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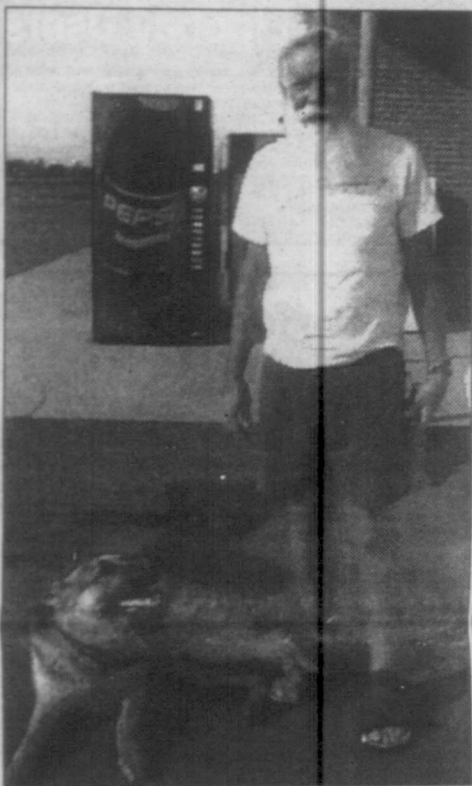
# McLean News



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## Great Amerithon Passes Through McLean, Texas

On Thursday, June 27, part to gather names on a petition to present to President Bush. He will also present a 1602 Geneva Bible. This is the same type of Bible that was used to convert Pocahontas.

The petition reads:  
Dear Mr. President,  
As your fellow Americans, we join together to express our faith in God as the only source of hope for the great nation of the United States of America.

In the past months, Americans have sought for answers and hope as the very fabric of our nation has been tested. By signing below, we declare a message of unity across cities, towns, and communities in America.

That message is that we are standing as *One Nation Under God*, expressing our undivided faith in the God of our fathers, and as a nation whose God is the Lord, we are strong.

Mr. President, we, the undersigned, join together in unity to bring this message to you in hopes that you will find  
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**McLean Reminder**

**SUMMER READING**  
Program at the Library will begin July 15-Aug. 9.

**THE LIBRARY** and City Hall will be closed on the 4th of July.



*Have A Happy & Safe July 4th Celebration!*

## McLean Beginnings Start With Pile of Buffalo Bones

Beginning at a pile of Buffalo Bones on sand hills the N.W. corner of Survey no. 65, Scrip No. 4/2316, thence West at 500 vrs cross head of Long Dry Creek at 1900 vrs. a China Stake on flat prairie.

Thence North 1900 vrs. to a stake the S.W. corner of Survey N. 30.

Thence East 1900 vrs. to a stone mound in shinary of sand hills. Thence South 1900 vrs. to the beginning. This description of the land on which the town of McLean was eventually founded was on a deed, granting all the rights to the land to an Englishman named Alfred Rowe. The date was March 17, 1884, and the deed was signed by John Ireland, Governor of the State of Texas.

Alfred Rowe was a member of an English family who could trace its lineage back to the Norman Conquest. Three brothers, Alfred, Vincent, and Bernard were the owners of a large tract of land that became known as R.O. Ranch.

Alfred came to the United States in 1879, and presumably built a house on the ranch as early as 1880.

Vincent left school in 1875, and was sent to Geneva for his health. He came to Texas in 1882. Bernard spent much less time on the ranch.

The records are not clear, but ultimately Vincent and Bernard left, selling their share of the ranch to Alfred. In November, 1902, Alfred Rowe signed the following instruments, That Whereas, I, Alfred Rowe, of Donley County, Texas, am the true and lawful owner of Six Hundred and Forty acres of land, situated, lying and being in Gray County, Texas, and particularly known and described as Section No. Twenty-two, in Block-R, located and surveyed by the virtue of land scrip issued to me, and Whereas, I am desirous of locating and establishing a town thereon, as is indicated by the maps

and plat thereof, hereto annexed and made a part thereof, Now, therefore, in consideration of the premises aforesaid, and in consideration of the profits of selling such lots as indicated by said map and plat I, the said Alfred Rowe, hereby grant, give and dedicate to public use, and to be kept and maintained by the public all the streets and alleys indicated by the said map and along and adjoining which I may hereafter sell lots to take effect as such sales may be made and apply to such parts of said streets and alleys as are adjoining lots sold and upon which such lots about and to the extent that sold lots about upon such streets and alleys.

And the town of McLean was born.

Alfred Rowe was not alone among early settlers who wanted to found a town. Perry LeFors established the town of Lefors. Andrew Kingsmill (also an Englishman) established Kingsmill and George Tyng founded Pampa.

When Rowe designated the section as a town, Alanreed  
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## Corley Re-Activated For Cuban Deployment

Bill Corley of Alanreed was among approximately 150 soldiers of the Texas National Guard who were deployed to Guantanamo Bay Cuba on Sunday, June 23. They are assigned to guard the Al-Qaeda prisoners being held there.

Bill is in the 2nd Battalion of the 142nd Infantry. His wife, Susan, said that he could be in Cuba for six months to two years. It is

likely, however, that this assignment will not be any longer than one year.

Bill and Susan have three children, Bill, Jr., 10, two daughters, Neva, 8 and Shaunna, 6. Bill was employed at Pantex before being called into active duty.

The community is proud to have men such as Bill protecting our liberties and freedom.

## McLean Rodeo Results Announced

The results from the rodeo are as follows:

**BAREBACK:** 1st place, J.D.Poer of Gruver, TX, scoring 75; 2nd place, Ike McClendon, of Miami, TX, scoring 73; 3rd place, Cody Douglas of Pampa, TX, scoring 66.

