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Get Ready For 90th Annual McLean Rodeo

It's rodeo time again in McLean! The town is celebrating it's 90th Old Route 66 rodeo on June 16 and 17.

The activities will begin on Friday night with the rodeo starting at 8:00 p.m. The rodeo dance will follow at 9:00

p.m. at the Gerald Tate Ag Barn.

The parade will kick off Saturday's fun at 10:00 a.m. on Main Street. Anyone who wants to enter the parade needs to be at the baseball field between 9:00-9:15 a.m. The

events Saturday night will precede the same as the night before.

The Carl Lee Henley Memorial Roping will be held Sunday afternoon at 2:00 p.m.

Come on out and join the fun!



Shown in the recent Clarendon Ranch Rodeo are Kenny Chambers (horseback) dragging a calf for Brock Crockett (#1) to brand and Jeffrey Burkes (#3) to flank.

City Council Approves Time Change Of Meetings

The City Council of McLean met in regular session Thursday, June 8, 2000, in the City Hall. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor and opened with an invocation by Joe Billingsley at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Joe Creed Lamb, Doyle Lee, Joe Billingsley, Bob Martin and Charles McClendon. Jim McDonald was absent.

Others present were Fred Smith, Toni Bohlar, Dwight Brandt, David Haynes, James and Darlene Hankinson and Allen Mixon.

The minutes of the May meeting were approved.

All motions were unanimously approved unless otherwise stated.

Items on the agenda were not taken in order, following is the order they were taken.

Old Business:

Fred Smith gave the council a progress report on the landfill. He informed the Council that the second pit was almost covered and they

would be ready to do a soil test on it.

The street signs are still waiting to be painted.

New Business:
Public Participation - Drinking Water Report. No one came to ask any questions.

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission checked the McLean water system on May 23 for all semivolatiles. The results for pesticides, PAHs, PCBs and Phtalates were all below what is considered a normal amount with most results at (A2). McLean has an approved Municipal water supply according to this report.

The Andrew Payne item on the agenda was not considered because Mr. Payne was not present.

Water Sewer Grant: Council discussed adding sewer lines to customers who now do not have sewer and also enlarging some water lines that have poor water pressure in certain areas of town. No action was taken at

this time. Council will wait to hear from the engineer and the PRPC.

Old Business: David Haynes presented the final closing costs on closing out the present retirement plan. The council voted to terminate the present retirement plan and start the new retirement plan with Texas Municipal Retirement System.

New Business: Dwight Brandt, Engineer, presented the council with estimated costs on placing sewer lines to customers who do not have sewer service at this time. The cost is approximately \$20,000.00 per customer to lay these new sewer lines. The water lines replacement will be approximately \$4000.00 per customer. He also informed the Council that when applying for a grant for these services 61% of the customers need to fill in the low income bracket. There was no action taken at this time. Mr. Brandt and the PRPC will be See City Council, pg. 10



Bill Anderson and Ashia Phillips Married At McLean Care Center

Bill Anderson of the McLean Care Center and Ashia Phillips of the McLean Care Center were married June 9, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. at the Care Center. The Reverend Z.A. Myers performed the ceremony. Music was provided by Lois Myers.

The bride wore a long navy blue floral patterned dress accented by white

pearls. Her corsage was of orchids and carnations. The bride was given in marriage by her son Steve Phillips of Pampa.

The reception was held in the center's dining area. Refreshments of wedding cake and punch were served to all the guests by family and friends of the bride and groom. The couple will continue to live at the McLean Care Center.

Blood Drive To Be At Bank Of Commerce

On Monday, June 19th Coffee Memorial Blood Center will be in McLean at the Bank of Commerce from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. The blood drive will be held in the Hospitality Room.

This is a busy time of the year for everyone now that summer is officially underway. Baseball games are in full swing and kids are enjoying the freedom. Unfortunately, the need for blood does not get a summer vacation. Every week in the Texas panhandle approximately 500 units of blood are needed to meet the needs of our area hospitals.

Take a few minutes out of your busy summer schedule and drop by the Hospitality Room and donate blood on Monday. For any questions you may have please contact Susan Leary at 1-800-658-6178.



THE RODEO Parade is Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m. on Main Street.

THE RODEO DANCE will be at the Gerald Tate Ag Barn 9pm-1am.

SCHOOL BOARD meeting, June 19th at 7:00 p.m.

ELECTION Run-Off, June 27th. (If you voted in the Democratic primary, you can NOT vote in this election.)

Salute To EMT Workers



Robbie Sanderson

The McLean Volunteer Ambulance Service has many volunteers who help keep the community residents feeling safe. Robbie Sanderson is the last to be presented in a series of profiles of the members of the

ambulance service.

Robbie has served with the McLean Volunteer Ambulance Service for seven years. She is currently the vice-president of the organization and is an EMT-Paramedic. She is also a member of the PEMSS Advisory Board.

Robbie says her regular job is being a wife and mother. Her husband is Bobby and daughters are Amanda 18 and Jamie 8. Among her interests are church and family activities.

