Judge Lewis Powers. He further explained the construction of a minimum of 8 mega watts capacity total market estimated initial market value of 8 million dollars. The wind farm will have at least 7 wind turbines and towers. It will be located on the Glenn Hodges' northeast corner of Pantex. The legal description location will be at the intersection of FM 2373 and FM 293 better known as the west half section 19, Block 19, Block M-4, JH Gibson Survey, Carson County, Texas.

"A county cannot abate taxes for more than a 10 year period," said Judge Powers.

There was no action taken at this meeting on items of right of ways and easements, indigent care roads, labor and machinery. Also, no action was taken after the discussion with Gregg Cook of First Care Health Insurance. The insurance company was represented by Cook at the meeting discussing the changes affecting county employees' health benefits.

No action was taken on the item of the Department of State Health Services contract until the next meeting of September 25th.

Sheriff Tam Terry was given the ok to set up a Buffer Zone Plan. The plan consists of individual air pacs used by emergency personnel in case of an emergency around the Pantex area. The grant totaled \$44,950.00 for 10 pacs. The air pacs are rechargeable. This particular grant came about due to Homeland Securities.

The court approved a proposal from Carpet World on the amount of \$9,258.25 to carpet the Carson County Library,

Panhandle Branch. Bids were also received from Ingrams for \$18,605.00 and Rick Lovelady for \$14,191.00.

Discussion was held over the installation and placement of a new generator donated by Pantex. A new electrical system was discussed to operate the new generator. The installation and location of a diesel fuel tank to operate the generator is still being studied.

Judge Powers said, "The current generator was donated by and maintained by Pantex." But it is only a single phase and it is not big enough to operate, such as the elevator. It would not be big enough to evacuate the jail except through the stairways. The new 3-phase power \$19,000.00 generator was made available through Judge Powers and negotiations through the Agreement In Principal (AIP) with the Dept. of Energy, State Energy Office and Carson County.

The court reviewed and approved all claims

including a newly submitted claim to the City of Panhandle in the amount of \$127.13.

A proposal from Classic Ornamental Iron Company to make improvements on the outside and inside hand rails for the Courthouse. The Court discussed the improvements and the proposal in the amount of \$9,623.00.

The court discussed Sheriff's personnel because Sheriff Terry asked the court to allow two employees of the County to be certified as Jailers and utilize the law enforcement, 171 hour pay schedule.

The Court discussed and approved with Sheriff Terry Courthouse security. The sheriff asked the Court to allow him to purchase a new DVR and two monitors from Panhandle Computer Services in the amount of \$5059.00, for the security cameras now in the Courthouse.

No action was taken on the progress on sealing the floor in the jail.

All items were by unanimous vote unless otherwise stated.

Groom Tigers To Host Woodson Friday Night

Quarterback Thane Barkley's 270 yards passing and his 104 yards rushing was not enough last Friday night as the Tigers fell short to Lefors' Pirates, 46-34.

T.J. Moranic caught eight passes for 77 yards. Blaine Britten scored for the Tigers on a 4-yard pass from Barkley, the PAT kick failed. Barkley scored on a 10 yard run, Barkley's PAT was good.

Lefors had a snap sail out of the endzone giving Groom a safety. Barkley worked his way down the field on the kickoff for a 47 yard kickoff return for a touchdown. The PAT kick failed.

Bryan Newton caught a 34 yard pass from Barkley for a touchdown. The PAT kick failed.

The final score for the Tigers on the night was on a Josh Kelly 32 yard run, again the PAT kick failed.

Lefors' Pirates' running

back Brent Roberson carried the ball for 220 yards and three touchdowns. Cameron Klein gained 92 yards rushing and two touchdowns. Tory Coombes had a touchdown reception and two interceptions.