**SADDLEBRONC:** 1st place, Lance Gaillard of Canyon, TX, scoring 74.

**CALF ROPING:** 1st place, Kirk Mayberry of Sweetwater, TX, with a time of 8.8. 2nd place, Shane McLemore of Gracemont, OK with a time of 9.1. 3rd place, Blake Louer of Buffalo, OK with a time of 10.1. 4th place, Billy Morrow of Hamlin, TX with a time of 10.5. 5th place, Jeremy Hennigh of Sayre, OK with a time of 10.5. 6th place, Randy Lloyd of Blackwell,

TX, with a time of 10.8.

**BREAKAWAY ROPING:** 1st place, Anna Bader of Canyon, TX with a time of 3.2. 2nd place, Kelley Slavin of Goodwell, OK with a time of 3.7. 3rd place, Jayme Rowland of Pampa, TX with a time of 3.9. 4th place, Melissa Brillhart of Slaton, TX with a time of 4.4.

**BULL RIDING:** 1st place, Joe Pierce of Alva, OK scoring 76. 2nd place, Brent Atwood of Pampa, TX scoring 71. 3rd place, Tate Stratton of Stanley, NM scoring 70. 4th place, Tommy Egerton of Childress, TX scoring 70.

**BARRELS:** 1st place, Tammie Goldston of Canyon, TX with a time of 16.687. 2nd place, Kelley Slavin of Goodwell, OK with a time of

16.749. 3rd place, Brandi Pierson of Woodward, OK with a time of 16.839. 4th place, Jessica Koppitz of Alva, OK with a time of 17.017. 5th place, Brandy Wright of Canadian, TX with a time of 17.278. 6th place, Jaye Lynn Wright of Canadian, TX with a time of 17.533.

**STEER WRESTLING:** 1st place, Keith bikenfield of Nazareth, TX with a time of 4.2. 2nd place, Matt Reeves of Pampa with a time of 4.3. 3rd place, Mack Ford of Clinton, Ok with a time of 4.5. 4th place, Drew Thomas of Wheeler, TX with a time of 4.9.

**TEAM ROPING:** 1st place, Bobby Simmons and Jeff Medlin with a time of 7.0.

See Rodeo, pg. 9

**McLean Birthdays Anniversaries**

- July 4 - Nicki Hefley
- July 5 - Ethan McCracken, Melissa Thompson, Patricia Gaybeal.
- July 6 - James Hefley, Sara Brown, Harold & Amy Petty (A).
- July 7 - Darrell Myers, Harold Houdyshell, Zora Petty Billingsley, Nora Petty Loveland, Justin Wehrenberg.
- July 8 - Dale Johnston, Deborah Longino, Aaron Rice.
- July 9 - Beatrice Brown, Gwen Henley, Dick & Pam Crockett (A).
- July 10 - Will Shaw, Camrynn Richardson.

**MAKING LIFE MORE FUN**

**All-American Education**  
 (NAPS)—Which West Coast state capital was once the last stop on the Pony Express trail?  
 What American cartoonist made the first animated film with a soundtrack?  
 Which President spoke to the American public over the radio in a series of "fireside chats"? (See answers below.)  
 To learn more, visit the Web site at [www.brainquest.com](http://www.brainquest.com).  
**Answers**  
 Disney; Franklin D. Roosevelt; Sacramento, Calif.; Walt

**McLean**

was already one year old. (It had been a community before that, under several different names, including Springtown, Paul Reed, Prairie Dog Town, and Gouge Eye).

The settlement of McLean actually began in 1901 when to the railroad, to ship cattle belonging to the Rowes, Morse, Byron, and Gethings.

Why the town was not named for Rowe is anyone's guess, but the old-timers tell that a W.P. McLean, secretary of the Texas Railroad Commission, gave a speech in the early settlement. He was a small man who dressed immaculately, and apparently impressed the local people. At any rate they named the town for him instead of Rowe.

But Rowe himself was an interesting man. His family in England had an interest in a shipping firm, and according to one history, two brothers (Charles and Herbert) ran the firm and made money, Alfred, a loading switch was laid and cattle chutes were built close

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**The only thing that makes life possible is permanent, intolerable uncertainty: not knowing what comes next.**  
 —Ursula K. LeGuin  
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Vincent, and Bernard went traveling and spent it!

Alfred married Constance Kingsley and had four children: Charles, Herbert Henry, Peggy and Alfred.

The records are not clear whether Mrs. Rowe and the children ever lived on the ranch or not.

In April 1812, Alfred booked passage on the new luxury liner to make a trip to England. The Titanic, billed as 'unsinkable,' collided with icebergs and Charles Rowe telegraphed Vincent: '...get from White Star (the name of the company owning the Titanic) details. Titanic reported collision iceberg. go and comfort Constance who may only hear exaggerated reports.'

But the reports were far from exaggerated. Alfred Rowe was found frozen to death on an iceberg with his bag still firmly clutched in his hand, and his watch still ticking.

Rowe's family lived in London and Wales until the beginning of World War II. Charles Kingsley, the oldest son, joined the Royal Navy as a Fleet Air Arm pilot, and was decorated by the King of Spain about 1927 for rescuing General Franco's brother out of the Atlantic. Harry, the second son, had a distinguished career in the

Royal Tank Regiment, being awarded the Distinguished Service Order in the war. He visited the R.O. ranch in 1927.

But the little town that Rowe had started was thriving by the time of his death in 1912.

The Methodists, Baptists, and members of the Church of Christ had already established congregations in the town, and soon had good buildings to meet in.

A school had been built, and regular classes were being held.

The town was incorporated in 1909, with C.S. Rice elected to serve as the first mayor.

The town in 1909 had two banks (Citizens State Bank and American National Bank), two livery stables, a post office, a lumber yard, several grocery stores and cafes, a newspaper, a furniture store, drug store, lawyers and doctors.

