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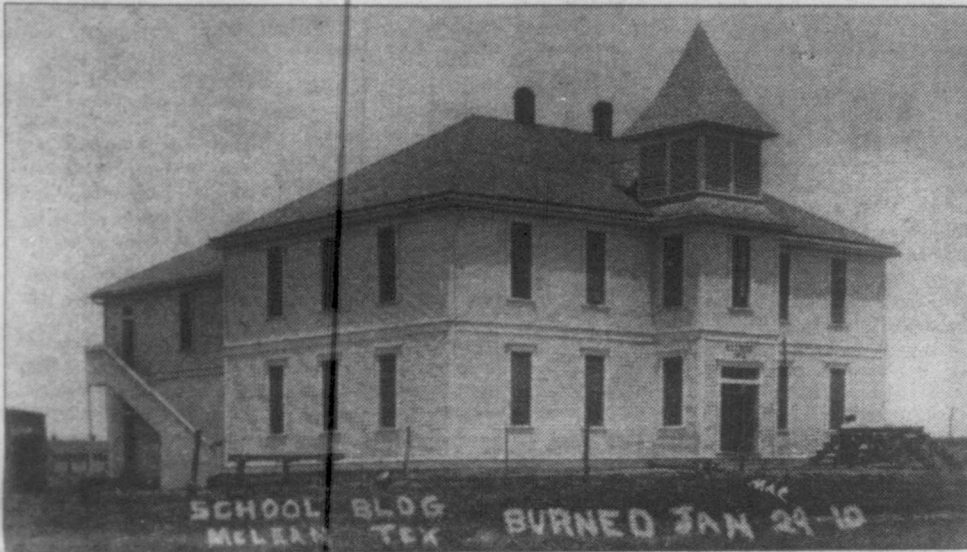


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School To Celebrate 100 Years In '03



Taken from a report prepared for the Pioneer Study Club by Mrs. Paul Kennedy and published on June 14, 1979 on the occasion of McLean's 70th anniversary.

The first school term in McLean was in 1903-04. The building used was a white one-story frame building which was also used for church services until the various denominations of the town began to organize.

This school building was in the southeast part of town. A.T. Russell was an early teacher. Gus Grambrell was one of the first teachers.

About 1906 a more modern two story frame building was erected on the site of the old grade school.

The building was not large enough to house the growing school and in 1908 or 1909, it was enlarged to twice its size. A special tax of 50 cents on \$100 had been voted for the maintenance of the school.

In 1908-09, Mr. Boyd of Commerce was principal of the six teacher school. Other teachers in the system were Mr. Loftin, Miss Hill, Mrs. John B. Vannoy, Miss Etta Payne, and Miss Willie Thompson.

Teachers in 1909 were paid \$60 per month.

Teachers in 1909 included Prof. Horton, the superintendent, Prof. Clark (history, physics and Latin), Clara Dean (English), and five grade school teachers, Mrs. Vannoy, Miss Thompson, Miss Helm, Miss McMurtry, and Mrs. Horton.

Most of these teachers boarded with "Ma" Hindman, or Mrs. Mullins.

On Saturday night, Jan. 29, 1910, men who were returning from a meeting of the Commercial Club discovered that the roof of the school was on fire. As quickly as possible an attempt was made to extinguish the fire but the inadequate facilities of the time made that impossible.

According to rumor, a student who had been punished by having to walk around the building, set fire to the structure. He was the son of a minister in McLean.

On Monday morning following the fire, the people of the town met in a mass meeting and it was decided to use the churches for school until a new building could be erected.

In May 1910, bonds were voted upon and passed 108-3 for a building to be erected for \$25,000 or less—a modern fire proof brick building with basement, two floors with four classrooms on each floor and a third floor for an auditorium with a stage.

In May 1911, the first graduating class walked across the stage of the new building.

The salutatorian was Ruby Rice, and the valedictorian was Andrew Floyd, the only McLean boy killed in action in World War I.

Other members of the class were Lucille and Orman Horton, Pearl Rice, Mary

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McLean Reminder

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

IDENTITY THEFT
Seminar hosted by the Young At Heart Senior Citizens, McLean Home Health Agency, Inc. and The Better Business Bureau of Panhandle will be held July 23, at 12:00 noon followed by a free lunch at McLean Senior Citizens Center.

THE MCLEAN
Chapter of A.A., N.A. and ALANON will meet on Tuesday night at 8:00 p.m. at the Trinity Baptist Church. Anyone from the area is welcome to attend.

THE MCLEAN
School Board will have their regular meeting on Monday, July 15 at 7:00 p.m.

DON'T FORGET!
McLean Basketball Camp, July 22-25, 8 am-12 noon. Call Andy Simpson for more information at 779-2301



These early day school girls paused for a picture. They are unknown, Gorda Collie, Susie Biggers, Minnie Foster, Miss Harbert, Beulah McClain and Ethel Harbert.

City Council To Meet With TNRCC Engineers

The City Council of McLean met in regular session Monday, July 8, 2002, in the City Hall.

The meeting was called to order by the Mayor and opened with an invocation by LaVon Watson at 6:00p.m. with the following members present: Doyle Lee, Bob Martin, LaVon Watson, and Jim McDonald. Joe Lamb and Joe Billingsley were absent.

Others present: Steve Bowlin, Toni Bohlar, Mindy Reeves, and Allen Mixon.

The minutes of the June

meetings were approved.

All motions were unanimously approved unless otherwise noted.

Landfill item-Steve Bowlin informed the council that the landfill had its inspection by the TNRCC and the inspection went well and everything is in good shape.

City Water item-the survey has been done and the results should be here sometime this week. The survey shows that there is one good area with water on the 80 acres where the other well is. The Mayor

asked if we had received the metering devices for our wells. We have received and installed one meter at one well, but we are having to wait for a hot tap to be made for the other well before the second meter can be installed and that may take a while to find out who can do it and when.

Sewer Plant item-Hibbs & Todd engineers report showed that our wastewater flow is in excess of the evaporation rate for this area and that presents a problem

since that was one of the areas that TNRCC cited us for when they inspected it. Hibbs & Todd sent TNRCC a letter stating what we have done on the other areas that they cited us for and will be doing to try to correct the problems. TNRCC called Steve and told him the letter wasn't sufficient and that the City had not shown a good faith effort in getting the problem areas corrected. Steve has sent a letter requesting a 6 month extension and also a meeting

with a TNRCC representative, our engineers and us. The meeting is set to be sometime the week of July 22nd - 26th.

A public participation meeting was held concerning the Drinking Water Quality Report that was sent out with the bills. There were no questions or comments from the public.

Mindy Reeves addressed the Council as a representative of the

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McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

July 11 - Daniel Harris, Virginia Tolleson, Jimmy Armbrister, Wendi & Jason Ketcherside (A).
July 12 - Russell Littlefield, Laura Morris, Justin Phillips.
July 13 - Joyce Haynes, Z. A. Myers, Angie Staton, Taylor Fish.
July 14 - Peri Grigsby.
July 15 - Jim Bob Adams, Donna Gail Brown, Dean Crockett.
July 16 - Tyler Cole.
July 17 - Jeanette Fish, Nikki Bockmon, Bob and Carrie Hardin (A), Tommy and Shot Cole (A).

Summer Reading Program

On July 15 at 2:30 pm the Summer Reading Program will begin with lots of fun for children of all ages. Dress up in Cowboy duds and come have your picture taken. If you have a release form signed by a parent or guardian your picture will be hung up on the library bulletin board. You can also listen to stories read or told by local residents and enjoy refreshments.

On July 29 at 2:30 pm there will be a halfway there party. There will also be more stories from the local

residents and refreshments.

On August 9 at 2:30 pm the Summer Reading Program will end. Receive your certificate of completion and when you present your certificate along with your log book to your teacher, when you go back to school, you will earn 10 AR points to start off the new school year.

There will be more stories by local residents and more refreshments.

The library will also be providing a summer program for Kindergarten and under. Parents or Guardians must

bring you to the library for story time on July 16 at 10:30 am, July 23 at 10:30 am, and July 30 at 10:30 am. The story time will last approximately 15 to 20 minutes.

So everyone come on in and get started. We will see you there.



Obituaries

Charles Frank Weaver

Charles Frank Weaver, 86, of McLean died Thursday, July 4, 2002. Services were held Monday, July 8, 2002, at the McLean Church of Christ with George Watson and Jim Reyna officiating and under the direction of Bailey Ware Funeral Home. He was laid to rest in the Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean.

Charles Frank Weaver was born January 10, 1916, in the Skillet Community, south of McLean to Alma and Charley Weaver. The family ranched and farmed in the community for many years. Charles took over the operation of the farm and ranch following the passing of his father in 1938.

Charles married schoolteacher Catherine Dotson in 1941 and they had one son. Bob and his wife, Sue currently reside in Phoenix, Arizona. Bob is a 1986 retired Air Force Officer and a 2002 retired Captain for United Airlines. Catherine died in September 1996.

After Charles retired from farming in 1956, he opened the Texaco station on the corner of Railroad and commerce street in McLean.

He retired after 20 years and then had a small engine shop in his garage. Charles

was elected to the Route 66 hall of Fame in 1994. He is a member of the Church of Christ.

Charles has two grandsons. Dave lives in Atlanta and is a pilot for AirTran Airways. Kyle works as a chef in Eureka, California and is majoring in music at Humboldt State College in nearby Arcata. Charles is also survived by one sister Sybil Cox of Lewisville, Texas.

