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Reminder

DON'T FORGET to plan for the City Wide Garage Sale on Sat., May 25. This is a good time to get rid of a lot of good items that you no longer use.

ANNUAL MEETING of the Hillcrest Cemetery Association will be held on May 15, 2002, at the Lovett Memorial Library at 5:00 p.m.

MCLEAN CARE Center is having a bake sale benefiting the Activity Department on Friday, May 10, at Puckett's in McLean from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

THE ANNUAL Health and Wealth Fair will be held on May 22 at the Clarendon College Campus in the Bear Field Activity Center. Free screenings for prostate, glucose, blood pressure, sugar levels, osteopetrosis and many others for free. They will also have a shot clinic costing \$5.00 a shot and mammograms charging whatever your insurance covers. Financial aid is available. For more information call Dawn Watson, the Donley County Extension Agent at 874-2141. There will also be a blood drive conducted at the same time.

CRAFTERS are needed to participate in the June 15 Centennial Celebration. For more information call Mindy Reeves.

THIS IS Teacher Appreciation Week and Nurses Appreciation Week.

DON'T Forget Mother's Day on Sunday, May 12.

THERE WILL BE a retirement party for Librarian Ellen Malone at the Library on May 15 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

MONDAY, MAY 13 at 7:00 p.m. will be the last Family Reading Night of the year. A special drawing will be held on that night.

YOU CAN STILL purchase a cookbook benefiting our museums at either museum. The cost is \$12.93.



Wo-Man Show Leaves Audience In Stitches!

The City of McLean was provided a hilarious treat on Thursday, April 25 when Project Graduation sponsored a Wo-Man contest. The male high school students dressed as women and were judged in a beauty contest. They were escorted by female students dressed as men.

The young men were greeted with applause and gales of laughter as they paraded on stage.

Winning contestants were:
Queen-Ivonna Vin (Chase Barnes) escorted by Bubba Bunz (Candice Barnes).

1st runner-up-Maybelle Louise Steward (Mitchel

Steward) escorted by Richard Stiffler (Sandi Anderson).

2nd runner-up-Britney Aquilera (Ben Reyna) escorted by T-Bone Myers (Danielle Dampier).

3rd runner up-Dominique Hickerson (Bron Bohlar) escorted by Donny Joe Billy Bob McAllister (Chloe Smith).

Miss Congeniality-Janie May Dennis (Reo Dennis) escorted by Donny Joe Billy Bob McAllister (Chloe Smith).

Other contestants were: Christiania Leela Sparling (Chris Sparling) escorted by Karl Darrell Routon (Katrina Routon); Cha Rodriguez (Chris Reyna) escorted by

Friendly Flex Ferdinand (Nikki Hefley); Trudy Gait Farnsworth (Trent Cadra) escorted by Buford Dean McGillicutty (Shaley Steel); Bessy Jean Cornwell (Chase Jarvis) escorted by Jimmy Joe McAllister (Amanda Hauck); and Nicole Bushway (Nick Jones) escorted by T-Bone Myers (Danielle Dampier).

Project Graduation is providing a drug free alcohol free celebration for the graduating class. If you wish to purchase a video of the contest,

contact Rhonda Sparling at the school. The cost will be \$5.00.

Code of Ethics Complaint Filed Against Lefors ISD

Clint Staj, a suspended Lefors High School teacher filed two code of ethics complaints with the State Board of Education Certification in Austin. He named Lefors Superintendent, Allen Law in one complaint and Law's wife, Suzanne, Principal of Lefors High School in the other.

Both cases are in the initial 45 day "cooling off period," having been opened on April 2 and 10, 2002. Staj has been on paid suspension since January 8, 2002.

Staj alleges that both Allen and Suzanne Law made requests that Staj give passing grades to two Spanish II students, a junior and a senior, so

that they could play football. The State's "no pass-no play" law requires that a student who makes less than 70 during a grading period in classes other than advanced placement or special education cannot participate afterwards in school sports for at least three weeks.

The Laws are stating their innocence but say that the pending investigation does not allow them to make more statements.

In related events, Mr. Law said that during the second six-weeks he discovered that a couple of players were academically ineligible.

See Suspension, pg. 8

Election Results

MCLEAN ISD

Two new school board members were added after Saturday's election, Steve Bowlin and Ronnie Ferguson. Voting was as follows: Bowlin, 97; Ferguson, 96; Frank Worsham, 88; Ella Mae Reyna, 75; and Linda Syfrett, 46.

CITY COUNCIL

Three incumbents retained their seats in Saturday's race, Joe Creed Lamb, Doyle Lee and Jim McDonald. The voting was as follows: Joe Creed Lamb, 108; Doyle Lee, 101; Jim McDonald, 95; Mindy Reeves, 77; and Daniel Eggers, 57.

Area Break-Ins & Burgleries Are Under Investigation

There have been several break-ins in McLean recently.

The High School was broken into on Tuesday, April 30. Four lap tops and a digital camera were taken.

On Wednesday, May 1 the flower shop and Wagon Wheel were both

broken into. Knives, white stuffed tigers, jewelry and candles were taken from the Flower Shop. It is unknown what was taken from the Wagon Wheel.

Also over the weekend someone stole the marquee posters from the Avalon Theater.



Sally Bohlar Named New Librarian At Lovett Library

Sally Bohlar has been chosen as McLean's new librarian by the Library Board and City Council.

Sally has lived in McLean all her life and is the daughter of Frank and Jacki Worsham. She graduated from McLean High School and attended Clarendon College and

Amarillo College. She worked at the McLean Feed Yard for nine years.

Sally is married to Chet Bohlar and has two children, Saber and Chase Bohlar. Sally says she is happy and excited to be working at the library and is looking forward to her new job.