Social life in the community consisted of play-parties, taffy pullings, hay rides, church activities, dramas in the high school auditorium, baseball games, games of 'pussy wants a corner' and hide and seek, square dancing, and drinking sodas at the Palace Drug store.

McLean had become in just a few short years a shipping and shopping center, giving the railroad a tremendous amount of business. According to one history, four telegraph operators were required to handle the messages during the busy season. Several hundred carloads of hogs were shipped out each year, and 300 to 400 cars of watermelons were shipped annually.

Most of the early settlers came to McLean from the East, seeking a 'land of opportunity.' Despite sometimes harsh weather, dust storms, and the primitive quality of life, many of them stayed to make the town.

From the incorporation of the town in 1909 until the present day, the town has seen many changes. A growth in population followed the discovery of oil in 1928, and the town had over 1500 people in 1930. The depression and the dust bowl days of the 1930's affected the town, much like it did the rest of the country, but the oil production helped make life a little easier for some.

During World War II, a prisoner of war camp was built outside of McLean, and a group of soldiers were stationed here to man the camp. The prisoners worked for many of the local farmers and ranchers, adding another dimension to the cultural understanding of the town.

When the war was over, McLean's population continued to decline.

But in 1956, a \$150,000 hospital was opened and the Lovett Memorial Library was built.

In 1957 Form-o-Uth Brassier Co. of Gardenia, Calif., opened an undergarment factory in McLean. (The factory recently announced its closing).

During McLean's seventieth year, the town has seen a massive remodeling of

the bank (the Citizens Bank closed during the depression), the opening of the nursing home facility, and the passage of a million dollar bond to replace the city gas system.

Some city officials predict that the 1980 census will show that McLean has gained in population again, but regardless of the number of people living in the town, McLean has proved that it is an energetic, growing community with a bright future.

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 779-2548  
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**First Assembly of God 4th & Main**  
 Pastor Dean Williamson 779-2221  
 Sunday School - All Ages 9:30 am  
 Morning Worship 10:45 Children's Church 11:15  
 Sunday Evening 7:00  
 Wednesday Family Night 7:00 p.m.  
 Children, Youth & Adult Bible Study  
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**First Baptist Church 206 E. 1st**  
 Brian Quisenberry, Pastor 779-2175  
 Sunday School 9:45; Worship 11 am & 7pm  
 (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**  
 Interim Pastor John Denton 779-3207  
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**Cowboy Church at Red River Steakhouse**  
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# Volunteer-ism Alive And Well And Thriving In McLean!

Recently in the Amarillo and Pampa papers there were articles concerning the need for volunteers and the toll it is taking on their communities. In Amarillo this was the last year for their Fun Day which has been held for many, many years. The reason? They don't have enough volunteers to man all of the activities. In Pampa this year, they are looking desperately for someone to be the chairman of the planning committee for their annual Chatagua Celebration. If they don't find a volunteer the celebration

will be canceled.

Here in McLean we have the blessing of many volunteers. We had volunteers not only for the Centennial celebration and the Alanreed Celebration, but so much of our daily lives are touched by volunteers.

Our Fire Department is made up entirely of volunteers. There were 21 men and women on our fire department in 2001. Both museums are manned by volunteers, The Chamber of

Commerce, EDC, and the Library board are all unpaid positions. We have a wonderful program called Loaves and Fishes that provides meals for the sick and elderly. Not only is the food prepared and delivered by volunteers but the food is donated also. During the recent Alanreed and Centennial Celebrations so many people volunteered their time, talent, and money. That is what made it such a great success.

Besides all of the individuals who volunteer, we have been blessed with businesses that support this community every time they are called upon. Pucketts is celebrating their birthday right now. They give so much to our community. The Bank of Commerce, Wood Group, The Red River Steak House, McLean Feed Yard, C and H Supply, The Country Corner and Taylor Food Mart, Charlottes, Simpson's Insurance, B&K, McLean Home Health and the McLean Care Center and Ware Bailey

Funeral Home always step up when asked. These are just a few of the businesses and there are more!

Our civic clubs do their part with the Lion's Club providing glasses for the needy children and the Pioneer Study Club yearly scholarships. The Masons provide clothing and coats for the needy in the winter. The Eastern stars take part in the Angel Program, just to name a few of the many ways these clubs serve us.

So much of what goes on at the nursing home is done by volunteers and much at the school is done by the PTA.

The Churches do their part helping whenever or wherever they are called upon. Not only helping those who live here but also those passing through.

There are more individuals than can be named and if attempted someone would be left off the list, but you know who you are and we know who you are. Thank you for without your service so much would go undone.

All of this amounts to a lot of work by a lot of people and it is part of what makes this such a good place to live.

## Amerithon

strength in knowing that America is as strong as her faith in Almighty God - and that faith is more unshakable than the cord of unity that runs through the heart of this great land.

As one,  
Your fellow Americans

Mr. Kemper left Santa Monica on May 2, 2002, the National Day of Prayer and hopes to arrive in Maine by October 2002. He plans on following Route 66 because he believes, "metaphorically it symbolizes the born again approach for saving America and returning the vision of greatness America stands for, the same way the communities along Route 66 have begun to restore the greatness of Route 66."

Mr. Kemper is a 64-year old grandfather. He is traveling with Eric Harris, a nutritionist and Kenny Mums, a singer from the gospel singing group, Brush Harbor. Along the way, a German Shepherd dog has joined the group.

His website is [www.greatamerithon.com](http://www.greatamerithon.com)


## Rodeo

2nd place, Guy Bryant and Casey Chamberlain with a time of 7.4. 3rd place, Danny Johnson and Shane Goad with a time of 8.0. 4th place, Jason Thomas and Hollis Harris with a time of 8.1.