The McLean Care Center became Charles' home in September 1999.

Charles' hobby was working in the garden and raising vegetables. He enjoyed giving a lot of the produce to the people of McLean. This was what he missed most when he moved to the McLean Care Center.

OBITUARY

Services for Thomas (Tommie) Dee Hill, 58 of Hendrix, Oklahoma were held Monday at 10:00 am at the Hendrix Baptist Church in Hendrix, Oklahoma with the Reverends Dane Hill and Tomy Fields officiating. Tommie was born on September 16, 1943 in Alanreed, Tx and passed away at his home on July 5, 2002.

He was the son of John William and Mildred Blakney Hill. He was educated in Alanreed and McLean Schools.

He was a Navy veteran and recieved a medical discharge in 1963. He was married to Lana McDonald on June 20, 1980 in Las Vegas, Nev. Upon completing his education he lived in Dallas for 20 years and was in construction work. He lived in Florida for 10 years before moving to Hendrix Oklahoma in 1994 and worked as a forklift operator for Alcoa in Denison for 8 years. Tommie was an avid gardener and was of the Baptist faith.

He is survived by his wife, Lana Hill of the home in Hendrix; sons and daughter in laws, Randy and Janet Rencher of Denison, TX and Rick and Jennifer Rencher of Cartwright, Ok; grandchildren Amber Copley of Colbert, Ok, Raven Rencher of Denison, Tx, Ricky Bradley and Makayla Rencher of Cariwright, Ok; his mother, Mildred Hill of Bentonville, AR;

his brother and sister in law Murrell and Doris Hill of Bentonville, Ark. his sister and brother in law Susan and Michael Thomas of Myrtle Beach, S.C. and a very special mother in law, Agnes Wester of Hendrix.

Tommie was preceded in death by his father, John William (Bud) Hill and Father in law, Clarence McDonald.

Burial was in the Rosewood Cemetery in Achille, Okla.

Myrtle May Holloway

Myrtle May Holloway, 92, of McLean, died Thursday, July 4 in Amarillo, Texas. Services were held Sunday, July 7, at the First Baptist Church of McLean with Pastor Larry Perkins of Trinity Baptist church of McLean officiating under the direction of the Ware-Bailey Funeral Home. Mrs. Holloway was laid to rest at the Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean.

Mrs. Holloway was born to James Wesley Trout and Minnie Effie Jordan Trout at Buffalo Springs, Texas on June 7, 1910. She had lived in the area all her life and was a long time resident of McLean. She married P.O. Holloway August 8, 1946, in McLean where they lived and

raised their family. She was a homemaker and loved being with family and friends.

Mrs. Holloway is survived by 5 daughters: Allan and Fay Crutcher, Buddy and Effie Payne, Roy and Mary Richardson, Jimmy and Marie Adams, and Jackie Donovan. Five sons: Cecil R. and Martha Cooper, Jessie and Joy Cooper, James and Pam Holloway, Mill Holloway, Jim Holloway. And a Son-in-law, Tony Acuna, husband of the late Debbie Acuna who preceded her mother in death. Numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, great, great, great, great grandchildren. She is also survived by 8 sisters and 2 brothers.

A successful marriage is one in which you fall in love many times, always with the same person.
 -Mignon McLaughlin

City

Centennial Committee and explained that along with the \$2000.00 that the City had given towards the centennial, they had also received \$100.00 from the Pampa Centennial Committee. The total cost of the centennial celebration was \$1651.15 so Mindy refunded to the City the amount of \$448.85. The council thanked Mindy and the Centennial Celebration Committee for all of their hard work and time put forth on the celebration and that everything had gone very well.

Planning Grant-Steve informed the council that there was grant money available to do studies on several areas that would benefit the City, such as wastewater study collection & treatment, gas or electric studies, water study distribution and supply, etc. The City would have to match 5% of the funds received and the City would have to be 51% low to moderate income

to be eligible. The council asked Steve to pursue the grant.

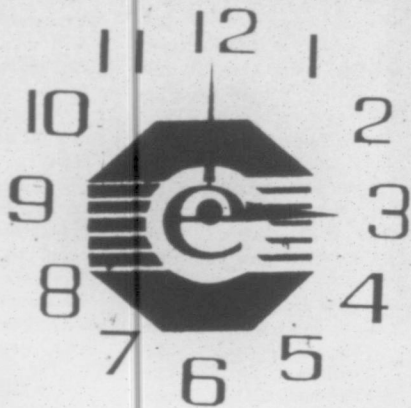
The Mayor read a letter of resignation from Joe Billingsley. The letter stated that he was resigning due to the fact that he had moved to Elk City, Oklahoma. The council accepted his resignation with regrets.

Motion by Jim McDonald, second by LaVon Watson to pay all bills excluding the Fire Dept. bills. Doyle Lee abstained. Motion passed.

Motion by LaVon Watson, second by LaVon Watson to pay the Fire Dept. bills. Doyle Lee and Jim McDonald abstained. Motion passed.

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 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.
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 2 Home Bible Studies

First Baptist Church 206 E. 1st
 Brian Quisenberry, Pastor 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
 Interim Pastor John Denton 779-3207
 Sunday School 9:45 am Worship 11 am
 Sunday Evening Worship 7 pm
 Bible Study & Prayer Meeting Wed 7 pm

Cowboy Church at Red River Steakhouse
 Cowboy Preacher - Kitchell Collins
 779-2456 or 779-2965
 Sunday Evening Worship - 7:00 p.m.
 Children's Church, Sunday - 7:00 p.m.

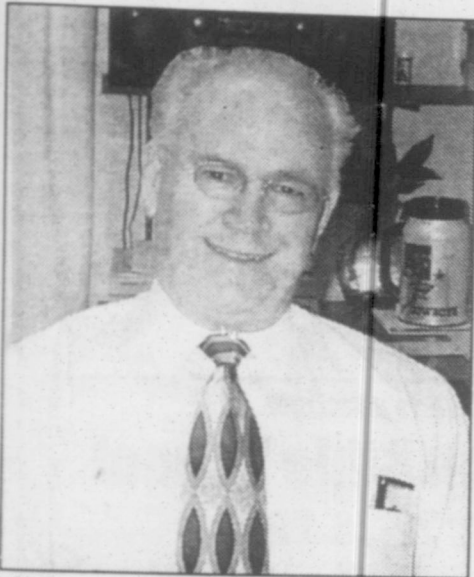
School

Grundy, Bethel Christian, and Ruby Cook

Later superintendents were W.E. O'Neill (1911-1913), J.M. Durrett (1913-1914), Mr. Potts (1914-1915), Mr. Comstock (1916-1917), Frank Wilson (1917-1919), Mr. Teague (1919-1920), W.A. Cain, (1920-1923), T.A. Taggart (1923-1924), D.E. Deen (1924-1926), George Tummius (1926-1930), C.C. Boswell (1930-

1933), C.A. Croyer (1933-1942), Carl Chaudoin (1942-1944), E.A. Kimmins (1944-1947), Logan Cummings (1947-1952), Paul Kennedy (1952-1954), Freemon Melton (1954-1961), Lee Welch (1961-1965), Jack R. Riley (1964-1970), Sam Gayton, Homer Jefferson, and Carl Dwyer.

The current grade school was built in 1953, and the high school was built in 1928.



Johnston New At Center

The McLean Care Center has had a new addition to their family recently. Billy Ray Johnston became the administrator of the Center on June 1.

He comes to McLean from the Borger Healthcare Center where he served as administrator for 3 years. Johnston has been in the health care business a long time

where he worked with the Donley County Hospital District for 10 years. He moved on to Park Place Towers in Amarillo. In the many years that followed he has successfully worked in Borger, Memphis and Booker.

Mr. Johnston lives in

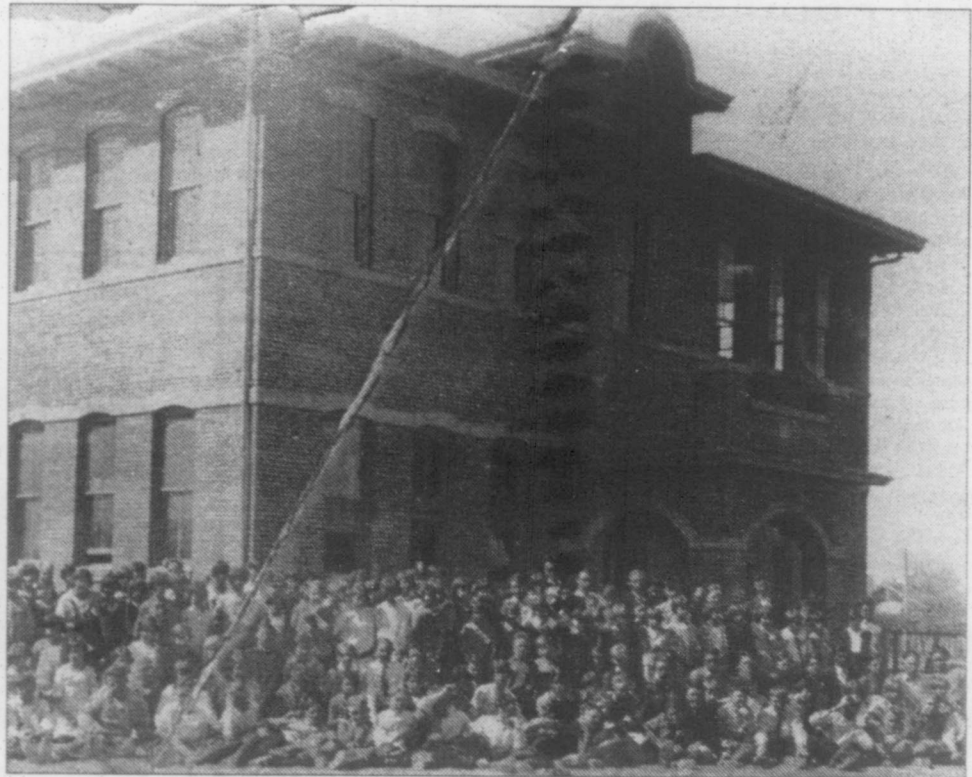
Clarendon with his wife Janice and the 3 married children and 6 granddaughters.