Centennial Historical Notes

The railroad began construction in 1901/1902. The first scheduled train of the Choctaw, Oklahoma and Texas Railroad ran through McLean on July 6, 1902. A 16X32 ft. depot was built in 1903, a newer 24X98 ft. depot opened in 1907, a third depot opened in 1960. The railroad line closed down operations in 1980.

Support & attend Centennial activities

CARD OF THANKS

Dear Church Family, Friends and Neighbors,
Thank you so much for your many kindnesses during Jim's and My surgeries. We are both doing well and I am back to work. The meals were wonderful and your prayers and cards helped so much.

Much love,
Jim & Ella Mae Reyna

McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

- May 9 - John C. Haynes, Shawn Bybee.
- May 10 - Bob Holwick, Larry Swanson, Robbie Sanderson.
- May 11 - Steven Myers, David Tolleson.
- May 12 - Wanda Myers, Lynn Reeves, Jane Sheplor.
- May 13 - Sue Griffen.
- May 14 - Amanda Hauck, Maybelle Brown, Dortha Goodwyn.
- May 15 - David Haynes, Bobbie Albin, Tex Buckhaults, Brenda Jasper.

FAMILY READING NIGHT WINNERS

Congratulations to Kendra Richardson and Shelly Blum for winning the monthly drawing at Family Reading Night for the month of April. Monday, May 13 will be the last Family Reading Night for the year. There will be a special drawing on that night so make plans to attend.

SUSPENSION

He called the UIL which resulted in a forfeiture to the game played with McLean. Two other games did not require forfeiture since Lefors was defeated anyway.

If the SCEC accepts the allegations, litigation will follow and the issue should be resolved within 130 days of the complaints being filed.

Letter To The Editor

The School and Municipal elections on Saturday brought out almost 50% of the registered voters in McLean. Compared to about 25% in the primary elections held in McLean, this is good news. For

the first time I can remember even the incumbents were out beating the bushes for votes. Time will tell whether their efforts were defensive or offensive.

In the School Trustee

election, Steve Bowlin and Ronnie Ferguson were the top vote recipients. They will raise the integrity level of the board. With two freshman members and the two electees and new Superintendent, the tough job of getting the school system on track will be made easier. Lets give them our support.

The Municipal Election:

The three incumbents were returned to office, Doyle Lee, Joe Creed Lamb, and Jim McDonald. The results indicate that the people of McLean were satisfied and pleased with the level of progress in city street work, utility improvements, EDC supervision and the junk car removal program. Congratulations men. We will be looking forward to additional progress in these areas as time goes by. One thing

about returning incumbents back to office, you know exactly what you're getting. It's not like Forrest Gump's box of chocolates.

The three incumbents are experienced and could have a positive effect on the quality of life in McLean. Perhaps they will be willing to match Lefors and Skellytown efforts to get grants in excess of \$200,000.00 for city projects. The taxpayers of the city have a vested right to know the financial condition of the city. The annual audit conducted by the former school auditor should be published in its entirety; as should the city budget. The days of secrecy are long gone. I have been requested by a number of people (no relatives) to continue these letters. New subject matter next week and after.

Bill Reeves

First assembly Of god Church To Host "The Climb", Released By Billy Graham Association

A lifetime dream collides with harsh reality in this mountain-climbing adventure released by World Wide Pictures, a division of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association.

Dabney Coleman (Stuart Little, You've Got Mail) and Clifton Davis (Any Given Sunday, Amen!) provide stability to a relatively young cast. The lead roles are played by television favorites Jason George (Sunset Beach, Titans) and Ned Vaughn (China Beach, Beach Boys miniseries). The duo plays solo climbers forging a volatile partnership.

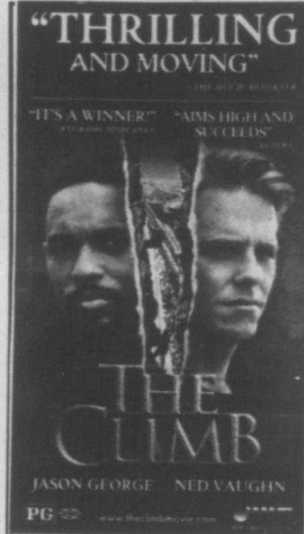
Derrick Williams,

burning with hatred for a father who abandoned the family, takes everything-and everyone-to the edge. Now, the daring rescue of a retail mogul's son throws him into an unwanted partnership with rock-steady Michael Harris.

A hero's reward and 15 minutes of fame propel this unlikely team up the treacherous Mt. Chicanagua toward ultimate confrontation. THE CLIMB is a test of wills, character and self-sacrifice that pushes these men beyond limits. It's a test that goes beyond the physical and delves into the psyche of both characters and audience.

Established in 1952, World Wide Pictures, the motion picture ministry of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, is celebrating 50 years. WWP movies are available for community events, shown on

television, and released to home video and DVD. For more information, check out www.wwp.org.



Pastor Dean Williamson and the congregation of The First Assembly of God church invite you attend their showing of this outstanding film.

The Climb

will be shown on Sunday, May 12th at 7:00 p.m. at the First Assembly of God Church located at 4th and Main in McLean. For more information call the church office at 779-2221

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KENNETH DAVIS

MCLEAN-Kenneth Quade Davis, 75, died Tuesday, April 30, 2002.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. on April 29, 2002 at the First Baptist Church. Brian Quisenberry officiated. Burial was held at the Shamrock Cemetery.

Mr. Davis was born November 9, 1926, in Wheeler County. He retired from Phillips 66 in Borger and moved back to McLean, where he went into farming, ranching, and the antique business. He had lived in the Panhandle area all of his life.

Survivors include three daughters, Pam Acklin of Minneapolis, Patty Williams of Amarillo, and Paula Reed of Westchester, PA; a son, Monroe Davis of Amarillo; a sister, Sue Simmons of McLean; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family suggest memorials be to the First Baptist Church of McLean.