This week the Tigers will host Woodson Cowboys. Woodson is predicted to win their district of 10-6 Man. The Cowboys have returning backs Jerrad Jones, 5'8", 160 pounds, running a time of 4.8 and Robert Perez, 5'11", 190 pounds who also is said to run a 4.8. Starters returning are four on offense and three on defense. Their 2005 record was 8-2, 4-2 in district. But the Cowboys behind the leadership of Jones and Perez are expected to be playing in December.

Woodson was defeated last week by Throckmorton by a score of 70-22.

City Council Approves 2006-2007 Budget

The Groom City Council met in regular monthly business session with the following members and visitors present Mayor Joe Homer, Aldermen Chris Welch, Matt Fields, Buck Babcock, Joe Rae Richardson and visitors Greg Hendricks, Mary Sue Lyles. Alderman Kenneth Weller was absent.

(All motions were unanimous unless otherwise noted.)

The proposed 2006-2007 budget was approved. The primary change to the budget was at \$15,000 increase to the General Fund to fund the Ambulance Service. The remainder of the funds for EMS Director salary will come from the

See Council, pg. 4

Groom Community Calendar

Kickoff will be at 7:30 p.m. Friday night.

A TAIL-GATE Party will be held on Main Street near the Gazebo after the game on Friday night in Groom. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy some food and fun. In case of bad weather, the event will be moved to the school cafeteria.

Tuesday Prices	
Wheat	\$4.08/bu
Milne	\$3.80/cwt
Corn	\$4.51/cwt
Soybeans	\$4.24/bu

CRUSADE AT THE Cross, featuring Kurtis Ivey and Susie McEntire Lushsinger is set for September 21.

Groom City Council will temporarily have their next few council meetings on Wednesday nights. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

LAST DAY to register to be eligible to vote in the November General Election is October 10, 2006. Contact Jackie Lewis, Voter Registrar at 537-3412.

THE JUNIOR High Cubs will play Lefors, there, at 6:00 on Thursday.

THE GROOM Tigers will play Woodson, here at 7:30 on Friday, Sept. 15.

GROOM 4-H club will meet on Tuesday, September 19 at 9:00 in the Community Center.

GROOM LION'S Club will hold their annual Scholarship Dinner on Oct. 1, 2006 from 11:30 to 1:30.

Tuesday's World Cotton Prices	
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LOCAL HAPPENING

ILL OR RECOVERING
 On the sick list this week is Zoah Britten of Wheeler, mom of Jimmy Britten; Ernie Bill Terry, Sheriff Tam Terry's dad.

Card Of Thanks
 I would like to thank everyone for all the thoughtful things you have done, prayers, food, cards and visits. And especially Tom, Nick and Ron for helping when I fell. I am home and doing good.
 Cleo Nix

BURGER FAMILY REUNION

Dean and Donna Burger of Pampa and Bud and Connie Fields of Groom attended the Burger family Reunion held at Camp Spring Lake near Cordell, Oklahoma on Sept 9th & 10th, 2006.

A Southern Christmas theme was carried throughout the hall with lighted Christmas tree and stockings were hung on the mantle.

An auction was held with Santa (Alvin Bud Fields) taking the bids all the children were thrilled to have Christmas gifts early.

Visiting and the evening meal was enjoyed by all.

A family reunion was held Sept 1 and 2nd, 2006 at the Ashmore Inn in Amarillo, Texas for the decedents of James and Bonnie Helton.

Hosting this years events were; Rose Helen and Leonard Ziekle; Tori Collins; and Bud and Connie Fields.

James and Bonnie Helton had eleven children - William Albert Helton, Ernest Porter Helton, Newton Elmo Helton, Nathaniel Benton Helton, Jeanetta Cora Helton Fields, allen Anderson Helton, Correll D. Helton, Joe A. Helton, Claude

Helton and Harrell Helton, Carroll D. Helton of Borger is the only living brother and also attended the event.

A afternoon of visiting, showing "old movies" and eating was enjoyed by all.

It was decided by the family give a donation to the Groom Cemetery to help with the upkeep.