"I am very pleased to be a part of the McLean Care Center," he said. "The Center has always had a very good reputation in the health care industry. The Staff here has been wonderful to work with and they are doing an excellent job!"

Johnston added that he does not plan any big changes for the Center.

"My policy has always been...if it ain't broke...don't fix it!"

He welcomes visitors to come and see the wonderful facilities at the McLean Care Center and to get acquainted.



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The Family of Charles Weaver

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931 People Visit

June we had a total of 931 visitors from 44 states and 14 foreign countries. We had two bus tours from The United Kingdom. Also had one tour from Oklahoma City going home from seeing "Texas" and attractions in Amarillo. The last tour guide called as the bus left I-40 east of town. Duwain graciously came back to work without having lunch.

We look forward to more tours but hope we have a little bit more notice.

On June 3 a couple from John Hopkins University came to do research in our library on Route 66.

We had several motorcycles on June 11. They were doing a motorcycle road rally.

Adding to our attendance in June were the Old Timers and Marie Foundation former employees. They registered,

had lunch and a lot of visiting. We found a credit card June 19. The owner called back the next day and claimed it. He sent Duwain a nice "Thank you" note and a list of movies to choose from since the man works in the TV Movie business.

Sara and Jennifer Myers added to our staff during the month of June. We appreciated having them come in and help when needed.

We changed our hours in June to Monday through Saturday from 9 till 5 in hopes of doing more business. We were open Sunday afternoons. At this time we are waiting to decide what the July hours will be. For sure, we will be open Tuesday through Saturday from ten till four, depending on traffic.

Identity Theft Seminar To Be Held In McLean For Seniors

An Identity Theft Seminar is being hosted by the Young At Heart Senior Center in McLean Home Health

Texas Is Clicking it!

AUSTIN - Texans seem to be getting the "Click It or Ticket" message.

For the first time since Texas' safety belt law went on the books in 1985, seat belt use in the state's urban areas has topped 85 percent, the Texas Department of Transportation announced today.

The traffic survey results showing that more Texans are buckling up came less than a month after TxDOT, the Texas Department of Public Safety, and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration launched the state's largest ever public education campaign and seat belt enforcement crackdown.

For a two-week period, from May 20 to June 2, an unprecedented barrage of TV and radio commercials, billboards and movie theater slides warned Texans to buckle up or face hefty fines. Thousands of extra law enforcement officers patrolled Texas streets and highways to locate and ticket seat belt violators.

"Our efforts paid off, and we're delighted that so many more Texans got the message to buckle up," said Sue Bryant, TxDOT traffic safety director. "In cities with heavy 'Click It or Ticket' advertising and stepped up law enforcement, we saw significant increases in the number of drivers and passengers using their safety belts."

Agency, Inc. and the Better Business Bureau of the Texas Panhandle on July 23, 2002 at noon at the McLean Senior Citizens Center, 112 Main Street. Admission is free.

Last year, over 500,000 people were victims of identity theft and lost over \$20 billion dollars. A panel of

representatives from the FBI, Postmaster-US Postal Service Amarillo, and the Better Business Bureau will be speaking on topics such as, "How Do They Get My Name?" "How Can I Stop Getting All Those Credit Card Offers?" "Should I Really Be Shredding Mail

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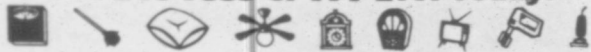
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For Carson County Justice of the Peace Precinct 1
Bill Hinson

For Carson County Treasurer
Jeannie Cunningham

For Carson County Clerk & District Clerk
Celeste Bichsel

REPUBLICAN
For Carson County Judge
Lewis Powers

For Gray County Clerk
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We Saw...

Lots of people out checking their rain gage, not believing that we got nearly 2 inches in a 24 hour period.

Several Groom area residents celebrating the 4th by shooting off firecrackers.

Paul McLaughlin and Nick Ashford admiring their new boat.

Alta Cockrell staying very busy at the Stop N Shop.

Louis Ruthardt headed out to do some errands.

Ada Lou Durham mowing her lawn. It sure grows fast after the recent rains.

Flags flying grandly all over town thanks to the Groom Lions.

Community Calendar

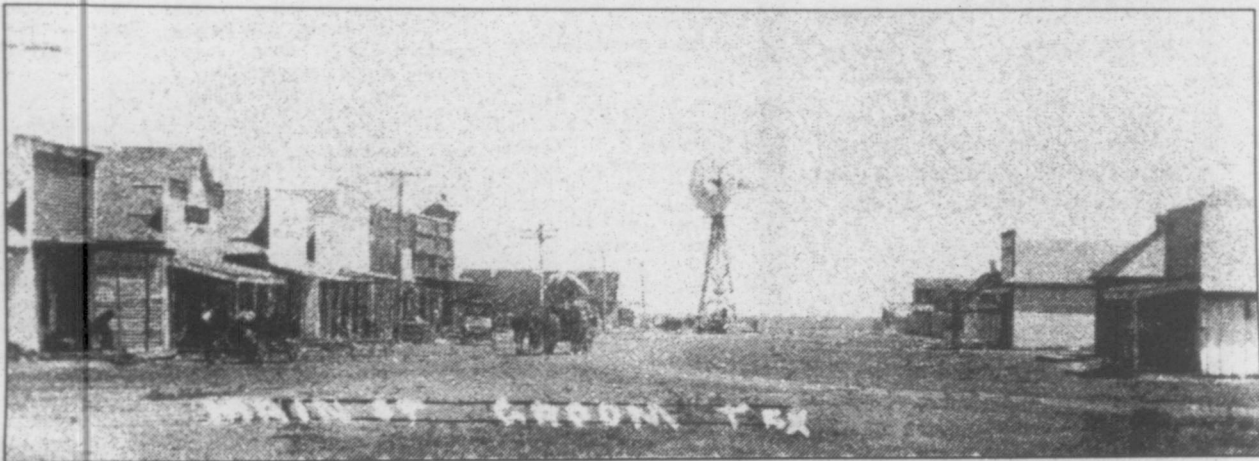
WANTED! Any info on a Downtown Bible Study Class that was held in the late 40's conducted by Clyde Cruise in a building near the Old Theater. Please contact Virginia Jones at 248-7045 with anything you know about this group.

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

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Groom Gears Up For Centennial Party



The earliest picture of Groom's main thoroughfare The News has been able to find is this 1910 photo. It depicts a very wide main street that was later rightly named Broadway.

The Groom Day Committee is gearing up for the city's 100th year

anniversary. This years celebration will prove to be a real Texas sized birthday party for those who attend.

Groom was born in 1902 in the far southeastern corner of Carson County just three miles from where the counties of Carson, Donley, Armstrong and Gray Counties meet. The City was founded by W.S. Wilkerson, a local landowner, when the Rock Island Railroad built westward. Colonel B. Groom had been the land agent for the Franklyn Land and Cattle Company in the 1880's

when the land was first survey for sale. Col. Groom's influence in the farming industry made him a logical choice when it came time to name the city who, 100 years later, would still be a major farming and ranching concern in the Texas Panhandle.

Groom, is a town determined to survive. To this writers knowledge, the township has burned at least 3 times. It has survived the rise and fall of the railway and Route 66 as well as other local business interests. Groom pride's itself on an exemplary school and a progressive

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Groom City Wide Garage Sale Slated For July 20th

Remember all that "stuff" you packed up when you were spring cleaning that is taking up space in your garage, attic or basement? Well, it is time to get rid of it with Groom's Annual City Wide Garage Sale.

