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Groom Day 97 Ready For Busy Weekend Filled With Special Events, And Enthuism



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WE SAW

Jane Jackson entertaining out of town grandchildrer.

Dan Steed enjoying having some good harvest help out his nephew, Ben, of Amarillo.

38th Annual White Deer Rodeo falling on the same weekend as Groom Day. . .

City employees Donnie Evans and Jody Fall relieved when they learned all the water running down Ware Street was not a water leak, but a faucet left on at 612 Ware.

Johnny Brumley sweep ng off the sidewalk in front of business the first thing Monday Morning.

A great looking sign and awnings going up at the State National Bank.

Kristi Crockett, being a new face at the McLean News, visiting in Groom last week.

The skeleton of the new press box going up at the

New P.A. Suffers Heart Attack

At presstime, Dennis Kunkle, the new physician's assistant at Groom's Columbia Clinic, was in stable but guarded condition. He is expected to undergo heart surgery next week.

Groom Day '97 is ready and raring in to go with the theme of "UNDER THE BIG TOP!". With more activities than a three ring circus there will be fun and surprises for all who attend.

Like all great events, it takes all hands on deck to pull all these activities together so if you find yourself at loose ends volunteer a little time at the event of your choice!

While you work and play, remember the two raffles, Groom Day's and the Junior High Cheerleaders'. A \$600.00 trip anywhere you want to go, is the Grand Prize on the Groom Day Raffle. cheerleaders are giving away a bicycle and a CD player.

The weekend gets off to an early start on Thursday at 9:00 a.m., when everyone who can needs to meet at the school cafeteria to sort

beans and wash potatoes. Fun starts for the kids in grades 5-8 at 1:00 with a Tennis Tournament. Shirley Fields will coordinate the event. Fee is \$2.00 per

Friday kicks off with a little more KP duty, with everyone meeting in the cafeteria at 9:00 a.m. to continue the BBQ preparation. Also at 9:00

the adults and high school students open their TENNIS TOURNEY. \$2.00 per event with entries available in singles, doubles, and mixed doubles, also coordinated by Shirley

At 6:00 p.m., the Punt, Pass, and Kick contest for kids will be held on the football field, organized by the Groom coaching staff. No registration is necessary. At 6:30, the children's track meet is always great fun. Who knows sometimes even the grown up kids get into the action with an impromptu race of their

At 7:30, the Alpha Mu

Xi Sorority will host "A Night of Music", staring lots of local talent that you may not know existed! The entertainment is free, but donations are appreciated at the door. The Sorority will use the money for the upkeep on the downtown gazebo, and other projects around town.

AT 9:00, another friendly competition will begin with the Adult's 3 ON 3 BASKETBALL Larry Reid is in charge of this event. The fee is \$25.00 per team.

At 9:30, hold on to your hats for the greatest fireworks display ever! Be at the football field for ring

side seats. If you missed dinner, the Lion's Club will have mouth watering German Sausage sandwiches, Sausage on a stick and drinks on sale at the school.

Fall in bed for a good night' sleep! You will need it if you plan to do everything there is to do on

Saturday's activities begin early. At 7:00 am you can enter the GROOM DAY FUN WALK for \$7.00. That price also includes a great looking t-shirt. It kicks off in front of the school. It's no fun to walk

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Columbia To Kickoff Vital Info Card During '97 Groom Day Celebration

Imagine you are home alone and your children are all out of town...without any warning and never having heart trouble before you begin to have severe chest pains. You manage to call 9-1-1 and tell them you are having chest pains but lose consciousness before you can tell them anything else. The fact that you are on certain medications may be important to save your life, but who would be able to tell the ambulance team or

Columbia Homecare has come up with a great idea that could save your life. This Groom Day, Columbia will be distributing bright colored card that you can fill out and keep on your refrigerator that can help. The card will contain a place for information like who to call, your doctor's name, preferred hospital, Major illnesses and medication information. These cards have been

endorsed by Groom's Emergency Ambulance Service.

"The life-saving information that these cards contain will take much of the guess work out of our jobs," stated Ambulance Service President Jay Lamb. "It could very well be the information that will save a life of someone you love."

Other information included on the card is a

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

ALL STUDENTS in grades 7-12, who are new to the Groom ISD System need to pre-register on Friday, Aug. 8, from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. or 1:00 to 3:00

THE GROOM ATHLETIC Booster Club will meet on Aug. 5 at 7:30 on the football field. Jr. High and High School parents are invited to attend. Plans for the year, fund raisers and decorating the fence for Two-a-days are on the

Hours For **Groom Community Clinic** Monday & Wednesday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon Tuesday & Thursday 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Call 248-9011



IT'S NOT TOO LATE to enter the many Groom Day Events coming up this weekend! Contact the

following people for the

A GRAIN SORGHUM

insect scouting clinic will be

held on Mon. 4 at 8:30 a.m.

in Conway at Robinson

different events: Tennis - Shirley Fields, 248-7435; Basketball - Larry Reid, 248-7616; Parade Dondra Downs, 248-7947; Arts & Crafts Booths, 248-7226; Volleyball - Tim Case, 248-7290; Round-Up Lonny Brown, 248-7310; Tractor Pull - Michele Bohr, 248-7018; Chili Cook-Off -Ernie Blount, 248-7913; Tent Activities - Donna Barnett & Karen Brown, 248-7058 & 248-7210.