McLean Church Directory

Church of Christ 4th & Clarendon
779-2548
Sunday Bible School 10 am
Worship 10:40 am & 6 pm
Wed. Bible Class 7:30

First Assembly of God 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
2 Home Bible Studies

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
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.



Hefley Receives Scholarship

The National FFA Organization awarded a \$1,500 Commitment to Agriculture scholarship to Nikki Hefley of McLean High School. The scholarship is sponsored by Monsanto and American Farm Bureau Foundation for Agriculture as a special project of the National FFA Foundation, Inc. Nikki plans to use the funds to pursue a degree in animal science/production at Texas Tech University.

The Commitment to Agriculture scholarship is one of 1,259 awarded through the National FFA Scholarship Program this year. Currently, 187 corporate sponsors generously contribute more than \$1.9 million to support this program. This is the 18th year that scholarships have been made available through the National FFA Foundation by business and industry sponsors to reward and encourage excellence and enable

students to pursue their educational goals.

Scholarships recipients were selected from more than 7,000 applicants from across the country. Selections were based on the applicant's academic record, FFA and other school and community activities, supervised agricultural experience program in agricultural education, career plans and financial need.

FFA is a national youth organization of 457,278 student members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture with 7,312 local chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. FFA strives to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. Visit www.ffa.org for more information.



Students of the Week for April 29 - May 3: Kindergarten-Daymon Flores; 1st Grade-Kendra Richardson & Shiloh Brown; 2nd Grade-Lenny Sim; 3rd Grade-Sami Stator; 4th Grade-Caleb Crawford; 5th Grade-Jon McAnear; 6th Grade-Stephanie Henson; 7th Grade-Mrs. Hargrove.

Golf Team Compete In Regional Meet

The McLean Tigers Girls and Boys Golf Teams traveled to Regionals on April 22 and 23.

The girls took 8th place out of 16 in Sundown. Shaley Steel shot 105 on Monday and a 92 on Tuesday, earning a total of 197. Randi Riley shot a 109 on Monday, and 118 on Tuesday, totaling 227. Nikki Hefley shot a 107 on Monday and a 124 on Tuesday, totaling a 231. Sandi Anderson shot a 134 on Monday and a 146 on Tuesday, totaling a 280.

The boys traveled to Levelland where Tyler Haynes shot an 86 on Monday and 81 on Tuesday, totaling a 167.

Congratulations ladies and gentlemen, you make us proud.



The first nickelodeon—now called a movie theater—was established in McKeesport, Pennsylvania, in 1905 by John P. Harris and Henry Davis.

Centennial Committee Praises Volunteers

The Centennial Committee wants to thank all the wonderful citizens who have donated money and materials to our "Clean-Up/Fix-Up" campaign as we ready McLean and Alanreed for our centennial visitors on Memorial Day and June 15 at the Rodeo weekend.

For the main street/hotel theater project, Mindy and Ben Reeves, Ruth Trew, Oscar Lockridge and Simpson Insurance have donated money for the expense. Lavern Back, who donated nine gallons of paint, Delbert Trew, and Leland Myers donated various other materials. The McLean EDC bought materials to cover the broken windows of the

Hindman Hotel and city and county employees removed the dangerous canopy over the sidewalk. All labor has been donated.

The Alanreed Texaco Service Station project used donations from both McLean and Alanreed with special help from owners Bill and Dena Tidwell, David, Dixie Jo, and Brock Crockett and their employees. Three truckloads of trash and limbs were hauled off along with mowing grass and clearing dirt from the driveway. The building will undergo a complete paint job, new Texaco decals, and advertising fence, "Welcome to Alanreed" sign plus historic markers.

A special thanks goes out to Sarah and Jennifer



The Church of Christ hosted a "Mexican pile-on" honoring McLean seniors.

Myers of McLean who painted the beautiful Uncle Sam mural on the Avalon Theater and the colorful Feed & Seed mural on the old Greenwood building in Alanreed and the other signs at the station. Good job girls and thanks a million.

Please thank these people for their efforts and support and attend the Centennial activities.



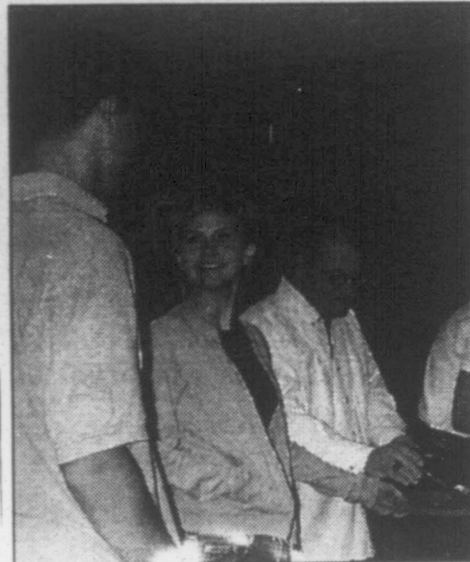
Fund Raiser Nets \$19,000

The Bowl-a-thon to benefit Peri Grigsby was held Saturday, April 27 at the Harvester Bowling Alley in Pampa. There were 39 bowlers in attendance. Besides the bowlers there was a silent auction and donations were accepted. Over \$19,000 was raised to help Peri with her medical costs.

Peri is suffering from

Lupus, a degenerative disease that can be fatal. There is a very expensive procedure that transplants stem cells that can halt this disease that the doctors want to try on Peri.

If you would like to make a donation there has been an account set up at the Bank of Commerce in McLean.



The honorees enjoyed a delicious meal and wonderful fellowship.

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359 Visitors Stop At Museum In April

By Davie Gipson
As I had predicted, April has been a very busy month. More people traveling Old Route 66 as the weather gets warmer. We had a total of 359 visitors in April. Thirty-four states were represented. We had thirty international visitors from nine countries. Australia, Canada, England, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Netherlands and Prague were the countries represented.