She said her reasons for serving on the ambulance crew are, "I saw a need in the community and surrounding area. I first got into EMS intending to stay at the basic level but realized the need for paramedics in our rural area and entered a paramedicine program."

Each volunteer is appreciated for their dedication and time spent in caring for the people in the community and area.

Ranch Rodeo

The annual Ranch Rodeo was held last weekend in Amarillo. The Johnson Ranch can hold it's head high as they have come home champions of the event by winning the rodeo. Ken Collins, Ronald Layman, David Shaller, Tim Jennings, Brandon Grover and Kenny Chambers represented the ranch.

Latigo Collins won in the 0-6 years division of the Loop Roping contest. He placed second in the overall after competing in the finals against the winner of the 7-13 years division, missing on his seventh loop. Latigo is the son of Ken and Marvel Collins.

"Alanreed and McLean were well represented," according to Lyda Darsey. Lyda and her husband, Les, competed in the World Champion Chuckwagon Cook-off Cowboy Round-up USA, and came home in first place.

Thirty four wagons competed in the cook-off. Every wagon cooked the same menu

The Darseys will compete next in Gunnison.

McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

June 15 - Pam Crockett, Eva Terry, Laverne Hutchison, Skyler Ferguson.
 June 16 - Max Coleman, Bob Glenn.
 June 17 - Kim Rigshy, Scotty & Heidi Gamble (A).
 June 18 - Morse Haynes, Linda Meador.
 June 19 - Mrs. Herman L. Petty, Chad Richards, Le Milam, Louise Johnson, Delbert Trew.
 June 20 - Linda McAnear.
 June 21 - Glenda Dickey.



Holly Jasper Texas Tech Graduate

Holly Marie Jasper, daughter of Rickie and Brenda Jasper of McLean graduated from Texas Tech University on May 13, 2000 with a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree in Management. Holly was also on the Dean's List for the spring 2000 semester. To be eligible for the Dean's List you must maintain a 3.5-3.5 GPA while enrolled in

12 or more semester hours.

Holly Marie Jasper

Card Of Thanks

We appreciate all the prayers, cards, visits, flowers and food during the recent loss of Betty Campbell.

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The Rigshy Family

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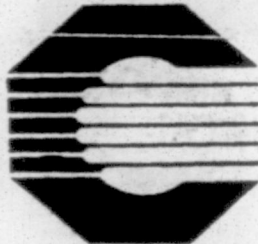
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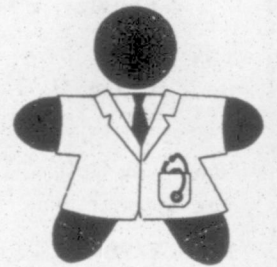
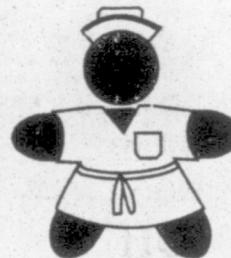
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June 16 & 17

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Both Dances 9:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m.

Gerald Tate Ag Barn

\$7.00 Single & \$10.00 Couple

Parade

Saturday, June 16, 10:00 a.m. Main Street

If you would like to be in the parade,

be at the baseball field between 9-9:15 a.m.

Trophies and ribbons will be awarded before the parade.

"Ugly Truck Contest"

Judging at the baseball field before parade.

Entry Fee - \$5.00

Carl Henley Memorial Roping

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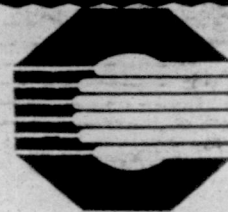
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Tigers of 1967-68 Hold First Reunion

The McLean Tiger football teams of 1967 and 1968 met June 2-4 for their first reunion. Shown at the home of Thacker and Sharon Haynes are, first row: Earnest Smith of Amarillo, Coach Jim Morgan of Amarillo,

Thacker Haynes of McLean, Jim Hester of Canadian, Coach Curtis Didway of Pampa, Dick Back of Fayetteville, Ark., and Ted. D. Simmons of McLean; second row: Gary Ellison of Austin, Joel McCarty of Dallas, Brad Dalton of

Amarillo, Calvin Van Huss of Wimberley, Pat Windom of Boerne, Jerry Dwyer of Canyon, Brad Parker of Canyon, Ted Simmons of McLean, Coach Fred Hedgecoke of DeSoto, David Haynes of McLean, Mike Simpson of Wimberley, and Mike Haynes of Amarillo. Also attending were Jim

Barker of Amarillo, Mike Darsey of Alanreed, Jana Simpson of Wimberley, Trish Windom of Boerne, Leslie Darsey of Alanreed and Sharon Haynes of McLean. The 1968 Tigers were the last 11-man team to win the district championship for McLean.

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City Council

helping the council on this grant in the months to come.

Joe Creed Lamb requested the Council amend the Resolution regarding Fire Department members serving on the City Council. A section of that Resolution states that Fire Department members on the City Council cannot vote on any issues concerning the Fire Department. He would like to amend the Resolution by taking that section out of the resolution to allow the Fire Department Members to vote on Fire Department issues. Discussion was held concerning this issue and it was decided to table the item until next month and to contact the city attorney and have him give the Council his opinion on the legalities of amending this Resolution.