> TUESDAY PRICES AT ATTEBURY GRAIN CO. Wheat-\$3.27 Milo-\$4.16 Corn-\$4.78 .10 to .25" Rain Reported This Week

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Local Happenings Groom Day '97 Class Reunion Notes

Lucille Merrick returned recently from a visit in New

Glynn D and Sybil Harrell and Louise Mulkey of Panhandle visited in the home of Glynda Eschle in Lubbock Saturday. Also visiting were Jason Eschle and Erin Kate and James Wolf and Elysa who have come back to the States from London, England and will be making their home in Austin. In the afternoon, the family attended the annual Harrell reunion in

Sick or Recovering Theresa Wills Larry Pool

Diane Koetting

Beverly & Jim Ingram of Amarillo and their daughter, Lauralce Ingram of Lewisville visited in the Glynn D Harrell home

Groom Birthdays Anniversaries

July 31 - Melody Ann Burton, Leah Anne Looten, Father Ray Crosier, Mr. and Mrs. Brent Stephens

August 1 - Mrs. S. Craig Howard, Jack West, Mr. and Mrs. Don Lyles (A).

August 2 - Mrs. Billy Jones.

August 3 - Sandra Conrad, Mr. and Mrs. Joe David Brown (A).

August 4 - Lindsay Ann Britten.

August 5 - Alfred Homer, Mrs. Darrell Whatley, Chester Hutchinson, Linda Richardson.

August 6 - Terrell Britten, Dennis Lee Vaughn.

Columbia

place for Medicare or insurance information, as well as a place to give the location of a Living Will if the patient has one.

"Another great idea," said the programs inventor Becky Dent, "is to put a copy of the card in your care glove box, or your luggage when you travel."

If you miss getting one of these Life Savers on Groom Day, cards will be available at several locations around town, including the City Office, Columbia's Groom Clinic and The Groom News Office .

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Editors Note: You have all done such a wonderful job of getting all the Class Reunion info to us that I will go one further...Be sure to turn in news of you class reunion...who came, who didn't what you did, etc. and maybe even a picture!]

The CLASS OF '37 will celebrate their 60TH REUNION! Saturday, Aug. 2 at 11:30 in the Home Economics Room. Class members are also asked to meet at the school before the parade to ride on a float.

The CLASS OF 1947 will celebrate their 50TH REUNION! Aug 1 & 2. Meet at the Texas Rose Steakhouse in Pampa on Friday and have dessert in the home of Billy Jones. Meet early in front of the school on Saturday to be in the parade. They will all eat together in the Ag Room at Saturday noon.

The CLASS OF '57 will celebrate their 40TH REUNION on Saturday. They will meet at the school.

The CLASS OF '67 will celebrate their 30TH REUNION by meeting in the home of Joe Homer on Saturday at 6:00 p.m.

The CLASS OF 1972 will hold their 25TH REUNION. A come and go hamburger supper will be held on at the Catholic parish hall, from 4:00 to 10:00 p.m., on Saturday.

The CLASS OF '77 will hold their 20TH REUNION on Aug 1 at the Community Center, after the track meet.

The CLASS OF '87 will meet for their 10TH REUNION, at the home of Greg & Dena Lambert. The event will be come and go through the evening

Brandon Crump Earns Football Scholarship

Brandon Crump was notified recently that he had been awarded his second full scholarship to Cisco Jr.

The 20 year old son of Richard and Donna Crump of Groom, will once again play football for the Wranglers this fall. Brandon has not declared his major as of yet, but is leaning toward the welding and electrical field.

Crump has spent his summer working out to keep in shape for football and taking summer classes in Pampa.



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By Ace Reid



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on an empty stomach, stop by the Drug-Free After Graduation Parties BURRITOS IN THE PARK BOOTH. They will have delicious breakfast burritos made with fresh eggs, cheese and sausage for only \$2.50. Plain egg and spicy burritos will also be available. The committee will also have donuts for those who can do without the eggs!

While you are walking and enjoying a whole day of fun activities, LOOK FOR FLAT ROCKS! They are worth some great prizes.

The PARADE will begin lining up in front of the school at 9:00 am. Dondra Downs can still get your floats in the parade. Call her at 248-7947.

Registration for the Children's TRACTOR PULL will begin at 9:30 in the park. Call Michele Boh for more details.

At 10:00 the PARADE begins. This years route is the same as last years, so find a good spot and watch the fun!

