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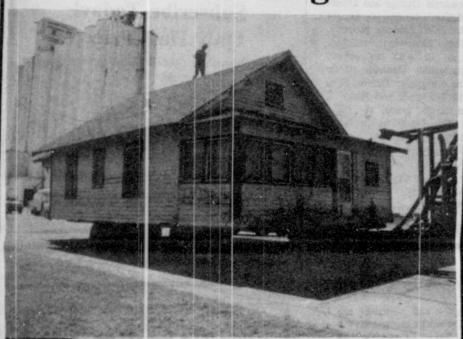
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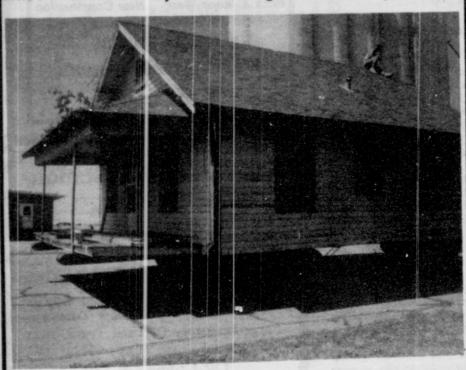
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One Of Groom's Oldest **Houses Finds New Home** Near Goodnight



GOING. . . GOING. . . GONE! This old house takes a ride down Old Route 66 as it heads to it's new home near Goodnight. Notice that there's a man on the roof to raise the high line wires out of the way.



One of Groom's oldest homes was proudly rolled built by Mr. John Barres down the highway last week.

The old Barres home, which graced 310 Ware for nearly a century was Barres, Marie Rogers, recently purchased by a Margrete Weller and couple who moved the Caroline Barres Becker. Mr. house to the Goodnight Barres died January 1, 1962.

The solid old home was who was a longtime area carpenter. Groom residents may know his children, Burt The home stayed in the family until 1962, when it was purchased by Marie

Bohr owned it the last 33 years until its recent sale.

While the lot at 310 Ware may look lonely for awhile, the house will soon be filled with a family in a new setting.

Safety A Factor In July 4th Activities

As America prepares to celebrate it's independence, on July 4, area residents are reminded that there is a city ordinance prohibiting the discharge of fireworks in the city limits of Groom.

As in years past, the baseball field is the designated place to set off fireworks. Those who use the field are reminded to pick up their trash as well as sparkler wires and other

paraphernalia. The debris from the firecrackers can be a big hazard later to those using the field for baseball.

Celebrators are also reminded to be sure to read the instructions on fireworks, using safety and caution when lighting them.

Please let our volunteer firefighters enjoy their holiday and not let fireworks get out of hand.

July Is Clean-Up Month For City of Groom

July is clean-up month in the City of Groom.

The City will have the large dumpster and the city truck available for residents to use free of charge.

Residents are encouraged to use these items to clean yards and around buildings to make our town look nice as guests come for Groom Day and later, the dedication of the Cross.

Make an appointment with the Groom City Hall office for use of the truck.

City employees will deliver it to your home. Residents are reminded that they will be required to unload the truck themselves.

If anyone has any really heavy items, arrangements can be made through City Hall for city employees to pick these items up in the

Everyone is encouraged to participate in the month long effort to make our town more beautiful.



Jay Lamb plowing his front lawn early Monday morning.

Bronte Britten and Jeff Fields gassing up and getting ready for the day. . .

Nellie Painter getting some copies made at City

Fuzz and Sue Wills making a stop at Allsup's Sunday evening.

Coach Darren Hughes looking for tadpoles. Someone tell him he has to get muddy to find tadpoles!

Several boys exercising at the football camp Monday

The Chavedo family visiting with neighbors, Randy and Janelle Sustaire, and Jay Lamb on Sunday. .

Johnny Brumley washing windows at the office.

Joe Longway battling the grass and mosquitos last week. I think the grass and mosquitos were winning. . .

St. Mary's Welcomes New Pastor

parish priest to town Monday, and said goodbye to Father Ted Podson who has been filling in due to the untimely death of Father Richard Neyer in January.

Father Raymond Crosier most recently from Dalhart where he has been the pastor of St. Anthony's Church and it's mission church, St. Mary's at Texline since 1985.

Father Ted Podson has yet to be reassigned. He will spend the rest of the summer filling in for area priests who are taking vacations, according to Sister Christine Jensen, Chancellor of the Diocese of Amarillo.

Father Crosier grew up in heart of the state. He 27.

attended St. Monica's Elementary, the same school attended by Monsignor Tash, pastor of St. Thomas the Apostle Church of

Amarillo, and Father Fern Couture, administrator of Sacred Heart Church in Spearman; both well known throughout the Diocese.

Community Calendar

LADIES SWIM NIGHT 6:00 - 7:00 pm Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Groom Pool.

ANYONE INTERESTED in swimming lessons should contact Belinda Britten at 248-7007.

TODAY, JUNE 29 IS Story Hour at the Groom Branch Library. Donna Burton will be the feature story teller.

Mark Bivens will read on the city of Barre, Vermont. July 6, Jay Lamb on July Barre is a town of about 13, Helen Witt on July 20, 9,000 people located in the and Mark Metzger on July

THE GROOM Melodrama cast wili begin rehearsals, Thursday in the school auditorium at 8 pm. Some parts are still open, especially for men. Please come to the rehearsal if you are interested, or contact Margie Stephens.

GROOM DAY Weekend will begin on August 4th.

TUESDAY GRAIN PRICES AT LOCAL ELEVATORS

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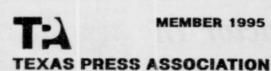
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GROOM THE Cheerleaders will host a? cheerleading camp for kids pre-school to 8th grade from July 31-August Watch The Groom News for details.

Justin Ritter competed in the AAU Regional Track Meet held in Amarillo at the Dick Bivins Stadium on June 24, 1995. Ritter won the 800 meter run with a time of 2:04.87.

Groom Day Activities

Arts & Crafts: Sandra Britten 248-7226.