Also it was announced that a plaque in memorial of Harrell Helton is being placed in the Veteran's Memorial Park in Amarillo. He was last in action in the war.

These attending the years reunion were: Nancy and Wayne Stroope and children, Lindsay, Brennan and Chaden of Amarillo; Vohnya and Kelly Tongate and sons; Garrett and Gutherie of Lubbock, TX; Betty Helton, (wife of Allen), David and Cindy Helton of San Antonio, TX, Andy and Dec Helton of Waco, TX; Caroll and Norma Helton of Boarger, Mary Kay and Kurtis Kührts; Janet and Steve Byars; Danny and Hannah Rogers and children; Grace and Baby Sister ; Aimee and Jeffery Fields and girls, Jacee and Avrie; Leonard and Rose Helen Zielke; all of Amarillo, Tx; Jason Byars of Pampa, Tx; Hae Ed and Gloria Helton of Clovis, NM; Susan and Ray Ward of Beaumanont, TX; Lori Collins of Tumer California and Bud and Connie Fields of Groom.

Kyrs Stevens Awarded UIL Scholarship

Kyra Leigh Stevens, a graduate of Groom High school, has been awarded a scholarship by the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation.

Stevens received a Spalding Sports Worldwide award in the amount of \$1,000, payable \$500 each semester of the first year. The Spalding Sports award is awarded to 40 students who have participated in the University Interscholastic League

Academic State meet and who have compiled an outstanding record of academic and extracurricular achievement.

This year the TILF awarded 391 new awards and will renew approximately 230 awards for a total of more than 600 scholarships for 2006-07, with value of over \$1 million. Recipients may attend any approved college or university in

Texas.

Stevens competed in current issues and events at the 2004 UIL Academic State Meet. She also participated in UIL prose interpretation, literary criticism, one act play, social studies and basketball throughout her high school career. She is the daughter of Terry and Laura Stevens.

Stevens will attend South Plains College and major in speech pathology.

Birthday & Anniversaries

September 14 - Cady Wilson.

September 15 - Gracie Faith Story, Amanda Paige Conrad.

September 16 - Jerry Dee Schaffer.

September 17 - Madeline Grace Britten.

September 18 - Jordyn

Rilee Prather, Sherry Rocha, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Wieberg (A).

September 19 - Katie Rose Leven, Thomas J. Moraniec, Mr. and Mrs. Don Case (A).

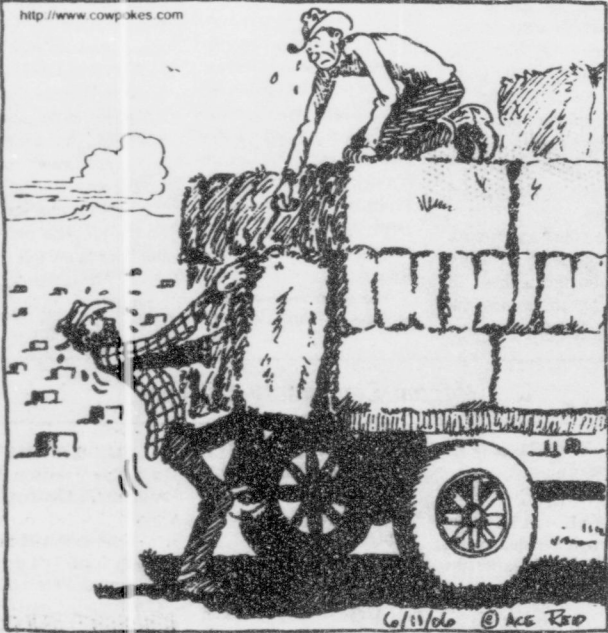
September 20 - Tammy Robinson, Collin Downs.