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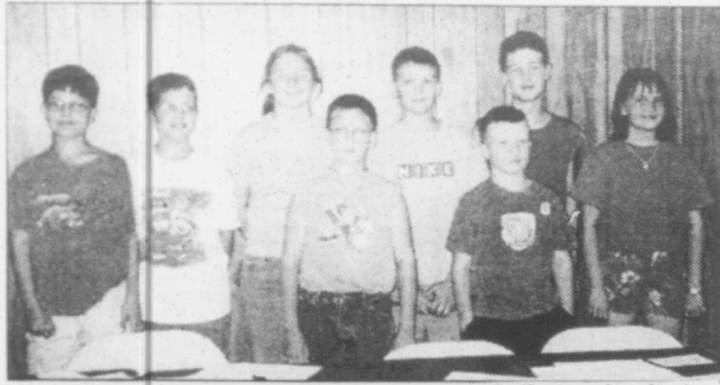
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### Letter To The Editor

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The gambling casino and the auto insurance industry have some things in common and on balance, the casino industry is the more honest and forthright. The casinos operate an odds (risks) based to infinity. When they lose they pay and will tell you what the odds are against winning before you play. Should a casino get hit heavy on the craps, 21, or roulette tables, they won't try to make up the loss by

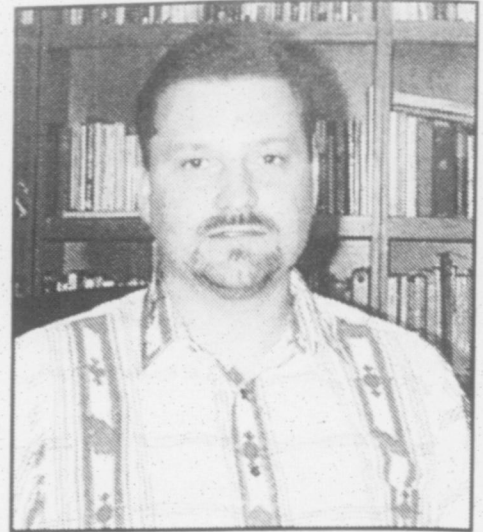
reducing the payouts on their slot machines, for instance.

The auto insurance industry sets risks for various coverages. Premiums are based on the risks they have developed. These factors can and do change without notice to the public. Should you have two claims in a twelve month period occurring to an unattended vehicle, regardless of claim amount, Texas companies have the right to cancel your policy because "Your policy no longer meets the requirements of our company." They may or may not offer you another policy with the same or less coverage at a higher premium. You are not advised in advance just what the requirements of the company are, or were. In the case of vehicle damage claims involving your unattended vehicle there would not be a lot one could do to prevent the damage or meet the nebulous company requirements. I tried for months to get an answer as to why my auto insurance was cancelled. Finally, the State Insurance Office after months of inquiry and correspondence came up with the twelve month, two claim answer. I was previously told it was because of the black mold claims of homeowners. I was told the company was running scared. I was told that it was against the law to tell a policy holder why the policy was cancelled. The company still hasn't provided an answer-they delegated that to the state. Knowing the conditions for policy cancellation in advance could have a bearing on auto insurance purchases. Except for auto insurance required by law to protect the other driver, your money might be better off in your mattress or in the bank. I have worked in casino security and have dealt with auto insurance personnel. Moral judgements as to the two entities aside, I would trust the former over the latter. My old pick-up is sure dirty and has never been washed but it has yet to come down with black mold. I was also told why the company could not tell me reason for the cancellation, was because I might be able to sue them! All I wanted was a simple answer-sort of like trying to find where the band instruments went.

Bill Reeves



The earliest stopwatches were known as pulse watches. Made in the 1680s, they were used by doctors.



### Trinity Baptist Welcomes New Pastor Larry Perkins & Family

The Trinity Baptist Church has a new Pastor. His name is Larry Perkins. Pastor Perkins and his family came to McLean from Hereford on May 25. While in Hereford, he worked the the Frio Baptist for three years and as a youth minister with the Hereford Trinity Baptist Church for two years. Pastor Perkins has been in the

ministry since 1988. Pastor Perkins has been married for fourteen years to his high school sweetheart, Sharman. They have two children, a daughter, Kirstie, age eight and a son, Kaleb, age 6. He enjoys sports, music and computers. His wife, Sharman, enjoys reading, music, and movies. She is hoping to teach

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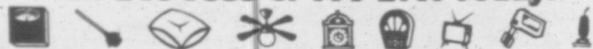
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6 PACK 5.5 OZ. BTL.  
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**ORIGINAL DAWN Dish Soap**  
16 OZ. BTL.  
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81 OZ. BOX OR 84 OZ. BTL.  
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4 OZ. CAN  
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**PAMPERS Baby Wipes**  
16 TO 18 CT. PKG.  
699¢ FOR

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33 OZ. BTL.  
399¢ FOR

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4 OZ. CAN  
253¢ FOR

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1 TO 10 PKGS.  
299¢ FOR

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YOUR CHOICE  
**\$4.99**

**FOLGERS Coffee**  
11.5 TO 15 OZ. CAN  
254¢ FOR

**ASSORTED FLAVORS Hershey's Candy**  
REG. BOX  
399¢ FOR

**SANTITAS Tortilla Chips**  
14 TO 15 OZ. PKG.  
254¢ FOR

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1 TO 10 PKGS.  
299¢ FOR

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YOUR CHOICE  
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**Highback Patio Chairs**  
25 \$10 FOR

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99¢ FOR

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16 OZ. JAR  
199¢ FOR

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299¢ FOR

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**Wesson Dinners**  
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253¢ FOR

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255¢ FOR

**Sunny Delight**  
16 OZ. BTL.  
199¢ FOR

**Red Diamond Tea**  
16 OZ. BTL.  
253¢ FOR

**ASSORTED FLAVORS Gatorade**  
16 OZ. BTL.  
254¢ FOR

**ASSORTED FLAVORS Marinade**  
16 OZ. BTL.  
199¢ FOR

**ASSORTED FLAVORS Grilling Sauce**  
16 OZ. BTL.  
199¢ FOR

**WAGNER'S CHILI MEXE**  
1.5 TO 1.88 OZ. JAR  
129¢ FOR

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Thursday, July 1, 2002



## We Saw...

A deer in the backyard of Sybil and Glynn D Harrell.