Immediately following the parade, THE COMMUNITY CENTER

CRAFT SHOW opens. Do your Christmas shopping in July with lots of fabulous finds at the show. Refreshments will also be available.

Beginning at 11:30, the best BARBECUE DINNER you ever wrapper your lips around will begin serving at the School Cafeteria. Prices are \$4.00 for adults, \$2.00 for kids 7-12, 6 and under are free The meal will be served until 1:30.

At 1:00, YOUTH 3 0N 3 BASKETBALL will begin in the gym. Students in grade 4 - 12 can compete for \$10 per team. Larry Reid, 248-

7616, will be in charge of

VOLLEYBALL also begins at this time on the practice field. A fee of \$24.00 per team will be collected. Team must have a minimum of 4 players. Tim Case will facilitate this event. Contact him at 248-7290.

At 1:30, the KIDS TENT GAMES open at the park. There will be a variety of fun activities, like face painting, panning for prizes, ball toss and much, much more. New this year will be a GIANT CATAPILLAR CRAWL AND THE TIGER BOUNCE. The will require a small admission charge.

Don't forget about the KID'S TRACTOR PULL! It's right there at the park,

The CALCUTTA for the GROOM DAY ROUND-UP will begin at 1:30 at the corner of Old

Route 66 and FM 2300. Too old for the Kid's tent, too hot for the Round-Up? Have we got an activity for you! It's BINGO! Begins at the

community center at 1:30. At only 20¢ a card, you can play several at a time!

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At 2:00, the GROOM DAY ROUND-UP begins with lots of fun and Watch our excitement! local cowboys strut their stuff at the corner of Old Route 66 and FM 2300. Don't be late or you will miss the FREE 12 & UNDER CALF SCRAMBLE!

At 4:00 p.m. the games at the park and the community center activities close. But the fun is just getting started! COW PATTIE BINGO gets started in front of the high school gym. It's a real Texas style fun. If you didn't get a chance to buy a

a little early and if there are still some open you can purchase one then. You can also redeem your FLAT ROCKS for prizes at this

Also beginning at 4:00 pm, is the CHILI COOK-OFF in the park. The fee is \$10. Contact Ernie Blount for more information on entering at 248-7913. Watch as amateur chefs from the area prepare some of the best chili you ever tasted. And, hey! That's the best part of the whole deal! AT 8:00, there will be a FREE CHILI TASTING

The fun just goes on and on! A TEEN DANCE will

number at the BBQ from be held on the tennis courts Dean or Donna Burger, be from 9:00 pm to 1:00 am. Students in grades 7 - 12 for the 97-98 school year are invited. Admission is \$2 per person. A DJ and refreshments will be provided.

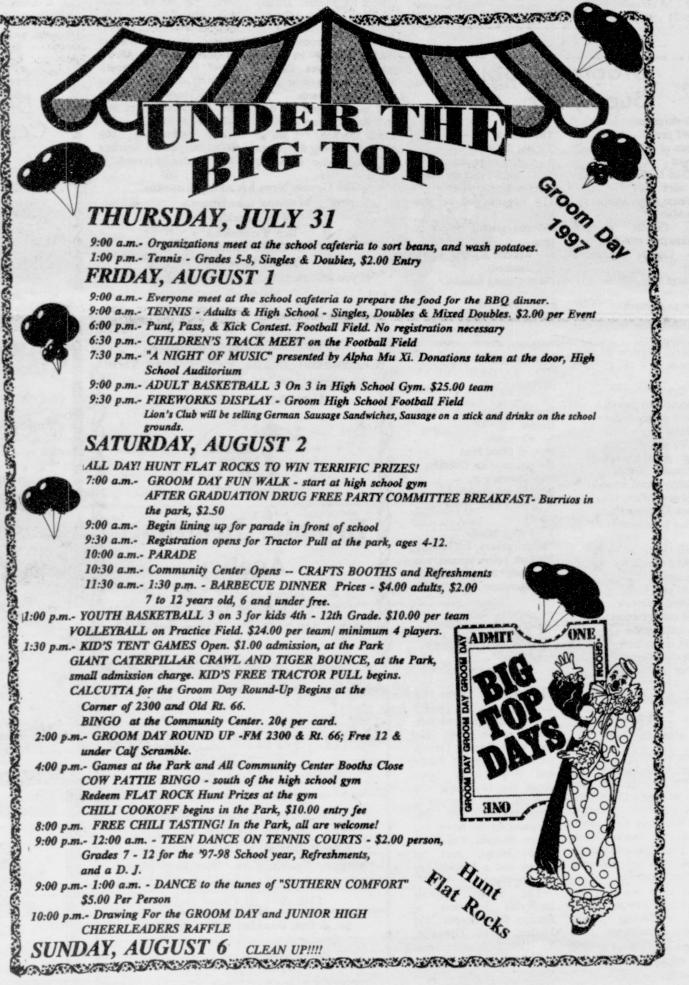
"SUTHERN COMFORT" will entertain the adults over at the legion hall to end a perfectly wonderful day! Dance to the fabulous sounds from 9:00 pm to 1:00 am. Admission is \$5.00 per person. Don't miss the awarding of the GROOM DAY RAFFLE AND THE JUNIOR HIGH CHEERLEADERS RAFFLE at 10:00 at the dance.

