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A big crew at Ernest and Dorothy Weller's home this weekend.

James Miller, trying to teach nephew, Dakota, how to play in the sprinkler. Looked like Uncle James enjoyed it more than Dakota.

Fire fighter Jay Lamb facing the "Jaws of Death" as he scaled a towering elm tree to rescue a cat from Lee Barkley's tree.

Hap Watson, Newsom and Bud Babe xk enjoying a quiet morning at the Dairy Queen. W.H. was busy harvesting.

Marty Phillips demonstrating her rew "walk" after attending classes at the Dianne Dick Modeling School.

Scott McLaughlin trying to enlist the help of Darrell Whatley in persuading his parents to let him get a show steer.

Katie and Marvin Talley and Allie Hoyt returning from a surprising excurs on down at the lake Sunday evening.

Hop Britten filling up with gas getting ready for a busy day.

Bobby Babcock 4wheeling it down Broadway on Monday afternoon to perform his daily chores.

Lucille Case out early Tuesday morning running

Jason Prather mowing the Slaton's yard.

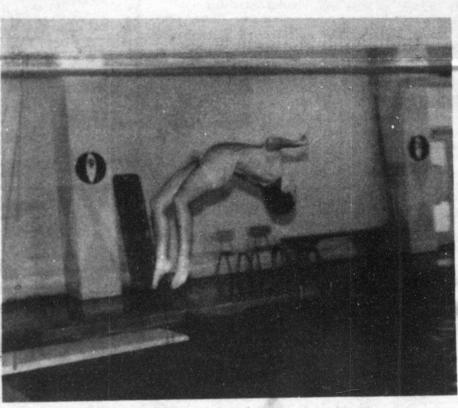
AJ. Newsom and Hap Watson talking over matters at the salvage yard.

Bill Ellington checking air in his car tires.

MISS CARSON County Contest scheduled each year during the July 4 JOY Celebration has been cancelled due to lack of participation. Other events will proceed as planned.



Josh Robinson and Andy York cool off on a hot day at Groom Pool



Jessica Friemel displays some fancy flips off the diving board.

Groom Basketball Camps, Grades 2-9 Planned

basketball Groom coaches will host a basketball camp for the area

Targeted for enthusiasts from second grade through ninth grade, campers will learn fundamentals of the game as well as participate in fun contests and competitions.

Some of the topics to be covered are: Offensive and defensive fundamentals; shooting instruction; team offense and defense; and man-to-man basics.

The coaches are also

contest; hot shot shooting contests; lay up competition and team competition.

The girls camp, hosted by Shirley Fields will be July 19 - 23. Girls in the second through fifth grade will attend the Fundamentals Clinic from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Fee for the camp will be \$20.00. Each camper will receive a camp t-shirt and their own personal basketball.

Girls in sixth - ninth grades will attend the Team Clinic from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m., July 19 - 23. 11. y will also

For the sixth year in a planning a free throw receive a t-shirt and basketball. Their fee \$25.00.

The boys clinics will be the following week, July 26 -30, led by Jay Lamb and Larry Reid. Second through fifth grade will attend in the mornings from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. while the older students (6th grade - 9th grade) will attend in the afternoons, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. The fees will be the same as for the

Registration will take place thirty minutes prior to the first class.

Farmers "Back In The Saddle" After Rains

The grain trucks and combines were rolling with a fury this weekend as warm temperatures and wind soon dried up the rain from late last week. Although spotty showers dumped 1/2" to 1" of rain in the Grandview and Hoover areas Saturday morning just about every one else was able to get back in the field Saturday.

The moisture termed "A Million Dollar Rain", by bank president, Bobby Babcock fell at just the right time.

"Even most of the farmers that were in the middle of harvest were glad to see the moisture," stated Babcock. "It was badly needed for the corn and milo crops."

To the best of our brought in the first load of wheat on June 8th to the Wheeler Evans Elevators in Groom. Harry Haiduk

brought the first load into The Corners location on June 11th.

Terrell Britten brought the first load into Groom's Attebury Grain on June 14.

"Yields are running about half of what they were last year for the majority of farmers," said Nadine Thornton of Wheeler Evans Elevators in Groom.

Attebury Grain's Tony Treadwell stated that they have also experienced some erratic yields.

"Dryland wheat has been producing anywhere from 8 to 30 bushels per acre while irrigated crops are yielding between 10 and 50," Treadwell said. "We had one Sunday that a hot dry wind blew out of the south just as most of this wheat some, and some fields really could have used one more rain."

See Harvest, pg. 3

Little League Undefeated, All-Stars Chosen

Groom Little League team (ages 11 and 12) completed their season undefeated Friday night in Groom. Team members are Josh Evenson, Daniel Treadwell, Marcus Miller,

Dean Fields, Chris Ollinger, Dusty Crump, Justin Homen, Clay Ritter, Wade Ritter, Ross Brooks, Phil Slaton, Evan Crowell, Dwain Gray and Russell Conrad.

All-Stars chosen from Groom this week to compete in the All-Star Tournament in Childress, Texas, Monday July 5, 1993 will be: Marcus Miller, Daniel Treadwell, Josh Evenson, Justin Homen, Dusty Crump, Chris Ollinger, and Dean Fields.

Community Calendar

RESIDENTS URGED TO ATTEND MEETING

Groom City Council is currently in the process of applying for a grant through Panhandle Regional Planning Commission to help pay for improvements in the park, tennis courts and the baseball field.

Some of the plans they are considering are covered picnic tables in the park and a walking trail. They also are hoping to refurbish the tennis courts.

The public is encouraged to attend the July 8 meeting and voice their thoughts on the improvements or offer their own ideas.