U-Hauls and pick-up trucks moving new coach Toby Tucker and his wife, also new teacher, Stephanie (Ollinger) into the school owned home on Wilkerson.

Lots of visiting grandchildren and grandparents finding fun things to do in Groom.

Several homes around town getting a new roof.

Doris Britten running errands.

A "pet" black bird (some said he belonged to Mayor Joe Homer) getting a little "crispy" when he landed in the wrong place and knocked out the power to several homes on Ware Street on Saturday.

## Community Calendar

**CAR WASH** benefiting the Children's Miracle Network will be hosted by the DQ employees and the Groom Fire Dept. on July 6 from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

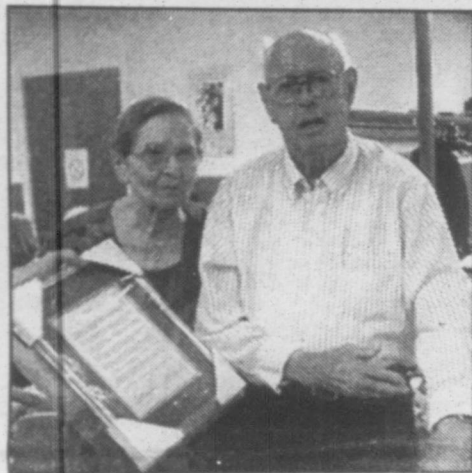
**KENNETH BLACK'S** 80th Birthday will be celebrated with a party on July 6th.

**GROOM DAY** wood gathering is set for July 25 at 7:00 pm. Meet at Johnny Brooks shop.

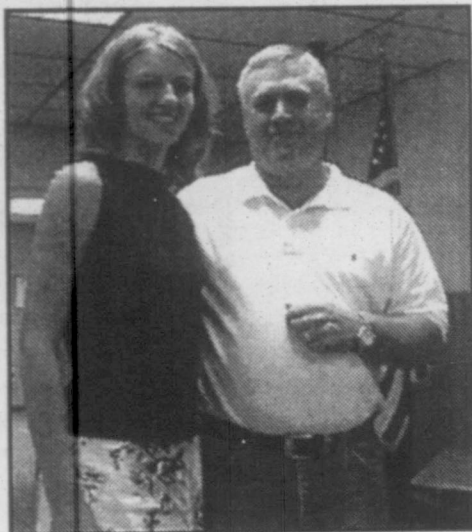
## Monday Prices At Attebury Grain Co.

Wheat.....\$2.96  
Milo.....\$3.60  
Corn.....\$4.08  
Soybeans...\$4.62  
Sunflowers..\$9.25  
1" to 1.25" of Rain fell this week, altogether.

## Lion's Club Honors Al Homer, Teachers & Their Sweetheart



(Above) Al & Agnes Homer are recognized for a lifetime of giving. (Below) Nichole Barnett is presented with a \$250 scholarship.



The Groom Chapter of The Lion's Club met recently to honor a special member, several retiring teachers and their Sweetheart last weekend.

The group enjoyed a wonderful meal catered by the Red River Steakhouse of McLean.

Lion Johnny Brumley was the master of ceremony.

The esteemed School Bell Award is presented to teachers who have contributed 20 or more years of outstanding service to Groom School. Three teachers who have recently retired were presented the award, Leatrice Nelson, Charles Burk, and Georganne Hinson.

Leatrice Nelson taught elementary school in Groom for 27 years. Over the years, her influence has inspired several generations of children. She obtained her degree at West Texas University.

Charles Burk spent all of his 26 years of teaching at Groom High School. His bachelors degree was obtained at Texas Tech University and his masters at Sul Ross University. Burk was responsible for sponsoring many FFA Clubs over the years that received numerous awards to Groom High School's credit as well as

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Georganne Hinson, Leatrice Nelson and Charles Burk were presented with School Bell Awards for their many years of outstanding service. Charles Burk was out of town and is not pictured.



## Father Neal Dee Resigns Duties



Father Neal Dee told the approximately 200 Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church parishioners Thursday night he was resigning his duties of the priesthood and moving to Amarillo immediately.

Monsignor Harold Waldo vicar for clergy for the diocese of Amarillo was in

Groom Thursday night to help explain the process of replacing Father Dee with a priest in Groom and Clarendon. He said Father

Jose of India would be in Groom for this week to say Mass Sunday and that hopefully by mid-July a new priest would be appointed for Groom and Clarendon.

The resignation came about by a 15 year old allegation of wrongdoing by Father Dee before coming to this diocese. Monsignor Waldo who was here taking the place of Bishop Yanta said, "The new charter passed by the Catholic Bishops in Dallas a few weeks ago made the

See Parish, pg. 2

## Celebrate July 4th Safely

Parents and children are reminded to use fireworks with safety in mind this year. Recent rains have improve the situation but fire is still a very real possibility. Have some method available (water or fire extinguisher) handy when setting off fireworks. Be sure you have permission to be on the property if the first place. It is illegal to ignite fireworks in the city limits.