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Tye Bralley Wins First In Fishing Tournament

Tye Bralley, son of Bill and Bebe Bralley, formally of Groom recently won one of the largest fishing tournaments in the Gulf of Mexico. He was part of a seven member team. Tye piloted the 61 foot Blackwell boat "C-Ya."

The tournament was the first blue water event since Hurricane Katrina hit the Mississippi Gulf Coast last August. 72 teams were entered in the event.

The "C-Ya" team, with only 6 minutes to spare before the deadline time of 11:00 p.m. pulled across the finish line with 3,000 awaiting the announcement of the champions. The team Galati was already popping champagne anticipating their win.

The win was cinched with a 722 pound blue marlin that took over 8 hours to reel in. The crew happily pocketed the \$221,000 for the catch.

Bralley said the team donated 10% of the earnings to a local children orphanage that was damaged by Katrina, as well as the meat from the marlin.

"It keeps you in good luck and keeps you tight with the good Lord when you're dealing with fish that big" said Bralley, concerning the donation.

Bralley fishes professionally all over the world, but calls Port Aransas, Texas his home base.

Carson County Has Officials Attend Austin Meeting For Tax Hearings

Carson County Judge Lewis Powers, Commissioner Precinct 3 Jerry Strawn, Auditor Jackie West and County Clerk Celeste Bichsel joined with leaders of many of Texas 254 counties in Austin recently to hear U.S. Senator Kay Baily Hutchinson, state legislators and local government experts discuss important issues affecting legislative session that starts in January," Judge Powers said. "The conference program offered practical information regarding legislation that



Judge Lewis Powers

affects counties and our taxpayers, who must too often shoulder the burdens of unfunded mandates that flow from the state to local governments."

"Unfunded mandates create havoc with local government budgets, forcing counties to increase revenue to pay for indigent health care, indigent defense and other programs that the state makes us carry out," he continued. "The earlier we know what laws legislators intend to consider, the longer we have to talk to them about which ideas are

goot and which aren't from the county taxpayers' perspective."

Almost 500 elected and appointed officials from

many of Texas counties attended the conference which included workshops

counties and their tax payers.

The Texas Association of Counties (TAC) Annual Conference was held in Austin in late August.

The official heard an opening address by U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchinson (R-TX), a panel discussion by state senators and representatives on past sessions and the upcoming 2007 legislative session as well as attending numerous workshops on specific legislation and on-going issues.

The conference was a great learning experience

on unfunded mandates, disaster response and recovery, property tax and appraisal reform, law enforcement, health care, insurance costs, water, jail crowding, mental health care, transportation planning, the Help America Vote (HAVA), new state mandates for the collection of fines and fees and federal issues affecting counties.

NOTICE

The Groom Economic Development Corporation has 4 Board of Directors positions that need to be filled. The terms are for two years and the Board meets on the third Thursday of each month. If you are interested in serving on the GEDC Board of Directors, please contact the Groom City Office at 248-7929 or tell one of the GEDC members: Joe Rae Richardson, Cecil Gwyn, Chris Welch, Lisa Roskens, Jamie Bowen, Rick Prethor, or Mary Sue Lyles.

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matching county funds. The 2006-2007 tax rate at \$0.60 per \$100 valuation was approved. The increase in the tax rate from the effective rate of \$0.484250 to \$0.60 is \$0.115750. This increase will be used to fund the Ambulance budget.

A motion to temporarily change the meeting date for City Council meetings to Wednesdays at 7:30 PM

was approved. Resolution #163 which recognizes September 2006 as being National Preparedness Month was approved.

The City cast their vote for TML-IRP Board of Trustees as follows: Place 11--Greg Ingham; Place 12--Harold Dominguez; Place 13--Byron Black; Place 14--Pat Norriss.

It was noted that Jerry Thornton is working to clean up the property at FM

2300 and I-40 and that Hop Britten is working on his property at 100 Choctaw. There was no response from Tommy Pool or Keith Black about their property. There were no new clean up letters sent out this month.