Debbie Volleyball: Ollinger 248-7275 - Pam Ashford 248-7347.

Parade: Dondra Downs 248-7947.

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Food Booths: Debbie Anthony - 248-79.54.

Kid's Tent: Karen Fields - 248-7030, Donna Barnett - 248-7058

Groom Day Roping: Contact Bud Fields to assist

or to enter - 248-7053.

Did you have fun at the past Donkey Races? If interested and want to still have this on Groom Day, contact Karen Brown at 248-7210 and tell her how you feel about this event.

Local Happenings

Card Of Thanks

To the People of Groom. A big thank you for all your kindness and friendliness toward me. My six months stationed here will always be remembered.

Father Ted Podson, Sch.p.

On The Sick List Bob Pool had surgery recently.

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Prather-Whatley

Compete In Show Jason Prather and C.J. Whatley competed at two livestock shows in Amarillo this past weekend. Jason placed third in his class on Saturday and fifth on Sunday. C.J. placed fifth on Saturday and second on

New Arrival

Dr. and Mrs. Steve Wire of San Antonio, announce the birth of Adrian Michelle on May 21, 1995. She tipped the scales at 5 pounds and 3 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches long.

Adrian is welcomed home by her big brother Garret, 20 months old.

Grandparents are Robert and Alice Kuehler, Groom; and Tony and Nora Valesquez, DeMotte,

Darrell and Charlotte Whatley recently returned from vacationing in Branson, Missouri.

First Baptist Youth attended the Youth Evangelism Conference in Dallas this past weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Joel Pritchett and Katreena and Camellia McGill of Searcy, Arkansas, visited Helen Witt from Thursday to Sunday last week. Katreena and Camellia are Helen's greatgranddaughters.

The group saw the musical "Texas" Friday evening in spite of rain, light hail, thunder and lightning.

McCoy-Hayes New In Town

Groom welcomes new residents Dianna and Daniel McCoy, who recently bought the G.W. Schaffer property. They have four children; 18, who has already graduated; Daniela, 10, in the 6th grade; Tabitha, 8, in the 3rd grade and Ricky, 7, in the 2nd grade.

The family has a home based business called Worldwide Network Alliance, which is a consumer electric networking management

They also bring another daughter to the area. Autumn Hayes and her three children will reside in the Pat Britten trailer.

She has three children Brittney, age 5, who will be in Kindergarten; Courtney, age 4, and Nathaniel, age 1. She works in Amarillo.

Take time to say "Howdy" and welcome these families to the new community.

Handgun Instructor Course Offered

first class The for certified handgun instructors is scheduled to begin July 17 at the Department of Public Safety Training Academy in Austin. The DPS plans to train about 60 students per class.

The registration cost for the instructor course will be \$100. The fee will not be refundable to those who don't complete the course. applicants will be responsible for their own lodging and meals.

Instructors will not be authorized to instruct the general public in the proficiency certification course until Sept. 1, 1995.

Applications will not be accepted from the general public for licenses to carry concealed handguns until September 1. Those application forms will be available in late August at locations to be announced.

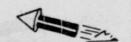
While the application period for concealed handgun licenses begins Sept. 1, no licenses will be valid before January 1, 1996, when the law becomes fully effective.

Card Of Thanks

My deepest thanks for the many calls, visits, cards and flowers during my recent surgery. I appreciate all your concern and am happy to report that I am doing just fine!

Thanks again! Bob Pool Card Of Thanks

Stacy Fields and the Groom Angels would like to extend a BIG THANK YOU to Hop's Service for sponsoring our T-Ball team.



Birthdays & Anniversaries

June 29 - Ross Brooks, Kenneth Weller.

June 30 - Don Smith, Helen Wade, Alice Kuehler, Doris Kuehler, Mr. and Mrs. John Koetting (A). July 1 - Clifton Britten,

Alicia Martinez. July 2 - M.B. Bolden, Michael Anthony Lewis, Othon C. Carrillo. July 3 - Leo Chapman

Looten. July 4 - Gregory Britten, Lucille Merrick, Gene

Wade, Stacy Jean Fields. July 5 - T.C. Sustaire, Rhett Patterson.

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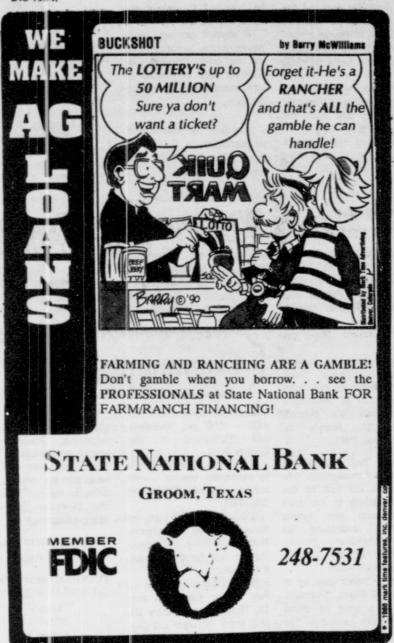
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The Groom Tigers T-Ball team were under the direction of Coaches Seth Ritter and Melissa Treadwell. Those receiving awards at their end of the season party are: T.J. Moraniec, Alyssa Watson, Neal Anthony, Malorie Homen, Johnny Seyler, Berkley Ruthardt and Kendall Weller.

and the same and t **New Library Cards Issued**



Three proud children received their brand new Groom Branch Library cards in ceremonies at Story Hour last week. They are Chance Barkley, Caren Howard and Aaron Watson.

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Church Of Christ Hosts Bible School

The Groom Church of Christ had a very successful Vacation Bible School with 26 children attending.

