The Groom Rews

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Babcock, Friemel Tender Resignation



Lynn Britten and daughter, Kay Lynn doing a little Grocery shopping Friday afternoon.

Everyone, and I mean, everyone talking about O.J.

Daniel Terbush working on the mower at the school last week.

Jack Barnett making the park look great! Good Job,

Barney Davis hugging a cute baby in the Grocery

Groom ISD School Board, parents and students are still in shock over the resignation of principal, Judy Babcock at last week's board meeting.

Babcock, who has been with the school system for 20 years, will be taking a vice principal position with Valley View Jr. High in Canyon.

In her letter of resignation she stated that she had enjoyed her association with Groom ISD, and was very proud of all the accomplishments made by the students and

When asked about hearsay that she and husband, Bobby; Groom's State National Bank President; would be moving to Canyon, she stated, "We have no plans to leave Groom".

Groom School Board members will immediately begin a search for a principal. The fate of the

Home Economics Program is at this time, uncertain.

In other business: the board approved the minutes of several special meetings that were held to interview job applicants.

The board will review changes in the TASB Policy Update Manual in three increments due to the comprehensive nature of the legal changes before enacting it.

The job description of the Athletic Director was approved the following is a list of duties:

1. Arrange for the officials for home games.

2. Arrange for the principal's office to have lists of students who will be absent from school due to athletic activities two to three day prior to such absences.

3. Plan with the principal to schedule the times of departure for athletic

4. Verify that all athletic

activities are written on the the events of activities are scheduled.

5. Act with the principal's office and other class and activity sponsors to coordinate all athletic events and activities with other school activities.

6. Inform the principal's office of any changes in times or arrangements for athletic activities.

7. Obtain student eligibility information from the principal's office.

8. Track student "ten day rule" absences with information from the principal's office.

9. Submit "Request for forms to the principal's office in a timely manner so that substitutes can be arranged or schedules changed.

11. Work with other coaches to build good will among coaching staff, faculty, students, parents, and the community.

12. Lead the coaching school calendar as soon as staff in setting the tone and philosophy of the athletic department.

13. Verify that all procedural forms --such as eligibility forms, UIL forms, requests for room reservations -- are completed and submitted to the proper office in a timely manner.

14. Oversee the security and maintenance of all athletic department facilities and equipment.

Coordinate the development of an athletic budget with other coaches, the superintendent, and the principal to submit to the Board Of Trustees.

Schedule the upcoming year's athletic events prior to the end of any school year.

17. Be responsible for the district compliance with UIL rules.

18. Act in an advisory capacity to the Board of Trustees in the employing,

Caution On July 4

Due To Dry Weather

assignment, reassignment, or discharge of coaching staff.

The board also approved the results presented by Principal Judy Babcock concerning the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills testing results.

The Campus Improvement plan Summary was postponed for presentation at a later time.

Joyce Hutsell was appointed as Authorized Representative for the district Child Nutrition Programs. (Unanimous, Ken Burger abstained due to nepotism laws).

The board went into executive session at 9:00 p.m. to discuss housing for employees. Upon their return at 9:52 p.m. no official action was taken. The superintendent was directed to check into several options.

No action was taken after a discussion concerning a

See Board Page 4



Mitchell Davis

New Faces At School



Terry Simpson

chance to meet the new coaches and teachers here's a chance to get a look at their faces.

Groom on a regular basis since May. He plans to be science department. on-site just as soon as the biography on him in a recent issue, but just a majored in biology. reminder, he has a wife and two children.

Mitchell Davis has already and also commanded a moved into the school Basic Training Unit at Ft. owned house on Kirkman Sill, Oklahoma. Simpson Street. He has been busy remains a Captain in the getting ready for Basketball Army Reserves.

If you haven't had a Camp slated to begin next week. Davis is a bachelor.

Terry Simpson is the Athletic Director, Steve most recent addition to the Lott has been coming to Groom School faculty. He will be heading up the

Simpson attended New housing problems are Deal High School before settled. The News printed a going to West Texas A & M University, where he

Simpson spent 8 years in the U.S. Army. He was a Head basketball coach, Field Artillery Commander

Just in case you have forgotten, next Monday is July 4th. The day that America celebrates her independence. For most people it will mean a long

The one

weekend, filled with fun and family get-togethers. Parents and children are reminded that fireworks are illegal inside the city limits

Big Baseball Field. For years the summer program leaders have welcomed families to use

exception being that of the

of Groom.

the field as a safe place to set off firecrackers. They do ask that you clean up after yourself, by removing all debris, sparkler wires,

The fire hazard will be extremely high unless rain comes very soon. Be responsible in your celebrations. Use your head when it comes to playing with fireworks.