Sunday is designated as

clean up day. Help keep the Groom Day committee good graces with everyone who donates their property for the enjoyment

of us all. Pitch in and let's make the City of Groom as pretty as we found it by cleaning up, today!





1997-98 Groom School Calendar

11,12,13 - Teacher work 14 - School Begins

1 - Holiday 26 - 1st 6 weeks ends

20 - Teacher work day Nov

7 - 2nd 6 weeks ends 26,27,28 -Thanksgiving

19 - 1st semester ends 22--31 - Holiday

4th, The Groom Grocery will pass from the hands of Sharlene Lewis to those of 1,2 - Holiday Brad Rogers. 5 - Teacher work day 23 - Holiday

Lewis, who purchased the store from Bill Ellington in 1992, has plans just to rest for a while, after putting in many 10 hours days, six days a week for the last 5 years.

Brad Rodgers' Family

To Assume Ownership

Brad Rogers will be the new owner and manage the store with the help of his wife, Dondra and his mother-in-law, Wanda Barker.

The Roger's have lived in Groom for 3 years. He was employed by Affiliated Foods before coming to work at the Grocery Store. Wanda worked for many years for Lowes Grocery Stores and has won many meat cutting awards.

"I have enjoyed my time the Grocery Store," stated Sharlene, " I am so proud of the way the people of Groom have supported

Of Groom Grocery what I have tried to do here. I think the Store has come a long way and I have every confidence that Brad will continue to improve the quality and service and keep our hometown store just what it is....A Hometown

> The Roger's are planning a Grand Opening Sale next week, watch the papers for details.

Brad stated that he is really excited about getting started. "I am not planning any big changes right away. About the only thing that will change immediately is that I will not be able to allow any charges. Folks are we'come to pay in advance, but the terms of my business loan will not allow for any charges. However, if any feels that this will cause a hardship they are welcome to visit with Brad about it."

outstanding should be paid to Sharlene Lewis as soon as possible.

The Groom News has added to our list of annual subscribers: W.A. Shockley Ben Weinheimer Curtis Lamar

Randy Yelverton If you are interested in taking advantage of

Groom School Supply List

Kindergarten 5 - #2 pencil 1 - box of 8 Crayola Brand Crayons

2 - Glue Sticks (the purple kind work best) 1 - Fiskar safety s issors

(Wal-Mart) Crayola Washable Markers (not thin-line) Crayola Vatercolor

1 - Large Box Tissues 1 - Folder 1 - Large Backpack

1 - Red & Blue folding rest mat (Wal-Mart)

1 - Mead Wireless 80 page notebook

First Grade

2 - Spirals (70 pages) 1 - Red pocket folder 1 - Black pocket folder 10 - #2 yellow per cils

1 pkg - pencil top erasers - Crayola markers

1 - Safety brand scissors 1 - Elmer's White Glue 1 - box Kleenex

1 - Box 24 crayons

Second Grade 5 - No 2 pencils 1 - eraser

red pen 1 - Spiral notebook

1 - 16 count crayo is pocket folders Set of markers

- Box of Kleeney 1 - Pair of Scissors

Services Held For Tim L. Epps Of Pampa

Tim L. Epps, 39, of Pampa, died Monday, July 21, 1997. Services were held at the Carmichael-Whatley Chapel in Pampa, with Rev. Jack Lee, pastor of the First Baptist Church of pampa, officiating. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery

Mr. Epps was born July 15, 1958, at Pampa and had been a lifelong Pampa resident, graduating from Pampa High School in 1976. on June 16, 1993, at St

3 - No. 2 Pencils 3 - folders w/ pockets Small package wide ruled notebook paper

13 - 4th 6 weeks ends

9 - 5th 6 weeks ends

(13 - Weather Day)

28 - Last student day

- Teacher work day,

graduation (bad weather

16 - Holiday

9-13 - Holiday

10, 13 - Holiday

25 - Holiday

Mar

Apr

May

1 - Elmer's glue or glue

2 - red grading pencils or 1 - Wooden Ruler (Metric and standard)

Good Cutting Scissors Map pencils School box 1 - box 200 count Kleenex

2 - Spirals (Wide ruled, 50-70 sheets) Small assignment pad NO LOOSE LEAF

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5 - #2 Pencils Blue or Black Pens Colored pens for Checking Map Colors Wide Ruled Paper

5 - One subject spiral (wide 1 - 3 Ring Binder *Highlighters, crayons, Markers, rulers, scissors, and

glue will be provided in

each classroom.