GIRLS BASKETBALL Camp will be July 19-23 for grades 2 through 9.

BOYS BASKETBALL Camp will be July 26-30 for grades 2 through 9.

ATHLETIC PHYSICALS for boys in grades 7-12 are scheduled for Monday, August 2 at the Groom Health Clinic. Girls in grades 7-12 are scheduled on Wednesday, August 4 at the Clinic.

TUESDAY GRAIN PRICES AT LOCAL ELEVATORS

> Wheat-\$2.49 Milo-\$3.49 Corn-\$4.12

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Rip and Joy Snyder visited Reverend Copeland at Palo Duro Nursing Home in Claude Sunday and visited Les and Dora Neal in Clarendon.

Dr. and Mrs. Dan Witt of Hoisington, Kansas, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Peek and Brent of English, Texas, and Shannon Peek of Amarillo, spent the weekend with Helen Witt and celebrated her birthday. They all returned to their homes on Sunday.

Norma Jean Homer, Mary Jo Schacher and Vernie Schacher of Larbuddle attended the Dolly Parton concert Sunday evening. GROOM BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

July 1 - K.E. (Buster) Schultz, Jr., Jason Levi Cline.

July 2 - M.B. Bolden, Michael Anthony Lewis.

July 3 - Leo Chapman Looten. July 4 - Gregory Britten,

Lucille Merrick, Gene Wade, Stacy Jean Fields. July 5 - T.C. Sustaire,

Rhett Patterson.

July 6 - Donald Conrad,
Jerry Lynn Thornton, Micah
Helton, Judy Miller, Nellie

July 7 - Larry Stephens, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold J. Kuehler (A).

Rip Snyder and Wayne Shaw were Panhandle visitors on Friday.

Local Happenings

Summer league basketball began this week for high school girls. Games were played on Tuesday and Thursday at Pampa this past week.

Other games will be at Borger and West Texas High. Games begin at 6:00 p.m.

Rip and Joy Snyder visited Marshal and Louise Peters and Mrs. Alfred Boyce in Wellington on Thursday. Norma Jean Homer spent the weekend in Amarillo with Joannie Homer and Tiffani. John Garrison of Floydada and William and Floretta Neal of Amarillo and Bertha Knight were visiting with Leslie and Dora Neal of Clarendon last

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FFA & 4-Hers Attend Show

Several Groom 4-H and FFA members spent the weekend showing cattle at the Golden Spread Classic Banner Show, Saturday, and the Golden Spread Classic Beltbuckle Show on Sunday, held at the Tri-State Fair Grounds in Amarillo.

Dara Whatley, Matt Miller, and Melody Burton participated. They were assisted by Charles Burk, Darrell Whatley, Roy Dale Cooper, Scott McLaughlin, Ty Lambert, Ila Miller and Jim Burton.

Melody Burton grabbed the top honors for the day as her red chianta, "Boomerang", won its class. Matt Miller's black limiousin "I-Bone" placed 6th in his class.

Dara Whatley's "Winnie Bear", a black limiousin placed 7th.

Dara also placed 5th with her black and white maine, "Bobby Sox".

The group was back to compete again on Sunday with reinforcements. C.J. Whatley, Charlotte Whatley and Marc Miller.

C.J. did the best for the day with "Winnie Bear" placing 3rd in class.

Dara and "Bobby Sox" placed 6th in their class.

Melody and "Boomerang" placed 7th; Marc and "T-Bone" placed 6th in their respective classes.

No Firework Discharging In Groom

As the July 4th celebration nears fire cracker enthusiasts are reminded of the safety rules and city ordinances that will help keep the fun in safe boundaries.

Section 12 - 1 & 12 - 2 of the City Code says, that it is unlawful to sell or keep in stock fire crackers, or to discharge them with in the city limits of Groom.

However, the city does allow the use of fireworks at the baseball park south of the legion hall. They do ask that everyone clean up their own mess and not leave sparkler wire on the playing field.

Some other safety rules to follow are:

Always ignite fireworks in an open area, away from homes, dry wheat stubble or grass. A recently plowed field is always a good place, providing you have the owner's permission.

Follow the directions and find out what to expect from different types of fireworks. Some types go up in the air, while some spin or bounce along the ground.

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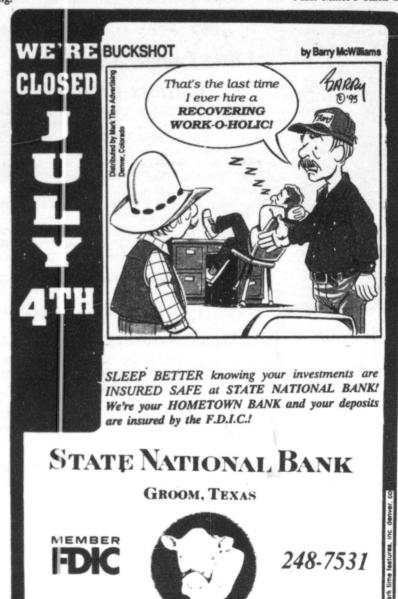
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Texas Tech University College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Sciences dean Sam Curl presents Matt Weinheimer, agronomy, horticulture and entomology, with the outstanding student award for the 1992-93 school year.

Harvest

Most local elevators have been operating pretty much around the clock, taking the dryer weather when they can find it.

The forecast is calling for

hot dry weather, with highs in the mid to upper range of 90's. No rain is expected through the first part of the week, giving the farmers a little more time to get in their crops.

WHITE DEER'S main street sculpture of its deer statue has been entered into the Smithsonian archives. Through the cooperation of the Smithsonian Institute and the Texas Historical Commission the deer was entered due to the fact it is the only known outdoor sculpture in Carson County.