Also, remember not to drink and drive. Alcohol, motor vehicles and firecrackers don't mix!

Community Calendar

Groom Basketball Camp begins on mayday July 4. See story on page 6 for the details.

Have a safe, happy Fourth of July.

MELODRAMA Practice will be held at the Groom School beginning June 29.

WATER AEROBICS are held twice a week on Tuesday and Thursday at 6:00 pm. Call 248-7453 or 248-7971.

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Beans.

Sorority Onions, Pickles.

Methodist Church Potato Salad.

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GROOM BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

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

July 1 - K.F. (Buster) Schultz, Jr., Jason Levi Cline, Clifton Britten, Alicia Martinez.

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

July 3 - Leo Chapman

July 4 - Gregory Britten, Lucille Merrick, Wade, Stacy Jein Fields. Lindsay Blackwell.

July 5 - T.C. Sustaire, Rhett Patterson.

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

Card Of Thanks

We would like to express our sincere thanks to our friends for their many expressions of sympathy in the loss of our Mother and Grandmother, Ima Brumley.

Johnny & Nancy Brumley Rick & Regina Brumley Cim Bates,

Jessica & Brandi Derrell & Melba Brumley & Family Mary Ann & Gene Wingeart & Family



Baptist Youth Attend Camp Several members of the

First Baptist Church attended camp at Hardin Simmons University at Abilene recently.

They were Ty Lambert, Collin Downs, Aimee Lyles, Darcee Lyles and Suzy Pool. Patrick Bernson and Dena Lambert did drop off and pick up duty.

Local Happenings

A SICK PLANT Clinic

Kaufman will be one hand

GROOM DAY EVENTS Anyone needing information will be held at the Carson about a specific Groom Day County Extension Office event may give them a call: from 8:30-11:00 AM. Dr.

Parade - Curtis or Carl Patrick and Dr. Harold Dondra Downs, 248- 7917. Open Ranchhorse - Pat to answer all your questions. Britten, 248-7389.

Arts & Crafts Booths -Sandra Britten, 248-7226. 3 on 3 Basketball

Shirley Fields, 248-7435. Mini Museum - Karen Brown, 248-7210.

Organization Kids Games, Food Booths -Debbie Anthony - 248-7954.

Baptist Children Attend Day Camp

Dixie Bernson and Charlotte Whatley sponsored the Baptist Youth at Day Camp this

Those attending were Neal Anthony, Jessica Cagle, Malorie Home, Laura Leven, Johnathon Ratteree, Meagan Bivens, Chavedo, Ashley Jackson, Nannette Miller, Catherine Robertson, Willy Robyn Neal, Richard Barkley and Heather Leven.

Vacation Bible School Carnival July 24 3:30 - 5:00 At The City Park Hot Dogs & Kites for all the children. First Baptist Church

Fields Host Father's Day

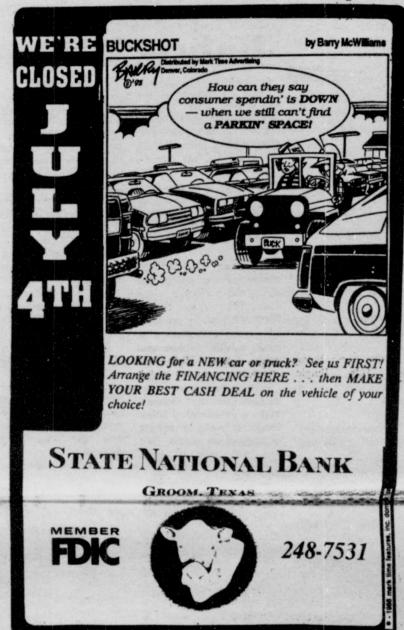
Bud and Connie Fields entertained with a Father's Day Supper on June 19th.

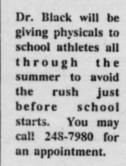
A Bar-B-Que supper was served.