Stories and skits based on the life of Moses included baby Moses, the burning bush, Moses and Aaron Donna Watson were assisted by members of the Booker church of Christ. Nellie Painter assisted by serving refreshments to the youngsters. refreshments were furnished by the ladies of the congregation.

attending were: From Claude: Bethany Bailey, Bailey, Joshua Lauren Wimberly, Sondra Cronian, Scotty Cronian, Steven Cronian. Searcy, Arkansas: Katreena McGill and Camillia McGill (great-granddaughters of Helen Witt). From Groom were Tyler Martinez, Alicia Martinez, Stacie Martinez, Bailee Ruthardt, Berklee

Ruthardt, Kelton Weller, Kendall Weller, Jennifer Jenkins, Beth Wakefield, Neal Anthony, Jan Ratterree, Aaron Watson, Alyssa Watson, Robbie Cervantes (grandson

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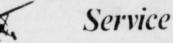
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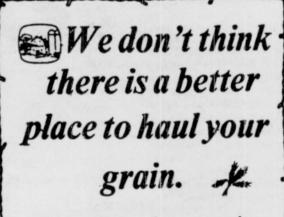
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Thunder Junction Water Park Scheduled For Completion Soon

Thunder Junction, the water park scheduled for construction near Greenbelt Lake in Donley County, has more lives than a cat and has gone through more changes than the Congressional Record. At last report, however, the park plan is still alive and well, despite the fact that opening day has been delayed.

"If we can get things in place to open this season we will, even if it's only for a week," said Star McClendon of Wellington, a stockholder in Thunder Junction. "If we can't open until next season, that's when we'll open. But we will open!"

The most recent change of plans was caused when the British Corporation that was going to fund the water park backed out. But a construction loan was negotiated with Ralph Hatfield, a builder from Chicago. The corporation formed to oversee the project was taken over by Frank and Chauncy Hommel of Donley County and McClendon of Collingsworth County.

an all-Texas McClendon, "and that seems to be a better situation all the way around."

The new group has purchased a large water slide from a Rhode Island water park and is having it shipped to Clarer don, where it will form the centerpiece of the park.

"Buying the water slide is a done deal," said Frank Hommel, owner of the Bar H Dude Ranch in Donley County. "The water slide will be on its way to Texas soon."

In addition to the water slide, plans call for the building of a Go-Cart track.

Six of the motorized Go-Carts have been purchased and are in Clarendon. In addition, current plans call for the construction of a 10,300 square-foot building to house arts and crafts booths, food concessions and a video game arcade. Another 2,000 square-foot building will house dressing rooms and restrooms.

"Vaughn and Associates of Amarillo have finished the soil testing and survey work," McClendon said. "We should have some blueprints ready very soon."

Future Thunder Junction Water Park plans call for the building of a miniature golf course, a wave pool, batting cages and a Lazy River Ride. The Go-Cart track will eventually be expanded to handle 60 cars.

The link between Thunder Junction and Yesterday's Children is still an important part of the

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Children is a non-profit

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secure funding for senior

citizens projects throughout

"Our connection with Yesterday's Children is the

best advertising tool we can

have," Hommel said.

"Yesterday's Children will

always be a part of Thunder

Corporation has been

formed to sell shares in

Thunder Junction in order

to raise additional

investment capital for future

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\$325,000 with a firm half of that already in place," McClendon said. "We are

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Food Stamps Become Obsolete

"Food stamps will go out of business in the Panhandle on August 1," State Comptroller John Sharp announced today. "Carson county is included in the largest expansion of the Lone Star card in Texas, and with this roll-out, the Texas attack on bureaucratic bloat and welfare fraud moves into high gear."

"In just four weeks, food stamps will virtually disappear form another 90 Texas counties, in the San Antonio, El Paso, Lubbock, Amarillo, Victoria and Beaumont-Port Arthur areas, along with portions of East Texas," Sharp said. "And retailers who prepare early should be ready to accept the card without a hitch."

The Lone Star card is the cornerstone of Sharp's wideranging welfare reform plan, which was approved by the Legislature and recently signed into law by Governor George W. Bush. The card was first proposed in 1991 by Sharp, who created a task force to oversee its development.

The August implementation will affect 300,000 families and 4,000 retail grocery locations in 90 counties.

"This security card will hold accountable both the bureaucrats and the people who depend on temporary "It will save tax said. dollars, reduce fraud and boost grocery sales.

"That's why I urge all retailers that accept food stamps who haven't yet signed up for the Lone Star card to do so immediately so they don't lose business or leave their customers

Sharp said that retailers who accept the Lone Star card reported an immediate increase in food sales after the program was first implemented in February in the Houston area.

"Between February and March, food sales rose by \$4.5 million, because benefits can be spent on food and food alone, not on crack cocaine or other illegal activities in the food stamp black market," Sharp said.

Since June 1, when the program expanded throughout the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex and along the Gulf Coast, the Lone Star card has been working so smoothly that retailers have rung up food stamps sales totaling nearly \$65 million," Sharp said.

"But these benefits will by-pass retailers who don't soon take steps to accept the card," Sharp said. "Because of the vast geographical logistics of this expansion - which includes the San Antonio, El Paso, Golden Triangle and Panhandle regions - it's critical that retailers make arrangements now to install the necessary equipment."

Slightly more than 50 percent of the 4,000 retailers in these areas to contact Transactive Corporation, the Austinbased operator of the Lone card and make line by August 1. They can contact the company tollfree at 1-800-418-8000," Sharp said.

Food stamps benefits issued in the 90-county expansion area represent nearly \$50 million worth of food sales per month, and the AFDC grants represent some \$15 million worth of cash payments.

The Lone Star card is the largest electronic benefits transfer program in the country and is administered by the Texas Department of Human Services. The system's expansion into the San Antonio, El Paso, Beaumont, Victoria, Lufkin and Panhandle regions will reach some 300,000 households in about onethird of the counties in Texas. It is scheduled to expand statewide by early

"This card will trim the national costs of the old food stamp system by \$45.4 million for printing, \$4.5 million for shipping and storing, and \$23.1 million for the final processing and destruction of the paper coupons at the Federal Reserve," Sharp said.

Sharp said the Lone Star card is already proving successful in reducing food stamp fraud throughout the

"Just six weeks into the new system, \$1 million was taken off the black market in Houston in one of the largest food stamp busts in that city's history," Sharp said. "These were taxpayerfunded benefits that previously had disappeared into the black hole of the black market.

