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Health Fair - Open House to Honor Weller

Services will host an Open House and health fair on March 22nd from 2:00 to 5:00 pm at the Groom blood pressure checks, hearing tests and heath information. The Open House will be to hor or Charleen Weller, R.N. for her twelve years of outstanding service and

Panhandle Health dedication to the community.

Charleen Weller started serving the community with Panhandle Health Services Community Center. Free in April of 1982. Her service area is Groom, Claude, and the surrounding area. Charleen was born and raised in Groom. She graduated from Groom High School in 1952, she graduated from St. 248-7220 or 248-7459.

Anthony's School of Nursing Charleen is in 1955. married to Buddy Weller. They have three sons, Kenneth, Richard and David; and eight grandchildren.

Panhandle Health Services goal is quality home health care. Anyone with questions about home care may call Charleen at

Board To Replace Head Coaches And Science Teacher For '94-'95

Groom School will find themselves in search of a new athletic director, head football, head boys & girls basketball Coach as well as a Science teacher for the 1994-95 school year.

Approximately twenty five people turned out to express concerns to the school board that they have concerning the current coaching staff. After listening to fifty minutes of comments made by the visitors, President Dennis Babcock called the meeting into executive session. Returning less than an hour later, a motion was made to offer employment to Coach Terry O'Dell subject to reassignment, away from the head football and head basketball coaching The motion positions. passed with the only dissenting vote coming from Ken Burger.

Jay Lamb, the current Athletic Director, head boys basketball Coach, and math teacher sent a letter of resignation to the board citing his reasons for leaving the Groom ISD.

"...It has become

apparent to me that the time is right for a change at Groom High School. In order to assist this process, I feel that I must announce my decision not to seek reemployment..." stated Lamb in his letter to the Board, "My decision is my own and was not forced or requested by anyone. I have made this decision in hopes that it will provide a more peaceful setting for everyone...'

It was accepted prior to the discussion. David Britten being the only vote not to accept it.

Shirley Fields was offered employment, unanimously at

Larry Reid was offered employment unanimously as teacher/coach, subject to assignment at Step 2.

Other teachers offered employment (unanimously unless otherwise noted) were: Debra Addy, Step 10; Susan Burgin, Step 8; Charles Burk, Step 8; Annetta Childress, Step 10; Marcia Davis, Step 7 (Gary Davis abstained); Georgann Hinson, Step 10; Pam Hutsell, Step 9 (Ken Burger

& Gary Davis abstained); June Gable, Step 3; Leatrice Reck, Step 10; Kay Britten, Step 9; Jerry Crowell, Step 9; Leslie Crowell, Step 1; Shawn Thrush, Step 3; Stephanie Friemel, Step 4; and Steve Hutsell, Step 9 (Ken Burger and Gary Davis abstained).

Michael Brame was not offered a contract for the 1994-1995 school year.

LaVeda Wood offered her resignation as cafeteria personnel. Linda Floyd was hired to replace Wood for the rest of the school year, effective March 21, 1994. Trustee Davis voted nay.

In other business: The board approved tentative plans by the Senior Class for their Senior trip to Dallas on May 6. Firm plans will be offered at the April school board meeting.

The Board unanimously ratified all book titles recommended by the Textbook Committee.

Balloting for the Region XVI Education Service Center Director was conducted.

Budgeting for a new bus was discussed. No action was taken.

Fields State Bound After Competition

Stacy Fields and Stanley Homer attended the Regional Music Competit on over the weekend. Sponsored by Jerry Crowell the pair did very well in their individual competitions.

Stacy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Fields, performed "Waltz O.P. No. 64" by Chopin. She was awarded a Gold Medal and will compete in the State Competition in June.

Stanley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Homer, performed "Mikrocosmos" by Bela Bartok. He was awarded a



Run-Off To Be Held In Treasurers Race





Unoffical Results

District Attorney	
James T. Shelton	424
Randell C. Sims	627
County Treasurer	444

Jeannie Cunningham 160 Lee Tice 486 Linda Orr

Community Calendar

ST. PATRICK'S Day is March 17th. Shamrock will be hosting their annual celebration.

GROOM TRACK MEET will be held on March 18.

SCHOOL GROUP Pictures will be made on March 24.

FILING TO RUN for a place on the school board or city council has begun. Potential candidates may go to the school business office or city hall for the necessary documents. Applications will be accepted through March 23.

GROOM SCHOOL Book Fair is to be held on March 21 and 22.

DATES FOR THE Easter Season: March 27, Palm Sunday; April 1, Good Friday; April 3, Easter

THERE WILL BE no school on April 1, Good Friday.

DISTRICT UIL meet will be held on March 22-23.

GROOM AA MEETING meets at 8:00 pm every Tuesday at the Groom Branch Library.

AFTER GRADUATION Party meeting March 9, 5:00 pm at the Dairy Queen.

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On The Sick List:

Emaline Hermes neyer is a patient at North West Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Hap Watson is a patient at Veterans Hospital in



WARNING!