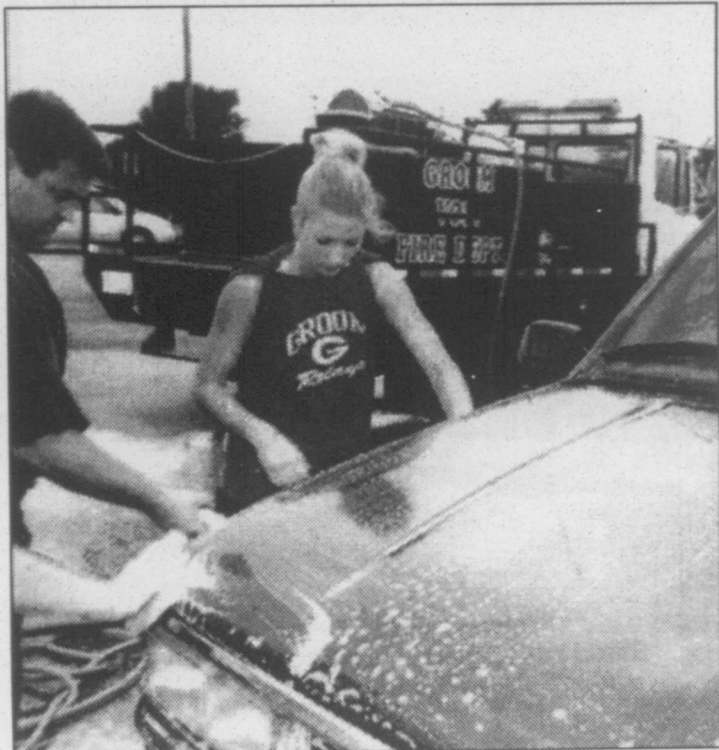
Mayor Joe Homer officially announced that July 20th was officially declared City Wide Garage Sale Day.

"We encourage everyone who has items to get rid of to recycle them by having a garage sale," he said.

Press releases will be placed in area papers and The Groom News will be offering a discount on Garage Sale classified ad.

"Anyone who has a garage sale on July 20 in Groom, may place a

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DQ CAR WASH CLEANS UP!

The Children's Miracle Network is about \$450 richer after the Groom Dairy Queen sponsors a car wash last weekend. "We are so appreciative of everyone that helped us support this wonderful cause," stated Dairy Queen Manager Betty Treadwell. Members of the Groom Fire and Ambulance Service as well as Dairy Queen Employees did the work. The Children's Miracle network helps meet expenses for premature babies and and other ailments of newborns.

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Local Happenings



It's A Boy

Cody Conrad is proud to announce the birth of his baby brother, Caden Thomas Conrad. Caden was born Thursday, June 27, at 12:21 p.m. He weighed 7 lbs 6 oz and was 19 1/2 inches long. Proud parents are Mike and Jennifer Conrad of Amarillo. Grandparents are Donnie and Marcia Conrad and Mike Becky Thomas. Great grandparents are Louise Conrad, the late Page Blackwell, D.R. & Rita Young and Tom and Johnnie Daugherty.

 For a really healthy development of all the arts, you need an educated audience as well as performers.
 —Eleanor Roosevelt

Al Alward was the honored with a party in his home last week to celebrate his 71st birthday. Attending were Allie and Norris Hoyt of Groom; Melody, Lauren, Kaytlynn, and Britian Simpson of Amarillo; April Burton of Canyon; Dorinda Bean of Moore, Oklahoma and Jim and Donna Burton of Groom.

Card Of Thanks

My sincerest thanks to the Claude Ambulance Service for their quick response and their wonderful care. Your fast action and speed in getting me to the hospital saved my life according to my doctor. I appreciate every thing you did for my benefit. Also, thanks to the Groom Ambulance Service for everything they have done over the last few years. Thanks again, R.A. (Rip) Snyder

Relay For Life Planned In Panhandle

The organizers of the Carson County "Relay for Life" held a meeting July 1. The "Relay For Life" will be held in Panhandle Aug. 9th & 10th from 7 pm to 1 am. at the Panther Stadium. A few teams have signed up, but more are needed to make this 2nd annual event a huge success. There is still time to organize a team or be on a committee. The next meeting will be Monday, July 22nd at 7:00 p.m. at the First Christian Church in Panhandle. Kathleen Barkley of Groom will be contacting survivors and their families for a Groom Area Meeting to organize Groom's own teams. If you have questions or would like to help call her at 248-7070.

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.
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 Bible Class, Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Card Of Thanks

Our sincerest thanks to the Groom Fire Department, the Groom Ambulance Department and all the volunteers who made our fund raiser for The Children's Miracle Network a big success. We also thank the community for their support of this worthy cause. All The Staff of the Groom Dairy Queen

Groom Birthdays & Anniversaries

- July 11 - Mark Bivens, Mr. and Mrs. Gregory G. Britten (A),
- July 12 - Pat Ashford, James Huckert.
- July 13 - Valerie McGuire, Brody Brown, Paula Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Keith Barkley (A).
- July 14 - Mrs. Roselle Collingsworth, Karen Conrad, Nicholas William Bohr.
- July 15 - Billy Keith Fields, David Bruso.
- July 16 - Cassandra Ashford, Bettye West, Michael Brett Friemel.

It's A Boy

Jaicie Cave along with her parents, Heath and Angie of Canyon, would like to announce the birth of her new brother, Britt Brinson Cave. Britt was welcomed into the family on July 1, 2002 at 2:50 p.m. He weighed 8 lbs, 6 1/2 oz. and was 20 inches long. Proud grandparents are Dewey and Peggy Cave of Tijeras, NM and John and Renae Brinson of Paducah, TX.

Celebration

infrastructure thanks to forward thinking school and city officials. The celebration, scheduled for Aug 2nd, 3rd, & 4th will include fireworks, a parade and barbecue. A Texas sized birthday cake is planned to top off the celebration. Other activities will be announced in this paper at a later date. Anyone interested in helping out the committee should contact Karen Brown, Donna Barnett or Johnny Brooks for more information.

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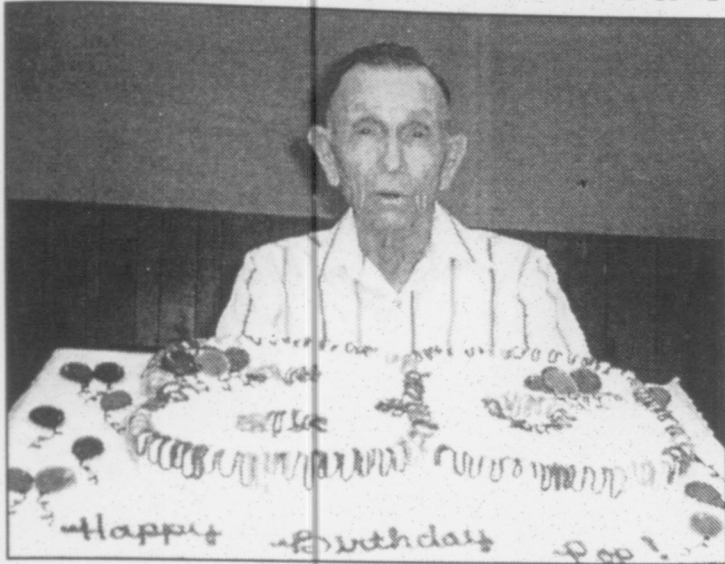
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Kenneth Black Honored With Party

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Kenneth Black reaches the Big "8-0" in more ways than one and has the birthday cake to prove it!



Kenneth's family was on hand to help celebrate. This picture is proof that the "good-looking" gene didn't stop with Kenneth. Seems like he passed it on to the next generation or two.

Family and friends of Kenneth Black helped him celebrate his upcoming 80th birthday last weekend.

Attending a cookout at his house on Friday night were Betty, Kenneth's sisters, Sybil Brown and Maxine Quick, Sybil's granddaughter, Roxene, and her son, Blain; Kenneth's brother, Chubby Black, Kenneth's daughter, Doyla Bell, her daughter and son-in-law Kenja and Kenny, and granddaughter Indy. Kenneth's daughter, Connie and her daughters, Rebel and Schuyler, and son, Stormy, with his wife, Tracy and their children Louis and Haley; Kenneth's son, Keith and his sons Byron and Aaron and Aaron's wife, Rachel; Kenneth's son, Kyle and his wife, Veretta, and their children, Kit and Maile; Kenneth's son, Kris, and his



Betty had just as much fun as Kenneth visiting with friends and family!

wife, Gay, and their daughter, Phylli.

On Saturday afternoon they were joined by approximately 60 friends and neighbors at the Community Center for cake, punch and a real good time.

Politics is very much like taxes—everybody is against them, or everybody is for them as long as they don't apply to him.

—Fiorello Henry La Guardia

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...City Wide Sale Saturday, July 20

only \$3.00 paid in advance," stated Publisher Phil Miller. "We want encourage everyone to who would like to have a garage sale to do it on this weekend to entice shoppers from other towns to attend."

A list of the garage sales will be made available at Groom Grocery for visitors to pick up. The deadline to be on the list will be at noon on July 16.

Some helpful tips to having a successful garage sale are as follows:

Have a clear path for traffic flow. Place items which shoppers will need to stop and study, like clothing out of the way of the general flow of traffic.

Have items clearly marked for price or group items of the same price on tables together and again have prices clearly readable.

Be prepared to make change. Have an abundance of 1's and 5's, along with plenty of change. Be sure to count your money ahead of time to know just how much you started with.

Decide how you will handle checks. If you have big items like furniture or appliances,

minimum classified for you will most likely be asked to take a check. Decide in advance how much information you will need to ask for if you plan to take a check.

Have a plan for taking the money and making change. Have a separate table for checking out and keep a list of transactions. A calculator is also handy to have around.

Don't have enough stuff for a sale but want to get rid of some things sitting around your home? Ask a neighbor or friend about having a sale together or just placing a few things in their sale. Remember the bigger the better!

Don't leave items that you would consider expensive where you cannot keep your eyes on them. Small items such

as jewelry should be kept near your check out area.

If you really want to get rid of items, mark them down if they don't create some interest by noon.

Let shoppers know if you will entertain offers or barter for a lower price. A sign saying "Make me an offer!" can mean the difference between packing up a bunch of stuff for storage...again, or getting rid of it!