The Council voted to approve Ordinance #270

changing the time and day of the regular meeting of the City Council to 6:00 p.m. on the second Monday of each month, to become effective July 1st, 2000. This Ordinance was passed and approved on its first and final reading.

There needs to be a designated phone line put in at the Fire Department so that the activation of the emergency cut-in system can be utilized. The council voted to approve connection of this line as long as it does not exceed \$500.00. Joe Lamb and Doyle Lee abstained from voting. The council voted to transfer \$4500.00 to the local Employee Retirement Fund.

Bids were opened on the Devil's Rope Museum roof. The bids were as follows: Locklear Roofing, \$7,640.00; Parsley Roofing, \$6,360.00; and Reynolds Roofing, \$9,492.00. The council voted to accept Locklear's Roofing bid of \$7,640.00.

The council voted to amend the budget items as presented to the council.

Approval was granted to pay all bills with Joe Lamb and Doyle Lee abstaining from voting on Fire Department and EMS bills.

Executive Session was called at 8:35 p.m. Discussion was held concerning the Employees Retirement Plan.

The meeting returned to open session at 8:41 p.m. No action was taken during Executive Session.

McLean Care Center News

Sunday activities began for the residents with the Sunday School with the Methodist Friendship Class. In the afternoon they attended church services with the Trinity Baptist Church. Monday activities included Barber Shop for the men and Bingo in the afternoon. Bananas were furnished for the residents by the McLean Lion's Club. Betty Lowe volunteered her time to help at the center.

Daily activities went on as usual with a special activity being added. Douglas Groves, LVN started a Bible Study class on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. The response has been tremendous and very much appreciated.

The birthday party for June will be combined with the Father's Day party and will be Saturday, June 17 at 2:30 p.m. All are invited to attend.

The rummage sale held Saturday, May 27 was a great success.

McLean Church Directory

Church of Christ 4th & Clarendon
779-2548

Sunday Bible School 10 am
Worship 10 40 am & 6 pm
Wed Bible Class 7 30

First Assembly of God 420 Main St.

Quenton Newton, Pastor 779-2221
Sunday School 9:30 am - Regular Service 10:45 am
Sunday & Wednesday night 7:00 pm
Royal Rangers & Missionettes 5-12 yrs., Youth 13-18 yrs.

First Baptist Church 206 E. 1st

779-2175
Sunday School 9:45, Worship 11 am & 7 pm
(Youth) & Wed. Bible Study, Prayer Meeting 7 pm

United Methodist Church 2nd & Gray

Pastor Thacker Haynes 779-2049 & 779-2337
Sunday School 9:45 am Worship 10:50 am & 6 pm
Sun. Sr. High Youth Alpha Chi 5 pm
Wed. Choir 7:00 pm

Heald United Methodist Church

Kellerville Road
Sunday 9:15

Trinity Baptist Church 603 Commerce

James Mantoath 779-3207
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Sunday Evening Worship 7 pm
Bible Study & Prayer Meeting Wed 7 pm

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We Saw...

Glynn D Harrell mowing his grass on Sunday, before he was scheduled to have bypass surgery on Monday. Couldn't you slow down a little! You are making the rest of us look bad!

Buddy Weller doing some research and leg work for the Groom Lion's Club.

High School kids dragging the highway on hot summer nights! (Some things just never change!)

A lovely rain falling unexpectedly on Sunday morning.

Donna Crump scurrying around to get to work.

Jerry and Pam Ashford making a quick stop for gas.

Mary Margaret Brooks filling in at the bank.

Appraisal District Approves Audit

The Board of Directors of Carson County Appraisal District met in open session at 9:00 A.M. at 102 S. Main Street, Panhandle, Texas on May 10, 2000. Present were Chief Appraiser Donita Davis, Chairman Frank Simms,

Secretary James Rotramel, members Terry Lewis, Ken Burger and Sherry Kramer. Barbara Cosper was absent.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Frank Simms and the Oath of Office was administered by Chief Appraiser, Donita Davis to Frank Simms, Ken Burger and Sherry Kramer.

Frank Simms was reelected as chairman. James Rotramel was elected as secretary.

The minutes of the December meeting were approved.

January, February, March and April accounts payable were approved.

Approval was granted to mail notices of appraised value to all property owners for the 2000 tax roll.

Bill Gray was appointed to replace Peggy Chaney for the Appraisal Review Board for 2000 and 2001.

The board reviewed a report by the Property Tax Division that is conducted in accordance with the Property Tax Code Sec. 5.102. The report stated that the district's Methods, Standards, and Procedures are consistent with generally accepted appraisal methods.

A general review of the 1999 Preliminary Property Value Study and appraisal changes for 2000 was given by Donita Davis. Ration studies based on the last three years of sales indicated an increase in value for houses while agricultural and all other

See Carson Co., pg. 3



Mr. & Mrs. Tony Rocha, Garet and Macee

New D.P.S. Family In Groom

Groom and the surrounding area are happy to welcome Department of Public Safety Trooper and his family to town.