Use fireworks only in

the way they were intended to be used. Never hold firecrackers in your hand when lighting them.

Be thoughtful to the property owner and pack off your trash. Pick up sparkler wires and other debris when they are safely cooled.

Never let small children play with any kind of firecrackers, even sparklers unattended. Be safe and have fun in a responsible way!

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## Local Happenings

Dorinda Bean, of Oklahoma City, is visiting her great-grandparents, Allie and Norris Hoyt.

Bertha Knight and Ray and Gaynell Pool were in Amarillo Saturday for a doctor's visit.

While there they also attended a party hosted by Portia Thurman in honor of her sister, Lois Moyer and her husband of Houston.

Many readers may remember that Lois and Portia met for the first time 1978. Portia came to Groom in the 1950's with her parents Preston and Lottie Harden, after they adopted her at birth. She met her birth sister, Lois after 38 years, while she was living in Groom.

Portia's grandparents were Lilly Pearl and G.P. Hardin. They came to Groom in 1918. HER

grandfather was the Post Master of Groom before Jeff Gray. Portia, her father and her brother, Mike are all graduates of Groom High School.

Also attending the party were former Groom residents William and Floretta Neal of Amarillo and Sue Neal Norton.

### Groom Birthdays & Anniversaries

July 4 - Gregory Britten, Lucille Merrick, Stacy Jean Fields, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Kuehler (A).

July 5 - T.C. Sustaire. July 6 - Donnie Conrad, Jerry Lynn Thornton, Judy Miller, Nellie Painter.

July 7 - Larry Stephens, Kendall G. Weller.

July 8 - W.R. (Bill) Bohr, Barbara Fraser, Jane Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Whatley (A).

July 10 - Sue Wills, Al Alward, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Martin (A).

### WTAMU Spring Honor Roll

West Texas A&M University has named more than 1,000 students to honor lists for the spring 2002 semester. Of the total, 297 were named to the President's List and 788 students were named to the Dean's List.

Students named to the President's Lists must have a grade point average of 3.85 or better on a 4.0 scale and carry a minimum class load of 12 undergraduate hours.

Those named to the Dean's Lists must have a GPA between 3.25 and 3.85 and carry a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

Area recipients to the President's List included: Emily K. Burger, Senior Spanish major, Kimberly A. Harper, Junior Reading major, Kay L. McLaughlin, Senior Management major, April Burton, Senior Psychology major, and

Dustin Babcock, Junior Agriscience major.

Area recipients on the Dean's List included: Wyatt J. Weinheimer, Junior Marketing major.

## Groom Church Directory

Groom Church of Christ 101 Newcome  
 Delton McGuire, Minister  
 248-7271  
 Sunday Worship at 10:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.  
 Bible Class, Sunday at 9:30 a.m.  
 Bible Class, Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

### Baby Boy Welcomed To Bussard Home

Aimee and James Bussard of Dumas are pleased to announce the arrival of their new baby boy. He was born on Wednesday, June 26, 2002. He weighed 7 lbs 14 oz.

Proud grandparents are Don and Mary Sue Lyles of Groom and Diane and Lawrence Buzzard of Dumas. Great Grandparents are Dan and Pat Ashford of Groom and Eldon and Ruth Lyles of Childress.

### Baby Boy Born To Thompson Family

Paul and Darcee Thompson of Amarillo are happy to announce the birth of their brand new baby boy! Grant Hayden was born on July 1, 2002 and weighed 8 lbs. 8 oz.

Baby Grant will be welcomed home by his 8 year old big brother, Therron.

Proud grandparents are Don and Mary Sue Lyles of Groom and Roxanne and Jay Thompson of Dumas. Great Grandparents are Dan and Pat Ashford of Groom and Eldon and Ruth Lyles of Childress.

Visiting in the Robert Kuehler home over the weekend included Martha & Jerry Bromman & Anne of Vega; Ron and Alex Kuehler of Groom, Nick and Nicole Kuehler & Grace; Archie & Gladys Looten; Paul & Evelyn Detten, Susanne and Edward, and Floyd Detton all of Panhandle and Donald and Dolores Detten of Amarillo. They all helped celebrate Alice's birthday on Sunday.

Parish..... resignation necessary.

Tears flowed by many of Father Dee's supporters as they listened and asked questions of Monsignor Waldo and Father Dee.

Monsignor Waldo explained that Bishop Yanta based on the new charter said the diocese, in cooperation with a local review board is in the process of implementing the new policy on sexually abusive priests." Waldo further stated the diocese will disclose a priest departure if he is removed because of the new policy. It was said by Waldo that there was a strong possibility that there would be more priests leaving because of the new policy.

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The Al Homer Family was on hand to see him awarded the lifetime membership award. They also asked Lions and visitors to join them in celebrating Al's 90th birthday.



## Lions

agriculture, welding and other technology classes.

Georganne Hinson taught 20 of her 34 years as an educator at Groom Schools as the head of the Business Department. She taught in the Amarillo School District as well as in Arizona. She received her BA from Texas Tech University and her MBA from West Texas State University.

These teachers have made valuable contributions in the life of the children of the Groom Area. The Lion's Club was honored to

present them with this award.

Member Al Homer has been a Lion for over 40 years. He was presented with a lifetime membership for his numerous contributions to the Club and as a civic leader. Al has served the Lion's Club as an officer many times. His greatest accomplishment was his fund raising ability.

"Al holds the all time record for fund raising," stated Johnny Brumley. "Many years, Al had more sales and raised more dollars than all the other members combined."