It has come to the attention of the Department of Public Safety that there have been people roller skating and rolle blading on Old Highway 66. Complaints have been coming in and citations for "Pedestrians in Roadways" will be issued if this

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Don and Margie Smith wish to thank the Groom Fire Department and friends and neighbors who helped to contain the fire near their home this week.

A special thanks to Dutch Crowell for notifying the fire department and to Johnny Brooks for contacting Don.

Thanks so much! Don & Margie Smith

Janie Britten and daughter, Terry, Amarillo, attended funeral services for their Aunt, Mary Medlin at Wade Funeral Home in Hubbard, Friday, March 4.

The jonguils are in full bloom in the Hubbard-Corsicana area.

Rip and Joy Snyder visited the Les Neals in Clarendon and Kitty and Ray Harris and Nita McKee in Alanreed Sunday.

Rip and Joy Snyder were Pampa visitors on Thursday.

Clarification:

Margie Stephens wanted it to be known that the check R.S.V.P. presented to Coronado Hospital was a non-negotiable check, representing volunteer

If you have wondering where the DPS Report has been the last couple of weeks, Trooper Joe Longway, has been in reserve training. We hope he will have news this next week of all the arrests in his absence.

GROOM BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

March 10 - Mrs. Henry Koetting, Jeffrey Weinheimer, Bob Corbin.

March 11 - Mrs. Martin Hermesmeyer, Mr. and Mrs. R.G. Weller (A).

March 12 - Stacy Lynn Bertrand, Mrs. Gregory G. Lamb, Mrs. Larry D. Brown, Toby Ray Burgin, Krisanne Davis.

March 13 - Julia McGee, Molly Erin Bertrand.

March 14 - Leo Britten, Blake Barnett, W.C. (Bill) Britten, Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Mansel (A), Mr. and Mrs. A. Terrill Britten (A).

March 16 - Lonny Brown, Henry S. Koetting, Tina Hubbard.



Conrad, Ritter, Payton Qualify For State

The JETS team (Junior Engineering & Technical Society) competed in the Regional competition held West Texas A&M University over the weekend. Three Groom High School students qualified for the state competition after the much larger schools. centest. Rebecca Conrad, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Conrad, placed first as an individual in Mathematics. She also competed in Physics.

Andrea Payton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Payton, placed second in Computers. She, also, was in the Chemistry event.

Seth Ritter, son of Sharon Murray and Troy Ritter, placed second in Chemistry. participated in Biology.

placed third behind Dalhart and Tulia which are 3-A schools.

"We were only 20 points behind 1st place," said sponsor Michael Brame. "That's quite a feat for a school of our size to accomplish against these

Other members of the team and their areas of competition included: Kenzi Burger, Computers and Angela Reed, Physics: and English; Biology Melanie Friemel, Chemistry and Mathematics; Courtney Burgin, English and Physics; Bryan Crowell, Biology and Computers; Bo Burgin, Mathematics and Physics; and Bart Britten, Chemistry and English.

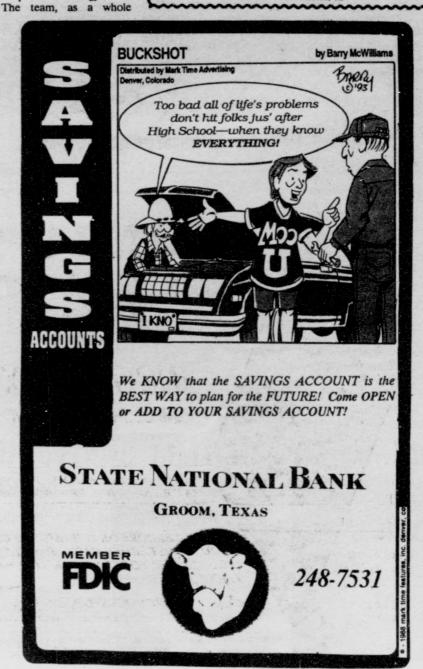
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The Old Mobeetie Texas Association Jail Museum of Mobeetie, Texas, received a \$1,000.00 grant from the Texas Historical Commission, Local History Program for the fiscal year 1994 for a conservation and preservation project to purchase storm windows, UV filtering products for interior storm windows and acid free material for display and storage of original court documents and letters.

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Windbreak Trees **Available From** Local SWCD

Windbreak trees available from the McClellan Creek Soil and Water Conservation District. The trees will be ordered from the Texas Forest Service and the Colorado State Forest Service. Landusers who reside in Carson County may obtain these trees.

The trees may be used for improving wildlife habitat and for establishing field and farmstead windbreaks. Evergreen trees available include Austrian pine, Colorado blue spruce, Eastern red cedar, Pinon pine, Scotch pine, Ponderosa pine, Rocky Mt. juniper, and Southwestern white pine. Hardwood trees available include: Desert willow, Green ash, Hackberry, Honeylocust, Nanking cherry, Russian olive, Siberian elm, Cottonwood, Golden willow, Lombardy poplar, Lacebark elm, Sandcherry, Lilac, Cotoneaster, Caragana, and Native plum.