The U.S. launched its first weather satellite, Tiros 1, on April 1, 1960.



At participating Dairy Queen stores.

Ag Commissioner Addresses Texas Press Convention On The Need To Keep Ag Products Closer To Home For The Economy's Sake

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry said Friday that the state must work harder to keep its agricultural products closer to home for processing to create jobs and boost the economy.

Mr. Perry spoke to the 114th summer convention of the Texas Press Convention held in San Antonio over the weekend.

Attending from the Groom/McLean News were Phil Miller and Joni

Huddleston.

The Commissioner urged Texas Press Association members to help generate support for a state ballot issue in November that would finance loans to businesses trying to get into value-added industries.

Texas Press members

were treated on Friday to Fiesta Texas, the new recreation theme park recently opened in San Antonio.

Also speaking at the convention were representatives of the Texas Attorney Generals' Office on Texas Open Meeting Laws and Open Records Act and newly elected Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson

White Deer Youth Killed In Accident Monday Evening

Curtis Lee Whitehead, 16, of White Deer, died June 28, 1993 in an accident on FM 749. Whitehead was northbound, lost control of his vehicle after he completed a curve, rolling the vehicle four times.

A passenger in the vehicle, John Keith Jernigan, 15, of Lefors was taken to Coronado Hospital with facial lacerations and a broken back.

Whitehead and Jernigan were not wearing seatbelts at the time of the accident.

Services for Whitehead were Wednesday at the First Baptist Church in White Deer

Curtis was born on April 25, 1977 in Pampa. He was a resident of White Deer all his life. He attended White Deer High School and was active in FFA and 4-H. He had been nominated for "Who's Who Among American High School Students." He had been in the band for two years, and was a member of the First Baptist Church in White Deer.

Survivors include his parents, Rickey and Susie Whitehead of White Deer; a sister, Stacey Whitehead of White Deer; a maternal grandmother, Betty Bockmon of Pampa; a paternal grandfather, Harile Lee and Betty Whitehead of Pampa; a paternal grandmother, Edna and David Thompson of Ruidoso, N.M.; and several aunts and uncles.

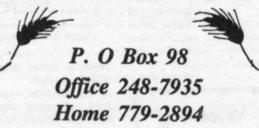
The family requests memorials be to White Deer FFA c/o Conda Maze.

JULY IMMUNIZATION CLINIC SCHEDULE

Immunization clinics offering vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases are scheduled for July.

The Texas Department of Health is charging money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount of money charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay.

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Lone Star Millionaire III Game Begins

ATHLETIC PHYSICALS (EDULED FOR AUGUST 2

Athletic physicals are required of all athletes prior participation in any University Interscholastic League sport. Boys in grades 7 - 12 are scheduled for physical exams on Monday, August 2 at the Groom Health Clinic, Girls in grades 7 - 12 are scheduled for physicals on Wednesday, August 4 at the The following schedule will be used both

Students grades 7 - 8 report at 4 p.m.

Students grades 9 - 10 report at 5 p.m. Students grades 11 - 12

report at 6 p.m.

The Groom School District will pay the cost of physicals on these two dates.

Students must fill out a Medical History Form and an Acknowledgement of Rules Form. These forms must be read carefully, filled out and brought to the physical examination.

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"Summer is a time of blockbuster movies, and in that spirit, the Texas Lottery is producing a second sequel to the hit game, Lone Star

Millionaire," Comptroller John Sharp announced.

"The fourteenth scratchoff game from the Texas Lottery, 'Lone Star Millionaire III,' officially begins today," Sharp said. "And like its predecessors, 'Lone Star Millionaire I and II', which are still available in stores throughout the state, the new tickets offer

As with the earlier games, players scratch the latex

ticket is a scorching red."

covering off the entire play area to reveal six prize amounts or symbols. Any ticket with three matching prize amounts, in any configuration, is a winner.

"If the work TICKET appears three times, players can return to their retailer immediately and trade it in for another 'Lone Star Millionaire III' ticket," Sharp "Then they have a chance to win a bigger prize."

containing a

"Lone Star Millions" and "Texas Match Up" will also qualify to participate in the preliminary Grand Prize drawings.

The "Lone Star Millionaire III" tickets begin arriving at the 15,000 Texas Lottery retailers this week.

Players may redeem the free tickets and cash prizes of \$2, \$5, \$10, \$20 and \$100 at any of the licensed Lottery retailers. \$5,000 prizes are paid at any of the 24 convenient regional Lottery claim centers across the state.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Groom, Texas is considering a park development project located in the northern portion of Proposed town. improvements include baseball park improvements, tennis courts, and walking trail. The City is interested in discussing alternatives to this project, securing public perceptions of possible adverse impacts that would result from the project and discussing possible measures to minimize any adverse impacts. A public hearing is scheduled on Thursday, July 8, 1993, at 8:00 p.m., at City Hall to discuss the proposed project. extend or send written comments to Greg Lamb, Mayor, City of Groom, P.O. Box 217, Groom, Texas 79039-0217. Comments will be received until July 8, Handicapped 1993. individuals that wish to attend this meeting should contact Mayor Lamb at City Hall to arrange assistance.

Former Groom Resident Neva Jo Watts Dies

Former Groom resident, Neva Jo Watts, 63, died-Tuesday, June 22, 1993.

Services were at 2 p.m. Saturday in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with George Lundberg, minister of Miami Church of Christ, officiating. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Mrs. Watts was a resident of Pampa for 30 years. She married Orval Watts in 1953 at Clovis, N.M.

Survivors include husband; two daughters, Pam Norwood of Pampa and Vera Barker of McLean; a son, Frankie Watts of Pampa; a sister, O'Keef of Ella Mae California; and five grandchildren.