Al Homer served the Groom Area as a

member of the Ambulance Department, helping establishing the service in 1962 and was instrumental in getting Schooler-Gordon Funeral Home to provide Groom with an ambulance for many years. He also served the city, itself, as mayor and city councilman for many years. Al spearheaded the organization of the Carson County Livestock Association Buyers Club for Groom FFA and 4-H members. Again his fundraising ability was put to good work as he raised thousands and thousands of dollars over the years to help the Groom kids with their projects.

Continuing with his lifelong service to the area, he and his wife, Agnes worked together to make 715 lap robes for residents of area nursing homes in recent years.

In addition to these many accomplishments, Al celebrated his 90th

birthday at the event by sharing cake with his fellow Lions and many family members.

Groom Lion's Club Sweetheart, Nichole Barnett was present a \$250.00 scholarship. Nichole served the club for the year 2001-2002 by representing them in various competitions. She is the daughter of

Donna Barnett of Groom and Jackie Barnett of Ft. Worth. She graduated with honors from Groom High School in May and plans to attend West Texas A & M University this fall.

New officers were installed at the annual event. The new officer include President Kevin Noack, Vice President Joe Homer, Secretary-Treasurer Curtis Downs, Tail Twister Bobby Cornett, Lion Tamer Russell Lewellen, and Membership Chair Earl Britten.

Current Lion's Club members are as follows: Bobby Babcock, David Britten, Earl Britten, Hop Britten, Jimmy Britten, Johnny Brumley, Bobby Cornett, Curtis Downs, Martin Hermesmeyer, Bill Hinson, Al Homer, Bill Homer, Joe Homer, David Kelly, Russell Lewellen, Dan Martin, Delton McGuire, Kevin Noack, Dale Stapp, and Max Wade.



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### Groom Day Theme Is Announced

The theme for this years Groom Day Celebration will be: **AMERICAN & PROUD! GROOM - 100 YEARS.**

Everyone is encouraged to be thinking of floats for the parade. The Committee is making final arrangements of several activities and will have more details next week's edition.

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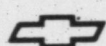
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# Groom Summer League Players Win Tournament In Pampa



Eight GHS Tigerettes are currently ending the summer league basketball season. This year the Tigerettes played in the Pampa League and will begin tournament play today with a record of 4-3. Teams and scores are as follows: June 3- Groom 33-Perryton 39; June 6-Groom 27-Pampa 36; June 10-Groom 60-McLean 14; June 13-Groom 52-White Deer 49 (OT); June 17-Groom 51-Ft. Elliott 44; June 20-Groom 49-Fritch 22; June 24-Groom 40-Booker 41. The team consist of Staci Britten, Brin Búrgin, Amanda Conrad, Lauren Crowell, Amanda Martin, Britteny Martin, Malorie Homen, and Gail Drewery. During cheerleading camp Lainie Britten and Kecia Howard played. Donald Búrgin coached the team. They played in a tournament last week at Pampa. The Ettes, lost to Booker 40-41; beat White Deer, 50-31; and beat Pampa 46-36. In the Championship game Groom won over Perryton, 43-41 with only 6 players.

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# South Fork Re-Opens After Scare

South Fork, Colorado June 23, 2002

The Famous Fun Valley Family Resort in South Fork was evacuated as a safety measure by owner and founder Mack Henson due to the nearby Million Forest Fire which was accidentally set on Wednesday June 19. This is the first time Fun Valley was ever evacuated in its 43 year history. Although the fire was some distance away and never actually headed toward the Resort, Mr. Henson decided to evacuate in the event things might change. The next day things were back to normal and business was returning. The fire is contained and other fires in Colorado are not near South Fork or the Rio Grande National Forest. "Due to the bad publicity, business is off both in the southern Colorado and in the Denver area, but here at Fun Valley, the weather is cool and the trout are biting" says Mack Henson, the 82 year old colorful and legendary Innkeeper. Henson, originally

from Abilene, who now lives in Granbury, Texas opened Fun Valley in 1959 with two cabins and a miniature golf course. Today the Huge Resort/Campground located on the South Fork of the Rio Grande River, has 27 lakes, Restaurants, Entertainment facilities, Cabins, Motel, 500 unit RV Park and has accommodations for about 3,000 guest. Most of the guest and the 100 employees are from Texas and Oklahoma.

**New Medical School Admission Program Assists Economically Disadvantaged Students**  
AUSTIN-Texas universities and medical schools have formed a new partnership to help economically disadvantaged students prepare for a medical education. Students who graduate from high school this spring and enter a Texas public or participating private university by next fall will be

the first group eligible for the Joint Admission Medical

Program, known as JAMP, which includes mentoring and other personal assistance, university scholarships, and paid summer internships. Students who fulfill all the requirements of the program will be guaranteed admission to a Texas medical school and will receive additional scholarships for that part of their education.

The program was approved and funded by the last session of the Texas Legislature to help students who are highly qualified academically but are economically disadvantaged. Students will receive a \$2,000 scholarship per semester at a university beginning in the sophomore year, as well as a \$4,000 stipend to attend summer medical school internships at the end of the freshman, sophomore, and junior years.

Each of the eight medical schools in Texas, as well as 31 public universities and many of the state's private universities, are participating. The program is administered by the Joint Admission Medical Program Council and the Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application service operated through the University of Texas System.

## Organ Donation: A Matter Of Life and Death

The Texas Department of Health (TDH) is encouraging families to talk about the facts of death so more people will live longer.

The specific topic of communication - organ donation.

According to Susan Ristine with TDH's Anatomical Gift Educational Program, the most important part of deciding to become an organ donor is to share that decision with a family member. Even if you have signed a donor card or indicated your wishes to be an organ donor on your driver license, your family will be consulted before the donation process can take place.

"During such a traumatic time, it makes it much easier on the family if they know your wishes in advance," Ristine said.