School Begins Aug 14

was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, of the ho sons, Chris Epps of Groom, and Jerald Epps of Pampa and their mother Leslie Smith also of Pampa; two stepsons, Clint Ferguson of Weatherford and Cal Ferguson, of the home: two sisters, Barbara Crow and Della Moyer, both of Pampa and a brother Any Epps of Plano.

The family requests memorials be sent to Shriners Burn Hospital, 815 Market Street, Galveston, Tx 77550-2725: or to Texas He married Becky Taylor Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, P.O. Box 190567, Thomas, virgin Islands. He Dallas, Tex 75219-0567.

Birthday Celebration

Cleo Franklin Nix Will Be Held In Her Home

At 207 2nd, From 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. Saturday, August 2, 1997

Cleo Nix To Celebrate 85th

Cleo Franklin Nix will be

celebrating 85 years living in

Groom, Saturday August 2,

from 2-4 pm at her home

middle of 7 children and

has never left Groom. She

graduated from Groom

School and met Ross Nix

when he came to Groom as

a young carpenter helping

1932 and had one daughter

Darlene who is married to

Bobby Jones. Cleo has 3

granddaughters, Gwyn

Bagot, Sharon Murry and

Andrea Walling. She has

10 great grandchildren,

Brenda & Carrie Bagot;

Lori & Kristi Walling; Seth,

Justin, Wade & Clay Ritter;

They married Nov 19,

to build the Groom Hotel.

Cleo was born here, the

207 2nd.

Birthday With Party

and

Ashley & Trent Murray,

one great

Virgie Vana and Hazel

Butler and one brother,

Orville Franklin. Come by

& help her celebrate her

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arrival of baby brother,

Nicholas William born on

July 14, 1997 weighing 7 lbs

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long. All are the children

of Rodney and Michele

grandson, Hayden

Cleo also has 2

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No Rodeo Will Be Planned For 1998 Celebration

Randy Stalls met with McLean Chamber of Commerce members Jane Pierce-Funk, Gordon Sheplor, David Drennan, Ruth Magee, Mary Dwyer, Jane Herndon and Charlie McClendon recently to update the group on the status of the McLean Rodeo and events held annually in McLean.

" As it stands right now, there will not be a rodeo in McLean next year," Stalls stated. "There were just too many other events going on at the same time. We have used all our reserve funds to pay for this years The rodeo itself never really makes any Without good proceeds from the Dance to help balance things out, continue."

There were three dances that went on at the same time during the celebration weekend. Some made money and some did not. Other overlapping events such as dinners had groups in competition for the visitors and townspeople. It is clear that there is some need for more organization and less repetition for the event to flourish.

The Chamber had some ideas for resolving the problems. One suggestion from Charlie McClendon would give over the responsibility for the rodeo to other groups or the possibility of sponsors, as suggested by Gordon Sheplor.

In other business: the Chamber set Aug. 2 as the date for a membership drive BBQ, to be held at the Ag Barn.

A car show and fall foliage tour has been set for October 4.

New business discussed was the POW Camp marker ceremony. The Pampa newspaper will be notified and invited to the event.

David Drennan was welcomed as the newest member of the Chamber of Commerce.

Gordon Sheplor discussed publishing his news letter, stating that he would cover newsworthy events.

The next meeting is slated for Aug 11.



Kristie Crockett

Kristie Crockett Joins McLean News Staff

The McLean News welcomes to it's staff longtime McLean resident, Kristie Crockett. Kristie will head up editors duties in McLean after Emma Jean McDonald recently vacated the position.

Publisher Phillip Miller said, "We will miss Emma Jean, but we are looking forward to our association with Mrs Crockett."

Crockett graduated from WTSU in 1991 and taught in the McLean ISD for two years.

She and her husband, Brock, live southeast of McLean with their two sons, Clay, 4 1/2 years old and Cody, six and 1/2 months.

" I am really looking forward to working with the community to give McLean the best paper possible."

McLean Landfill Dilemma Still on School Station. Agenda For City Council Members July 21 -25. The classroom at the

The McLean City Council met in a work session on Monday, July 28, 1997. Members of the council present were Mayor McClendon, Alderman Sam Haynes, Mary Dwyer, Gordon Sheplor, Ford Smith Jr., Bob Martin, and Charles McClendon. Also attending the meeting were Fred Smith, Toni Bohlar, Allen Mixon, Joe Billingsley, Susie Vance, Willis Malone, Kristie Crockett and James Hefley.

Bob Martin was sworn as new alderman.

Alderman Sheplor opened the discussion with some figures and options he had worked up on closing or keeping the landfill. close or keep the landfill open, the City will first have to find clay of the right seepage consistency to cover the pits as required. One of the alderman will be contacting the SCS to see if they can help find some clay in this area. Many options were discussed, but exact figures as to what it will actually cost to keep or close the fill are not yet



Bob Martin, sworn as new alderman on this night, takes a look at possible solutions for the Landfill question.

available. The first thing that has to be done is a topographical survey of the

The council unanimously agreed to have the site surveyed.