Scratched-Off Ticket Shows: Number in Game **Prize Amount** \$5,000 + \$5,000 + \$5,000 \$5,000 2,920 \$100 + \$100 + \$100 \$100 \$20 + \$20 + \$20 140,160 \$20 560,640 \$10 + \$10 + \$10 \$10 1,121,280 \$5 \$5 + \$5 + \$5 \$2 + \$2 + \$2 5,606,400 Free Ticket 7,008,000 TICKET + TICKET + TICKET Lucky Lone Star (☆) 560,640 TOTAL* \$26,980,800 15,000,332

Total based on 70,080,000 tickets in game.

players a chance to win \$1 million - in cash."

The television, radio and print advertising campaign that accompanies the new game features four of the state's newest Grand Prize Drawing millionaires.

CAPROCK ROUNDUP and Rodeo is scheduled for July 9-10 in Claude. Old settlers reunion begins on Saturday at 9:00 a.m. Dance scheduled for both

Scratch-off cash prizes in the new game range from \$2 to \$5,000 to a free ticket - instantly. One in every 4.67 of the 70 million "Lone Star Millionaire III" tickets is a winner.

"Lone Star Millionaire' is

extremely popular instant-win game," Sharp. "That's why we're continuing it this summer. The ticket resembles its predecessors, except in color. The others are gold and blue; this new game

single Lucky Lone Star are eligible for monthly, \$1

million Grand Prize Drawings.

"The million-dollar drawings are scheduled through this fall," Sharp "We'll continue to travel around the state so we can share the fun with

all the people of Texas." "Our next drawing is scheduled for July 8 in In August, the Grand Prize Drawing will travel to Alice. September, the Texas Lottery will visit the East Texas city of Marshall. In October, the drawing will be held in Dallas at the State Fair of Texas. And in November, the show will visit the Rio Grande Valley."

The odds of finding a Lucky Lone Star are one in 125. Eligible tickets should be mailed to: Grand Prize Box 149777 ing, P.O. Austin, Texas 78714-9777.

"For our customers convenience, all retailers and Lottery claim centers will have pre-addressed envelopes available for those lucky Lottery players who win a chance at a million dollars," Texas Lottery Director Nora Linares said.

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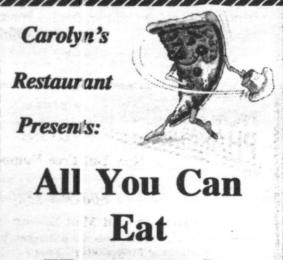
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Fields - Burgin Receive Scholarships

Matt Fields and Melinda Burgin were recently notified that they are the recipients of scholarships.

Matt, son of Keith and Shirley Fields was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship from the Clark Foundation Scholarship, administered by Texas Interscholastic

League Foundation. The one year scholarship will help Matt with his plans to attend West Texas A&M and major in the agrisciences field.

Melinda, daughter of Jimmy and Susan Burgin, was awarded a \$500 scholarship from the Texas

Interscholastic League Foundation Diamond Scholarship, Anniversary administered by the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation. Melinda plans to attend school at Angelo State and major in accounting.



Groom News Critiqued In Contest

The Groom News was in attendance at the Texas Press Association Convention held in San Antonio last weekend.

Part of the convention is a highly competitive "Better Newspaper Contest." This was the first time the Groom News entered this contest. Papers are critiqued in many different divisions and compete in general categories according to circulation.

In the Excellence" category newspapers are judged according to the overall format of the whole paper. "The Groom News" placed 16th. Some of the judges comments included "photos are good but could be bigger and our casual style of writing fit well with our 'homey' stores."

In column writing the "We Saw" column placed 19th. Judges thought that we should develop a theme. We thought we had.. isn't it what we saw?!

One of the feature stories "The Groom News" sent in

mentioned in the feature story category.

Sports coverage placed 15th overall and was deemed enjoyable reading and good coverage by the judges.

These contests are a lot of trouble to enter but give The News a chance to see how they measure up to other papers around the

Be sure to give the Groom News a call when you have company or take a trip this summer. We need your news!

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Carson County Sheriff's Report

Persons recently booked into the Carson County Jail were charged with: DWI (3rd offense), Possession Of Marijuana (Misdemeanor), Possession of Marijuana (Felony), Probation Violation (Arizona), Theft by check (Randall County), DPS Warrants, Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle, Probation Violation (Texas), Failure to Identify to Police, Driving with Licensed Suspended and DWI (1st offense).

Of the fourteen person currently incarcerated in our jail, five are awaiting openings in the prison system for transfer to the Texas Department of Corrections and two are being held pending release to their counties.

On Thursday night, our department assisted the Texas Highway Patrol, the Armstrong County Sheriff's Department, the Potter County Sheriff's Department and the U.S. Marshal's Office in a search for a person impersonating a Our federal officer. dispatcher received a 9-1-1 call from person who had been stopped by a person identifying himself as a U.S. Deputy Marshal. The alleged officer told the witness that he was involved in a gun battle with two escaped federal prisoners and asked the witness to call other law officers for back-As the search progressed, the Amarillo Police Department received another call which indicated that the gun battle had

moved to the area of the Potter/Carson County line. the area was thoroughly searched by officers and no evidence of such a confrontation was encountered.

Further investigation by our department revealed the name and location of a person who is a witness to this incident. information was relayed to the U.S. Marshal's office and the witness has agreed to assist in the apprehension of the suspect. It is our intention to prosecute the subject once he has been located.