Those attending were Charlie and Nettie Fields, Dean and Donna Burger, Ken, Holly, Kenzi and Chris, Burger of Groom; Rose Helen and Leonard Zielke and daughter, Sharon of

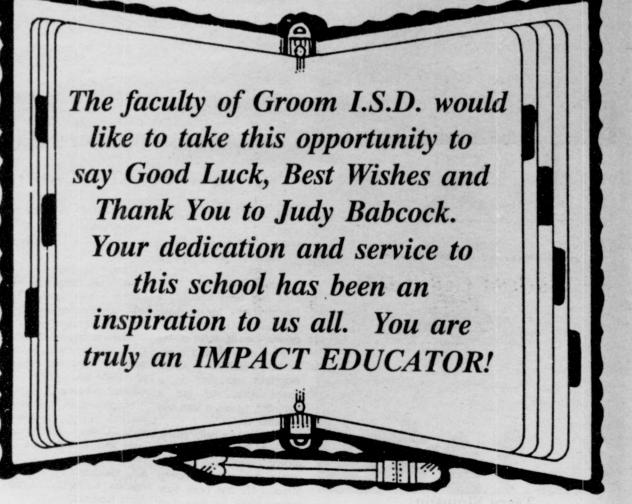
Amarillo; Tom and Dorthy Fields, Vega; Scott, Karen Fields and Taylor Fields; Melissa Fields of Yoakum; Jeffery Fields and Bud, Connie and David Fields.











Groom Equestrians Compete

On Sunday, June 26th three Groom youth entered the second go round in the Texas Golden Spread Appaloosa Horse Club Play Day held at Whitaker Arena in Canyon, Texas. Cody Bivens placed 3rd in the Potato race, in the 9-11 age Chantel Longway placed 1st in the 6 and under stick horse race and 3rd in the 8 and under ribbon race. Brent Longway placed 1st in barrels and stakes and 2nd in the keyhole and ribbon race. Brent is currently holding 2nd place in the all around with two more go rounds left, in the 8 and under age division.

Groom baseball teams ended their regular seasons with a wonderful year. Senior League, Little League, and Minor League all won their regular season. T-Ball'ers were also undefeated.

All Stars have been chosen for 1994. They are: 14-15 year olds - Jamie

Shuck, Jeremy Lewis, Jimmy Chavedo, Toby Burgin, Todd Gray, and Andy Alexander, coached by Jimmy Chavedo.

11-12 Year Olds - Chris Ollinger, Evan Crowell, and

"Memories Of Route 66" Taking Shape For Groom Day

Plans for "Groom Day, Memories on Route 66, 1994" are beginning to take shape.

C o m m i t t e e Representative, Debbie Anthony, said,"... any club or organization that is interested in any kind of game or activity is welcome to give us a call about having it for Groom Day." There are already several activities scheduled. Just some of the children's games that will be available are pony rides, train rides, moonwalk, and a gyro.

The committee is also looking for groups who are interested in having the second raffle. As you may know, Groom Day usually has one raffle and only one other group or organization is allowed to have one.

The following is a list of people who are in charge of various events during the Groom Day weekend. Anyone needing information about a specific event may give them a call:

Parade - Curtis o

Justin Homen, coached by Mark Bivens. Tournament begins July 4. High Plains East's first game will be July 5 in Borger.

9-10 Year Olds - Trey Britten, Clay Ritter, and Cody Bivens, coached by Rick Prather. Dondra Downs, 248-7917. Open Ranchhorse - Pat

Britten, 248-7389.

Arts & Crafts Booths Sandra Britten, 248-7226.

3 on 3 Basketball -

Shirley Fields, 248-7435.

Mini Museum - Karen
Brown, 248-7210.

Organization Games, Kids

Games, Food Booths - Debbie Anthony - 248-7954.

The list below is a list of the churches and clubs who will be helping with the food preparation.

Church of Christ - Potato Salad.

Baptist Church - Cole

Slaw.
Christian Mothers
Beans.

Sorority - Apricots, Onions, Pickles. Methodist Church -Potato Salad.