Willis Malone and Susie Vance with Waste Wranglers visited with the council about some of the options they can provide the

City should the City close the landfill and have waste picked up by an independent contractor.

The Council voted to

McLean Firefighters Attend **Training In College Station** Two local firefighters,

eleven year veteran Robert McDonald and three year veteran Blake recently attended the 68th Annual Texas Fire Training School in Bryan, College

The school lasted from Brayton Fireman's Training Center.

McDonald's training was based on different types of rescue; vehicular, trench, vessel and multi-story building.

Crockett's training was in firefighting; field operations, natural gas fires, propane

He stated, "The hands on training was great, but it was hotter than I'd expected!"

To sum it up, McDonald attending the school was "to bring back kinds of training to share with our department.

advertise for bids for garbage collection, to be opened at the Aug. 15th

Budget issues were brought up concerning the General Fund. Garbage and landfill revenues were deposited into that fund. Without these revenues, items that are paid with the General Fund are going to have to be looked into to

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Robert McDonald and Blake Crockett recently represented McLean's Volunteer Fire Department at a School for Firemen.

TWO-A-DAYS for football will begin August

SCHOOL IS SLATED to begin August 14 at McLean.

THE MCLEAN LITTLE Dribblers will have a pizza party, Monday August 4th at 7:00 p.m. in the park. Everyone who participated this year is welcome. Please bring your jersey to turn in.

FAMILY HEALTH Care Clinic has new hours: Mon, Wed., and Fri. 8:00-1:00. Call for 2:00-5:00. appointment.

Piziets

Louise Watson will see a neurologist from the result of her CAT Scan soon.

John Chapman, son of the late Brent Chapman of Kellerville, Came to visit the Masonic Lodge #889 of McLean in July. He now

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McCracken, Hall Attend Camp Maine

Moriah McCracken and Lorin Hall, Senior National Honor Society members, returned home late Sunday, July 20th from one of the most eventful weeks of their

Hall and McCracken spent the previous six days in a little town, about the size of McLean, on the coast of Maine called Castine, at the Maine Maritime Academy, a school for Merchant marines. The girls were kept busy from 6:00 am until 11:00 pm and even later with 95 other teenagers from 27 states.

All of the campers were separated from those they knew and put into six different councils. Within these councils the students

participated in communications, organization and production skilis. They were also put into workshop groups and every day attended a different class. These varied from building straw bridges without talking, learning their personality type, placing words that represent them inside and outside a paper bag, to asking ten questions to the opposite sex. All of the workshops and council activities were based around the idea that for any student to be a good leader they must know themselves and them be able to communicate and organize their ideas

But National Leadership Camp was not only about learning, it was about having a good time. As councils, the students participated in Olympic Games, a talent show, the Outrageous Regatta, tours of the small town of Castine and the harbor, a cookout on the

McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

July 31 - Terri Glass, Kinneth Hambright, Johnny Carpenter, Andy Glass, Donald Harris.

August 1 - Keith Gipson, Wayne Brown, Shawn Sanderson, Roxie McMordie, Scott Shurley.

August 2 - Debbie Gipson, Josh Swafford, Natasha Simmons, Belinda Hutchinson, Sammy Don and Jan Haynes (A).

August 3 - Jim and Maudine Rutherford (A). August 4 - Bob and Grace Glenn (A).

August 5 - Scott Stubbs.

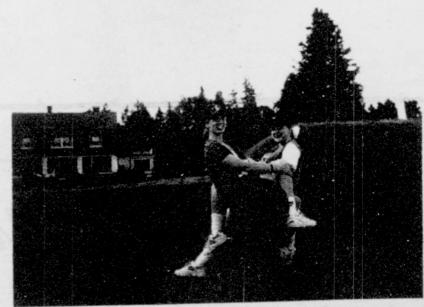
August 6 - Leann Webster, Pat & Joann Andrews (A).

Briefs

J. Boyd Smith, Curl Stubbs, and Olin Weldon picked up trash along HW 273, North of McLean on Saturday the 26th.

Murial Moore is to see her doctor and hoping to feel better soon.

Ruth Ware had an unexpected night in the hospital. She will get results soon.



shore, a trip to an old Navy ship that is now occupied by Merchant marines, a formal banquet where all the kids have the chance to give something back, a ceremony where their counselors gave each student a gift to take home, a dance, an emotional closing circle, and bags of "magic notes" to read on their journey home.