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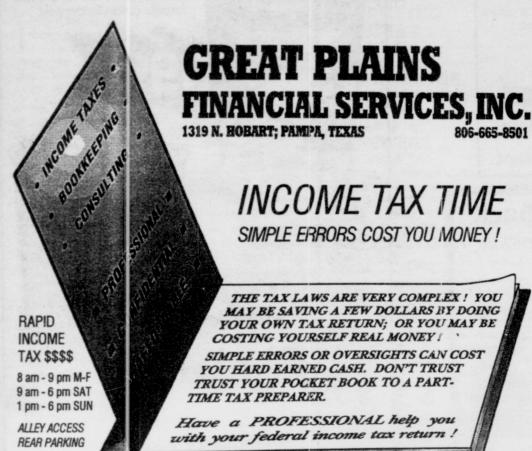
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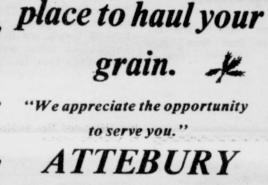
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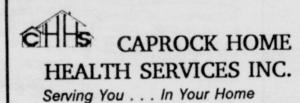
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Ramaeker-Weinheimer **Plan May Nuptials**

Ed and Leda Ramaekers School. Janice Weinheimer of of their children, Renee' Marie Ramaekers and Elementary. James Nicholas Weinheimer.

Services are planned for May 14 at the Holy Family Nazareth.

is a 1984 Groom area. Renee' graduate of Nazareth High

of Nazareth and James and degree from West Texas State University and is Groom are pleased to employed by Pampa ISD announce the engagement where she is a first grade teacher at Horace Mann

Nick is a 1987 graduate of Groom High School. He attended West Texas State University and is currently involved in farming in the

Obituary

Emaline Hermesmeyer Passes Away Monday, March 7, 1994

Emaline Hermesmeyer, 79, died Monday, March 7, 1994.

Rosary Services were Tuesday at Immaculate Heart of Mary's Catholic Church in Groom, Texas. Funeral Mass was Wednesday at 2:00 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary's Catholic Church in Groom with Rev. Richard Neyer officiating. Burial was in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Arrangements Groom. were by Memorial Chapel of Schooler-Gordon Blackburn Shaw.

Mrs. Hermesmeyer lived in Groom all her life. She married Jim Hermesmeyer on August 26, 1934 in Groom, Texas. preceded her in death in February of 1990. She was a Homemaker and a Seamstress. She was a member of Christian Mother's for fifty years and also a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary's Catholic Church.

Emaline is survived by three daughters, Evelyn Schaffer of Groom, Ann Rush of Dumas, and Betty Jurgonski of Dallas; three sisters, Phillis Lack, Blanche Schanost, and Barbara all of Lincoln, Nebraska; two brothers, H.P. Lack of Amarillo, Texas and Emmett Lack; twelve grandchildren and 23 great grandchildren.

Memorials are requested to the Groom Ambulance Service, Groom, Texas.

Groom FHA Seeks Former Officers

invite them to their 50th speaking, job interview, child anniversary celebration. development, public Local members and alumni will be participating in the anniversary festivities in April, 1995 during the Future Homemakers of America State Leadership Conference in Fort Worth,

The national organization was founded in Cincinnati, Ohio on June 11, 1945 and has grown to 30,000 members during the 1993-The 1994 school year. Texas Association, Future Homemakers of America accounts for 15% of the national membership and has served over one million men and women since its inception. Current Future Homemakers of America projects include Youth competition is first-rate, and Exchanging with Seniors, Cult Awareness, Youth Education, Self-Responsibility and Keep top performers." Texas Beautiful. The leadership organization three of four Olympic sponsors local workshops, shooting disciplines: rifle, regional and state leadership pistol, and running target. conferences, self-directed Men's rifle competition is goal setting programs, and slated for March 18-19. the Students Taking Action while the women's rifle with Recognition (STAR) Events, competitive activities

The Groom chapter is which encourage joining with the Texas cooperation and competition Association, Future in parliamentary procedure, Homemakers of America to volunteerism, locate former officers and entrepreneurship, public relations, family communication and chapter

projects and activities categories.

The association requests that former officers contact Sharon Reddell Pierce, State Advisor, P.O. Box 9616, Austin, Texas to receive additional information and to update historical records.

300 Shooters To Fire In **National Junior Olympics**

Nearly 300 junior shooters from 44 states will compete for national crowns at the 1994 National Junior Olympic Shooting Championships (NJOSC) later this month at the U.S. Olympic Shooting Center in Colorado Springs.

"This is the biggest domestic match of the year for these kids," said U.S. Shooting Team Competitions Director Randy Moeller. we'll be giving slots on the 1994-95 U.S. national development team to our

This NJOSC includes

events are scheduled for March 20-21. Pistol and running target events will take place March 27-28. The National Junior Olympic Shotgun Championships will be fired August 22-September 5 at the U.S. Olympic Shooting Park in Colorado Springs.

In each event, medals will be awarded to athletes in three age groups: junior (20 and under), intermediate junior (ages 15-17), and sub-junior (14 and under).

Invitations to the 1994 NJOSC were issued to top performers in each age group at the various state junior Olympic championships in 1993. A list of 1994 NJOSC competitors follows this release.