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Page 4-THE GROOM NEWS City Receives Sales Tax Rebate Thursday, June 30, 1994

Texas cities received monthly sales tax rebates of returns. \$11.4 million were 1.8 percent above the \$11.2 million of June 1993. Another \$158.4 million in quarterly sales tax payments went to the state's eight transit authorities, 6.1 percent above the \$149.2

million this time last year. This month's city and county sales tax rebates April sales and reported to

the Comptroller in May by businesses filing monthly tax The transit payments include sales taxes collected January through April and reported to the Comptroller March through May.

The City of Groom received \$1,882.05 in rebated taxes. This is a slight increase of 3.29%, up from last years \$1,821.96. The year to date picture include taxes collected on shows Groom down slightly with '94 collections totaling

\$12,302.99. 1993 showed \$12,605.53, a drop of 2.04%

Other Carson County cities show the following: Panhandle, down .77%; collecting a total of

\$5,761.93. White Deer was unchanged with collections of \$2,112.39.

Skellytown showed the largest increase with a gain of 56.25%, collecting a total of \$918.27.



It's A Man Sized Job! Wyatt Britten swelters in the sun, as tempuratures reach the 100° mark last week. Wyatt, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Britten cleaned all the gutters on the west side of Main Street. Sure looks good! Great job, Wyatt!



Super Bowl Winner To Visit Groom

Former NFL football player and Superbowl XI winner, Warren Bankston, will be visiting Groom over the July 4th holiday. The once Oakland Raider just happens to be the brotherin-law of one of our local Groom-ites, Cathy Ashford.

Bankston played for the Pittsburgh Steelers for 4 years and the Raiders for 6 years. Cathy says that he even played against O.J.

never on the field at the same time.

Bankston's wife, Kelly; and daughter, Olivia will be visiting through July 9. to give them a real taste of hometown fun. (They currently live in New Orleans.) The Ashford Clan is planning one of their famous fish fries and shrimp

Bankston has big hopes Simpson, but they were to attend the production of

"Texas" at Palo Duro Canyon, while here. He also wants to go ride horses. Cathy said unless some one around here volunteers to Cathy stated that she plans let them rides their horses, she was going to introduce him to the animal's down at the Canyon.

Cathy's mother , Pat Briggs of Protection, Kansas and her brother Doug Briggs and his family will round out the party

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The machine is set to receive at all hours. When the library opens at 1:30 p.m. weekdays, Librarian Evelyn Hubbart will notify the recipient.

To send a FAX, the charge is \$2.00 for up to 5 pages, no matter where it is sent. The library is open Monday - Friday, 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

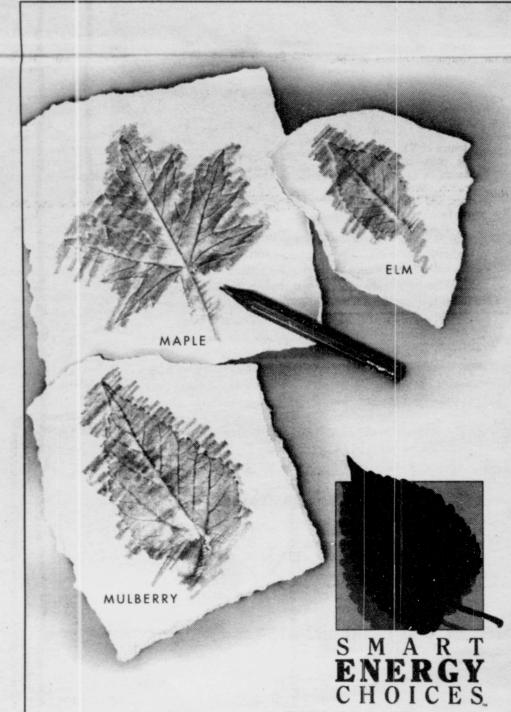
Board

dress code for professional staff.

A resignation from Julie Friemel, school secretary was accepted.

Terry Simpson was offered employment as Science teacher at step 0 with district supplements and increments to apply.

In final business, the Board discussed preliminary 1994-95 budget with projected costs. Action was taken.



Groom Basketball Camp Set To Begin July 4 For Youth

Groom's Basketball Camp is set to begin on Monday July 4th. Kids in grades 2 through 9 are invited to attend. This years co-ed camp will be sponsored by all the coaches on the Groom ISD staff.

The morning session for athletes in grades 2 - 5 will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 12:00. Registration on

Monday morning will begin at 8:30 a.m.