The Carson County Sheriff's Department is investigating the theft of a camping trailer that was stolen at the rest area on Interstate 40. The owner was towing the trailer behind a Ryder rental truck and had stopped at the rest area to get some sleep before continuing the drive. While the driver was sleeping, the camper was disconnected and taken from the rest area. The driver didn't notice the trailer was missing until he reached Shamrock.

Our department is investigating allegations of assault and assault with a motor vehicle in Groom. The incident involved a conflict between an adult and a juvenile. We are also investigating a report of criminal mischief at a business in the Industrial Boulevard area of Borger (Carson County) and other reports of abandoned motor

As The Interstate Turns . . .

By Joe Longway

On Sunday June 20th Trooper Chris Ray investigated an accident on I-40 one mile west of Investigation Groom. revealed that the driver had fallen asleep at the wheel. Alcohol was involved.

On Monday June 21st Corporal Roland McGill investigated an accident on 7 miles east of Amarillo when a Claude woman had an insulin reaction losing control of her car. No citations were issued.

On Tuesday June 22nd a Arizona youth was arrested for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. The youth was taken before Justice of the Peace Bill Hinson where he pled guilty and paid a \$200.00 fine. Later that afternoon a Indiana man control of her suburban and was arrested on I-40, 4 miles west of Groom for failing to pay child support. The man was taken to the Carson County Sheriff's Office until he could post a \$2,500. bond.

On Thursday, June 24th a McAllen, TX man was Panhandle for Driving While arrested for \$867.00 in Intoxicated. unpaid DPS tickets. Later youth for Possession of and Seat Belt violations.

Alcoholic beverages. next traffic stop resulted in an Amarillo man giving a false name to Trooper Ray. The man was arrested and placed in the Carson Co.

On Friday, June 25th, Trooper Chris Ray arrested an Amarillo man for unpaid Amarillo Police Department warrants on US 60. The man was taken to Carson Co. Jail until APD could pick him up.

On Saturday, June 26th, an Illinois youth was arrested on I-40, 3 miles West of Conway for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. afternoon an accident was investigated on I-40, 12 miles east of Groom when an Amarillo woman lost travel trailer. Trooper Chris Ray, Mark Bivens, and McLean rescue units assisted at the scene.

In the early morning hours of June 27th, Corporal McGill arrested a man on US 60 just west of

As a reminder be careful that afternoon Trooper this 4th of July. DPS will Chris Ray arrested a Texas be looking for DWI., Speed



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Rives Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Wayne and Mabel Rives of Gaithersburg, Maryland recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with their children, spouses and grandchildren. couple hosted a brunch to celebrate the occasion at the Key Bridge Marriott Hotel in Arlington, Virginia. Mr.and Mrs. Rives were presented with an engraved gold tray by family members.

The table was centered with an arrangement of white roses and peonies, freesia and Queen Anne's lace. The afternoon was spent in outdoor games and a picnic at the home of Jim and Cindy Rives. Earlier this year the couple had a second honeymoon in Hawaii.

The couple, originally from Texas, were married in Mobile, Alabama on June 14, 1943. Mrs. Rives, the former Mabel Back of McLean, Texas, received her B.A. degree from West Texas State College. She is the daughter of the late Jim and Vera Back, sister of the late J.D. Back and sister of Mary Emma Woods of McLean. Mr. Rives, a graduate of Borger High



School, received his B.B.A. degree from the University of Texas. He was employed by Phillips Petroleum Company in Bartlesville, Cklahoma, and later in Iclaho Falls, Idaho. The Rives family moved to Naryland in 1967 where Nr. Rives joined the Atomic Energy Commission in Washington, D.C. Mrs. R ves was employed by the

Montgomery County Schools for 14 years. Both retired in 1984.

Their children are Mark and Judy Rives of Germantown, Maryland, Diann and David Litvin of Washington, D.C., and Jim and Cindy Rives of Gaithersburg. Grandchildren are Joel Rives and Jeannie Noell.

Flippin' Farm **Athletics Compete** In Championships

Natalie Conner, Jennifer Haning and Shalee Stalls will be going to San Diego, California to represent Shamrock, Wheeler and McLean. It is the biggest meet of the year, the National Championship. There will be athletics from every state in the United States.

Jennifer will be competing in the National Invitational on July 9th. Jennifer is the daughter of Buster and Debbie Haning of Wheeler. Shalee Stalls and Natalie Conner will be competing for the next ten days in one event or the other. Each will comopete in trampoline, double minitrampoline and power tumbling. Natalie will also compete in synchronized trampoline. Her partner is Casey Hedrick of Lubbock.

Natalie and Shalee will also be representing the



United States in the Indo Pacific Games also to be held in San Diego. Shalee is the daugher of Bobbi and Randy Stalls of McLean. Natalie is the daughter of Dazyl and Patti Conner of Samnorwood.

Each athletic will

Tumbling and Trampoline Association is expecting over 600 athletes in combined competitions. The Indo-Pacific Games will include countries such as South Africa, the Soviet Republic, and many others.

compete in their individual

age group. The American

Baptist Group Finds Big Trouble In Big "D"

The McLean Baptist youth traveled to Dallas, Texas on June 25th to attend the Southern Baptist Youth Evangelism Conference. The meeting was held Friday night and Saturday morning at the Reunion Arena in Dallas.

Those attending were, sponsors, John and Freda Holland, Bobbi Stalls and Youth Pam Purcell. attending were Doug Purcell, Toby Purcell, Matt Hall, Lorin Hall, Shaley Stalls, Shandon Stalls, Shelly Holland, Seth Brown, Brad

Dickey, Moriah McCracken, and Tanna Shipman.