Jeremy Lewis and Michael Lewis from Groom, Rifle/Running Target.







Ail A's

Senior: Kenzi Burger, Rebecca Conrad, Andrea Payton.

Junior: Bart Britten, Bo Burgin, Stacy Fields, Melanie Friemel, Misty Homen, Seth Ritter. Sophomore: Sabrina Schaffer.

Freshman: Courtney
Burgin, Justin Ritter.
Eighth Grade: Melissa
Anthony, Tami Ashford,
Kay Lynn Britten, Toby
Burgin, April Burton, Jirnmy
Chavedo, Mary Hutsell.

Seventh Grade: Wyatt Weinheimer, Tiarra O'Dell. Sixth Grade: Dustin Babcock, Travis Britten, Evan Crowell, All son Eatmon, Jodi Homen, Sarah Hutsell. Chris Ollinger. Fifth Grade: Brooke Britten, Macie Britten, Sarah Looten.

Fourth Grade: Cassie
Ashford, Cody Bivens,
Garrett Britten, Karri
Britten, Wyatt Britten,
Candra Holland, Shawn
O'Dell, Candace Schulte,
Hugh Weinheimer.

A's & B's

Senior: Krista Burgin, Melody Burton, Kim Fields, Wes Hall, Aimee Lyles, Angela Reed.

Junior: Brody Brown, Chris Burger, Bryan Crowell, Collin Downs, Roni Fields, Jill Howard, Halee Kotara, Ty Lambert, Darcee Lyles.

Sophomore: Nick Ashford, Craig Baker, Kay Case, Jeremy Chavedo, Sandie Conrad, Terry Eatmon, Stanley Homer, Sheridan Koetting, Adam Odor.

Freshman: Buck
Babcock, Brenda Fields,
Christy Galvan, Michael
Lewis, Stephanie Ollinger,
Jason Prather, Julie
Richardson, Brad Sustaire,
Scott Weinheimer, C.J.
Whatley.

Eighth Grade: Angie Conrad, Jessica Friemel, Todd Gray, Martie Phillips, Michael Stephens, Maggie Thomas.

Seventh Grade: Cody Britten, Sara Britten, Josh Evenson, Dean Fields, Jeremy Lewis, Marc Miller, Caleb Pool, Jacey Richardson, Jamie Shuck, Dara Whatley.

Sixth Grade: Kristi Barkley, Carrie Davis.

Fifth Grade: Frances
Britten, Skye Brown, Russell
Conrad, Courtney Sustaire,
Liz Vega, Grant
Weinheimer.

Fourth Grade: Nicole Barnett, Krisanne Davis, Luke Pavlovsky. The Groom students who went to Houston have returned! All were winners in the sense that they had a wonderful time. Kori Brown, once again, won the Grand Champion Heifer Competition. Melody Burton won the Scramble Heifer Angus Breed

Championship, and made the sale with her steer, Boomerang.

Scott McLaughlin placed third with his heifer. Matt Miller and Chy Phillips didn't make the sale but floored their animals and had a great time showing their animals.

C.J. Whatley also made the sale with his calf. Dara Whatley made the sale with a pig. Jason Prather went to the culling show at Brenham but didn't make it on to Houston.

Charles Burk sponsored the trip for the Groom FFA'ers. THE GROOM NEWS-Page 5 Thursday, March 10, 1994



Prisons Boost Economy With New Jobs For Northwest Texas Thousands of state prison positions has not been

Thousands of state prison guards and workers will be hired in the coming months to staff and maintain the new state prison units and jails now under construct on, according to information from state Senator Steve Carriker's office. Increasing the number of state prison beds by 75,000 will require over 10,000 new Texas Department of Criminal Justice employees to be hired and trained as facilities come on line.

The communities surrounding the new and expanded facilities are hoping this is the break

they've been needing to recover from the effects of the 80's bust. "It'll be a good impact, about another million dollars a year." Childress Economic Development Corporation executive director Larry Norton said of the new jobs at the Roach unit being expanded there.

In Northwest Texas, Sen. Carriker pointed out, several facilities will soon be corning on line:

· Roach Unit expansion, Childress, July, 1994, 45 more guards will be hired as well as about a dozen nonsecurity personnel.

· Clements expansion, Amarillo, July, 1994. 76 additional security personnel as well as a number of administrative workers yet to be determined.

Clements Boot Camp, Amarillo, July, 1994. The number of administrative positions has not been set, but the unit will require 80 guards and security personnel.

Jordan expansion, Pampa, August, 1994. 45 more guards and additional administrative workers.

Neal unit, Amarillo, November, 1994. 228 prison guards, with an undetermined number of additional workers also needed.

Substance Abuse Treatment Center, Plainview, April 1995. 102 security positions and 73 non-security personnel, for a total of 175 employees.

State Jail Facility, Plainview, June, 1995. 170 security positions. The number of non-security positions required has not been determined.

Texas Employment
Commission offices will post
administrative and support
positions as they are
established or become
vacant. Qualifications and
instructions for applying for
these non-correctional
positions are contained in
the posting.