"By the end of the year, we will have abolished paper food stamp coupons returning the program to its original purpose - feeding hungry children, not feeding a bureaucracy and a black market of fraud."

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If You Ask Me. And Nobody Did

By Donna Burton

If you ask me turning 40 stinks. I just discovered that after you turn 40 it is impossible to pout.

When I was 7 I pouted and got to spend the night with my grandmother. When I was 13, I pouted and got a new outfit. When I was 17 I pouted and got my date to take me to the movie 1 wanted to

When I was 27 I pouted and got my kitchen painted. When I was 35 I pouted and got my kids to take me out to dinner on Mother's

Maybe I'm just out of practice, but a day or two after I turned 40, I tried pouting because something instructions for it to be

As I sat with arms crossed and what I thought was an appropriate look on my face, one of my daughters said, " Gee Mom, are you going through the change?"

Thinking that I had just not done it right, I tried it again, a little later that evening, when my other child wanted to abandon me to a lonely night at home alone.

"Don't try to guilt trip me!", she exclaimed, "You need some quiet time!"

Frustrated and frazzled by this time, I thought I must try this on someone

wasn't done like I had left who is more in tune with my moods.

> Well, you would think that after 22 years of marriage, a person could tell when the other was pouting about something. After sitting in the same room staring at the tube for about an hour, my darling husband turned to me and said innocently, "Hon, those teeth giving you trouble

again?' I gave up! Why didn't someone tell me you can't pout after 40!

Everyone has foolish ideas, but the wise man keeps them to himself.

-Wilhelm Busch



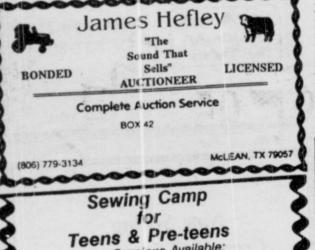
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The lubricant, first developed by Union Carbide, is a polyalkylene

gylcol (PAG). It's already being used in new cars coming off the line.

These PAGs are also being marketed by Valvoline Car Care Products, a division of Ashland Inc., under the Pyroil trademark for older cars that will have to be retrofitted with R134a when the supply of R12 runs out.

This way car owners can keep their cool indefinitely.

Wheat Harvest Slow

Groom's wheat harvest is slowly dragging along. Local weather has put a damper on the speed in which farmers can get into their fields.

Both local elevators accepted their first loads on June 15, 1995. At Wheeler Evans Elevators, the Burt Burall Estate brought in the first load. Their next load came in 2 days later at the Corners from Mrs. Foster Burgin.

"The test weights were excellent," stated Janelle Sustaire, a Wheeler Evans employee.

Attebury Grain accepted their first load the same day

from Robert Kuehler.

"I'd say we are about 25% done in Groom and 50% done at Grandview." stated Tony Treadwell of Attebury Grain.

He also said that yields are in the 8 to 15 bushels per acre range for dry land and as high as 60 on irrigated.

"We have also had some that the farmers decided were not worth cutting," he said.

With "Mother Nature" throwing a fit every couple of nights, wheat harvest could take a while to complete.



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Neighbors Assist Victims

the Devil's Museum for a benefit shower for all the victims of the June 8th tornado.

The tornado struck very hard at the homes of Chad and Laura Hommel who

out Tuesday evening Charles and Ann Williams, Kristie Crockett and who live about two miles north of McLean; Marshall and Tammy Hanes; Patrocimio and Carmen Vega and then moved on to the David and Dixie Jo Crockett's home as well as

The McLean residents live south of Alanreed; the homes of Brock and who's homes were located near the David Crockett's home. Everyone was very fortunate to be in the cellar.

The losses were devestating for all the families involved.

City Settles With Former Employee, Tables Animal Control

The McLean City Council met at City Hall on June 20, 1995 at 7:00 pm. The meeting had originally been scheduled for 7:00 pm on Thursday, June 8.

At that time, residents of the McLean/Alanreed area had just begun to leave the shelter of their storm cellars and to discover the devastating losses suffered by many families. The City Council meeting was, of course, postponed.

Members present at the June 20 meeting were

Mayor Sam Haynes, Mayor Pro Tem Casper Smith, Mary Dwyer, Wayne Bybee, Sid Lands and Gary Jackson. Also present were City Secretary Stella Lee, City Superintendent Fred Smith, City Secretary trainee Toni Bohlar, City Attorney, Rick Harris, Pampa News representative Chip Chandler, McLean News representative Billie Jean McClellan, Bill Turnbow, Texas Buckhaults, Kelly McClellan and Jim and Anita Day.

After the call to order, invocation and approval of the May minutes, the Council considered Stella

reported that Jerry Wilson of McLean Family Health Care had agreed to be the City's health officer and had signed the official agreement. As such, Mr. Wilson is empowered to declare a state of medical emergency, as an epidemic, if warranted, thereby closing

Council then discussed the animal control situation. All members were in agreement that skunks and cats are the most pressing problem within McLean city limits. Fred Smith told the Council that 22 skunks had been trapped in 1995. The Council approved offering assistance to one McLean resident with that resident's intent to comply with the City's instruction to reduce the number of cats on the property.

Bill Turnbow, an independent animal control contractor who is currently doing some work for the City of Shamrock, spoke to the Council about work he proposes to do for McLean. His fee is \$80 a day for an estimated initial 10-day period and for each additional as needed day

worked after that. For that fee, he would provide the traps; the City would have to furnish the bair. He would set traps only with property owners permission and would check all traps twice a day. He said the live-trapped animals would be taken to the McLean pound and that he would dispose of skunks at the trap site. All carcasses would be taken to the Shamrock dead animal pit. He also said that he could find homes for unclaimed cats on area farms. City attorney Rick Harris advised the Council to delay making a decision until he contacted the animal control office in Pampa. He is to obtain a list of requirements for operating a pound and an inspection of McLean's pound facility by an animal control officer. The matter was tabled.