Tony Rocha, his wife, Sherry, daughter Macee and son Garet recently

moved into the former Gene Wade residence in Groom. Tony is a nine year veteran with D.P.S. and this is his third assignment, having been stationed in Childress, most recently and Perryton before that.

Tony was raised in Panhandle and graduated in 1985. When he has free time he enjoys playing softball and working out.

Sherry is a native of Beaver, Oklahoma. She was a bookkeeper at the John Deere dealership in Childress before the birth of their son. Right now she is too busy unpacking and being a

Mom to think about working but she might in the future.

Macee is 5 years old and will be in Kindergarten next year. Garet just turned one and has a full time job of keeping Mom on the run.

The Rocha's have an eleven year old son Timothy who lives in Perryton. He will be visiting Groom from time to time.

"We are very happy to be back in the Panhandle," stated Trooper Rocha. "We have really enjoyed the cooler weather and living in a friendly but quieter town."



Cheerleaders Attend Camp At Tech

2000-2001 Groom High School Cheerleaders recently attended UCA Cheerleading Camp held at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. They received many ribbons and spirit sticks and were named a Superior Cheerleading Team. They are Marci Babcock, Senior; Macie Britten-Mascot, Senior; Brook Britten-Head, Senior; Brin Burgin, Sophomore; Amanda Martin, Sophomore; Carol Wilson, Freshman and Caren Howard, Freshman. In a later issue all of their honors will be listed.

COMMUNITY CALENDER

JUNE 25 IS the anniversary of the beginning of the Korean War.

ONLY 56 DAYS until Groom School begins the 2000-2001 school year.

GROOM SWIMMING Pool now open. Monday-Saturday 1-6 pm.

JUNE 14 is Flag Day. Dads, Grandpas and uncles will be honored on June 18th, Father's Day.

LADIES SWIM Night at the Groom Pool will be Tuesday & Thursday, 6-8 pm. Cost \$2.00.

DON'T FORGET to turn in your vacation and summer visitor news.

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Phil and Marc Miller attended their family reunion held in Oklahoma City over the weekend. The Miller, Andreason reunion is held about every four years. The majority of the Andreason family is from the Dallas, Garland area. Saturday, most toured Bricktown and Remington Park.

The Groom News was saddened to learn that Annette Campbell, daughter of C.B. and Lois Campbell, passed away on June 6 and was buried on June 8. Lois Campbell taught school here for several

Summer Reading Program
 The Summer Reading Program at the Groom Library will run from June 1st to August 1st. They will be working on a point and prize system. Story Hour will be in July.

The bookmark contest papers need to be turned in by June 28th.

There will be a contest for those who are interested in writing an original editorial about the library.

years, retiring in the early 1980's. No other details were available.

Local Happenings

Monsignor Crosier Receives Award

Monsignor Ray Crosier, pastor of St. Joseph's Church in Amarillo and former pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Groom, was honored with an award from the National Catholic Educational Association at the school's annual awards banquet on May 16.

A news release from the school said the award recognizes his pastoral care not only for St. Joseph's School but also for his service to Amarillo Catholic Middle School, Alamo Catholic High School, and the St. Joseph Campus Preschool Child Development Center. Crosier also serves as Bishop John W. Yanta's vicar for Catholic Education in the Catholic Diocese of Amarillo.

NCEA has for several years provided Catholic schools the opportunity to give pastors of Catholic schools the award in recognition of their service to the educational ministry of the church, the information stated.

Ill or Recovering

Arnie Kuehler
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If you know someone who is ill or recovering, please call it to our attention at the News.

Pool Is Hardin-Simmons Graduate

Hardin-Simmons University announces that Suzy Delight Pool of Groom received a degree during spring commencement exercise May 6, 2000.

Pool earned a bachelor of behavioral science degree from HSU's College of Liberal Arts.

Mr. Larry Wheeler, professor of theatre and HSU Faculty Member of the Year, spoke at the morning commencement and Dr. Michael Whitehorn, vice-president of student development, spoke at the afternoon commencement.

Dr. Lanny Hall, president of HSU, presided over the commencement program.

Groom Birthdays Anniversaries

June 15 - Kenton A. Ruthardt.

June 16 - Johnny Brumley, Joe Richardson, Mason Miller, James Reid, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Black (A).

June 17 - Joe Britten, Roni Michelle Miller, Chris and Rachelle Sumerall (A), Norman and Pam Gilson (A).

June 18 - Bobby Burgin, Staci Nichole Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Brumley (A).

June 19 - Phillip J. Miller, Lainie Britten, Anthony Luna, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barnett (A).
 June 21 - Austin Crowell, Andrew Thompson.

Jarret Weinheimer, senior student, was named to the Distinguished Student list at Texas A & M University, College Station, Texas for the Spring Semester 2000. The designation "Distinguished Student" recognizes students who earned a 3.25 to a 3.75 GPR while taking at least 15 hours.