The correctional officer application procedure is available from Senator Steve Carriker's office (P.O. Box 517; Roby, Texas 79543) or the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Depending on experience and length of employment, salary ranges from \$16,500 to \$24,300 per year plus health and retirement benefits.



All District Teams Named





All District teams for basketball were announced at the conclusion of the season. Groom boys making the first team were Bo Burgin, and Wes Hall; second team, Bryan Crowell and Bronte Britten; honorable mention, Bart Britten and Seth Ritter. On the girls All District team were Melanie Friemel, Misty Homen and Kay Case, first team; Sandie Conrad and Rebecca Conrad,

Texas Leads the Way In Welfare Reform

Comptroller

"Welfare." You have to wonder sometimes how we ever came up with such a name for our system of automatically debited the public assistance. Current welfare programs aren't well and they aren't always fair.

But while the rest of the country is still only talking about welfare reform, Texas will soon take an important step toward making that reform a reality.

When the Electronic Benefits Transfer program, or EBT, first comes on-line this fall, it will be the first program of its kind in the nation. In the Comptroller's office, we are particularly proud of EBT because we recommended it in our 1991 Breaking the Mold study and then persuaded Vice President Al Gore to include it in his National Performance Review effort last year.

But all Texans should welcome EBT. It places Texas on the verge of eliminating food stamp abuse while saving taxpayers millions of dollars in administrative costs.

Here's how EBT works: It replaces paper food stamp coupons with an automatic teller bank-type card known as the 'Lone Star' card. In the grocery store check-out line, food stamp clients present the clerk with their 'Lone Star' card, and the clerk processes the card through point-of-sale terminal.

By John Sharp, State Next, the clerk asks the client to enter his or her personal identification number. Then, the client's food stamp account is correct amount of the purchase.

> The system is quick, efficient, and no cash for food items ever changes hands. EBT will put an end to the muggins and mail theft that threaten food stamp recipients. It will also show the illegal-drugs-forfood-stamps traffic that law enforcement officials say has put food stamps on an equal footing with cold hard cash.

But EBT will accomplish more than just doing away with the fraud and theft associated with stolen paper food stamp coupons. It will also eliminate the mounds of paperwork that now confront grocers and financial institutions, while cutting the overall administrative costs of the program.

EBT will be jointly administered by the Texas Department of Human Services and GTECH, the company in charge of building and managing the computer operations and other technical aspects of the program. The first phase of the program is scheduled to begin in the Houston area this fall.

There are still two hurdles to jump. The U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Department of

Health and Human Services must approve the signed contract between the Texas Department of Human Services and GTECH. Then, the Federal Reserve Board must determine the extent of the state's liability for lost or stolen cards. But we don't expect either hurdle to delay the program's start-up.

By 1996, EBT will be in place across the state, serving more than 1.2 million Texans in some 16,000 retail locations. And if the program is as successful as we expect it to be, EBT will quickly be expanded to cover other cash benefits programs such as unemployment compensation, child support and rehabilitation assistance to the disabled.

We all know that our welfare programs are in need of serious reform. EBT is an important step. It will bring the delivery of food assistance into the telecommunications age while saving Texas millions of tax dollars and reducing the burden on retailers who want to cooperate.

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John Sharp is the Texas Comptroller of Public



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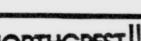
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selling artwork and Old

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is his first love. He is a

walking library of Old

Route 66 facts and stories.

He even showed us a

drawing he is doing of the

old sign that used to greet

visitors when they entered

the west end of McLean. If

you ever travel to

Hackberry, stop and see

Bob. I promise you, it will

Trews Visit Famous Route 66 Artist Robert Waldmire In Arizona

West

By Delbert Trew

One of our stops along Old Route 66 in Arizona, was at Hackberry. It is an old famous Route 66 water stop and was also an early day mining town.

Robert (Bob) Waldmire, our most famous Route 66 artist, has recently purchased the Hackberry store and made it his home. Many people might find Bob a little different, as he has a long beard, reminds you of a hippy, and doesn't ever seem to get in a hurry or let anything upset him. His Volkswagen bus, with a Route 66 map painted on it, is famous to all Route 66 fans. But everyone learns immediately after meeting and visiting a few minutes, that they are talking to an extremely intelligent and knowledgeable, talented person.

As an artist, his main medium is pen and ink, his subjects are mostly historical

sites, people, maps, or structures and are correct both in line and facts. Literally thousands of facts about the area are featured on his maps. You can read for hours about each of them. His knowledge of plants, animals, and birds is almost endless as he studies each thoroughly. As an environmentalist he is serious and up-to-date and familiar with all aspects of permaculture, water narvesting, and organic gardening.

He has plans to make Hackberry a place where you can see and identify all the area plants. He hopes to have demonstrations of permaculture to view, show how to save water and is constructing a hot house to demonstrate organic gardening. Bob lives in the store but has plans to convert an old house on the property into a desert bed ind breakfast.

Masons Honor McLean Teachers

The Masonic Lodge of McLean honored the McLean School faculty with barbecue dinner on Thursday, March 3rd, at the Lodge Building.