On April 12, the Junior Class came in the

afternoon and transformed the Heritage room in a beautiful, sparkling ball room for the Junior Senior Banquet and Prom on the next evening. We will be sweeping up glitter and stars all during the summer!! The class was well behaved, worked hard and serenaded us with their tapes that were decent music to work by. My compliments to their sponsor, Nancy Woodward.

Jaquie Riley had her Dinner Theater in the Heritage Room on Monday, April 15. It

was very well attended and enjoyed.

Vonda Averett brought high school kids down to make annual pictures with museum exhibits as backgrounds on April 19th.

On April 25th, Clay Rice of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce and John Forister of the Pampa Tourism Committee brought a group in to see the museum. They were looking at interesting places to help promote the Texas Panhandle. Sarah Page of Austin was also in the group. We felt honored that we were on their list of places to see. Billie Kingston had a

tea honoring her volunteers at the McLean Care Center at noon. They kindly invited me and my volunteer, Pat Barker, to join them and we enjoyed a delicious lunch with them.

We have ambassadors all along Route 66. April 17th, Mary Basham had visitors in her flower shop inquiring about the route. In visiting with them, Mary learned they were from Spring Town, Oklahoma where her husband, Donnie grew up. They were Soonacheol and Miji Yoo. He is originally from Korea. I was glad for Mary to share this story with us.

McLean Care Center News

Sunday activities started for the residents with Sunday school with the Methodist Friendship Class. They had their class at the Care Center for many years. We appreciate you ladies more than you know. Church services were held Sunday by the Reverend Brian Quisenberry and his congregation.

Tuesday Lois Myers and Linda Eggers sang and played piano for the residents. Lois is so gracious to help with the Reminisce Circle most Tuesdays. I really appreciate it. All other regular activities went on as usual.

We regret the loss of Glynda Martin, Lessie Swain, John Fry, and Eunice Strahn. We will miss them.

We have one new

resident, Joe Cooke of McLean. He transferred to the Care Center from Wheeler.

Our Mother's Day party is Saturday, May 11, 2002 at 2:30 p.m. Come celebrate our mothers with us.

This Friday Jane Henderson and group from Lefors Schools will be here to entertain us. Jane is so gracious to give of her time and effort while also instilling in her students a caring for the elderly.

Also Friday, May 10 is the Activity Department Bake Sale at Puckett's from 9:00 a.m.

to 4:00 p.m. If anyone wishes to bake and donate to the sale, bring to Billie Kingston, Thursday or to Puckett's Friday morning.

To Everyone:

Thank you for your love, support and prayers. You all have been a tremendous help to me and my family. I don't know how I can every repay you.

Please keep praying for me and my family as we are going to need it.

Once again, thank you to all of you,
Peri Grigsby

Pioneer Study Club Enjoys History Lesson

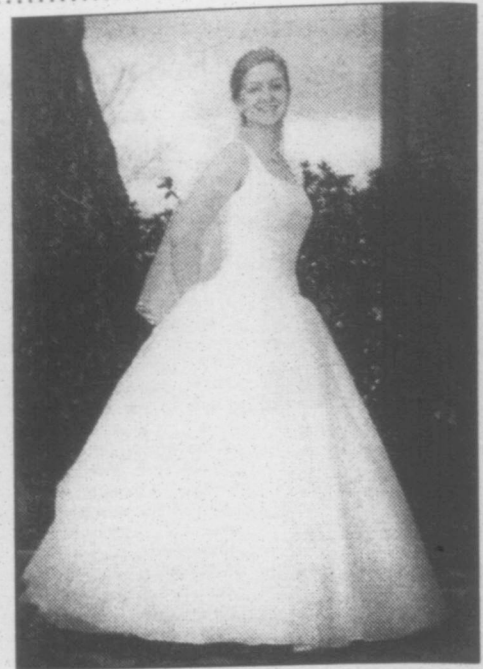
The Pioneer Study Club met in the home of Nama and L.H. Webb on Thursday, May 2, 2002.

Ruth Trew called the meeting to order after which our special guests Johnny and Joyce Haynes were introduced. Johnny was our speaker and gave a very interesting report on the history of the Morse Ranch which has been in his family for a little over 100 years. The original land purchase was by Samuel Morse in 1900. The Morse Ranch has not yet been introduced into the Texas Department of Agriculture's Family Land Heritage Program but it qualifies on all counts. Johnny had several photographs of his early

day ancestors that we all enjoyed. His program fit right in with our theme for the year - Gray County Centennial.

Delicious refreshments were served by Beverly Odom to Ruth Trew, Barbara Bode, Mary Dwyer, Sherry Martindale, Pat Stubbs, Zelda McClellan, Margaret Grogan, Mindy Reeves, Betty Morgan, Mary Powell, Babe Brown, Lynne Reeves, Micky Jackson, Wanda Lamb, Mary Lou Glass, Ruth Magee and the hostesses Nama Webb and Beverly Odom.

The next meeting will be at the Red River at 1:00 p.m. on May 16th for our final meeting of the year.



April Reeves Weds Carl Warner At Willis, Texas

April Elizabeth Reeves, daughter of Jim and Donna Reeves, of McLean, Texas was united in marriage with Carl Bradley Warner, son of Charles and Rita Warner of Angleton, Texas on Saturday, March 9 at Seven Coves Resort in Willis, Texas.

Judge John Pasket officiated at the double ring ceremony.

Her parents gave the bride in marriage.

Matron of honor was Chastity Stash, sister of the bride, of Montgomery, Texas. Bridesmaids were Megan Derr, of Huntsville, Texas, Jessica Stash of Onalaska, Texas, and

junior bridesmaid, Meghan Hooper, niece of

the bride, of Montgomery, Texas.

Flower girls were Autumn and Abbie Stash, nieces of the bride.