Bids for the City's old Galion motor grader were opened. Joe Glass's bid was the highest of the three received and was officially accepted. Motion was made by Gary Jackson and seconded by Wayne Bybee. The vote was unanimous.



POW Comes Back To McLean, See Story pg. 12

McLean Lion's Club Honors Wives Of Deceased Members

By Jodie Thomas

On Monday night, June 19th, the McLean Lion's Club had as their guests for dinner the widows of members who had worked hard for years in the Lion's Club and have now passed

away. This was such a nice

My husband, Dorman Thomas, passed away February 17, 1988. He had been an active member since 1960 and always worked and enjoyed every minute of it. I always felt like I was a part of Lion's Club because there was so many things that included the wives.

Dr. Harold Fabian, M.D. began serving in Lion's Club during the late 50's in he moved to McLean.

John B. Rice served as President of the Lion's Club in McLean and was a member for about ten

Wilson (Slick) Boyd was

With Meal

a member of the Lion's Club when it was first organized in McLean and served in all offices. He loved being a Lion.

Earl Stubblefield was a member of the club from

See Lion's, pg. 10



Happy 4th Of July!

McLEAN GOLF Players Association tournament will be July 8th and 9th at the McLean Country Club. For more information call 779-

McLEAN LION'S Club will meet July 10th at 6:30 pm at the Lion's Club Building. The change of date was due to the 4th of July.

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Thomas Awarded Page Scholarship

The Amarillo Area Foundation has awarded scholarships and awards to area students for the 1995-96 school year; announced Sandra Gilliland, Chairman of the Foundation's Scholarship Committee.

The scholarships/awards represent a variety of donor interests including academic, accounting, athletics, medical and service. Forty-two of the recipients are renewal scholarships from the

previous year, and sixty-four students are new recipients, Ms. Gilliland said. Students were selected from twentyfour of the twenty-six counties of the Texas

The Madge Page Scholarship was established in 1983 by the family of Madge Page for graduating seniors of McLean High School. This year's recipient is Amber Thomas. Ms.

Thomas is planning to

attend West Texas A&M University.

Renewal recipients of the Madge Page Scholarship are Mindy Joe Magee, Texas A&M at Kingsville and Holly Hefley, Texas Tech University.



Alanreed News

By Lena Carter We received about one

inch of rain in the showers last week.

The Robert Bruces' were in Pampa on Friday.

Adelaide Weldon spent

two days in Panhandle with her daughter last week.

Lightening struck a transformer close to the Don Dorsey house Friday evening causing a power outage for awhile.

The R.L. Leeders' had daughter Becky and daughter Brandy visited this week from Skellytown.

One of David Crocketts' hands has moved into the old Methodist parsonage after losing their home in the recent tornado.

Obituaries

loyd R. Gatlin

PAMPA - Floyd R. Gatlin, 89, longtime Gray County resident, died Tuesday, June 20, 1995 in McLean. Graveside services were at Hillcrest Cemetery with the Rev. Thacker Haynes, pastor of the United Methodist Church of McLean, and the Rev. Jerry Moore, pastor of the United Methodist Church of Miami, Masonic officiating. graveside rites were accorded by the McLean Masonic Lodge #889 AF&AM. Burial was under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors

Mr. Gatlin was born May 29, 1906 in Gray County. He married Lura Faye Ivey in 1929; she died in 1971. He later married Grace Lockhart in 1972; she died in 1986. He was a lifelong Gray County resident, and a long time Gray County rancher. He was a member of the United Methodist Church of Miami, the McLean Masonic Lodge #889 AF&AM, and the Miami Chapter #98 Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include a son, James Floyd Gatlin of Pampa; a stepson, Charles Lockhart of Pampa; a brother, Carl E. Gatlin of Bryan; five grandchildren, Kathy Orth of Midland, Sue Melear of Jasper, Jim Gatlin and Susan Braddock, both of Pampa, and Sharon Seymore of Lubbock; and seven great-grandchildren.

Eva Love Green

ROLLA, Kan. - Eva
Love Green, 83, of Rolla,
mother of a McLean
resident, died Friday, June
23, 1995 in Amarillo.
Services were in the United
Methodist Church of Rolla.
Burial was in the Rolia
Cemetery by Amarillo's
Memorial Park Funeral
Home.

Mrs. Green was born in Moscow, Stevens, County. She moved to Rolla in 1942. After graduation from high school and normal school, she taught in a one-room school house. She was a member of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lester Earl Green Sr.

Survivors include a son, Lester Early Green Jr. of Cutter Ridge, Fla.; two daughters, Patricia Earline Jones of Fruita, Colo., and Judith Michele Watkins of McLean; a brother, Owen Hall of Lodi, Calif.; a sister, Ferdine Auldridge of San Angelo, Texas; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center. P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, Texas 79105.

Kathleen Copeland Sims

Services are pending for Kathleen Copeland Sims, sister of Fayettebelle Barton of McLean.

Mrs. Sims grew up in McLean and attended McLean Public School. She made her home in Wichita Falls, Texas.

The pending services and burial will be in McLean.

McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

June 30 - Jeanette Kennedy, Clarence Pierce, Marie Fennell, Marguerite Burr.

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

July 2 - Doug Purcell, Verlon Duggan.

July 3 - Dixie Jo Crockett.

July 4 - Nicki Hefley.

July 5 - Corinne Trimble,

Hershel McCarty, Melissa

Thompson, Patricia Gaybeal.

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Methodist Church Hosts Bible School

By Nama Webb

"Round Up For Jesus" Vacation Bible School held on June 5 - 9 at the United Methodist Church was a big success. On Friday, June 9, thirty-eight certificates were awarded to the children who The children attended. enjoyed Round-Up with Thacker Haynes, Bible Storytellin' from Vicki Smith, Arts & Crafts taught by Kristie Crockett and Shelly Bolton, Animal Round-Up organized by Beverly Odom, Chow served by Jean Longino, Singing led by Janet Glass, and Horseplay with Rose Steel and Karen Brass.