After the meeting on Saturday the group went to "Wet & Wild" for a little fun and relaxation before returning to McLean, leaving the Baptist Church van and the Stalls' suburban parked and locked for safety. At about 5:30 they returned to the vehicles to find the suburban broken into and a number of items had been stolen from purses that had been left for safety. John and Freda's billfolds, See Dallas, pg. 10

Reminders THE BANK OF Commerce will be closed

July 5th to observe Independence Day, July 4th. The Post Office will also be

CAPROCK ROUNDUP and Rodeo is scheduled for July 9-10 in Claude. Old settlers reunion begins on Saturday at 9:00 a.m. Dance scheduled for both

McLEAN LION'S CLUB will meet at 6:30 p.m., July 5th at the Lion's building.

ANNUAL MINISTERIAL Alliance Picnic will be held at the City Park on July 4.

JULY 8TH will be the meeting day for the McLean City Council at 7:00 p.m. at the City Hall.

McLEAN CITY HALL will be closed on July 5th as will Southwestern Public

The Texas Assessement of Academic Skills (TAAS) issued the results for McLean ISD recently. This table shows how McLean compares with some of the other area school districts.

District	Writing %	Reading %	Math %	Pass
Fourth Grade				
State Average	81	56	59	47
McLean ISD	100	50	63	N/
Groom ISD	100	86	86	71
Amarillo ISD	83	61	65	51
Canyon ISD	93	77	78	68
Eighth Grade				
State Average	71	60	43	38
McLean ISD	79	71	31	N/
Groom ISD	100	100	81	81
Amarillo ISD	61	58	42	35
Canyon ISD	86	87	74	68
Tenth Grade				
State Average	80	70	55	49
McLean ISD	93	100	71	N
Groom ISD	88	96	65	64
Amarillo ISD	79	72	54	49
Canyon ISD	88	78	64	60

Smithsonian Visits Museum

Michael Wallis, Pulitzer Prize nominee, was host to the Smithsonian trust bus tour that stopped Sunday, June 20th in McLean.

Thirty nine very interested travelers toured the museums with a focus on Route 66. They had gathered in Tulsa, Oklahoma and planned to stop in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Demonstrations were Museum and many souvenirs were purchased by the group. Michael Wallis

who wrote and published the Old Route 66 book that is so popular acted as host and related the history and stories about the Mother Road as they traveled along.

The tour was met by State 66 President Charlie Marie Shurley, and a host of volunteers. The tour bus company said they would return with another tour in September. This is just one given in the Barbed Wire of many examples of the ways we can get more people into McLean.

See Smithsonian, pg. 9

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McLEAN BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

July 1 - Sonja Wynn, Mrs. R.A. Beverly, Juanita McKee.

July 2 - Doug Purcell, Verlon Duggari.

July 3 - Dixie Jo
Crockett.

July 4 - Nicki Hefley.

July 5 - Corinne Trimble,

Hershel McCarty, Melissa

Thompson, Patricia Gaybeal.

July 6 - Lames Hefley.

July 6 - James Hefley, Sara Brown, Worlan Robinson.

July 7 - DarrellMyers, Harold Houdyshell, Bernard McClellan, Zora Petty Billingsley, Nora Petty Loveland.

Briefs

Visiting Nelda and Wade Kirk is Nelda's Mom, Erma Franks from Tulia, Texas.

Rachel and Sandie Kramer from Shellytown are visiting their grandparents Dale and Mary Lou Glass.

Fayettebell Barton and Grace McCabe are in the Shamrock Hospital.

CARD OF THANKS

Words cannot express the gratitude of the many kind acts shown during the loss of our loved one. May God Bless Each of You.

"Family Of Emmett Smith"

Briefs

The McLean News received a new subscription this week from Mrs. Fern Landers Serra as a gift to her sister, Mrs. Mildred Grigsbey of Shawnee, Oklahoma. She tells The News that their father Mr. L.A. Landers was editorpublisher of the McLean News for 25 years.

SAFETY IS WORTH A POUND OF CURE

John Adams foretold Americans' fondness of fireworks on the Fourth of July, Benjamin Franklin for ewarned the consequences: fire.

Founding father John Adams predicted Independence Day would be celebrated through the centuries with pomp and parades, games and sports, bonfires and illuminations. Americans still celebrate with illuminations fireworks, to modern generations. So the Texas Commission on Fire Protection recommends that Texans follow the advice of another founding father, Benjamin Franklin:

"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

Each year, Texas suffers from fires caused by people handling fireworks carclessly. In 1992, Texas fire departments reported 641 Visiting Mr. and Mrs.
Tony Smitherman over the weekend was their son Dr.
Bryan Smitherman and friend Bryan Croft from Lubbock, Texas.

Clayt and Lacy Thomas from Amarillo spent Saturday night with their grandmother, Jodie Thomas. They returned to Amarillo early Sunday morning. Lacy going to church camp and Clayt back to work at Stratford feed lot.

Visiting last week were D.J. Grayveal and children, Bryan, Shannon and "Little" D.J. from Mesquite, Neveda, and Deanna and David Seigat from Whitehouse, Tenn. D.J. is the brother of Donna Montgomery and Deanna is her sister. They had a good visit with Donna and Brett. Bryan Grayveal will spend the summer with them.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. John M. Haynes over the weekend were Kathey and Mike Haynes from Amarillo.



fireworks-related fires, an increase of more than 200 over 1991.

Housing For The Qualified Applicants

Rural residents who are homeless or inadequately-housed families may now have a choice to become homeowners under a plan being adopted by the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA), August H. Hesse, III, FmHA County Supervisor, said today.

Under the plan, special emphasis will be given to homes that have been in FmHA's inventory at least 18 months.