Decide in advance if you will allow early birds and what your start and stop time will be.

Have a contingency plan for the weather. Rain or extremely hot temperatures may or may not keep shoppers away, but it can definitely have an effect on how you set up your garage sale.

Remember above all else to have fun!

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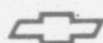
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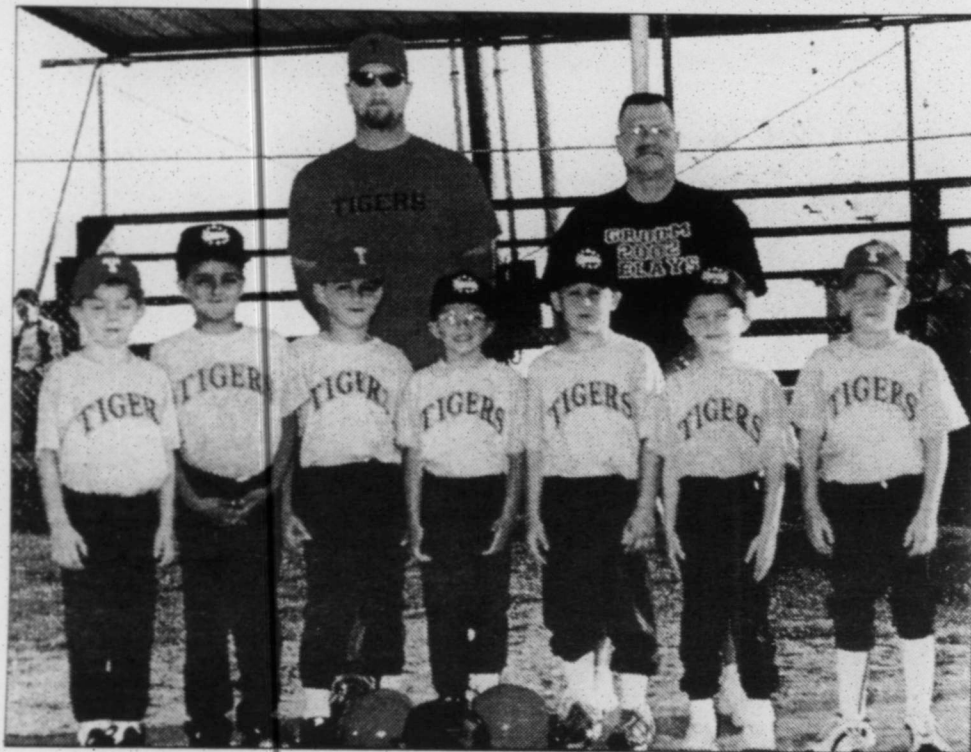
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County Court Approves Slate Of Election Judges

The Carson County Commissioners Court met on July 8th in the regular meeting. Present were Lewis Powers, Judge and Mike Britten, Kenneth Ware, Jerry Stawn, and Kevin Howell, commissioners.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. All claims were approved for payment.

Commissioner Ware was given permission to advertise for a full-time road hand for Precinct #2.

County Clerk Sonya Shieldknight presented the court with a slate of election judges and alternates for the following term. The are as follows:

- Pr 101 - Terri Rose and Nila Burgin
- Pr 102 - Ruth Giggy and Betty Kotara
- Pr 103 - Norman Dowlen
- Pr 201 - Brad Fields and Joyce Hoffman
- Pr 202 - Frank Wink and May Ann Exnicious
- Pr 301 - Jeri Osborne and Jacob G. Watson
- Pr 302 - Thelma Dugan and Betty Jones
- Pr 401 - Brandie Hefner and Linda Kalka
- Pr 403 - Debra Epperson and Walt Barnett

Early Voting - Eugene Schoenhals and Gracie Langehenning.

The court set the fee for road and bridge fees attached to auto registrations at \$5.00.

Sheriff Robertson petitioned to have a camera placed in the courthouse elevator. Robertson informed the court that a recent on-site inspection by the state revealed that the elevator was not in compliance with state

standards with reference to communication capability. He asked that the \$1267.99 be appropriated from courthouse security funds to acquire the equipment. Judge Powers made the motion to allow the purchase and it was approved.

Judge Powers addressed the court with health insurance concerns from First Care. The insurance company discussed the possibility of terminating policies on people who are no longer employed with the county and who are currently paying for the policy from their own funds. The insurance is offered for a normal time of 18 months following termination and no longer than 36 months, according to the COBRA law. Powers stated that the county will notify policy holders of upcoming cancellations. This does not pertain to retirees.

Due to a recent merger of Valero and Ultramar-Diamond Shamrock Companies, a request was presented to acknowledge the name change to clarify the records pertaining to pipelines of these entities. The name change was recognized. The court gave permission to Conesco Insurance Company to present supplemental health coverage to county employees. Judge Powers make the motion to allow the company to offer the benefits when the county reaches renewal dates in September. County Auditor Jacqueline West presented that office's report for the month of May. Court was adjourned until July 22.

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December 23

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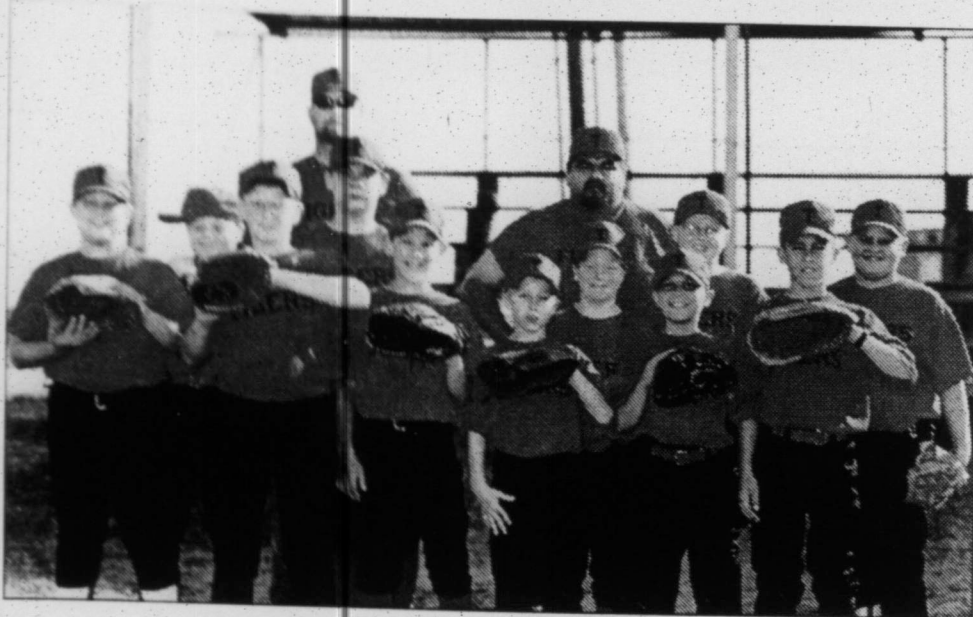
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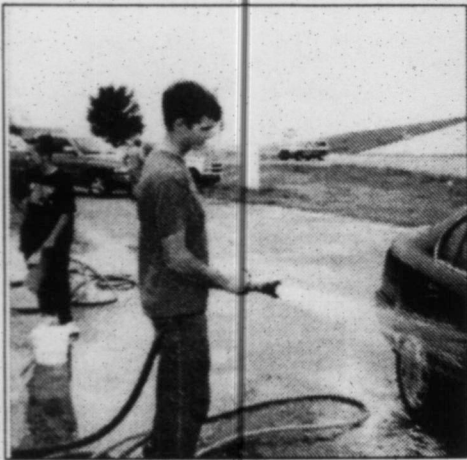
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Everyone pitched in to raise money for The Children's Miracle Network, pictured are Bobby Ratteree, Tony Treadwell, and Staci Britten. Good work! It's for a great cause!



School Board Meets Tonight

The Groom ISD Board of Trustees will meet for the regular July meeting tonight, Thursday, July 11.

Among the items on the agenda are: Discussion and Action on Student Handbooks, Student Code of Conduct, Teacher Handbook and Acceptable Use Policies; Approve budget for Carson County Appraisal District; and consider new teacher contacts, resignations, assignments and reassignments.

Carson County Sheriff's Report

There were 7 persons booked into the Carson County Jail during the week of July 1-7, 2002. Currently there are 14 persons incarcerated in this jail with additional 12 prisoners being held in other jurisdictions. Person listed are charged with criminal activity, but are not necessarily convicted.

Arrests made this week:

Thomas Atutis, 38, of Eules, TX, Possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces.

David Britton, 34, Lubbock, TX, Driving While Intoxicated 1st offense.

Mary Owens, 35, White Deer, Criminal Trespass.

Joshua Stover, 21, Ft. Worth, TX, Probation Revocation for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

Jerry Ingram, 19, Borger, TX, driven under the influence - Minor and Driving while license Suspended.

Ronald Schwope, 34, Pampa, TX, Public Intoxication and Making

Alcohol Available to Minors.

William Obrecht, 43, Panhandle, TX, Failure to maintain financial responsibility.

Protect Yourself Against Identity Theft

It's becoming all too common. Your neighbors are suddenly getting bills from places they have never been. Your relatives are denied credit or quit receiving their monthly credit card or bank statements. Collection agencies begin trying to collect debts that do not belong to you.