"The people were all They really amazing. opened my eyes and helped me to see the changes that can be made in McLean. It didn't matter how small or big their schools were, they all had the exact same problems that we have. The counselors kept us busy whether we were going to new council meetings, going to the lighthouse or playing those crazy mind games. We all thought we had outgrown silly songs, but the JC's proved us wrong. I will always remember sitting at tour cookout on the shore and listening to the ocean. It was my first time to ever see the ocean and I will never forget those six days and all the friends I made. We may be miles apart, but I think I made some friends that will last a lifetime," Hall said.

"You can't imagine how nice everyone was too us. Everyone respected and understood each other and even with rooms full of strong leaders, we learned how to lead as well as how to sit back and help. I think my most memorable experience would have to be

at our imaginary candle lighting service. All week we built a light house that represented the structure and foundation in our lives. On the last night we were to light our lighthouse with the knowledge and memories we make. storm rolled in off the ocean so we had to imagine the candles burning from 97 different "lighthouses". It was amazing to see how intense a room can get when you have strong,

smart leaders all coming together for one purpose. It makes you doubt the people who say our future is in trouble because of the youth of today have no direction or purpose. Our future sure looks bright when you can see that there are other teenagers out there fighting for the chance to make something of themselves and to prove that some of us want to make it in this life." McCracken said.



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The National Honor Society members would like to express their thanks to the people of McLean who helping them fund the trip. supported them with their fund raisers for the camp. Special thanks to their

sponsor, Linda Haynes and the McLean ISD School Board for organizing and Lori Hefley



Jr. High Cheerleaders Take Kudos At Camp

Sat., July 19th, the McLean Jr. High Cheerleaders participated in the cheerleading Camp at WTAMU. During the day they learned new cheers,

chants, and dances. At the end of the day each squad performed on cheer and chant for evaluation by the

WT Cheerleaders. Out of approximately 20 squads, the McLean Jr. High Cheerleaders received 1 or 4 superior trophies given.

They also attended a one day practice camp at the Flipin Farm in Shamrock on July 13.

Attending were Sara Hall, 8th grader; Shaley Steel, 7th grader; Nikki Hefley, 8th grader; Jennifer Smith, 7th grader; and Teddra Simmons, 8th grader.

Shaley Stalls & Lori Hefley Attend Camp In South Dakota

National Honor Society President and Vice President, Lori Hefley and Shaley Stalls, respectively, returned home from a National Leadership Camp held at the Outlaw Ranch in Suster, South Dakota, July 8-13, 1997. There were 120 students from all parts of the US that attended the 6 day camp.

Many positive leadership skills were taught and the girls enjoyed sight seeing and learning new things about South Dakota.

This is the second year students from McLean have been able to attend these leadership camps.

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Stalls Competes in Rodeo Finals

Shandon Stalls competed in the High Plains Jr. Rodeo Finals this past week in Clovis N. M. He took 1st and 2nd in the round and 2nd in the average and won the year end award in Team Roping. He also won 2nd in the Ribbon Roping and 5th in the year.

Card Of Thanks

Thank you for your thoughts during our time of sorrow. A special thanks to Creed Lamb and Clifford and Linda McDonald and the ladies of the First Baptist Church.

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see what other options are available. Since no actual figures are yet available concerning the landfill, the council was asked to keep these issue in mind for future discussion.

surgery in Duncan, Ok. She is in serious condition.

Briefs

Angie Kyle

granddaughter of Raymond

and Laverne Guyton had

Twentith Century Club Is 70 By Lena Carter

September will be the beginning of the Twentieth Century Study Club's 70th

year to convene. Records are sketchy but it began back in the early twenties in Alanreed and was originally limited to 12 members only. Each member being voted in -- and only a vacancy created a new member. Some of the earliest members were Mrs. S.L. Ball (postmaster's wife), Mrs. W.J. Ball (wife of local merchant and owners of the "old red barn". Mrs. Frank Crisp (rancher), Mrs. Enloe Crisp (rancher), Mrs. Bonnie Reeves (real estate), "Bunk" Stubbs (rancher), Mrs. Wilson

F.R. McCracken (banker), Mrs. WW Whitsett (railroad master), Mrs. S.R. Loftin (lumber yard), Mrs. Vernon Henderson (Methodist minister) and Mrs. J.P Elms (lumberyard).

Denva & Kristi Tidwell left this week for Midland, Texas where they would join Verna Carver and children

setting out on a trip to the

west. They would visit with Wanda & Dan Keller (children's grandmother) at Barstow, Calif and from there would go to Los Vegas, Nev. before returning home.

Ronnie Tidwell of Nashville, Tenn. spent last week here at The Bill Tidwell's.

The Robert Bruce's were in Pampa on Friday.

Dan Fish brought our message in the absence of Jim Bible who was in Ark. for a Bible family reunion. Also visiting was Sasha 7 Taylor Fish, Jeanette Fish, Jimmy Armbrister and Calvin, Danielle and Ashley Commer and Edith Bybee. We enjoyed Dan very much. Blakney (merchant), Mrs. He is the grandson of one of our very best pastors, L.P. Fish who had a great

> hand in this building and was pastor here twice.