J. Boyd Smith introduced Superintendent Stanley Lamb who in turn had each teacher introduce themselves and guests.

The delicious dinner was catered by "The Cowboy". There were thirty seven guests served.

The speaker for the evening, from Pampa, was Deputy Monty Roberts who was accompanied by his wife



J. Boyd Smith, Gene Greer and Ted Simmons enjoy a great meal as McLean teachers are honored by Masons.

Run-Off Election To Be Held April 12 For J.P Race

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270 *Mary Ann Carpenter 230 *Jake Hess, Sr. 171 Martha Jo Baily Milton Best *Run-Off Candidates





The Annual Miss McLean Beauty Pageant was held April 17th at the McLean Auditorium. Junior Angel Harris was crowned "Miss McLean". First runner up was Heather Hess. Second runner up was Tori Rawlins. Erin McCracken was named "Miss McLean". From left, back row: Holly Jasper, Kristi Tidwell, Jill Hefley, Erin McCracken, Mindi Magee, Heather Hess, Shanna Congeniality". From left, back row: Holly Jasper, Kristi Tidwell, Jill Hefley, Erin McCracken, Mindi Magee, Heather Hess, Shanna Congeniality". From left, back row: Holly Jasper, Kristi Tidwell, Jill Hefley, Erin McCracken, Mindi Magee, Heather Hess, Shanna Congeniality". From left, back row: Holly Jasper, Kristi Tidwell, Jill Hefley, Erin McCracken, Mindi Magee, Heather Hess, Shanna Congeniality". From left, back row: Holly Jasper, Kristi Tidwell, Jill Hefley, Erin McCracken, Mindi Magee, Heather Hess. Second runner up was Tori Rawlins. From left, back row: Holly Jasper, Kristi Tidwell, Jill Hefley, Erin McCracken, Mindi Magee, Heather Hess. Second runner up was Tori Rawlins. From left, back row: Holly Jasper, Kristi Tidwell, Jill Hefley, Erin McCracken, Mindi Magee, Heather Hess. Second runner up was Tori Rawlins. From left, back row: Holly Jasper, Kristi Tidwell, Jill Hefley, Erin McCracken, Mindi Magee, Heather Hess. Second runner up was Tori Rawlins. From left, back row: Holly Jasper, Kristi Tidwell, Jill Hefley, Erin McCracken, Mindi Magee, Heather Hess. Second runner up was Tori Rawlins.



Guest Speaker Gray County Sheriff's Deputy Monty Roberts of Pampa delivers encouraging speech on the education of today's youth. He was accompanied by his wife, Ann.

Reminders

THE McLEA to Red River, New Mexico to ski. They will leave early Saturday, March 12th and return Monday.

SCHOOL WILL be dismissed Friday, March 11th at 1:30 for spring break. Classes will resume March 21st at the regular

MOM'S CIRCLE will meet, March 14th at United Methodist Church, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. The nursery will be provided at the Assembly of God Church.

ST. PATRICK'S Day is School seniors will be going March 17th. Shamrock will be hosting their annual celebration.

> THURSDAY, MARCH 10 is TAAS Testing, Math, Exit Only.

MARCH 18-20, St. Patrick's day festivities in Shamrock. Plan to attend and back our Queen. Angel Harris will represent McLean.

SPRING BREAK for McLean Public School will be March 14-18. School will dismiss at 1:30 on Friday, March 11th.

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McLEAN BIRTHDAYS **ANNIVERS ARIES**

March 10 - Bill Kingston. March 11 - Barbara Richards, Valerie Bradley, Angie Purcell, Wilbur Lee Wilson.

March 12 - Almeda Blankenship, Elmer Ware, Leigha Messer.

March 13 Maudine Rutherford.

March 14 Rita Jo Crockett, Lynn Swanson.

March 15 - Grace Glenn, Gaylia Long.

March 16 - Lloyd Hunt.

Branding Party

By Mark Adams

The Route 66 Redevelopment Commission is looking for a building that needs a window secured, to display local brands on weathered barn siding. Local ranchers will then be invited to burn their brands into the wood. Preferred building locations would be on the 100 or 200 North Main Street area or a Route 66 building of McLean. The commission has plenty of wood if other communities would some. The date of the Branding Party will be announced after the display window is decorated to resemble a corral fence. Call 779-2621 for more information.

Sports Briefs

By Mark Adams

Mindy Magee won the district 5-1A Most Valuable Player award and led the voting for the girls first team which also included another McLean senior, guard, Joetta Bailey and talented sophomore forward, Heather Hess. Angel Harris, a junior post player, made the district's second team.

Toby Northcutt was selected for first team for the boys All District. This talented football, basketball, tennis and track team player is a senior.

Academic All-District honors went to Amber Thomas along with Mindy Magee and Heather Hess. Congratulations athletes and scholars, you have been

NEW ARRIVAL

Beth and Jim Campbell announce the arrival of a daughter, Lauren Elizabeth Plano, Texas.

at 7 lbs and 11 oz. and was

20 inches long. Grandparents are Tony and Monta Jean Smitherman of McLean and Jon and Nancy Campbell of Richardson, Texas.

selected as the best. The 5-1A district was comprised of Groom, Hedley, Kelton, Lefors, McLean and Samnorwood basketball teams. Groom won the district titles in both boys and girls play.