Best man was Brian Jones of Angleton, Texas. Groomsmen were Adam Collins, Ryan Warner, brother of the Groom, both of Angleton, Texas and Eric Richter of San Marcos, Texas.

Ushers were Fred Stash of Montgomery, Texas and Brandon Williamson of Huntsville, Texas.

April is the granddaughter of Bill and Lynn Reeves of McLean, Texas.

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1/2 gallon **2\$3** for Where Available

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Shurfine Ass'd. Chunk or Halfmoon
16 oz. pkg. **2\$5** for

Orange Juice
Tropicana Ass'd. Pure Premium
64 oz. **2\$5** for

Fleischmann's Margarine
16 oz. Quarters, 12 oz. Squeezes, 16 oz. Spread or 2 pk. 8 oz. Tubes **1¹⁹**

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Kraft American Slices
12 oz. pkg. **2⁹⁹**

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Shurfine
32 oz. jar **99¢**

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24 oz. Squeeze Bot. **89¢**

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Community Calendar

ATHLETIC Banquet will be held on May 17th at 6:00 p.m. Tacos Garcia will be catering the event.

MOTHER'S Day is May 12th.

INTERESTED in playing T-Ball? Kids pre-K thru 1st grade. Call Tina Painter at 248-7057.

GROOM DAY MEETING on May 9 at 8:00 a.m. in the Lion's Club Meeting Room. Help and volunteers are needed. This year celebrates the 100th Anniversary of our town and school.

GROOM ISD High School Awards Assembly are scheduled for May 15 at 8:00 a.m.

GREAT AMERICAN Clean up will be held on May 11. (Bad Weather Date is May 25). 8 am - 3 pm. Volunteers and team leaders needed. Lots of activities and prizes! Donations accepted for this event. Contact David or Lanna Brown for more information! Keep Groom Beautiful!

GROOM TOWN & Country 4-H will meet on Monday, May 13th at 7:00 p.m. This will be the last meeting of the school year. We will decide on the future of 4-H in Groom, and sign up for the next year if there is enough interest. Officers for the 2002-2003 year will be held at this time. Parents must be at this meeting. Remember, if you want to show animals, you need to join 4-H since we don't have AG anymore. The meeting will be at the Community Center.

Tuesday Prices At Attebury Grain Co.

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Kelvin Ollinger and Tim Case Retain Seats On Groom ISD Board Of Trustees



candidates for two seats on the Groom I.S.D. school board. Incumbents Kelvin Ollinger and Tim Case won the election over write-in candidate Sabrina Leven.

Kelvin will be starting his second term of office. He received 99 votes.

Time Case will begin his third term earning 79 votes.

Write-in candidate Sabrina Level earned 35 votes.

Newly re-elected office at Tuesday night's school board meeting.



113 Groom voters went to the polls last week to decide between three

Armed Robbery Suspect Arrested In Groom After Alanreed Attempt Is Foiled

What could have been a violent hold up ended peacefully on Monday when two robbery suspects were captured at the Groom Dairy Queen.

Events began to unfold just a 1/2 hour before when a hispanic man tried to hold up a convenience store in Alanreed. The clerk, Sid Keese was on duty at the Alanreed Conoco. According to Public Information Officer Kelly Rushing with the Gray County Sheriff's department, Dionicio Hipolito, 21 of Mytle, Mo. entered the store

alone. He pretended to shop, laying several items on the counter like he was going to purchase them. He then pulled a gun. A scuffle ensued and Sid Keese took the gun away from the would-be robber, who then made a hasty exit, but not before Keese got the tag number off his vehicle.

Tony Treadwell, Groom's fire chief, had been monitoring the emergency services scanner and heard about the robbery attempt. Since his mother runs the Dairy Queen, he called

her to warn her to be on the lookout for trouble. Almost immediately, trouble showed up.

"I didn't have time to be scared," said Betty Treadwell who was knee deep in spring cleaning at the restaurant at the time. "I called Tony back and within minutes we had several DPS trooper, Carson and Gray County Deputies here. I don't think we were ever in any danger."

DPS Trooper Rusty Nesbitt of Groom, DPS Corporal Roland McGill of Panhandle and DPS

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Britten Brings Home Bronze Medal

Garrett Britten brought home the bronze medal after competing in the State of Texas U.I.L. Newswriting competition in Austin last week.

Britten is just one of hundreds that started the process months ago. These contestants are schooled by their coaches on the contest rules and skills for each individual competition. They begin competing early in year at practice meets before competing in the District meet in the spring. The contestants

See U.I.L., pg. 3



Journalism Coach Janetta Lamb places Garrett Britten's medal around his neck.

What Do Emergency Whistles Mean?

1 Blast - Emergency Ambulance Personnel Report to Fire Hall

2 Blasts - Meeting Fire Dept. Personnel meet at Fire Hall for training or info

3 Blasts - Fire Fire Dept. Personnel report to Fire Hall

Several Long Blasts - Tornado Tornado or Extreme Weather ominate, take cover immediately
1 Long Blast - All Clear

Be Prepared For Emergencies

Newcomers to Groom always wonder what it means when the emergency sirens go off. Well, it doesn't mean that a prisoner has escaped... nor does it mean that a mine has caved in! It means several different things according to how many times it sounds.

The only one that need concern the general population is the Tornado Warning system. During severe weather the Groom Volunteer Emergency Services team and the Carson County Sheriff's Department will be monitoring the National Weather Service and watching the area skies for threatening weather.

Residents are urged to also watch the development on their local news channel or by listening on the radio. If you do not have a shelter at your home or very nearby, do not wait until the last minute to try to get to safety. The Groom School will open it's door during severe weather for those wishing to take shelter in the band hall. According to Superintendent Noack the front doors of the school will be unlocked. Those

needing shelter should go left (east) down the main hall and turn left (south) again at the first hallway they come to. The band hall is located at the far end of that hallway directly across from the cafeteria, through the double doors on the left and down the stairway.