Children present at Bible School were: Nichol is Odom, Kristen Odom, Zachary Odom, Jack Odom, Dustin Lee, Lucas Webb, Clay Crockett, Jacob Tolleson, DaShae Tolleson, Tammy Syfrett, Staci Smith, Kortney Smith, Shaley Steel, Evan McMordie, Michael Doniz, Janie Jackson, Kasvi Jackson, Josh Seymour, Lucas Seymour, Brooke & mour, Zachary Seymour, Bron Bohlar, Jay Wallis, Tyler Hanes, Skylar Fuguson, Emily Bolton,

Megan Sheppard, John Ruel Haynes, Sheri Haynes, Katrina Thomas, Mark Smith, Kevin Smith, Travis Fish, Jessica Longino, Allison Hill, Jeremy Tidwell, Jamie Kingston and Susie Webb.

There were other helpers or "Trail Bosses" of Vacation Bible School. They are in addition to those already mentioned; Judy Lee, Sally Seymour, Linda Smith, Lacey Steel, Sara Brown, Scott Glass, Basham, Charlie Carter, Jaylene Watkins, Chantell Hicks, Coy Tolleson, Barry McLerron and Jenny Stubbs who painted faces, James Hefley provided the baby goats, Jessi Fish brought her sheep, and Nicholas Odom

shared his turtle.

The children rode in the McLean parade for a fun but chilly ending to Vacation Bible School. Approximately 25 Bible Schoolers braved the cold weather to win first place in the float division. Being the only entry in the float division clenched the first place trophy.

The City is unable to proceed with obtaining bids to paint the water tower, as recent paint scrapings taken from the tower contained traces of lead. In the process of complying with the regulation requiring that the existing paint be tested before re-painting can begin, lead was discovered by the testing laboratory. Glidden, manufacturer of the last paint used on the tower, has specified that there was no lead in the paint. The scrapings will be sent to another lab for analysis. If lead is found in this second testing, the water tower will have to be sandblasted all the way to the metal, then painted. The matter was tabled until July.

Tex Buckhaults informed the Council that in obtaining approval of an FHA loan for his house, located at the corner of Graham and Bogan, it was discovered that, according to the City plat, Graham and Bogan intersect at a point that is approximately in his living room. In order to satisfy FHA requirements, he requested a letter from the City stating that the streets will not be developed. The Council asked Rick Harris to write the letter.

The Council went into

Executive Session to discuss former employee Anita Day. Mrs. Day, a City employee for 13 years, had spoken to the Council at the May meeting regarding some conditions of her termination and requested payment for back holiday pay. After returning to regular session, Mayor Sam Haynes announced that the Council was ready to enter a formal motion to approve the matter, as decided in executive session. Gary Jackson moved to pay Mrs. Day \$1,656.44, covering the holiday pay plus 10% upon receipt of a signed release as prepared by Rick Harris. Casper Smith seconded. Approval was unanimous.

Mr. Harris told Mrs. Day that he would mail the release to the City and that she could pick it up at City Hall. He further advised her to take the release to an attorney before signing. When The News contacted Mrs. Day to ask about her decision, she said, "I have still not received it. When it comes, I plan to take the City Attorney's advice and show it to my own attorney before doing anything."

The City is considering replacement of the old sewer lines. Because of the cost involved, the Council is attempting to secure additional outside funding,

possibly through grants and loans either through or facilitated by the USDA Rural Economic Development service. Toward that end, Stella Lee was instructed to invite Mary Battenhorse, of that agency, to July's regular meeting to present information on potential assistance.

Mayor Haynes informed the Council that he had been contacted by Mr. Locklear, a roofer, concerning damage done to the Museum's roof during the recent storms. Mr. Locklear told Mayor Haynes that, due to depreciation to the Museum, the insurance may not pay the full amount and that it could cost the city \$50,000 to repair the roof. Rick Harris was asked and agreed to contact the insurance adjustor and report back to the Council.

The Council then considered the problem of disposing of the large amount of old building material generated by repair to storm-damaged structures. Fred Smith estimated a cost of from \$3,000 to \$3,500 for the required extra trenches at the dump. The Council approved emergency hours for the dump's operation. The new hours are from 4

pm to 6 pm daily, Monday through Friday. The dump will still be open from 1 pm to 6 pm on Saturday and closed on Sunday.

Recent vandalism to City property was discussed. Mayor Haynes reported that a confession has been made, but that statements have not been taken from all suspects. There was further discussion regarding the fact that no legal action would be taken if the City did not file a formal complaint. The unanimously approved motion that Mayor Haynes contact authorities and file a complaint was made by Gary Jackson and seconded by Wayne Bybee.

At the end of the meeting Rick Harris was asked to check on a release of liability for the use of prison labor in City projects. He agreed to report before the next meeting.

Mayor Haynes and the Council ask that all McLean citizens work together to lessen the mosquito problem caused by the recent rains. Everyone is asked to do away with standing water, both on the ground and in containers.

Clarendon College Hosts Leadership Conference

Clarendon College served as the host for the 14th annual Area I FFA Leadership Conference held June 12-14. A total of 45 FFA chapters and 233 members and ag instructors from the Amarillo, Greenbelt, Littlefield, Lubbock, Plainview and Top-O-Texas districts attended the two-day conference. Area I FFA President - Shana Schaffner, Slaton; and fellow office's Chad Freeman, Kress; Page House, Levelland; Brandye Bertrand, Panhandle; Cori

Lowe, Gruver; and Brad Thacker, Roaring Springs conducted workshops emphasizing the importance of team work, values and effective communications. The Area I officers were also assisted by several district and state officers in presenting the workshops. In addition to the workshop activities, the FFA members competed in a scavenger hunt, played basketball and volleyball and attended several mixers to help attendees get better

McLean

extends their deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Floyd Gatlin who passed away at the Care Center.

Sunday Pat Andrews, Pastor of the Church of Christ was here to conduct a worship service.