March 19th is the Tigers first track meet. Saturday event will see the "Spring Breakers" travel to Groom for the competition.

McLean's Little Dribblers traveled to Samnorwood this past Saturday for an all-day basketball tournament against Hedley and Samnorwood teams. The fourth, fifth, and sixth grade boys and girls teams continue to improve under the coaching of volunteers and parents. You can see them practice after school.

Alanreed News

By Lena Carter

The Alanreed Community of Plano are proud to Improvement Association met March 5 monthly meeting. Campbell. She was born covered dish supper was Friday, March 4th at 5:40 enjoyed by all. Dan Martin pm at HCA Hospital in chaired the business meeting. There were no The little Miss weighed in minutes in the absence of secretary Jeannie Adams. Dan brought copies of some letters of thanks written, request was made for Republican judges to use some chairs and tables of Community in the the upcoming election. It was granted and Dan will see to Barbara Bode also requested some equipment for later in the year which will be granted.

> Present were Mr. and Mrs. Olin Weldon, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bode, Nell and Orvil Keese, Lena Carter, Bill Pitts and Sherri and Chris Martin.

Visiting Lena Carter on Sunday was Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Busby of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Carter of Pampa.

Shirley Armbrister and Nora Dragoo were in Pampa Tuesday at the Bill Hambrights.

The David Campbells were in Amarillo several times to see Garth Thomas, ill in the hospital there.

Denva Tidwell and Kristi and Nora Dragoo shopped in Pampa on Wednesday.

R.L. Leeder and R.L. Winebrinner were in Dalhart last week on

Barbara Bode and Shirley Armbrister were in Shamrock and Childress and other points east Saturday.

The Winifred Tates had their grandchildren visiting during the weekend.

Spring is causing some extensive yard work. Glenn Cunningham has cleared all the brush around the old Adlai Prock house where he lives and the sound of geese (going north?) is heard and sounds of garden plowing.

Visiting the Robert Bruces over the weekend was Paul and Shawn Bruce of Pampa.

Ruth Magee and Mary Dwyer visited in Clyde last



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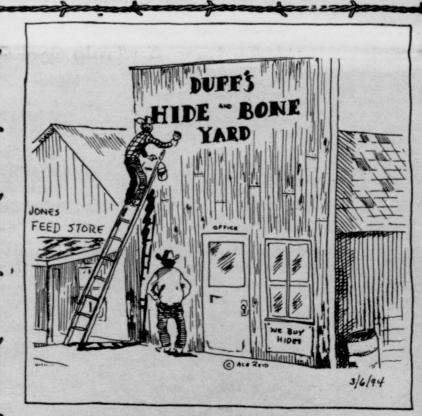
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CHURCH OF CHRIST - 4th & Clarendon Preacher Pat Andrews 779-2548 Sun. Bible Class 10am Worship 10:40am & 6pm Wed. Bible Class 7:30pm

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - 206 E. 1st Street Pastor: rev. Q.D. Bevill 779-2175/3224 Sunday School 9:45 Worship 11am & 7pm Bibles Study & Prayer Meeting Wed 7pm

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We are in the process of opening and staffing our Shamrock branch office and hospice operations and we will announce opening dates soon.



Phones: 806-779-2485 800-873-4842 Toll Free Throughout the last year, McLean Home Health Agency has provided complimentary services to its patients and other members of the community. These services have included complimentary visits for patients not covered by Medicare or other insurance, taking blood to local laboratories, and taking patients to their physicians when a family member was not available to take them.

McLean Home Health Agency plans to continue to offer these services, and to expand and offer many other services.

We are highly honored that the Earl Stubblefield family has given us permission to set up an assistance fund in memory of Jerry Stubblefield. Jerry was one of the most respected and well thought of men in McLean. Earl and Evelyn Stubblefield are two of the most loved citizens of McLean. The Jerry Stubblefield Memorial Fund will be established at the Bank of Commerce in McLean for people of the community to make donations. Donations will be accepted and the money will go to people who need help. The fund will be administered confidentially by Reverend Thacker Haynes, of the United Methodist Church of McLean, and the Agency's Director of Nursing Administration, Lynn Swanson, RN.

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McLean Care Center News

McLean Care Center welcomes a new resident.
Mr. James Stevens from McLean.

Sunday afternoon Bro. Dean Williamson, pastor of the Assembly of God Church, was here to conduct a worship service.

Monday morning Bill
Hulsey was here to cut the
mens hair. In the afternoon
the following residents
played bingo: Teresa
Richardson, Leon Burch,
Adelle Walker, Annie
Eudey, Kittie Hessey, Dick
Wheeler, Jessie Coleman,
Lorena Bailey, Chyde Trusty,
Mamie Hathaway, Polly
Burnett and Lucille
Cullison. Our volunteer

helpers were Avalee Crockett, Loree Barker and Lena Bailey. Bananas were furnished by the Lion's club for all bingo players.