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Baseball Schedule

Major League Softball

Date	Place	Time
6-15	Groom At Clarendon #2	8:00
6-19	Panhandle Phillies At Groom	8:00

Tournament Begins On June 23

T-Ball

6-16	Groom at Panhandle Cardinals	6:00
6-20	Groom At Skellytown	6:00
6-27	White Deer at Groom	6:00
6-30	Groom at Panhandle Astros	6:00

Minor League

6-16	Panhandle Braves at Groom	6:00
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Tournament Begins on June 19th

Major League Baseball

6-15	Claude At Groom	8:00
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Tournament Begins on June 19th

Cancer Center Offers Free Screening Clinic

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center is offering a free prostate cancer screening clinic on June 20, 2000 from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. on the first floor of the Harrington Cancer Center, 1500 Wallace Blvd.

Participants must be over the age of 40 and appointments are necessary. Call 359-4673 and ask for Casey McCann at ext. 213 to schedule an appointment.

The first ever Selective Service state-by-state

report was released last week. Texas rated as a "C" state with 77 percent of young men turning age 20 registered.

The other 23 percent risk losing out on important Federal opportunities linked to registration.

Federal law requires that virtually all young men living in the U.S. register with Selective Service within 30 days of their 18th birthday. Late registration is accepted through age 25.

Melodrama Comes To Gem Theatre In Claude

The Community Heritage Players will present a rip-roaring old-fashioned Melodrama, *Bertha, the Bartender's Beautiful Baby*, dealing with the wages of sin and *Demon Rum* on Friday, June 16th, and Saturday, June 17th, at 7:30 p.m., at the Gem Theater in Claude, Texas. Directed by Dr. Carale Manning-Hill. The local cast includes Wayne Blodgett, Teresa Collins, Jeromy Collins, Terrill Conrad, Michael Green, Dixie Hunsaker, Kym Klarich, Carl Lansbury

and Janet Westbrook. The crew consists of Kent Watson, Musical Director, and Ruby James, Stage Manager and Kathy Blodgett and Sylvia Lansbury. After the intermission, Deanna Campbell will present a medley of musical favorites ranging from Patsy Cline to Gospel. Her fans will remember her from her appearances at the Big Texan in Amarillo. Tickets are available at the door, or by calling 226-5409 for reservations.



Melody Burton & Hal Simpson To Exchange Vows On August 4

Jim and Donna Burton of Groom and Zonelle Simpson of Amarillo are pleased to announce the engagement and impending marriage of their children, Melody Ann Burton and Hal Lee Simpson.

Melody is a 1994 graduate of Groom High School. She attended the University of Texas at Arlington. She is the assistant manager of "The Timbers Apartment Homes". Hal attended Amarillo High School and is a full time student

at West Texas A & M University as well as a City of Amarillo Police Officer. He is also an intern for the U.S. Marshall Service. He was in the Marine Corp for 11 years and served the USA in Desert Storm, Bosnia, and Somalia. He currently holds the rank of Sergeant in the Marine Corp Reserves.

They are both students of Tae Kwon Do.

The nuptials are planned for August 4, 2000 at the First Baptist Church in Amarillo.

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2000-2001 Groom ISD School Calendar

- Aug. 7-8-9 Teacher Service & Workdays
- Aug. 10 First Day of Classes
- Sept. 4 Holiday
- Sept. 15 Holiday
- Oct. 16 Holiday
- Nov. 22-24 Holiday
- Dec. 21 Jan. 2 Holiday
- Jan. 3 Teacher Workday
- Jan. 19 Holiday
- Feb. 12 Teacher In Service
- March 12-16 Holiday
- April 13-16 Holiday
- April 13 Weather Make Up Day
- May 11 Weather Make Up Day
- May 25 Graduation
- May 28 Teacher In Service

Carson County Jail Holding 19 Persons This Week

By Sheriff Gary Robertson

There were eleven persons booked into the Carson County Jail during the week of June 5 through June 11, 2000. Currently there are nineteen persons incarcerated and ten additional prisoners being held in other jurisdictions. The Sheriff's Department have received two new Crown Victoria patrol vehicles. These vehicles were ordered last winter and are a welcome addition to the fleet, thanks to you citizens.

Arrests for the week include:

Norman Howard (Pampa), 31, Traffic Warrants, Pampa P.D.

Hope Armandzriz (Borger), 25, Criminal Trespass & Public Intoxication & Traffic Warrants.

Todd Thompson (Woodward, OK), 22, Possession of Marijuana greater than 4 ounces but less than 5 pounds.

Michael Lowery

(Woodward, OK), 22, Possession of Marijuana greater than 4 ounces but less than 5 pounds & Possession of a Controlled Substance.

Charles Killcrease (Big Spring, Tx) Age, 33, Possession of a Controlled Substance & Possession of a Controlled Substance in a Correctional Facility.

Matthew Dominguez (Panhandle), 19, Failure to Appear on Minor in Possession & Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Ronald Abbott (Miamisburg, OH), 32, Possession of Marijuana greater than 50 pounds but less than 2000 pounds.

David Obrecht (Panhandle), 71, Driving While Intoxicated.

Rene Nolasco (Borger), 19, Minor In Possession, Alcohol.