Should a tornado warning be sounded while school is in session Superintendent Noack strongly recommends that parents take cover where they are and leave the children in the care of school officials.

"We have tornado drills and our personnel know what to do. All of the children will be in the safety of the band hall."

Parents may be putting themselves and their child at risk by trying to get to them and take them somewhere else rather than waiting until the danger has passed.

The most important thing is hear the warnings and take cover. If you don't have a storm shelter or don't have time to get to the school, go to an inside hallway or closet. Drill your children on what to do if

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Local Happenings

GREAT AMERICAN Clean Up will be on Saturday, May 11 from 8:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. Donations will be accepted to support this event. Prizes and a variety of activities are scheduled. For more information contact David or Lanna Brown.

CARD OF THANKS
 Our sincerest thanks for your many kindnesses during our recent loss. The food, flowers, cards, visits and especially your prayers were greatly appreciated.
 Richard & Donna Crump & Family



It's A Boy!

Michael Wayne Ford, Jr. celebrated his birthday on April 22, 2002 at 7:57 a.m. He came into the world weighing 7 pounds and 1 ounce, was 19.5 inches long, and bears a remarkable resemblance to his dad. The proud parents are Michael and Stacey Ford of Groom.

Great grandparents are Ted and Jo Ann Ford of Perryton and Joe and Nancy Hoyle of Perryton. Great grandparents are Beulah and Slim Hill of Oklahoma City and Janie Hoyle of Borger. Michael was welcomed home by his big sister, Maegan McKinzie.

THE SPRING Jr. High and High School Band Concert will be held on May 16.

KINDERGARTEN through 4th grade will have a concert on May 14th at 6:00 p.m.

Printing
 Check with The Groom News or The McLean News for your printing of envelopes, posters, statements, rubber stamps, business cards, etc. We appreciate your business. We will be competitive with our prices! Call 248-7333 or 779-2141.

Public Notice

The City of Groom will hold a public hearing at 5:05 p.m. on May 14th at City Hall,

203 Broadway Ave, Groom, Texas, in regard to the submission of an application to the Office of Rural Community Affairs for the Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen's participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TCDP application and to make their views and proposals to Joe Homer, Mayor, at the City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

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Groom Students Honored

West Texas A&M University's T. Boone Picken's College of Business recognized outstanding graduates and announced scholarship recipients for the 2002-2003 academic year at its annual Convocation on April 25.

The following students, received awards and scholarships for the 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 academic years.

Kay McLaughlin was named Outstanding Management Graduate for 2001-2002.

Wyatt Weinheimer, a junior marketing major, received the Business Scholarship.

Attending the event were James and Janice Weinheimer, Lynn and Sharon Britten, Georgann Hinson, Scott McLaughlin, and Forrest and Patti McLaughlin.

EMERGENCY

they find themselves away from home during bad weather. Practice what to do and where you will go so that when the weather threatens, all your loved ones will automatically react.

It's a good idea to have an emergency kit in or near the place you will go for shelter. Your kit should contain first aid supplies, a flash light, a battery operated radio with extra batteries and possibly some bottled water and a high protein snack like power bars.

Above all else, use common sense and stay calm. A warning to take shelter is a precaution that should be taken seriously.

Groom Birthdays & Anniversaries

May 9 - Cody Britten, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Treadwell (A).

May 10 - Susan Brown, Christopher Chaney, Robert Newton.

May 11 - K'Leigh Thornton, W.H. Ollinger, Dwight Thompson.

May 12 - Mrs. Johnny Brooks.

May 13 - Caitlyn Carson, Corkey Hickey, Mark Koetting, Mr and Mrs. John W. Thomas (A).

May 14 - Nick and Renee Weinheimer (A).

May 15 - Neysa Friemel, Rick & Pam Davis (A).

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Rocky Crump Earns Army Promotion

Rocky Crump has recently been promoted to Staff Sergeant in the US Army. He is currently serving in Kosovo. His parents, Donna and Richard Crump are looking forward to seeing him when he gets leave in June. Congratulations to him on his great accomplishment.

Kendra Hardin Named Rookie Of The Year

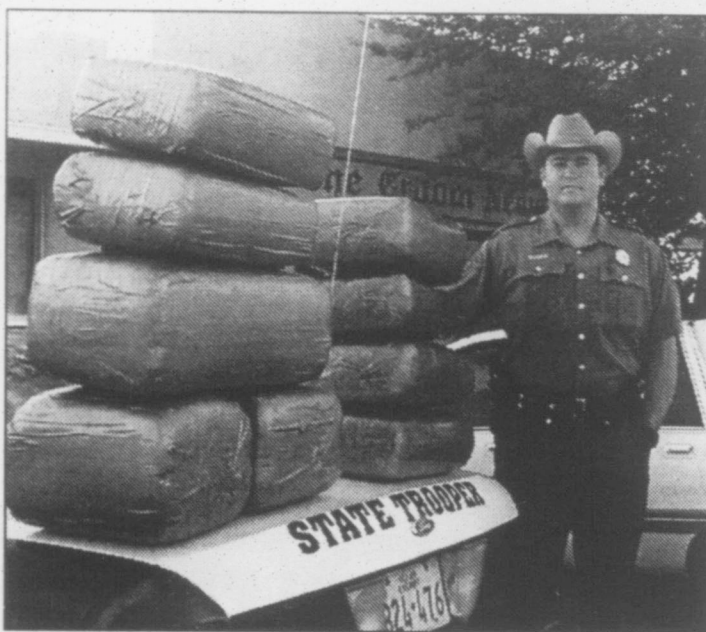


Kendra Hardin, a student at Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago, received honors at the Athletic Awards Banquet, May 5, 2002. She was honored as Rookie of the Year for women's

basketball and Freshman Athlete of the Year. As a member of Kappa Phi Delta, she was elected as Greek Week Chairman, Greek Sports Chairman and Assistant Vice President for the upcoming year. Making the Dean's list her first semester, she will be classified as a second semester sophomore for the fall of 2002, majoring in chemical Engineering with a specialty in Biotechnology. Kendra is the daughter of Wendell and Rana Hardin of Canadian and the granddaughter of Art and JoAnn Britten of Groom.