It's called identity theft and it is fast becoming one of the most prevalent and costly financial crimes in the country, affecting as many as 750,000 new victims each year and costing consumers, merchants and financial institutions billions of dollars.

Carelessness while doing business over the Internet can mean that your Social Security numbers, credit card or PIN numbers can be "borrowed" and used to establish credit for others using your identity to run up big bills or set up phony bank accounts that can ruin your good name and credit.

But, the Internet isn't the only place to exercise caution. Some thieves steal these vital numbers from your mailbox or by lurking over your shoulder while you use your ATM.

The Independent Bankers Association of Texas (IBAT) is working with its 40,000 banker members across the state to stop this menace. But, they need your help.

IBAT and its members ask that you take the following

steps to protect yourself against Identity Theft:

- Never carry your Social Security number in your wallet or print it on your checks.
- Check your credit card statements carefully each month and immediately report unauthorized purchases.
- Shred all credit card receipts and solicitations, canceled checks and financial documents before throwing them away.
- Never provide any personal, bank account or credit card information to anyone who contacts you through a telephone solicitation. Insist that they mail you information.
- Never write down PIN numbers and passwords—memorize them and do not use any part of your Social Security number, mother's maiden name, your birth date or address.
- Never leave your purse or wallet in the car, even if they are hidden.

Identity Theft continues to grow. Join in the IBAT campaign to curb this menace by taking personal responsibility to secure your own privacy.

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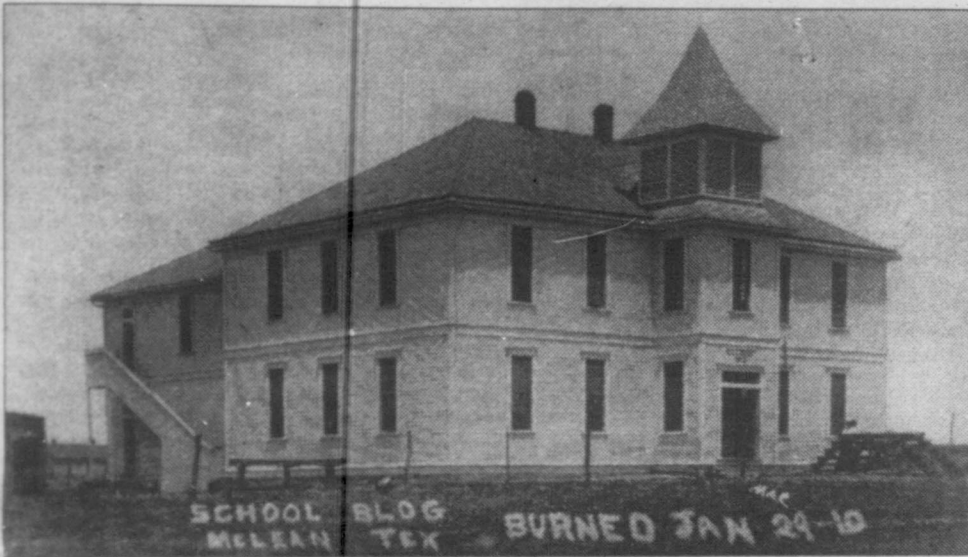


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School To Celebrate 100 Years In '03



Taken from a report prepared for the Pioneer Study Club by Mrs. Paul Kennedy and published on June 14, 1979 on the occasion of McLean's 70th anniversary.

The first school term in McLean was in 1903-04. The building used was a white one-story frame building which was also used for church services until the various denominations of the town began to organize.

This school building was in the southeast part of town. A.T. Russell was an early teacher. Gus Grambrell was one of the first teachers.

About 1906 a more modern two story frame building was erected on the site of the old grade school.

The building was not large enough to house the growing school and in 1908 or 1909, it was enlarged to twice its size. A special tax of 50 cents on \$100 had been voted for the maintenance of the school.

In 1908-09, Mr. Boyd of Commerce was principal of the six teacher school. Other teachers in the system were Mr. Loftin, Miss Hill, Mrs. John B. Vannoy, Miss Etta Payne, and Miss Willie Thompson.

Teachers in 1909 were paid \$60 per month.

Teachers in 1909 included Prof. Horton, the superintendent, Prof. Clark (history, physics and Latin), Clara Dean (English), and five grade school teachers, Mrs. Vannoy, Miss Thompson, Miss Helm, Miss McMurtry, and Mrs. Horton.

Most of these teachers boarded with "Ma" Hindman, or Mrs. Mullins.

On Saturday night, Jan. 29, 1910, men who were returning from a meeting of the Commercial Club discovered that the roof of the school was on fire. As quickly as possible an attempt was made to extinguish the fire but the inadequate facilities of the time made that impossible.

According to rumor, a student who had been punished by having to walk around the building, set fire to the structure. He was the son of a minister in McLean.

On Monday morning following the fire, the people of the town met in a mass meeting and it was decided to use the churches for school until a new building could be erected.

In May 1910, bonds were voted upon and passed 108-3 for a building to be erected for \$25,000 or less—a modern fire proof brick building with basement, two floors with four classrooms on each floor and a third floor for an auditorium with a stage.

In May 1911, the first graduating class walked across the stage of the new building.

The salutatorian was Ruby Rice, and the valedictorian was Andrew Floyd, the only McLean boy killed in action in World War I.

Other members of the class were Lucille and Orman Horton, Pearl Rice, Mary

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McLean Reminder

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

IDENTITY THEFT
Seminar hosted by the Young At Heart Senior Citizens, McLean Home Health Agency, Inc. and The Better Business Bureau of Panhandle will be held July 23, at 12:00 noon followed by a free lunch at McLean Senior Citizens Center.

THE MCLEAN
Chapter of A.A., N.A. and ALANON will meet on Tuesday night at 8:00 p.m. at the Trinity Baptist Church. Anyone from the area is welcome to attend.

THE MCLEAN
School Board will have their regular meeting on Monday, July 15 at 7:00 p.m.

DONT FORGET!
McLean Basketball Camp, July 22-25, 8 am-12 noon. Call Andy Simpson for more information at 779-2301.



These early day school girls paused for a picture. They are unknown, Gorda Collie, Susie Biggers, Minnie Foster, Miss Harbert, Beulah McClain and Ethel Harbert.

City Council To Meet With TNRCC Engineers

The City Council of McLean met in regular session Monday, July 8, 2002, in the City Hall.

The meeting was called to order by the Mayor and opened with an invocation by LaVon Watson at 6:00p.m. with the following members present: Doyle Lee, Bob Martin, LaVon Watson, and Jim McDonald. Joe Lamb and Joe Billingsley were absent.

Others present: Steve Bowlin, Toni Bohlar, Mindy Reeves, and Allen Mixon.

The minutes of the June

meetings were approved.

All motions were unanimously approved unless otherwise noted.

Landfill item-Steve Bowlin informed the council that the landfill had its inspection by the TNRCC and the inspection went well and everything is in good shape.

City Water item-the survey has been done and the results should be here sometime this week. The survey shows that there is one good area with water on the 80 acres where the other well is. The Mayor

asked if we had received the metering devices for our wells. We have received and installed one meter at one well, but we are having to wait for a hot tap to be made for the other well before the second meter can be installed and that may take a while to find out who can do it and when.

Sewer Plant item-Hibbs & Todd engineers report showed that our wastewater flow is in excess of the evaporation rate for this area and that presents a problem

since that was one of the areas that TNRCC cited us for when they inspected it. Hibbs & Todd sent TNRCC a letter stating what we have done on the other areas that they cited us for and will be doing to try to correct the problems. TNRCC called Steve and told him the letter wasn't sufficient and that the City had not shown a good faith effort in getting the problem areas corrected. Steve has sent a letter requesting a 6 month extension and also a meeting

with a TNRCC representative, our engineers and us. The meeting is set to be sometime the week of July 22nd - 26th.

A public participation meeting was held concerning the Drinking Water Quality Report that was sent out with the bills. There were no questions or comments from the public.

Mindy Reeves addressed the Council as a representative of the

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Rest Area Making Progress

It is hard to miss the massive structure being built on westbound I-40 near McLean. Also, impressive is the I-40 eastbound site. Sometimes derided by locals as "million-dollar toilets," these rest areas will offer picnic shelters and a place for weary travelers to stop and relax. They will also have playgrounds for car-weary children.

Crews of fifty to seventy-five workers are on site each day. This crew includes concrete workers, tile installers, painters, landscapers, glass installers and many other specialties. Project Manager, Clint Henson, says that the whole project has progressed very smoothly. The General Contractor for this enormous undertaking is Duinick Brothers.