The representative from Centermedia was not present for the second time. No action was taken.

The two year terms for 4 positions on the GEDC Board of Directors are up for appointment in September. An ad asking for volunteers to serve on the Board will be run and new members will be named at the October meeting.

A motion was approved to require Chris Britten to pay for the water meter equipment he requested be put in for him out by the sewer plant to water his cattle.

The clean up of the used oil collection center was discussed. The City has applied for a \$5000 grant to buy a replacement tank. The cost of soil testing, disposal of used oil in the old tank, disposal of the contaminated soil, and pouring a concrete pad for the new tank is estimated to run about \$5000. The project will probably take

about 6 months to complete.

The minutes of the August 14 regular meeting, the called meetings on August 31 and September 7 for public hearings on the tax increase were approved.

Candidate To Appear At Courthouse In Panhandle Friday

The Democratic candidate for Texas Attorney

General, David Van O's will be at the Carson County Courthouse in Panhandle on Friday, September 15th at 8:15 a.m. The public is welcome.

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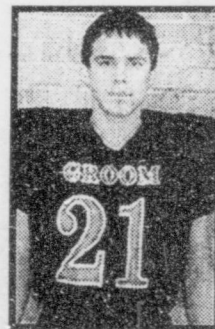
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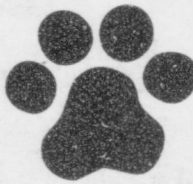
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100th Judicial Court Held

The 100th Judicial District Court was in session on August 28, 2006 to hand down several judgments which cumulative amounted to 26 years in prison, 47 years of deferred adjudication or community supervision and \$53,000 in fines for some 16 charged felons. The following cases were dispensed with as follows:

Cause No. 3574: Timothy Allen Haiduk pled guilty to the charge of Driving While Intoxicated, 3rd or more offense on January 18, 2006, a third degree felony. Upon his guilty plea, he was sentenced by the court to 5 years of Community Supervision, a \$2500 fine, driver's licenses suspended for 180 days and 10 days in the county jail. Restitution for court costs (\$327.50) was also ordered.

Cause No. 3540: Sarah Seleni Pelallo pled guilty to a charge of Possession of Marijuana on August 1, 2005, a 2nd degree felony. She was sentenced to 5 years deferred adjudication and a \$3,000 fine in which the court ordered her to pay on Aug. 28, 2006. Court costs and restitution were also ordered.

Cause No. 3633: Antonio Ladislav Slovacek pled guilty to a charge of Evading Arrest with a Vehicle, a State Jail Felony on April 26, 2006. He was sentenced to 2 years deferred adjudication and ordered to pay \$3,000 in fine on August 28, 2006.

Cause No. 3572: Joseph Vienna Consalves, Jr. pled guilty to a second degree felony of Possession of Marijuana. He was ordered to

serve 7 years deferred adjudication and pay a \$3,000 fine, along with restitution and court costs.

Cause No. 3634: Jesus Manuel Perez pled guilty to tampering with a governmental record on August 13, 2006, a third degree felony. He was ordered to serve three years deferred adjudication and to pay a \$2,500 fine. Court costs were also ordered to be paid.

Cause No. 3581: Timothy David Fox pled guilty to a second degree felony for possession of marijuana on December 30, 2005. He was ordered to serve 7 years of deferred adjudication, pay a \$3,000 fine and pay court costs and restitution.

Cause No. 3573: Stephen Jerry Bourdette pled guilty to a second degree felony possession of marijuana on July 23, 2005. He was ordered to pay a \$3,000 fine and serve seven years deferred adjudication. He will also pay court costs and restitution.

Cause No. 3639: Javier Correa Lerma pled guilty to a third degree felony of possession of a controlled substance on June 21, 2006. He will serve 5 years of deferred adjudication and pay a \$3,000 fine along with court costs and restitution.