Joshua Reeves (Borger), 19, Minor in Possession, Alcohol.

William Price (White Fish, Mt), 59, Public Intoxication.

Carson County Appraisal District Meeting Con't.

schedules remain the same. Schedules for houses were increased and location factors were modified. Davis explained the importance of uniform and accurate appraisal because of school funding.

The 1999 Audit Report was approved which shows total assets of \$5,644,326.79. Total

Liabilities of \$5,466,097.22 and Total Fund Equity of \$178,219.22. A detailed report can be seen at the Appraisal District Office.

The investment transactions for the preceding period were approved.

The 2001 budget of \$247,601. was approved. The meeting adjourned.

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Largest Mobil Painting In The World Displayed At Cross, Rally Held

The Cross of Our Lord Jesus Christ at Groom has been a very busy place of late. Aside from the usual increase in visitors for the summer months there have been some special activities held at the Cross.

Last weekend, more than 250 people gathered to celebrate the Pentecost. Twenty five Franciscan nuns from Prayer Town led the singing at the rally.

Mary Forsythe, a woman who claims to have had her life totally transformed by the love and power of Jesus Christ while serving time in a federal prison, was the guest speaker.

Visitors and volunteers stated that this event was one of the most moving experiences yet.

Another exciting occurrence at the Cross is the temporary exhibit of the world's largest

painting of Christ. The exhibit will be on display for approximately a month on the grounds of the Cross of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

The painting was done by the artist Masel. She

had only been painting for four months when she was inspired to paint the 14 x 36 foot picture depicting Christ on the Cross. The paintings eyes are said to follow the visitor to every corner of the room, a fact that even the artist was not aware of until the painting was completed.

According to the artist's husband, Frank, who travels with the display, the painting is in the Guinness Book of World Records as the largest mobil painting on canvas.

The painting weighs over 300 pounds. Around 20 gallons of gesso was needed just to prepare the canvas for painting.

The work of art is displayed in a custom built trailer made by the artist's husband. There is no charge for visiting the display but donations are accepted to offset the costs of display. Other work by Masel is on display at the site, some of it is for sale.

The painting has been on display at Courtside, Arizona; Las Vegas,

Nevada and Lake Havasue City, Arizona.

In other news at the Cross....

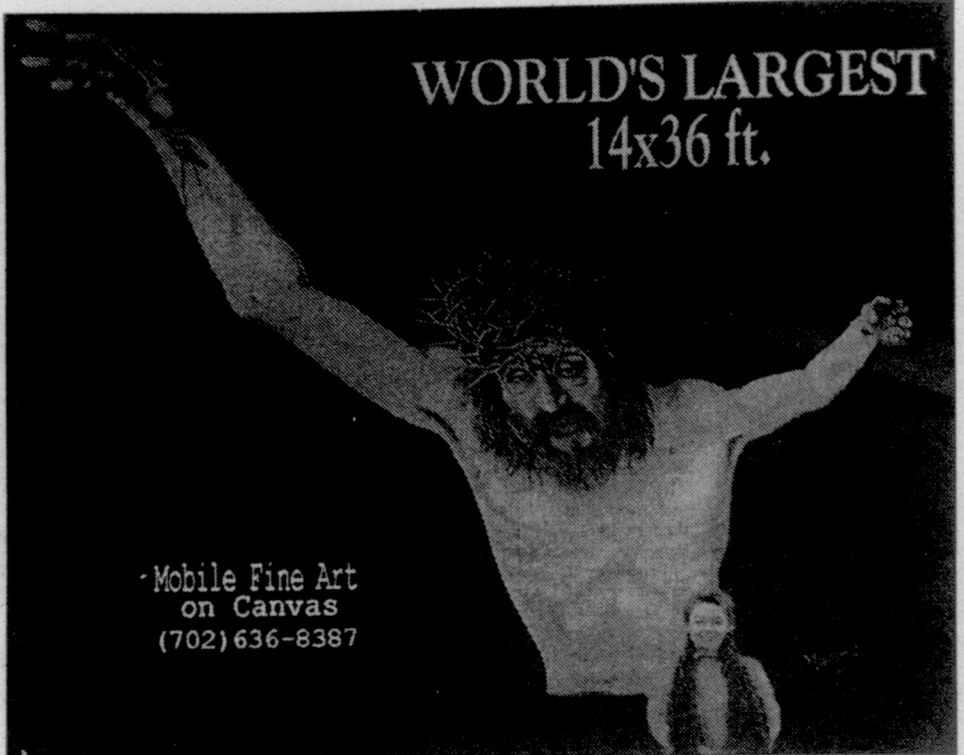
The Cross now has sod in three of the triangle shaped areas around the Cross. L & M Seed Company from Clarendon (Jack Moreman) donated the

grass sod. Several rose bushes have been donated to the Cross as memorials, so landscaping is going well and the grounds are really beginning to look as beautiful as the statuary.

One of the volunteers commented that people may donate to the landscaping or present a memorial for landscaping but at this time, no

memorial plaques or acknowledgements are planned to be placed on the grounds, however, acknowledgements are sent to the family, if the gift if a memorial in someone else's name.