The afternoon session for grades 6 - 9 will begin at 1:00 p.m. Registration will begin at 12:30 p.m. on Monday afternoon.

The camp will close on Friday. If you need more information, contact Shirley Fields at 248-7435.

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Witt Celebrates Helen

The children and grandchildren of Helen Witt celebrate her birthday. They brought steaks, chicken, pheasant, duck, fish and many other goodies for a cookout on Saturday beginning at 6:00p.m. She was honored with gifts and roses at that time.

Children and their families attending were Dr. and Mrs. Dan Witt of Hoisington, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs Ben Peek and Brent of English, Texas and Shannon Peek of Amarillo, and Mr. and Mrs. Jay Witt, R'heagan and Rachel of McKinney.

Joining the festivities on Saturday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Finley of Claude and Mr. and Mrs. placing 2nd. Scotty Witt of Amarillo.

added to a perfect birthday.

Local Group visited her last weekend to Attends Amarillo Stock Show

> Groom FFA members and 4-H members went to their first stock show of the

> Scott McLaughlin was the top winner placing his heifer as Breed Champion.

April Burton placed 1st in her class. C.J. Whatley placed 3rd with one animal and 6th with another. Dara Whatley placed 5th. Jason Prather did very well for his first show ever, placing 6th in a very large class.

On Sunday, C.J. Whatley was the top Groom entry

Jason Prather placed 5th Birthday calls and cards and April Burton placed



Obituary

KOELDER SERVICES TODAY

Services for Calvin H. Koelder, 66, of Groom will morning, be held this Thursday, June 30, 1994, 11:00 a.m. at the Bell Ave. Chapel of Schooler-Gordon · Blackburn-Shaw with the Rev. Jim Smith, pastor of St. Stephen United Methodist Church officiating.

Graveside services will be held at 3:00 pm, Thursday at Hale Center Cemetery in

Mr. Koelder was born on a farm near Cotton Center, Texas and attended schools in Cotton Center. served in the U.S. Military Police during World War II. He married Patsy Ruth Mitchell in 1953. He was a farmer and lived in Cotton Center until 1973 when he moved to Gallup, New Mexico where he was a candy salesman to the Indian reservations. 1983 he moved to Groom where he worked for Fred Brown. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Pat Koelder, Groom; one son, Joe Ellerd, Amarillo; daughters, Kelly two Maldonado, Gallup, New Mexico, Kina Wilson, Mexico, Kina Amarillo; two brothers, Leon Koelder, Cotton Center, Ervin Koelder, Plainview; one sister, Grace Dalton, Rutledge, Tennessee; his step-mother, Maggie Koelder, Odem, Texas; and six grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the American Diabetes Association or American Heart Association.

TOURNAMENT

The Little League Championship Tournament was recently held in Clarendon with the Groom Tigers bringing home the first place trophy. Tigers, coached this year by Mark Bivens and Corkey Hickey, were 10-1 during the regular season and 4-0

Pitchers for the tournament, and scores, (game 1) Groom 16 Groom Ollinger (game 3) Groom Dwain Gray (game 4) Groom 13 -Falcons 10. Infield home runs were hit by Justin Homen and Russell Conrad. Big plays defensively were made by Chris Ollinger, catcher, Wade Ritter, 2nd 3rd base.

Following the tournament trophies were presented to the first and second place teams. Each player received an individual trophy. The Tigers also presented a signed baseball trophy to Mark and Corkey. Groom's first place trophy will be displayed at Biven's Automotive.

announced. From Groom, the three selected were Chris Ollinger, Evan Crowell, and Justin Homen.

Members of the Tiger team were: Chris Ollinger, Evan Crowell, Justin Ritter, Russell Conrad, Nicholas Anthony, Dwain Gray, Ross Brooks, Clay Ritter, Shawn O'Dell, Chris Bruton and Cody Bivens.

Ray Pool and his fiance Gay Nell McElroy, Thelma Pool and Bertha Knight attended the monthly birthday party Sunday evening at Palo Duro Nursing Home in Claude. Gay Nell's mother is a resident there.

They also visited with

during the tournament.