Lena Carter spent some time in Amarillo with the Jim Bruces and others for medical attention.

Robert Leeder was home after a bout with illness in Amarillo.

The congregation of First

Baptist Church enjoyed a covered dish luncheon in the basement after services Sunday.

Mr. & Mrs. Jim Bruce of Amarillo visited here with Lena Carter Sunday and she returned to Amarillo with them.

James Armbritster made a trip downstate this week.

The Sonny Blaylock's have their nice big house set down on the old Jewel Warner place.

Visiting Rush Turner this week is daughter Bobbie.

Jim Bible not only travelled to Oklahoma but got back in time to do his stint at Pan Fork, encampment

Peggy Leeder played the Good Samaritan this week when a continuous horn honking got her to investigate. A passer-by was in trouble and 911 was called. An ambulance was summoned and the man was carried to Pampa Hospital, with possible heart problems. Good Going! Peggy!

lots where the The "School Houses" sat has been leveled and made to look nice.

Word from Nell Reese at her daughter Fay's at Junction, having eye surgery reports one eye done with satisfactory results.



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3284 All bidders are advised they must be prequalified at least 10 days prior to bid opening dates.

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Pasta W/Meat .15 0Z CAN 79 SCHOOL SUPPLIES SHURFINE CORD WHEAT 20.4 OZ BOX SHURFINE STANT ASSORTED 300 Oatmeal 212-15 OZ BOXES \$300 SHURFINE ASSORTED TOASTER Pastries 10 Z BOX BOX SHURFINE ELBOW MACAROMI OR LONG \$100 SPAURFINE SEEDLESS SHURFINE SEEDLESS RAISINS 15 OZ CANISTER FROM CONCENTRATE SHURFINE \$169 Apple Juice 46 OZ BTL. Binder . ESTERN FAMILY S GR. NON-COATED \$4 49 Grape Jelly18 OZ. JAR 99° SHURFINE BREAD & BUTTER OR KOSHERS 4 89 SANGWICH SIICES .. 16 OZ. JAR SHURFINE FANCY Bic Stic..... Aspirin 250 CT. BOX Crackers 18 OZ. BOX 69¢ Pencils . Elmer's Glue Tomato Juice ... 45 OZ. CAN 99 Eraser URSAVING WHITE PAPER Napkins 250 CT. PKG \$169 ..12 CT. PKG. 89¢ Sheets40 CT. BOX Glue Stick Pencils Dividers Ruler Coffee Creamer ... 22 OZ JAR \$1 49 WESTERN FAMILY ASSORTED \$ 1 39 Mouthwash 24 0Z. BTL Sandwich Bags .150 CT. PKG. 99¢ SHURFINE ASSTD. \$479 49 OZ TUB 99° PREFERRED TRIM Round Steak 1/2 GAL ROUND BONELESS \$219 Cube Steak Sandwiches 2 12 \$500 **Round Steak** \$189 Ground Round IL ASSTD. TEXAS STYLE STORE \$300 Orange Juice 18 0Z CAN 99° Biscults .. Sliced Bacon 1 LB. PKG. 12 OZ CAN 99° English Muffins 12 02 PKQ. 59 Apple Juice Pork Sausage 10 OZ PKG. 89° SHUPPINE INS SLICED
American Singles ... 16 0Z. PKG. Strawberries Whipped Topping
SHUAPINE SELECT GROUP
Vegetables
SHUAPINE
SHUAPINE 102 ME 596 Bologna. Crescent Rolls 50 Z CAN S 1 39 SHURFINE HALPMOON LONGOHOPHI CHEESE 5 69 SHURFINE ASSTO. ShurFine Assto. Shredded Cheese 38 0Z FKG. \$4.49 Cinnamon Holls 124-13.9 OZ. CAH Smoked Sausage 1 LB. PKG. FRESH PORK PREFERRED TRIM
BONELESS REF
RIB Eye Steak **Spare Ribs** 17 OL PKE. \$119 \$459 \$449 LB. Garden Salad
EXTRA LARGE CALIFORN
Nectarines
EXTRA LARGE RED RIPE
TOMATOES
EXTRA LARGE VALENCIA
OF RODES Corn Dogs 2 118 MOSE \$300 1 LE PKG. 89° PILGRIM'S PRIDE GRADE A THIGHS OR Bananas 2 ron \$ 1 00 Corn Dogs F 02 PE \$239 Drumsticks Sirioin Tip Steak Rump Roast 4.54 SHUMPINE BONELESS
TUrkey Ham
SHUMPINE LISE PORK
SAUSINE MEAT
Bologna \$ 159 89° \$499 LB. \$4 89 LB. 79¢ 11 0Z ME 99° \$100 3 ros 5700 Oranges 99° Cauliflower Apples 99 Jalapenos. 3 100 \$4 00 Peaches