More than 80,000 people in the United States roughly equal to the population of Denton currently are waiting

for a life-saving organ transplant. And that figure is triple the number of patients on the national waiting list 10 years ago. In Texas, 5,100 are awaiting transplants.



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### Raising the Bar in Higher Education

At a chemistry building on a college campus, researchers work feverishly to continue experiments on something they have dubbed "H1" - a promising antidote to anthrax. At another university, computer analysts are trained to think like cyber-terrorists so they can protect the military's computer infrastructure. And in a third situation, doctors miles from their patient monitor his condition minute-by-minute with advanced digital technologies and diagnostic tools in a video-linked ambulance.

These are not the plots to Hollywood's summer blockbuster movies - they are real-life scenes right here in Texas, at UT-Austin, UT-San Antonio and at the Texas Medical Center through the work of Texas A&M and UT-Houston. And they are just a few of the examples of how Texas is out in front, protecting our homeland in the war on terrorism.

Branches of the federal government, from the Defense and Energy departments to the National Institutes of Health (NIH), rely on the academic world to conduct research projects on their behalf. Nearly 60 percent of all funding for academic research comes from the federal government.

Because we are the second most populous state and home to some of the world's leading research universities, a large percentage of this money should be going to Texas. But a few years ago I was shocked to discover we rated only sixth in the nation. We needed to address this disparity and build a stronger bridge between our academic institutions and the money the federal government has already allocated for research.

Working closely with our colleges and universities, I encouraged them to identify their "centers of excellence" - areas where their schools could carve out a niche. Unique research capabilities attract talented students, professors and researchers to the state. They bring money into our economy, and elevate the educational experience for undergraduate and graduate students alike.

In addition we needed to help facilitate a direct dialogue between our leading institutions and the government agencies that direct research projects. In 2000, I convened the first annual "Texas Higher Education Summit" in Washington, D.C.

This May, at the third summit, we began the event with some important news. Texas has moved up to fifth place. According to the latest figures from the RAND Corporation, our universities received \$900 million in R&D funding in 2000, an increase of more than \$100 million over 1999, when we received \$788 million and ranked sixth. The funding increase was across the board, for a spectrum of projects, putting Texas in a very strong position for the future.

To continue this upward trend, Texas universities must continue to cultivate their centers of excellence. While all of the projects listed above were started before September 11, the war on terrorism will focus federal dollars on homeland security and health care. At the summit, our universities' chancellors and presidents met with experts from the Office of Homeland Security, the Departments of Justice and Agriculture, as well as NIH. It was a give-and-take session - an opportunity for the Texas deans and the federal agency heads to discuss priorities and coordination.

As our government works on the challenge of developing a comprehensive homeland security plan, it will increasingly require research into vaccines, communications technologies and border security initiatives to safeguard our nation.

Texas research prowess continues to drive our economy in new and exciting ways; from the Silicon Hills of Austin, to the excellence in agriculture, biotechnology, and engineering in College Station, to world-famous biomedical research facilities in Galveston, Houston, San Antonio and Dallas.

My goal is for Texas to continue to showcase its research expertise, attract talented students and professors, and continue to play a leading role in our federal research projects. We have our own stars out here in Texas, and they deserve top billing.

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# Sister Of Local Woman Passes Away



**Hazel Franklin Butler**  
PAMPA - Hazel Franklin Butler, 83, died Saturday, June 29, 2002.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors, Colonial Chapel, with the Rev. Doug DuBose, retired Baptist minister, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Mrs. Butler was born on Nov. 25, 1918, in Groom. She graduated from Groom High School in 1937 and from Draughn's Business College in Oklahoma City in 1938.

While attending Draughn's, she met Everett R. Butler of Marlow, Okla. They married on May 5, 1939, and were lovingly married for 63 years. Following his service in the Navy during World War II, the couple made their home in White Deer where Mr. Butler worked at Dorchester Cargray Natural Gas Plant for 33 years before retiring to Pampa in 1982.

She worked as a teller at Security Federal Savings and Loan Association in Pampa for 18 years. She was widely known throughout the area. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Pampa.

Survivors include her husband, a daughter, Eileen Dibble of Bedford; two sons, Rickey Butler of Aurora, Colo., and Chris Butler of League City; two sisters, Virginia Vance of Oklahoma City and Cleo Nix of Groom; a brother, Orville Franklin of Pampa, seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to Baptist St. Anthony's Hospice, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79176.

It's not your blue blood, your pedigree or your college degree. It's what you do with your life that counts.

—Millard Fuller  
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## CARSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

There were 6 persons booked into the Carson County Jail during the week of June 24 through June 30, 2002. Currently there are 11 persons incarcerated in this jail and additional 12 prisoners being held in other jurisdictions. Persons listed are charged with criminal activity, but are not necessarily convicted. Have a happy independence Day, but remain alert of your surroundings.

Arrests made this week:

Melvin Foote, 34, of Sherman, Tx.; Unlawful Carry of a Weapon by a Felon.

Michael Smith, 17, of Panhandle, Tx.; Possession of Marijuana less than 2 ounces.

Christopher Bednorz, 17, of Panhandle, Tx.; Possession of Marijuana less than 2 ounces.

Billy Wilfong, 29, of Panhandle, Tx.; Illegal use of a credit card, Kansas.

Jesus Rodriguez, 35, Borger, TX; Public Intoxication.

Alton Mitchell, 61, White Deer, TX; Assault Causing Bodily Injury - Family Violence.

## Card Of Thanks

Dear Friends & Fellow Lions,  
Our sincerest thanks for the warm reception and wonderful honor you bestowed on me. I have always been proud to be a Lion and will continue to do what I can to work for our causes. I appreciate all the nice things you said about me and my wife. Thank you, also, to my family for making my 90th Birthday very special. It was good to see everyone again and be in Groom!

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