Residents working in crafts Tuesday morning were Chirstine Shipley, Lorena Bailey, Leon Burch, Imogene King, Teresa

Richardson and Adelle Walker. The residents are making bunny baskets to give to all the children that come and model their Easter outfits for us Friday, April 1, at 2:30 pm. If you would like for your child to model please contact Betty Lopez at the Care Center, we need to know how many baskets to make. In the

afternoon Dick Wheeler, Leon Burch, Imogene King and Teresa Richardson played dominoes.

Wednesday morning members of the Assembly of God Church were here for a Sing-A-Long and fellowship with the residents. Cake and punch were served. Those serving were Bro. Dean and Susan Williamson, Pat Guill, and Lois Myers.

Sue Marsh was here to play 42 with Dick Wheeler, Teresa Richardson and Adelle Walker.

Friday morning the ladies had manicures and Inez Trostle was here to style their hair. In the afternoon they played bingo. Those playing were: Kittie Hessey, Lucille Cullison, Dick Wheeler, Polly Burnett, Teresa Richardson, Adelle Walker, Leon Burch, Jessie Coleman and Eula Morrow. Mary Dwyer was here to

Our birthday party will be Saturday the 12th at 2:30



Study Club Enjoys Educational Program From Stanley Lamb

The Pioneer Study Club met in the home of Mary Emma Woods on Thursday, March 3. Stanley Lamb, Superintendent of the McLean Public Schools, gave a thought provoking program on the new developments in the

educational system. Several members joined in a lively question and answer period afterward.

Mary Dwyer reminded

the club that the Senior Tea is to be held April 24th. Several committees reported on planning in progress.

Refreshments of cake, dried apple chips, cheese squares and coffee were served to Margaret Grogan, Mary Lou Glass, Loyce Murray, Lynn Reeves, Louise Watson, Nama Webb, Bonnie Nell Fabian, Irene Pakan and one guest, Betty Lamb.

Betty La

Obituaries

J. B. Roach

Clyde - J.B. Roach, 76, died at his home. Services were in the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. David Edwards officiating. Burial was in Clyde Cemetery.

Mr. Roach was born in Arkansas and was a U.S. Army veteran of World War

He worked for El Paso Natural Gas for 36½ years before retiring as an area superintendent.

J. B. was the superintendent during construction of the El Paso Plant east of McLean. He, his wife, Hazel and son, Dennis, lived in McLean for nine years. With J.B. active in sports, El Paso Natural hetped build the press box and stadiums at the Tiger football field. They were

active in all community activities.

Dennis finished high school in McLean in 1961. After retirement they moved to Clyde where Hazel and Dennis continue to live. He moved to Clyde in 1982 from Jal, New Mexico. He was a member of the Clyde First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Hazel Roach of Clyde; one son, Dennis Roach of Clyde; his mother, Alma Roach of McCamey; one brother, Robert Roach of Augusta, Georgia; two sisters, Wanda Covill of San Angelo and Ruby Snipes of McCamey; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial may be sent to Hospice of the Big Country.

Doyle Lee McCurley

McLean - Doyle Lee McCurley, 46, of Gilette, Wyoming, a former McLean resident, died Tuesday, March 1, 1994, in Gillette.

Services were in New Life Wesleyan Methodist Church in Gillette with the Rev. Isaac Smith and the Rev. Dan Menefee officiating. Burial was in Mount Pisgah Cemetery at Gillette. Arrangements were by Noecker Funeral Home in Gillette.

Mr. McCurley was born in Shamrock and raised in McLean, graduating from McLean High School in 1966. He married Karen Kane in 1971 at Gillette, where they made their home. He was active in ranching and worked with his own children and young

adults in sports, 4-H Club and rodeo activities. He was a member of United Methodist Church in McLean.

Survivors include his wife,

four daughters, Tachana McCurley, Trey McCurley, Tessa McCurley and TeAtta McCurley, all of the home; his mother, Jewel McCurley of McLean; two brothers, Wilburn McCurley of Yuma, Arizona, and Weldon McCurley of Forest Hills, California; and two sisters, Kay Steward of Amarillo and Frankie Stacy

of Advance, N.C.

The family requests memorials be to Doyle McCurley Memorial Fund, in care of Noecker Funeral Home, P.O. Box 734, Gillette, Wyo. 82716.





Welcomes

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Dr. Cook is welcomed to Pampa from Tucson, Arizona where she was in private practice. Dr. Cook comes to us with excellent credentials having received her Medical degree from the University of Oklahoma in Oklahoma City. She completed a internship and residency in pediatrics at the University of Arizona Health Sciences Center in Tucson. She also served a residency in Dermatology at the University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center and the University of Arizona Health Sciences Center. Dr. Cook is certified by both the American Board of Pediatrics and the American Board of Dermatology; however, her practice is limited to dermatological care. Dr. Cook officially opens her practice Monday, February 21. She is officed in the Coronado Medical Building, just south of the hospital, pending completion of her office in the Medical Office Building-North. Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 to 5:00.

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