Cause No. 3636: Pedro Miranda a.k.a. Emmanuel Vasquez-Martinez pled guilty to a State Jail Felony on May 26, 2006. He was ordered to pay a \$10,000 fine and will serve three years deferred adjudication. Court costs and restitution were also ordered.

Cause No. 3635: Rene Figueroa a.k.a. Manuel Enrique Gutierrez pled guilty of possession of marijuana on May 26, 2006. He was ordered to serve three years deferred adjudication and pay a \$10,000 fine. Restitution and court costs were also ordered.

Cause No. 3600: The State of Texas dismissed this cause against Freddie Allen McBee for the following reason, defendant was convicted in Carson County Cause # 3466.

Cause No. 3601: The State of Texas dismissed this cause against Tommy Dale Rosenblum for the following reason: The defendant was convicted in Carson County Cause # 3463.

Cause No. 3638: Javier Pena was sentenced to four years in prison to run concurrent with Cause No. 3637 for Possession of a Controlled substance, a third degree felony. 150 days of time credited to his sentence were allowed. He will pay court costs and restitution.

Cause No. 3637: Javier Pena was sentenced to 2 years for a State Jail Felony Possession of marijuana, a

run concurrent with the above conviction. A \$2,500 fine will be paid. 150 day were credited as time served.

Cause No. 3640: Rosalio Barraza Rodriguez pled guilty to Possession of a Controlled Substance, a first degree felony. This is a lesser charge than the indictment. On February 23, 2006. The sentence is 10 years in prison with 187 days allowed to apply to the sentence. Court costs and restitution will be paid.

Cause No. 3519: Auro

Herrera pled guilty to a State Jail Felony of Evading Arrest with a Vehicle which occurred on April 29, 2005. He was ordered to the TDCJ for 12 months. This sentence will run concurrent with a conviction in Potter County Cause # 47,517-A.

Cause No. 2830: Joseph C. Hesley had his community supervision revoked after he failed to meet the terms of the agreement on a second degree felony charge of Possession of a Controlled substance. He was remanded to the TDCJ

for his sentence of 6 years. 141 days of time served was credited. Cause no. 2828 was dismissed. Court Costs will be paid as well.

Cause No. 2856: Christopher A Stevenson's community supervision was revoked and he was ordered to serve 4 years in the TDCJ for a possession of marijuana charge which occurred on February 3, 2001. He was ordered to pay a \$4750 fine. 103 day of time served were credited to his conviction.

County Sheriff's Report

The Carson County Sheriff's Department made 19 arrests this week.

Shane Erick Snyder, 37, of Hemet, CA was arrested at Conway for threatening assault with bodily injury by Chief Deputy Randy Elliott on Aug. 21.

Adam Clay Orbrecht, 26, of Panhandle, TX was arrested on an assault with the threat of bodily injury, by officer Tanner Blackburn on Aug. 24, 2006.

Shiloh Marie Martin, 23, of Sapulpa, OK was arrested by Deputy Rick Armstrong for possession of marijuana, more than 5 but less than 50 lbs on Aug. 25, 2006.

Michael Bernard Jones, 35, Wauneco, GA was arrested on Aug. 29, 2006 on outside warrants by Trooper Mike Smith.

Lloyd Kelly Jerome Murray, 23, of Wichita Falls, TX was arrested on Aug. 31, 2006 by Officer Tanner Blackburn for outside warrants.

Ignacia Jennifer Rojas, 22, of Pampa was arrested near Lee's switch for driving while intoxicated by Trooper Mike Smith on Sept. 2, 2006.

Kaylin Mahree Pearce, 22, Phoenix, AZ was arrested on Sept. 10 for possession of Marijuana by Trooper Ben Dollar in Panhandle.

Jon Francis Barstow, 23, of Aspen, Co was arrested on HWY 60 for public intoxication by Trooper Chris Ray on Sept 9, 2006.

Charles Everett Chestain,

34, of New York, NY was arrested for Public intoxication by Trooper Chris Ray on Sept. 9, 2006.