The new eastbound safety rest area is sited on the original roadbed of old Route 66, and the design is a symbolic celebration of the world famous "Route 66." The art deco style of the main buildings pays homage to the motels and service stations that sprang up along Route 66. The main building is a 6,845 square foot building that houses two women's and two men's restrooms in wing structures on each side of the entrance lobby with display areas, a security desk, a state patrol

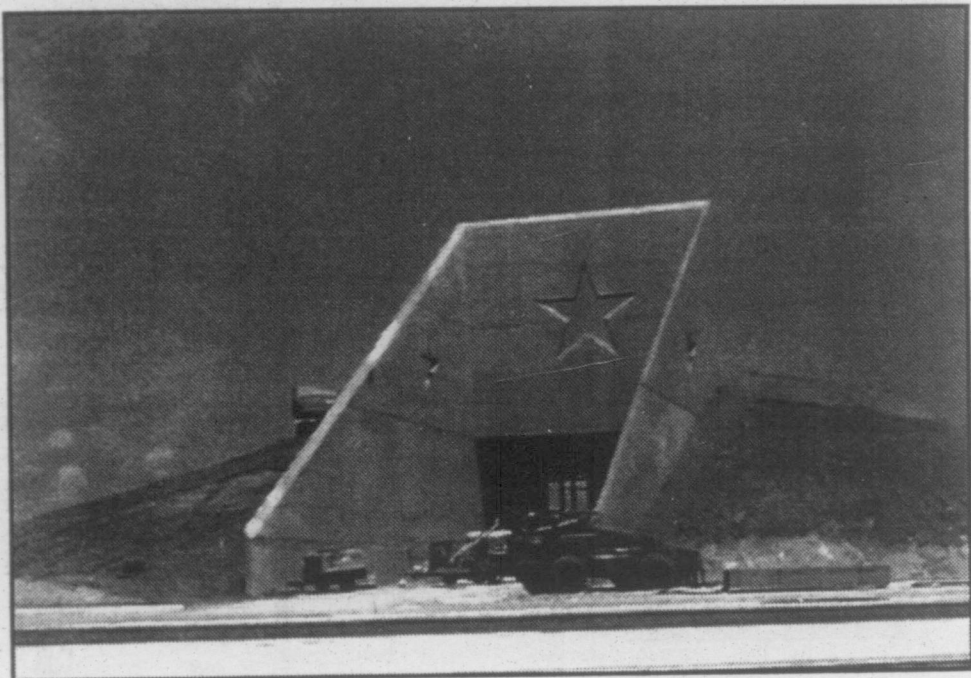
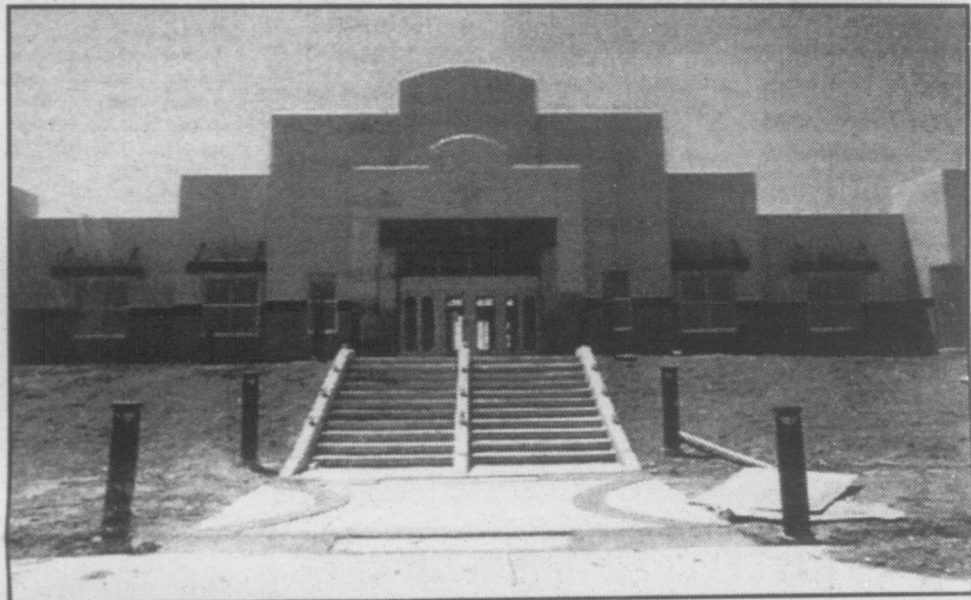
office, an assisted restroom, a vending area, public telephones, and two tornado shelters providing amenities to the traveling public.

The Route 66 theme is carried throughout the site with six picnic arbors and one large multi-group arbor, which are inspired by regional art deco service stations. Located amid one cluster of single-group arbors is a unique playground.

The site provides parking for 52 trucks and 42 passenger vehicles, including 2 accessible spaces.

The lush landscaping and site amenities feature plants that do well in our area. The sidewalks either resemble highways or have Art Deco patterns. The site also includes a Route 66 themed plaza with map of Route 66 and signage describing the history of Route 66. Play structures include playground equipment and soft surfaced climbing structures mimicking buildings and Cadillac Ranch. There will be a walking trail through the natural part of the site. A retro styled neon sign will welcome travelers at entry to the site.

The westbound site is on the edge of a cap rock formation that offers a panoramic view of around fifty miles to the horizon. The new safety rest area is situated near the highest elevation of the site, giving prominence to the strong geometry of the angular white concrete wall protruding from the earth-covered building. The main building is a 5,515 square foot building that houses two women's and two men's restrooms on each side of the entrance lobby, display areas, a security desk, a state patrol office, an assisted restroom, a vending area, and public telephones providing amenities to the traveling public. In addition to the primary function as a rest area and information center, the facility is



designed to serve as a tornado shelter.

The earth sheltered design of the facility reflects the form of the adjacent geological landmasses and echoes the early housing type of the area called the "dugout or half dugout". Local landscape materials

and building stone are used on the building and around the 20-acre site. The site also has six picnic arbors and one large multi-group arbor that have steel plate canopies supported on bundled columns based on the native yucca plants. Several of the arbors are

located around a nature inspired playground with unique stone animal sculptures for visitors to climb on. In two locations across the parking lot from the building, are two picnic shelters that overlook the canyon vista to the north of the site. The site provides

parking for 47 trucks and 31 passenger vehicles, including 4 accessible spaces.

The westbound landscaping features native plants selected with an eye toward highlighting plants native to the upper west
See Rest Area p. 8

McLean Reminder

MCLEAN CARE
Center Annual BBQ, 12 noon Saturday, July 27, 2002. Family and Friends invited. Please bring a dessert or a dish. Free admission.

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It's A Daughter

David and Penny Carr of Canyon are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Aubrey Elizabeth. She was born on July 12 at the Carr residence. She weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces and was 22 inches long.

Her grandparents include John Carr of McLean, TX, Ray and Sherry Hunter of Kansas, OK, and Darel and Judy Lee of McLean, TX.

Great-grandparents are David Putnam of Watts, OK, Ferrel and Nancy Heard of Kansas, OK, Bob and Reed Echols of Pampa, TX, and Bernice Pittam of Capitan, NM.

Chloe' Smith Named Star Texas FFA Greenhand

Only July 10, 2002, Chloe' Smith, a Sophomore at McLean High School, was named the Star Texas FFA Greenhand in Agriscience at the 74th Annual FFA Convention held in Fort Worth, Texas. She won at the District Level, Area Level and took home the top honors at the State Level. For winning at the State Level, Chloe' received a

\$1600.00 scholarship. Chloe' would like to thank Mr. Bill Layman and her parents for all their help and support.

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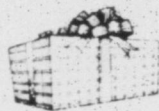
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Texas area. They are also selected to minimize the amount of irrigation. At the overlooks in Mam Plaza, there are two telescopes for taking advantage of the natural landscape vistas. The Mam Plaza is constructed to reflect the natural canyons of the area in the following ways: the walls of the building are constructed of natural stone. The concrete is designed to reflect a natural canyon river bottom and the plants associated with the plaza are those that you would find in canyons and near streams at the bottom of the canyons. The playground area will host stone sculptures of animals native to the area and a play structure mimicking the building structure and massing. There will be a walking trail through the natural part of the site.

Clint Henson, Project Manager, said, "With the complexity of the design and the obscurity of some of the materials used, we've found it a little bit of a challenge to pull it together, but everything is running relatively smooth. It's going to be a tremendous place when it's finished."

This impressive facility is scheduled to open between Thanksgiving, Day, and Christmas.

Acknowledgments and special thanks to Clint Henson, Project Manager and Tonya DeHoyos Detter, Public Information Officer, Texas Department of Transportation, for their assistance in providing information for this article.



McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

- July 25 - Susan Barker, J.C. McAnear, Casey Carter, Mindy Holwick.
- July 26 - Jack Reyna, Joshua Paul Myers, Farrah Guyton.
- July 27 - Howard Williams, Teresa Hutchinson, Bob Black, Joe Daniels, John Ruel Haynes, Anita Seaney.
- July 28 - Naomi McCarty, Nancy Billingsley, Lee Bolton.
- July 29 - Taylor Kennedy, George Orrick, Wanda Bailey.
- July 30 - Connie Barker, Jake Hess, John Holland, Tiffany Lopez, Brooke Seymour, Bryce Nepton, Jacob Connors, Pat Seymour.
- July 31 - Terri Glass, Kenneth Hambricht, Jessie Cooper, Johnny Carpenter, Andy Glass, Donald Harris, July 4, Nikki Helley.

Letter To The Editor

Blasted insurance. Poverty is thine. Dear Editor,

This is a true story of how insurance companies operate in Texas. In 1999, a couple moved to McLean and purchased a house for about \$59,000.00. At that time the insurance premium was about \$700.00. In the year 2000 the premium had crept up to approximately \$1,000.00. No claims were filed during this period. In 2002 and very recently the couple was advised their home insurance was cancelled for non payment of premium. The couple had received no notice of any increase in premium or information as to what payment was due. The new premium is, hold on to you corsets, \$4,500.00!