Residents playing bingo Monday were Dick Wheeler, Sylvia McClellan, Teresa Richardson, Adelle Walker, Annie Eudey, Kittie Hessey, Truman Goodlett, Beryl Halbert, Eula Morrow, Vernee Bowling, Myrtle Allen, Laverne Carter, Noema Meroney and Craig Morris. Our volunteer helpers were Julie and Tami Marsh, Brennan McDowell,

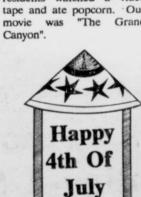
Care Center News

Avalee Crockett, Cliffle Heasley and Loree Barker. Bananas were furnished by the Lions Club.

Tuesday morning members of the Church of Christ were here to serve cookies and punch to the residents, ladies serving were Cliffie Heasley and her twin great-granddaughters Karla and Keisha Howard, also serving was Oleta Harris. In the afternoon Eula Morrow, Dick Wheeler, Craig Morris, Teresa Richardson, Imogene King, Noema Meroney and Adelle Walker played dominos.

Wednesday morning
Sylvia McClellan, Lillie
Lawley, Vernee Bowling,
Noema Meroney, Thelma

Hopkins, Truman Goodlett, Beryl Halbert and Christine Shipley grouped together in the dining area to socialize and enjoy the donuts furnished by Leta Mae Hess. In the afternoon 22 residents watched a video tape and ate popcorn. Our movie was "The Grand



Card Of Thanks

Even though McLean is a small town, our family knows for a fact that it has a big heart on June 8, 1995, the people of this community have been right by our side helping us dig through the rubble, providing food, clothing and lots of encouragement.

Several of you have given money to us, and some anonymously, but to all, thank you so much.

We wouldn't have been able to pick up and go on if it hadn't been for the grace of God and our family and friends in McLean.

While it is true that there is "no place like home" there is no place like McLean, Texas, either.

Thank you all for your prayers and for helping our family.

God Bless You.

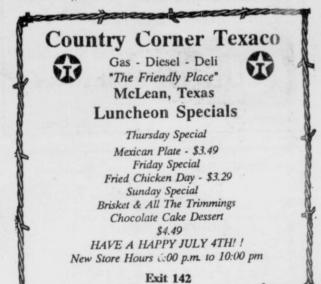
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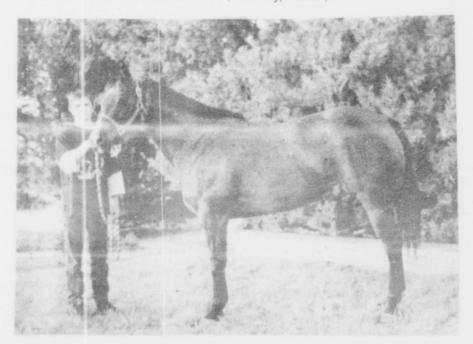
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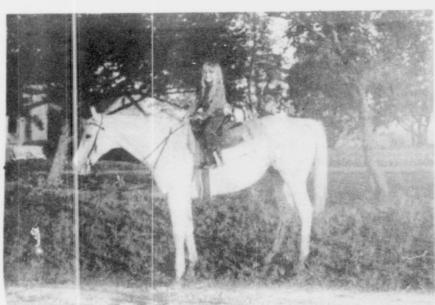
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Richards' Do Well In Area **Horse Competitions**

Chad Richards has been doing quite well at area 4-H horse shows. In April, Chad showed Butterfly Honeybun, a 7-year old mare owned by Ruby Back, his grandmother. The mare received 1st place in her class and Grand Champion Mare. He also showed his two-year-old gelding, Mr. Shebo. He got first in his class and first in two-yearold Western Pleasure. Also in April, Chad showed in Dumas where he received

two first places and one second. In May, at the second Big-5 4-H show, Honeybun again was chosen first in her class and Grand Champion Mare. Mr. Shebo placed 2,4,10 against older horses. At the next show, Honeybun placed first and Grand Champion. Then at the next show, Honeybun got first and

Reserve Champion and Chad's little sister, Tamara

Loya, showed her at Pee Wee Showmanship and got sixth. Amanda Loya showed Shandigar in showsmanship also, at three shows receiving a tenth place at one show.

At the next two shows Honeybun won her class and also received Grand Champion Mare for both shows ending the Big 5 circuit as Grand Champion Mare. Mr. Shebo was second overall for young geldings. Tamara rode Shandigar in barrels and

poles at three shows and placed at the last show. The girls did a good job for their first year of competition. Everyone is proud of Chad and are thrilled to see the lifelong dream of Ruby Back and the late Neville Back's horse breeding operation being fulfilled as their greatgrandchild is leading the Panhandle with Back bred horses.

Chad will be representing Gray County next week in Amarillo at the District 4-H Show.

In another branch of their horse operation, Bo and Hidelio Loya raced Ruby Back's mare, Amanda Will Fly at Remington Park in Oklahoma City where she placed first in her race

Trew Misses Simplicity Of Handshake Days

By Delbert Trew Seems I spend most of my spare time anymore, lease: either reading writing or writing reading. I usually average reading three to six the sum of \$42,000. books a week. Recently, while reading about John Chisholm, the most famous trail driver, I found time after time where he had made business deals involving hundreds of thousands of dollars, and the only contract he had was a handshake. Sam Houston, along with many other men of history, did the same, with only a handshake. Sometimes it was done through foreman or employee and again ended with a handshake.

Today, a simple property sale, a cattle sale, or a lease, seems to call for an attorney to draw up a multi-page contract, to be notorized, filed at the Courthouse, and even then you may not have a deal.

I recently read where in 1921, a Nebraska landowner, leased over

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1936 until he passed away in January 1995. He served all offices in the club and loved being tail-twister most of all

away I feel honored to have been invited to different functions; Ladies night, Christmas dinner, and about anytime there was something special going on.

Many thanks for including me in the events this club has done.