Skippers, blues, coppers and hairstreaks are all kinds of butterflies.



ROBBERY

Trooper Jerome Ingle of McLean, along with Carson County Deputies Ray Davis and Terry Brown were first on the scene.

The passenger in the robbers car was a hitchhiker and had no clue what was going on. The men were taken into custody with incident. 21 year old Dionicio Hipolito was charged with Aggravated Robbery.

The other man was released.

Trooper Rusty Nesbitt also made a big drug bust on Monday near Conway, after stopping a red Ford Expedition for speeding.

"The vehicle just didn't look like a rental car. It had bumper stickers and an American Flag in the window," commented Trooper Nesbitt. "Something about it was just not right."

Nesbitt stopped the vehicle for speeding. When the driver and passenger were questioned they gave conflicting stories as to where they were coming from. Nesbitt obtained a consent to search and quickly found 157 pounds of marijuana.

The two Youngstown, Ohio College students must have thought that

this would be an easy way to make their tuition money as the street value of the drugs topped \$93,000.

Kyle English, 24 and Cyril Turek, 21 also had a 9 mm handgun along with a radar detector,

binoculars and a C.B. radio. The fact that they carried a handgun will go especially hard on English. According to Trooper Rusty Nesbitt, that added to his charges will carry a minimum of 5 years in prison.

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Garrett competed in the District, Area and Regional meets out-scoring many other contestants along the way. Winning the 3rd place medal at the State Competition will certainly be a highlight of his high school career.

Garrett is the son of Clifton and Susan Britten and is a senior this year.

Morgan Britten Medals In Competition

One hundred twenty-nine youth gathered in Borger, Saturday, May 4th to compete in the Panhandle District 4-H fashion show. Youth completed a clothing project in either the buying, sewing construction or fashion design divisions. The objectives of the 4-H fashion project are for youth to learn construction techniques, comparison shopping and clothing selection skills, fibers, clothing care, interpretation and understanding of style.

modeling and presentation skills.

In the top four scoring were Elise McCowan of White Deer in Senior Buying, Dressy category; Lindsay Hammer of Panhandle in Construction Active Playwear, and Molly Murdock of Panhandle in Intermediate Specialty Construction Category.

In the junior age division (ages 8-10), placing the top four were Jacy Bradford in Active Playwear, Dressy Daywear was Audrey Koetting and Sarah Hammer in the Casual

Construction Daywear. In the junior consumer clothing casual buying division, the medalist was Morgan Britten of Groom. The junior design competition winner in apparel design was Audrey Koetting. Best model selected for the intermediate age level went to Hannah Murdock.

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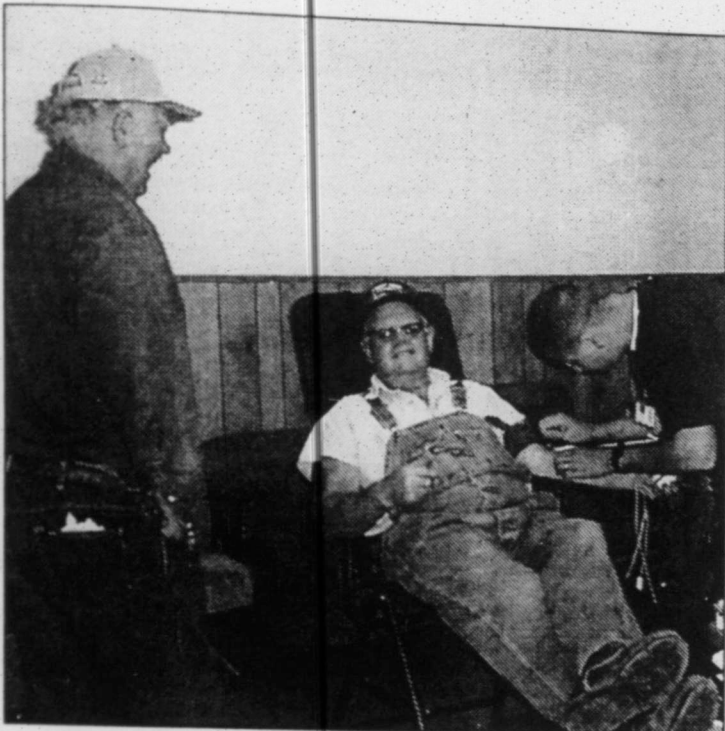
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GOT NEWS?

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Carson County Mourns The Loss Of One Of The Panhandle's Leading Residents



John Britten watches with glee as Amos Britten donates blood to the recent blood drive sponsored by the Coffee Memorial Blood Bank.

Jo Stewart Randel, one of Carson County's most civic-minded residents passed away on Sunday, May 5 at the age of 86.

Services were held Tuesday, May 7 at the First United Methodist Church in Panhandle. Officiating were Reverend Kathryn Boren, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Panhandle, Reverend David Edwards, Amarillo District Superintendent for the United Methodist Churches, Reverend John Wagner, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Dumas, and Monsignor Joseph Tash, pastor of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in Amarillo.

Mrs. Randel was born December 14, 1915 in Clarendon where she attended McKillop School

and Clarendon College.

In 1937, she married Ralph Randel and moved to Panhandle. She and her husband owned and operated a car dealership in Panhandle until the mid-1980's.

She started Carson County Square House Museum in a cottage built in the 1880's. She served as director of the museum and was chairman of the board of trustees. She was currently chairman of the finance and development committee of the museum.