What happened was the mortgage company notified the insurance company that the house was worth \$244,000.00! The insurance company continued the coverage with the new rate without advising the home owner

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Kindergarten & Younger Storytime Begins



The Kindergarten and Younger Story Time began on Tuesday, July 16 at 10:30 a.m. at the McLean-Lover Memorial Library.

Betty Morgan read four books to the children. They

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were Armadillo Tattletale, Happy Birthday To Me, Mama Cat Has Three Kittens, and When I Grow Up.

There were nine children in attendance and also some parents. They enjoyed

delicious cookies and punch after the reading time. The next reading time is scheduled for July 23 at 10:30 a.m. Each session will last about fifteen to twenty minutes.

Fire Dept. Benefit To Be Held

Friday evening, July 26, 2002, promises to be a special time. The 2nd Annual Fire Department Benefit called "An Evening Under The Stars" will be hosted in McLean at 7 p.m. The admission is \$10.00 per person. Proceeds will benefit the McLean, Letors, and Shamrock Volunteer Fire Departments. The menu will include bbq beef, beans, potato salad, dessert, and non-alcoholic drinks. The event will be held on the 100 block of Main Street in McLean. Door prizes will be awarded and an auction will be conducted.

Entertainment will be provided by Herb Reppington and the Many City Cowboys. A special attendee will be a firefighter from the Nash County Fire Department who will be a Guest of Honor.

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Sales Tax Holiday Approved For Aug.

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander announced that the annual Sales Tax Holiday is coming up on August 2-4.

"Start making your shopping list for school clothes for the kids and new clothes for mom and dad," said Comptroller Rylander. "During the Sales Tax Holiday, most clothes and shoes priced under \$100 are exempt from state and local sales taxes."

Rylander estimates Texans will save \$42 million in sales tax during the three-day Sales Tax Holiday, including \$23 million in state sales tax and \$19 million in local sales taxes.

"I believe that Texans will once again take full advantage of this well-deserved tax break to make their dollars go further as they shop for a new school year," Rylander said. "During the Sales Tax Holiday, shoppers save about \$8 for every \$100 they spend on qualifying clothing and footwear."

The savings from Texas' three Sales Tax Holidays thus far total approximately \$108.2 million, including an estimated \$85.3 million in state sales tax and an estimated \$22.9 million in local sales taxes.

"That's \$108 million that Texans have been able to keep in their pockets for their families' priorities," Comptroller Rylander said.

Examples of items that can be purchased tax-free August 2-4 include kids' clothes and school uniforms, adults' clothes and work uniforms, shoes, tennis shoes, slippers, sleepwear, and underclothes for the entire family, as long as the items are priced under \$100 each.

Items that cannot be purchased tax-free include handbags, wallets, jewelry, accessories, athletic shoes, and apparel that are not normally "street wear," backpacks, and school supplies.

"I asked the last legislature to expand the Sales Tax Holiday to include backpacks, school supplies, baby car seats, bicycle safety helmets and other safety gear for our most precious resource—our children," Comptroller Rylander said. "I also want to extend the Sales Tax Holiday from three days to five days."

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McLean School Board Hires New Auditor

The McLean Independent School District Board of Education met for a Regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on July 22, 2002. Board members present were John Holland, Toni Bohlar, Mike Darsey, Joe Riley, Steve Bowlin, Neal Odom and Ronnie Ferguson. Others present were Superintendent, Bob Downs, Leslie Darsey, Secretary, Margaret Milam, Eric Smith, Mindy Reeves, and Charles Kuntz, CPA. Board President, John Holland called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Opening prayer was given by Steve Bowlin.

The minutes of June 20,

2002, were approved.

The Board then moved to Item VII. The district had received an auditor's engagement letter from Brown, Graham and Company of Pampa, in which they bid \$8500.00 to prepare the audit for the 2001-02 school year. This bid excluded any additional charges in order to meet the GASB 34 criteria required. This bid was a \$1500.00 increase from the prior years audit by the same company. Downs stated that this was a significant increase, and he had contacted them to try and negotiate on the price, but was unable to sway them.

Mr. Kuntz submitted his engagement letter in which he would prepare the audit for approximately \$6000.00. Mr. Kuntz is a Certified Public Accountant from Wheeler. He has been there for 13 years, and audits the Wheeler and Kelton school districts, as well as others in the surrounding area. Mr. Kuntz addressed the Board with an explanation of the GASB 34, and it is his belief that the state intends for the audit reporting to be a proprietorship, with depreciation being one of the main factors. He also stated in his opinion that TEA is targeting small schools, and will force them to consolidate. Kuntz explained that a baseline needed to be established, and for example he would need to restate last year's audit, or take a snapshot of the inventory for the year ending August 31, 2001, in order to go forward and compare with the inventory for the current year. Kuntz would have an additional bid of \$1500 - \$1800 for reinstating last year's audit to be GASB 34 compliant. Another point brought up by Kuntz was that the TEA may require each district to hire a certified appraiser, but hopefully this will not come to pass, and the school will be able to use historical cost on the infrastructures. Mr. Kuntz reminded the Board that their main purpose was to give the kids a good education, but they must also comply with the rules set forth by the state.

Mr. Downs told the Board that he had worked with Kuntz in the past and he felt he was an acceptable auditor. The Board accepted the bids by Mr. Kuntz in his letter and hired him to perform the audit for the year ending Aug 31, 2002.

The following resignations were received and accepted, Misty Hannon -5th grade, Jimmiv Hannon-High School Math, and Tami Hargrove-Teacher/Counselor.

Mr. Downs received a bid from Monarch Management Corporation for student insurance. For the same coverage provided last year under the Usual and Customary plan, there had been a \$4300.00 increase in premium. Downs recommends the Board go with the Premier Plan for \$5110.00, which covers any school-related accidents, including to and from school, athletic or other school event, and the catastrophic accident policy was \$750.00. The Board voted to accept Downs recommendation for student

insurance.

Mr. Downs informed the Board of the hiring of two teachers. Julie Coker will be the Science teacher, this will be her first year of teaching. She is a graduate of South Western in Oklahoma, and has Oklahoma credentials, and will be certified in Texas.

Sharmin Perkins will be the 5th grade teachers. She is the wife of Trinity preacher, Larry Perkins. Perkins is certified and has taught in a private church school in Hereford. Mr. Downs also stated that Julie Coker might be assigned assistant coaching duties, which would increase her salary by \$750-\$1000.00.

A Math teacher is still needed, and possibly a part-time counselor.

Margaret Milam had requested to receive the stipend for being a Sr. class sponsor. The Board voted to pay Ms. Milam the \$500.00 in a unanimous decision.

Freda Holland had requested to have her salary cut by 10% to help the financial situation of the school. Mrs. Holland will be assuming responsibilities of the library in the High School and Elementary this year. Motion was made by Neal Odom, second by Mike Darsey to accept Holland's request, with 4 voting for-Toni Bohlar, Ronnie Ferguson, Neal Odom and Mike Darsey, and 2 voting against - Steve Bowlin and Joe Riley.

Mr. Downs had been in contact with W.D. Wesley Co. to get some information about their service and discussed the existing contract. Mr. Wesley stated that they had put about \$19,000 worth of equipment in the school. This included lights, ballasts, and heating/cooling sensors in each room which were more efficient and economical, and would result in some energy savings. Downs questioned how they established the base month upon which to figure, and some of the savings figures did not jive. W.D. Wesley will be asked to come to a meeting in the

near future, in order to try and justify their service and the contract agreement.

Financial reports A & B were approved.

Mr. Downs had received the Gray County Appraisal District Board report and the Board looked it over. Mr. Downs also said that the certified values would come out on July 25, and then he could start working on the 2002-03 Budget. Downs reported a bank balance of \$72,726.

to date, and CD's in the amount of \$400,000.00. He hopes to finish the year with about a \$300,000.00 positive balance.

Motion by Neal Odom, second by Mike Darsey to approve payment of the June bills as presented.

Under other business, on Aug 12 at noon the Board has invited motivational speaker, Jo Shaller from Clarendon to address the teachers and staff before the upcoming year. A meal will be provided by the Board, and possibly served at the Church of Christ annex. On August 9 at 6:30 p.m., the Board is also having a teacher appreciation meal at Neal Odom's place. The Board will provide all food and necessities, and invite staff, spouses and children. A letter will be sent out with all the pertinent information to each staff member.

Ronnie Ferguson inquired about the Alanreed property matter. Mr. Downs had received the letter from the Community

of Alanreed that was necessary in order to go ahead with the legal proceedings and would forward the information to attorney, Ken Fields.

Steve Bowlin asked for the cafeteria billing system to be discussed at the next regular meeting. Toni Bohlar wanted a progress report on the past due cafeteria bills, but Mr. Downs had not had time to look into yet.

John Holland inquired if there had been any contact from Ken Fields regarding, Mr. Griffin. Downs reported all he knew was the Texas Ranger had not been in contact with him in over 90 days. Eric Smith was concerned with the issue of not having a certified teacher for P.E., while he was responsible for the kids in Athletics. He just wanted the Board to be aware of the teacher situation and some areas could not be covered with such a small staff.

The meeting adjourned at 9:06.

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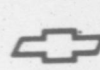
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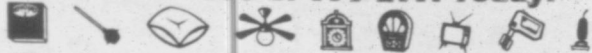
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