The five guests were Bonnie Nell Fabian, Fern Boyd, Evelyn Stubblefield, Winiford Rice and Jodie

Each received a red and white carnation corsage. It was a very special evening for each of us.

for three years with this "I hereby lease 28,000 acres of grass to Prather for three year in three equal installm That contract today, w have required six pages and three weeks to complete.

A Dust Bowl farmer, starved out and heading for California, leased his farm to a neighbor with this statement, "Send me some money, if you ever make any," and then they shook hands.

In the old days a man's word was good.

Notary, and as far as I can tell, business went on at an even pace. Today, with all he "whereases" and the herefors", the "first ies," and the "third es," and the "agents, ns, and appointed representatives," it seems everyone has forgotten the handshake.

Reading about incidents like these, and hearing Dad tell about the old days and the handshake, makes me wonder if the "good old days" might not have the edge over our modern times

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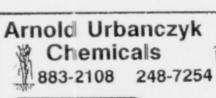
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Letter To Editor

Are the People of McLean going to sit idly by and let the city get away with the way Mrs. Day was treated?

The wrong person was fired. Quite a few of us think Mrs. Day should be appointed

City Secretary.

Can we stand any more of this administration? Who is going to pay for the independent water test that the Mayor ordered? He could not take the states report, that the water is still terrible. Why do we need another road maintainer, when the county would take care of our dump ground work?

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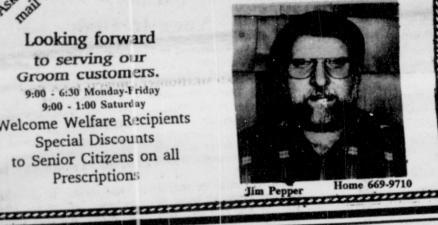
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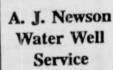


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Neil H. Adelman, MD

Former POW Visits Friends In McLean

In July 1943 Gunter Ressel was a 22 year-old German prisoner of war. He was captured in Tunisia, Africa on May 9, 1943, flown first to Glasgow, Scotland, then to New York. He then travelled by train to the prison camp just east of McLean, where approximately 3,000 prisoners were held during Gunter and the war. Angela, his wife of 35 years, came back to town last week under entirely different circumstances.

The Reisels came to McLean to visit friends made during Gunter's stay at the camp and were guests at the home of Helen Macina Cullers of Shamrock. German prisoners were used as labor on local farms and Mrs. Culler is the daughter of

Paul Macina, who befriended Gunter when he worked on the Macina farm. During his six months at the McLean camp Gunter worked on the Macina farm three days a week and at the Pakan farm three days a week; prisoners did not work on Sunday. The Pakan family also welcomed Gunter and Angela back to McLean.

While working on the Macina's farm, the family and Gunter exchanged addresses and not only corresponded after the war, but developed and maintained a close friendship. The Ressels managed to get permission from the East German government to come to McLean eight years ago when they learned that Mrs. Macina was dying and

wanted to see Gunter.
They arrived on a Tuesday
and Mrs. Macina died on
Thursday. According to her
daughter, Helen Culler,
"She just waited to see
Gunter again."

On Saturday, June 24, a reception was held at the McLean/Alanreed Museum, where some items from the camp are on display. About 25 members of the community came to speak to Gunter and Angela and to ask questions, both about his experiences as a prisoner of war and what it was like to be a citizen in East Germany, living behind the Iron Curtain after the war.

Gunter was not returned to Germany until 1947. He and Angela were married in 1950 and raised two sons. They are both retired, after teaching for 36 years. They are Christians and told of the difficulties they encountered, living in a Communist country, when they refused to stop attending church practicing their faith.

Before the war, Gunter had been a glider pilot, but was assigned to the German infantry in Africa. He was hospitalized with a sore throat soon after arriving in Tunisia and was captured the day after his release from the hospital. After arriving in the United Gunter taught States, himself English and was an interpreter. Of his treatment in the McLean camp, Gunter said, "We had everything we needed. We were treated well." When asked if he was frightened when the train stopped in McLean, Gunter said that

he does not remember being really afraid, but he does remember seeing the many farmers and their families at the station all curious to see the prisoners. He smiled and said that many of them waved and seemed friendly.

There is nothing left of the camp today, which was near the McLean airport. All of the buildings have been razed, and the site has returned to pasture.



Tennille Barnes & David Ridgway Exchange Wedding Vows In Utah

Tennille Barnes and David Ridgway were married June 23, 1995 at Weber State University Alumni Center in Weber, Utah, with Roger Dutson (Judge), Ogden, Utah, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Gary and Becky Barnes of Roy, Utah.

The groom is the son of J.C. and Linda McAnear of McLean and Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Ridgway of Amarillo.

Serving as the Maid of Honor was Shanoi Watson, West Point, Utah. Bridesmaids were Amber Peeder and Jaime Peeder of Roy, Utah.

Standing as best man was Jim Ridgway, brother of the groom, McLean. Groomsmen were Donnie Smith, cousin of the groom, San Diego, California, and J.C. McAnear, step-father of the groom, from McLean.

the groom, from McLean. Serving as ushers were Todd Barnes, Josh Barnes (brothers of the bride), and Brody Barnes (cousin of the

bride), all from Roy, Utah.

Providing music for the event was Janice Johansen,
Roy Utah.

A reception followed in Weber State University Alumni Center on the outside patio.

The bride is a 1993 graduate of Roy High School and attended Weber State University for two years and is employed at Weber Credit Union.

The groom is in the United States Air Force stationed at HAFB, Utah. He is a 1988 high school graduate of McLean High School. He spent two years at Midwestern University at Wichita Falls, Texas and two years at Spartan Aeronautics in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

After a honeymoon to California the couple plan to reside in Roy, Utah.

Galley Named All-Star At Basketball Camp



Rachel Galley was chosen as an All-Star at Bob Schneider's Camp of Champions at West Texas A&M University in Canyon, Texas. The camp was attended by 192 girls. Rachel was in the National League which consisted of girls from grades 8th - 12th. She was also named as one of the top five defensive rebounders and was a finalist in the free throw contest. Rachel will be a freshman at McLean High

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