She has completed nearly 30 documentaries on family histories and on topics such as petroleum and ranching. She was author of a four-volume history of Carson County called, "A Time to Purpose," which won Texas State Award for outstanding area history and a history coloring book, "Land of Coronado."

She was a former chairman of Carson County Historical Commission for 30 years, a former trustee of Amarillo Art Center, now Amarillo Museum of Art, a former board member of Edward Thompson Seton Museum of Mexico in Santa Fe, a founder and first board chairman of Texas Museum Trustee Association, a board member of Lone Star Drama in Galveston, an executive committee member of Texas Historical Foundation, an honorary life member and former board chairman of West Texas State

University Foundation, a board member of West Texas A&M University Fine Arts Foundation, a life member of Parent Teachers Association, a life member of Texas Fine Arts Commission and was a former chairman of the Literature Commission, and was a council member of Mountain Plains Region Association of Museums. She was currently director of development and first vice-president of Texas Panhandle Heritage Foundation, Inc., a life

member of Amarillo Federated Women's Club, a member of Governor's Commission on Aging, a board member of Panhandle Plains Historical Museum in Canyon, a member of the advisory board for Institute of Texan Cultures in San Antonio, a member of the development board for University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, a member of the board of directors of Amarillo Symphony Orchestra, and a board member of Carson County Historical Commission.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1988, and her daughter, Margaret Randel Koons in 1995.

Survivors include a granddaughter, Susan Finnis and her husband Colin of London, and grandson, Jeremy Koons and wife Lucy of Beirut, Lebanon.

Memorials should be made to the charity of one's choice.

PROPERTY TAX PROTEST AND APPEAL PROCEDURES

The law gives property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

- the market or special appraised value placed on your property
- the unequal appraisal of your property
- the inclusion of your property on the appraisal roll
- any exemptions that may apply to you
- the qualification for an agricultural appraisal
- the taxable status of your property
- the local governments which should be taxing your property
- the ownership of property
- the change of use of land receiving special appraisal
- any action taken by the chief appraiser, appraisal district or appraisal review board that applies to and adversely affected you

Informal Review

For an informal review of the property owner's property, contact the Carson County Appraisal District at 102 S Main or call 806-537-3569.

Review by the Appraisal review Board

If you can't resolve your problem informally with the county appraisal district (CAD) staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board (ARB).

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the CAD to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You'll receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening, Saturday or Sunday. Prior to your hearing, you may ask to review the evidence the CAD will use to uphold their determination. The CAD may ask you for a copy of the evidence you plan to present. The hearing will be informal. You or a designated agent may appear in person to present evidence or you may send notarized evidence for the ARB to review at your hearing. The CAD representative will present evidence about your case. You may cross-examine the CAD representative. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. The CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest form from the Carson County Appraisal District at 102 S Main, PO Box 970, Panhandle, TX, 79068, or by calling 806-537-3569.

Note: You should *not* try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they have not talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

Review by the District Court

After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal to district court. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 45 days of the date you received the ARB's order.

Tax Payment

If you appeal and your case is pending, you must pay the lesser of the amount of taxes due on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute or the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which the appeal is taken.

More Information

You can get more information by contacting the Carson County Appraisal District at 102 S Main, PO Box 970, Panhandle, TX, 79068, or by calling 806-537-3569. You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from an appraisal district.

DEADLINE FOR FILING PROTESTS WITH THE ARB

Usual Deadline

On or before May 31 (or 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later).

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have cause.


Late protests are due the day before the appraisal review board approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more information.

Special deadlines

For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and change didn't result from a protest you filed), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually February 15). The ARB decides whether a required notice was mailed to you.




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Carson County Sheriff's Report

There were 13 persons booked into the Carson county jail during the week of April 29 through May 5, 2002. Currently there are 17 persons incarcerated in this jail and additional 9 prisoners being held in other jurisdictions. Persons listed are charged with criminal activity but are not necessarily convicted. A question was asked

this past week about whether or not a telemarketer represented Texas Department of Public Safety. The do not and if you feel that any caller is misrepresenting his or her self you are asked to call the Texas Attorney General Consumer Protection Division at 1-800-621-0508.

Arrest made this week include:

Delroy Allison, age 36 of Pattern, NJ-Warrant-Broward Co., Florida.

Satruino rodriguez, age 44 of Friona, TX-Revocation of probation-DWI-3rd.

Louis Gilmer, age 36 of Leesburg, FL-Conviction-Possession of marijuana, more than 2000 lb.

Wendal Chambers, age 31 of Borger, TX-Attempt capital murder and warrants-Borger P.D.

William Chitwood, age 66 of Borger, TX-10 day commitment-DWI-3rd.

David Fields, age 23 of Groom, TX-Warrants-Potter Co. & Gray Co.

Steve Gonser, age 46 of Borger, TX-10 day commitment-DWI-3rd.

Dean Curtin, age 34 of Merietta, GA-Possession of marijuana, more than 50 lb but less than 2000 lb.

John Donaldson, age 49 of Stone Mountain, GA-Possession of marijuana, more than 50 lb, but less than 2000 lb.

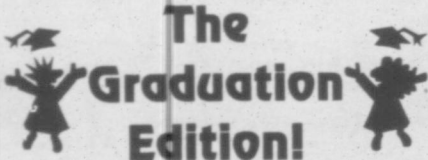
Gelberto Castillo, age 43 of Borger, TX-Traffic warrants-DPS.

Federico Saucdo, age 48 of Ft. Lupton, CO-

Shannon Pettey, age 37 of Fairhaven, MA-Possession of controlled substance, less than one gram.

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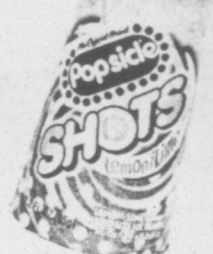


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