Inventory homes will be offered to public bodies, including housing authorities and nonprofit community-based organizations, for rent to the homeless, or in some

Katrina

Thomas

Baptized

Baptismal services were

held on June 20, 1993 for

Katrina Shealyn Thomas.

She was born on November

Celebrating the event

with her were her parents,

Bill and Tina Thomas, her

brothers and sister, Jason,

Jeremy and Amber all of

grandmothers Betty Mackie

of Pampa, Beatrice Thomas

of Wellington; aunt, Brenda

Fortner of Pampa; cousin,

Jeffrey Fortner of Pampa

and a friend of the family

Becki McCarty.

Also attending were

8, 1992.

McLean.

cases, FmHA will rent directly to the individuals, Hesse said. In addition, homes which were recently acquired by FmHA into inventory but have not yet been repaired will also be offered for lease to the homeless.

The families who obtain the housing from the public bodies or nonprofit organizations may apply to buy the house at any time during the lease. Those who rent directly from FmHA will pay rent based on their income and will be given the opportunity to buy the house they rent, Hesse said that many homeless people work and have incomes,





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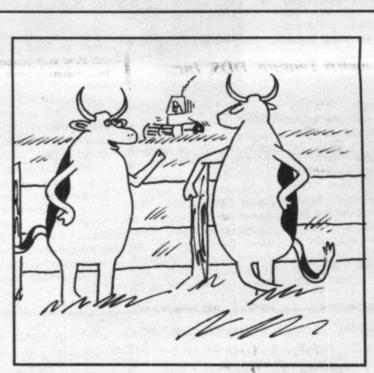
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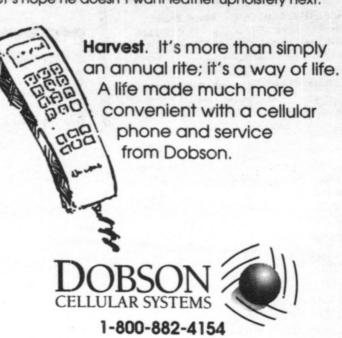
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Workman's Compensation Commission Urges Insurance Co. To Lower Rates

The executive director of the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission on Monday urged commercial insurance companies to lower the rates they charge employers for workers' compensation insurance coverage.

Todd K. Brown said financial data released this week by the Texas Workers' Compensation Insurance Facility proved "beyond a shadow of a doubt" that costs for insurers have fallen dramatically since the state's new workers' compensation law went into effect in 1991. "It's high time that insurance companies passed on those savings to employers," he said.

The Facility, the insurer of last resort for many Texas employers, ended both 1991 and 1992 with budget surpluses - only the second and third times that's happened since the Facility was established in 1953. The Facility said it had a budget surplus of about \$154 million in 1991 and expected a surplus of at least \$203 million in 1992. The only other surplus was recorded in 1980.

"The Facility's performance is a barometer the workers'

compensation system's overall performance," Brown "If the Facility can have a budget surplus while insuring the state's highestrisk employers, you can be sure that commercial carriers are seeing lower costs in the voluntary market as well."

Brown said insurance companies that have refused to lower their rates, despite data that shows their costs have fallen, "are like bettors at a race track who keep putting money on a Volkswagen when there's a Corvette in the pole position."

"The first year after the new law, commercial carriers came in and requested rate increases because they said their data on the new law was incomplete. Then they admitted that their workers' compensation costs had fallen, but they said they weren't sure if the trend would hold up. Many carriers have continued to ask for the maximum rate increase allowed by law," Brown said.

He said insurance companies that haven't lowered their rates are "sending out an awful message."

"They know the new law is working, but despite that knowledge, they continue to raise their rates or hold them exorbitantly high. It says to me that insurance companies want to talk about workers' compensation reform on the one hand but don't really want to follow through on It destroys their credibility to talk about the

need for reform." Brown said national insurance companies may also be hurting their cause in other states. "When other states look at us in Texas and see how successful our new system has been in lowering costs, but see how reluctant the insurance companies have been to lower their rates in response, I would imagine they'd think twice about going through the painful legislative battles that passing reform legislation "Texas usually requires. passed its reform law in 1989, after an exhaustive two-year study of the old system and two special legislative sessions. The law was passed in part to lower overall system costs and to ensure that workers received

fair and timely benefits. "It's amazing that the Facility, the insurer of last resort for Texas employers can show such dramatic cuts claims costs, but commercial insurance companies who can pick and choose their clients can't," Brown said.

Smithsonian

During the bus tour visit, McLean was also visited by a camera crew from "48 Hours", a national television

During the hour or so they were in McLean, they videoed the tour group, the 66 Museum and the Devil's Rope Museum and then toured the City of McLean.

The Amarillo News Globe stated the show will air in August, so everyone watch the schedules to see if McLean's Museums will be shown on "48 Hours".

> C & H McLean

Entertains Group

On Saturday, June 19, Delbert and Ruth Trew entertained eight couples for a combined birthday party for all of us that turned or are 60 this year. Due to 11/2 inches of rain we were unable to go to Bull Canyon, so we took them all through the museum and art show in the community room. The day was spent visiting, reminiscing, and

Obituaries

SERVICES HELD FOR MOTHER OF LOCAL RESIDENT

Neva Jo Watts, 63, died Tuesday, June 22, 1993.

Services were at 2 p.m. Saturday in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with George Lundberg, minister of Miami Church of Christ, officiating. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Mrs. Watts was a resident of Pampa for 30 years. She married Orval Watts in 1953 at Clovis, N.M.

Survivors include her husband; two daughters, Pam Norwood of Pampa and Vera Barker of McLean; a son, Frankie Watts of Pampa; a sister, Ella Mae O'Keef of California; and five grandchildren.