There are many unique items in the gift shop at the Cross as well. Be sure to visit the Cross and see the wonderful improvements being made.



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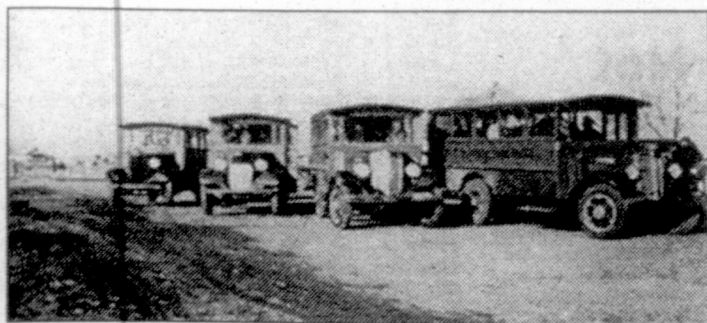
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Carson County Farm Bureau

The Carson County Farm Bureau is providing a service to the county farm community by providing a bulletin board for high school age students to make known their desire for farm employment.

Interested students should visit the Carson County Farm Bureau office, 208 Franklin,

Panhandle, and fill out the bulletin board form. The forms will allow the interested student to give their background and how they may be contacted.

Producers seeking summer or part-time employment of high school students should visit the office to view the forms of those students interested in farm employment. The producer may then

contact the individual in which he or she is most interested.

Carson County Farm Bureau is neither an agent or employment service but merely lists those interested in a job in the agricultural sector. The bulletin board is a free service of Carson County Farm Bureau.

For further information contact the Carson County Farm Bureau office, 537-3996; County President, Alvin Stamps, 335-1026; Billy Bob Brown, 537-5554.

possibly reach economic threshold levels even in those cotton fields that have insecticide on the seed or in-furrow.

Groom Baseball

Groom's summer league baseball athletes have played several games.

The following is a listing of games played by the Tigers Major League team.

May 7: Groom scored 13 vs Skellytown's 2.

May 10: Groom scored 15 vs Panhandle's 12.

May 16: Groom lost to Claude with a score of 7-10.

May 18: Groom 11 vs Skellytown 0.

May 22: Groom tied Panhandle 1-1 in an overtime ending.

June 12 Groom lost to Panhandle 6-9.

There will be one more game for the Tigers on Thursday night at 8:00 p.m. here in Groom.

The tournament starts on June 19th.

The T-Ball kids have played one exciting game and were rained out on another game.

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Southwestern and European corn borer moths currently are being caught in pheromone traps. These moths have emerged from pupae of overwintered larvae. They will lay the eggs for first generation crop borers. First generation European corn borer occasionally reach infestation levels that justify an insecticide application. First generation southwestern corn borer infestations more rarely reach economic infestation levels.

Corn earworm moths are being caught in rather high numbers already this season. Last year virtually no corn earworm moths were caught all season. Area crops are not very vulnerable at this time to offspring of these moths. Whorl feeding damage in corn and sorghum will likely be more evident this year than last just because of more moth activity; however, this type of damage seldom justifies an insecticide application to control the corn earworm.

Most western corn rootworm eggs have hatched at this time. If corn roots are available, larvae will be feeding on them. Check fields where corn follows corn to see if larvae are causing the damage to roots and if an insecticide application is needed.

Thrips continue to be a problem in seedling cotton. Thrips could

Keeping an Eye on Texas

Keeping cool in the Texas heat

The temperature in Texas is rising, and with high temps comes heat-related illness and even death. The best defense against heat-related illness is prevention.

Heat precautions include:

- Never leave anyone, including pets, in a closed, parked vehicle.
- Drink plenty of fluids, but avoid drinks with alcohol, caffeine or a lot of sugar. Start drinking fluids before going out into the heat.
- Take frequent breaks when working outside.
- If you do not have air conditioning at home, go to a mall or other public place with air conditioning.
- Check frequently on people who are elderly, ill or shut in.
- Check with a doctor about the effects of the sun and heat exposure when taking certain prescription drugs, especially diuretics or antihistamines.
- At first signs of heat illness—dizziness, nausea, headaches, muscle cramps—move to a cooler place, rest a few minutes, then slowly drink a cool beverage. Seek medical attention immediately if conditions do not improve.

SOURCES: Carole Keeton Rylander, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (www.window.state.tx.us) and the Texas Department of Health.

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Nursing Home Costs Need Not Spend Your Life Savings

Senior citizens who are facing the most stressful problem of entering a nursing home need not lose their life savings paying for their cost of care.

Medicaid guidelines are certain defined strategies that could possibly allow people facing this dilemma the opportunity to preserve some of their assets while, at the same time, qualify for Medicaid benefits.

Knowing the laws and how to apply them will let you find that in most cases you are not required to spend all of your money, but in fact can preserve a large part of your money.

There is a large information gap for families about how to access long term nursing

care benefits under the Medicaid program and avoid unnecessary spend-down of resources.