Othello Reymundo Clark, 32, of Aspen, Co. was arrested by Trooper Chris Ray on Sept. 9, 2006 for Driving while Intoxicated on HWY 60.

David Chance Putman, III, 19, of White Deer was arrested for Burglary of a Building by Deputy Richard Armstrong on Sept. 19, 2006.

Christopher Jimmy Sustaita, 20, of Claude was arrested in Panhandle for giving a false report to a Peace officer on Sept. 8, 2006 by Officer Tanner Blackburn.

Donna S McElwain, 37, of Akron, OH was arrested for Possession of marijuana, more than 5 lbs and less than 50 pounds by Trooper Darin Bridges on Sept. 7, 2006.

Robbie Vincent Tinajero of Groom was arrested by Sheriff Tam Terry on outside warrants on Sept. 7, 2006.

Garry Lee Hernandez, 43, of Elk City, KS was arrested on Sept. 6, 2006 for contempt of child support order by Deputy James O'Malley.

Randy Lee Rapp, 43 of Woodward, Ok was arrested by Deputy James O'Malley for burglary of a habitation.

Michael A. Romano, 23, of Phoenix, AZ was arrested by Trooper Ben Dollar for driving while intoxicated on Sept. 10, 2006.

Jorge Leon Desantiago, 30, of Pampa was arrested west of Panhandle for driving

while intoxicated, 3rd or more, by Officer Tanner Blackburn on Sept. 10, 2006.

Julian Boldemai Ocanas, 40, of Amarillo, TX was arrested by Trooper Gary Davis on Sept. 10, 2006 on a variety of charges including DWI - 1st offense, possession of a stolen fire arm, possession of a fire arm by a felon and possession of a controlled substance.

Those who are currently in residence at the Carson County Jail include the following since the date they were booked:

- 6-27-06 - Francisco Arroyo,
- 2-23-06 - Rosalio Barraza
- 7-26-06 - Kevin Bell
- 7-20-06 - Bernado Castro
- 7-26-06 - Ronald Rocha Daniels
- 9-06-06 - Garry Lee Hernandez
- 5-31-06 - Aruro Magana Herrera
- 7-26-06 - Joseph Christopher Hesley
- 9-10-06 - Julian Balemai Ocanas
- 6-13-06 - Alejandro Martinea Ochoa
- 4-01-06 - Javier Osornil Pena
- 9-02-06 - Randy Dee Rapp
- 6-22-06 - Justin Ray Reynolds
- 6-28-06 - Victor Alfredo Rios
- 5-21-05 - Gene Wesley Rogers
- 6-5-06 - Carlos Santos
- 7-21-06 - Christopher Alan Stevenson
- 6-28-06 - Jose Luis Tapia

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS GROOM ISD'S State Financial Accountability Rating


GROOM ISD will hold a public meeting at 8:00 PM, September 19, 2006 in Board Room at 304 West 3rd Street in Groom.

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School Menu

The following is the breakfast and lunch menu for the week of Sept. 18-22

BREAKFAST

Monday: Muffins, cold cereal, juice & milk

Tuesday: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice & milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast burritos, hash brown potatoes, juice & milk.

Thursday: Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, & milk.

Friday: Do-nuts, cinnamon rolls, juice & milk.

LUNCH

Monday- Char-Broiled steaks, scalloped potatoes, black-eyed peas, hot rolls, milk & Brownies.

Tuesday - Corn Dogs, macaroni & cheese, tator

tots, pineapple, pickle spears, milk.

Wednesday - Chicke Fajitas, Lettuce, tomatoes, apple sauce, sauteed onion, green pepper & milk.

Thursday- Lasagna,

Salad, fruit cocktail, fried okra, bread sticks & milk.

Friday - Ham or cheese, baked Potatoes, broccoli with cheese sauce, hot sliced bread, milk and sherbert.


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