McCARTER ATTENDS

FFA CONFERENCE

Casey McCarter, attended

the Area I FFA Leadership

Conference held June 14-16

workshop, entitled "Navigating New Waters,"

attracted approximately 200

FFA members from 50 different chapters. State

FFA Officers Lynsia Jordon,

and

and

Materson, Guthrie assisted

the Area I FFA Officers

with the workshop activities.

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Nichols,

Laurie

Follett; Cherie

officers Holly

Lamesa;

Anson

The three-day leadership

at Clarendon College.

McLean FFA member,

Charles William Bogan, 76, of Amarillo, died Thursday, June 24, 1993.

Cremation was by Memory Gardens Crematory. Arrangements were by Bell Avenue Chapel of Schooler-Gordon · Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors.

Mr. Bogan was born in 1916 at Granite, Oklahoma. He moved with his family to McLean in 1927 and graduated from McLean High School. He was accepted as a cadet in the Army Air Corps at Randolph Field in San Antonio in 1938 and was commissioned as a 2nd lieutenant in February 1939. He served as a bomber pilot in Europe during World War II and was awarded Distinguished Flying

Cross for valor. He was discharged as a colonel in 1946. He received a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Texas Tech University in 1955 and went to work in the aerospace industry as a flight systems engineer for

missile and space programs. He married Constance Richardson in 1939. She died in 1978. He had been

a resident of Amarillo since

Survivors include a son, Charles Bogan of Ridgefield, Conn.; a daughter, Leian Fisher of Salt Lake City; a brother, Creed Bogan of Borger; and three grandchildren.

He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Creed Bogan of McLean.



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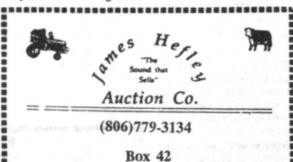
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Trews Spend Days In Mountains

Delbert and Ruth Trew spent seven cool days in Colorado and New Mexico the week of June 21-27. We visited seven museums, stopped at twelve junk and antique shops, went over eight mountain passes, camped out two nights in

state parks, spent one night in a bed and breakfast, visited old friends, met new ones, and took in a great estate auction at Raton on Saturday. They are back home to the hot grindstone, and they were glad to be home.



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Visiting Lena Carter on Tuesday was Dorothy Bruce, Deborah Walker, Brandon and Ashley of Amarillo.

Jay Dorsey was on the sick list this week.

Morgan and Meghann Hambright of Pampa visited their grandparents the James Armbristers here during the weekend.

The R.L. Leeders' vacationed down state with their children last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tidwell, Jeremy and Nora Dragoo were in Clarendon on Tuesday.

Visiting the Keese's this past week was Fay and Fulton Conner, Susie and two of the Feltons grandchildren. They are getting ready for the Conner reunion.

The James Armbrister's made a trip to Oklahoma Wednesday.

Denva Tidwell and Nora Dragoo were in Pampa on Thursday.

R.L. Leeder made a trip to Clarendon Thursday.

The Olin Weldon's were in Oklahoma over the weekend, Olin's brother is ill.

The Willis May's of Panhandle were here Saturday gathering apricots.

Visiting Lena Carter on Sunday was Jerry Carter of Pampa.

Vicki Hambright and children of Pampa were here at her mothers during the weekend.

Shelby Bruce, grandson of Lena Carter, who is in the US Navy is in the Persian Gulf waters at the moment.

Elmer Daniels was home this week after recent surgery.

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All smiles are scene here at the grand opening of Kirk's Auto Supply. Seen here are Doug Schrader, Wade Kirk, Nelda Kirk and Jeff Meade representing Part's Plus.

Kirk's Auto Supply opened its door's Friday, June 25th, for an all day affair. There were about 100 registered. Coffee, cookies, cake, and popcorn was served to all Door prizes were given and a drawing was held at 5:00 p.m. for the VCR. Ted Simmons was the lucky winner.

Doug Schrader and Jeff Meade representing Part's Plus were on hand to assist Nelda and Wade on Friday.

Mark Tate and Tammy Pennington will be working in the shop.

PLEASE CALL US at the McLean News and give us the information on your summer visitors and your

Dallas

credit cards and other items were taken that were in purses. This delayed their departure for a couple of hours filing out reports and an investigation by the police. Needless to say this trip ended with a sour note after losing so much. The burglars could have taken the suburban because there was a set of keys overlooked in Bobbi Stall's purse.

If you plan to go on vacation to visit these beautiful places in Texas just be sure to keep your valuables in your possession and lock your car and hope no one breaks in. Take only what you need, leave other things locked at home or in a vault.

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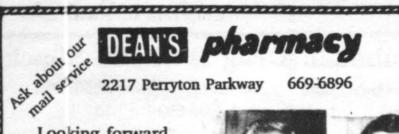
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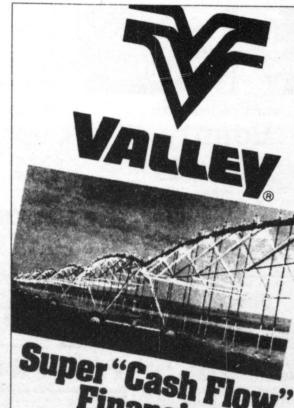
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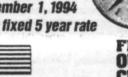
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> **NEW SWIMMING** SCHEDULE

No new swimming lessons will begin until July 8th, due to baseball and the Independence Day celebration.

Beginning July 8, Thursday, we will have another beginners class at 7:00 pm and an intermediate class at 8:00 pm (providing we have at least five students).

Snorkeling will be Saturday July 10 from 11:00 - 12:30 and Sunday, July 11 from 2:00 - 3:30. Call to register and to get equipment list at 248-7453.

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