On one hand, there are social workers, discharge planners and admission directors whose main focus is solutions to medical and nursing care treatment.

On the other hand, there are also the Texas Department of Human Services with a dedicated group of Medicaid workers whose job is to process applications and to approve or reject applicants for benefits.

As a result of this information people are sometimes not able to get the information they need to make an informed decision about the issues concerning long term care

planning and preservation of their estate as the guidelines might afford them.

Medicaid is sometimes thought to be a welfare or poverty program. Nothing could be further from the truth. "When a stay-at-home spouse can keep up to \$2,103 of the total monthly income and up to \$84,120 of the total family assets (in addition to the homestead, the automobile and personal belongings) it's difficult to see it as a poverty program."

Some people say "I've been told I have too much monthly income to qualify." There is now no limit on monthly income. Through the use of an irrevocable qualified income trust called a Miller Trust, individuals can now qualify even if previously turned down for too much income. And, while the Miller Trust contains very specific wording and interpretation of Medicaid provisions, it can be a perfect vehicle

to assist those individuals. "I must spend-down all of my assets before I qualify," is another quote from a person needing information.

Little known or used Medicaid provisions make it possible in many cases to preserve a significant amount of an estate's assets.

Long term Medicaid care was designed to keep families from becoming impoverished paying for long term care.

However, access to those benefits requires specialized knowledge of the ever-changing rules and regulations. Families should not have to pay one dollar more for long term care than what the law requires.

Top O' Texas Rodeo Stated For July 9-15

Entries are now being accepted for all events of the Top O' Texas Rodeo to be held July 9-15, 2000 in Pampa, Texas. The Kid Pony Show entry forms are now available at the rodeo office, 200 N. Ballard for youths up to age 15. The Kid Pony Show performances are July 9 at 4:00 p.m., and July 10 and 11 at 7:00 p.m. nightly. The boys and girls from the Cal Farley Family Center will be participating in the Kid Pony Show again this year. Donations for their entry fees are now being accepted in the rodeo office.

Entries are also being accepted for the Mutton Busting event.

The 54th Annual Top O' Texas Rodeo performances will be held July 13, 14 and 15 at 7:30 p.m. Beutler and Gaylord Rodeo company will produce this years show.

Double Mugging is a nightly event where local cowboys try their skills.

On July 13 at 5:30 p.m. there will be free bar-b-que for ticket holders. There will be a Celebrity Pick Up Race during the bar-b-que.

This event pairs a cowboy and a "city slicker" for lots of fun and entertainment.

Other events slated are Friday night's Family night, the Queen pageant horsemanship competition, Wrangler Bullfight, entertainment by the Santa Rosa Palomino Riding Club, Dodge Ram Tough Rodeo, rodeo dances featuring Flashbak and Cooder Graw.

The Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Pageant is held in conjunction with the rodeo. There will be special prizes and the scholarship for this years queens. There will be a luncheon and style show on July 13. The new queens will be crowned during the Saturday night rodeo performance.

Legal Form Expresses Wishes About Guardianship

"People worry a lot as they age," says Sam Polk, an attorney for the Legal Hotline for Older Texans. "What will happen to them and their possessions? And they worry especially if there's a greedy relative in the picture."

Fortunately, those who confide such fears to Polk soon hear about a form called "Declaration of Guardian Before Need Arises." This form "lets you disqualify people you don't trust and keep them from making decisions about you, your property, your health care. It also lets you name the people who you do want to put in charge in case the need ever arises," Polk says. "People breathe a lot easier after they sign this form and send it back to us."

Only recently, Polk points out, he helped thwart the guardianship efforts that a caller's son was making. "The woman called the hotline," Polk remembers, saying that she'd been in a hospital for six weeks with no medical complaint that warranted hospitalization. She was 87, Polk says, "really sharp and mentally fit."

"Meanwhile, her son was seeking guardianship. The woman told me he wanted to force her into a nursing home and sell her house. Another relative of hers also told me the son seemed to be more interested in his mom's money than her welfare."

"I told her that legally she was free to leave the hospital and I sent her one of the Legal Hotline for Older Texans' publications. It had information about the form. She shared it with an attorney the court had appointed to represent her. The attorney prepared the Designation of Guardian before Need Arises form, and the woman signed it and the son backed off."

Dilla's To Hold Blood Drive

Coffee Memorial Blood Center of Amarillo announces a Blood Drive sponsored by the Amarillo Dillas on Saturday, June 17 at Great Western Distributors, 3333 E. Third Street from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. KGNC is the media sponsor and Mary Lyn Halley will be doing a live remote.

More than 500 units of blood are needed every week to meet the needs of patients in the Panhandle. Most people presume that blood will be there if they need it. However, that is only

true if volunteer donors, the only source for the gift of life, actually donate.

All donors who donate at the blood drive at Great Western Distributors or at the Blood Center's 1915 Coulter location, will receive a specially designed T-Shirt and a voucher for a ticket to a Dillas game. In addition, Dillas players will be stopping in during the blood drive at Great Western Distributors location to sign autographs. For more information, contact Linda Guthrie at 358-4563.

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