Shawn O'Dell and Dwain Gray, Clarendon Rappers 8; Evan Crowell (game 2) Groom 6 Clarendon Outlaws 0; Chris 10 - Hedley Braves 2; and Clarendon base; and Nicholas Anthony,

All Stars were

Homen, Wade

Rev. Ray Copeland, Howard Mansel, and Clara Patterson. JULY 4TH IS **OUR COUNTRY'S**

INDEPENDENCE

DAY

Local Happening

Enjoying a trip to Grady, New Mexico Thursday were Burl and Nellie Painter and their grandson Robbie Wayne Arvantes of Ft. Worth. They visited with Mamie Beevers and Lois White, Allie Hoyt's sisters. All kinds of animals were observed especially Emu's who are raised by Calvin and Linda White, Lois's son. They came back by way of Hereford, Canyon enjoyed a meal in Amarillo.

Jess, Jo Ann and Craig Baker attended the third annual Skalsky Family Reunion near Hartley, Texas over the weekend.

Of the nine children of Ferdy and Ruth Skalsky, six were present with members of their families and invited guests. A total of thirty nine attended.

The family farm/ranch located on the Rita Blanca Canyon near Hartley. The setting was perfect for a hay bale barbecue supper served from the chuckwagon of Ken Cunningham.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

Immunization clinics offering vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases scheduled for July. Protection is against polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella (Haemophilus influenzae Type B).

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

The following is the July Clinic Schedule:

In Pampa, Department of Health Office, 408 West 4th Street, July 14, 9-11:30 a.m. & 1-4:30 p.m.

In Claude, Texas; Texas Tech Medical Center, 201 Parks, July 26, 10-12 & 1-4

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Veteran's Of Foreign Wars Post **Provides New Flags To Museum**





Texas Flags from Johnny Windom and Tom Trostle, quarter master of VFW

Post 8565 of McLean. Mr. Trew stated that the museum was certainly proud to replace the tattered old

The VFW provides flag service on all holidays to the area merchants in town for any donation from the merchants. Twice a year, Memorial Day and Veterans Day the VFW and Auxiliary place flags on Veterans graves in Hillcrest and Alanreed Cemeteries.

If you have a Veteran resting in either place and his or her grave isn't marked with a white cross flag holder, contact Tom any VFW Trostle or Without your member. help they cannot locate all the graves and therefore some of the veterans have no flags put out in their



Top - Jewel Warner and Thelma Hopkins are visited by a friendly clown during the Parade. Bottom - All the Care Center residents seemed to enjoy the sun and the Parade.

the Devil's Rope Museum accepted new American and

Rep. Bill Sarpalius Office In Town Today

U.S. Rep. Bill Sarpalius mobil office will be in McLean, today, June 30 from 9:00 a.m. till 10:00 a.m. at the McLean Post

Delbert Trew, curator of

The mobile office allows the Congressman to bring his office's services directly

"I have always believed that to be an effective public servant you have to go to the people and hear their wants and needs," Sarpalius said. "I was elected not just to represent you, but to serve you. That's why I have this

mobile office."

The mobile office will be traveling to each town in the district on a periodic basis. For more information, contact Guy Brown, Community Representative, at 817/767-



Richards Attends Electric Camp

Chad Richards from McLean High School was among 61 Future Farmers of America members who participated in the recent 32nd annual FFA Electric Workshop sponsored by Southwestern Public Service Company in Amarillo.

on wiring farm buildings, assembly of electric controls and electric safety.

"The young people who attend this workshop are Service Company is a able to take the skills they learn here and use them on The three-day workshop the farm or at home," said

featured demonstrations, Dave Krupnick, SPS videos and lectures, in part, manager of agricultural and wholesale marketing. "However, safety is the key lesson taught here," he said.

Southwestern Public

The tour arrived at the Devil's Rope Museum around 4:00. The red carpet was out for all the associates of the Smithsonian tour. The annual art show had been held over so they could enjoy all the wonderful art by our local talent. They were very impressed that we had so many artists in our small town.

Delbert Trew demonstrated how barb-wire was made on the wire machine. Some enjoyed the Route 66 video, others shopped in the mercantile store, and found some souvenirs to take home with them. One lady from Washington asked "Is everyone in Texas, this friendly"? They enjoyed



lemonade, and were very glad they had stopped here in McLean. Several of our

volunteers were on greet the tour. Michael and Suzanne Wallis were the tour leaders.

NOTICE

The City of McLean urges all residents of the area to fill out the High Plains Baptist survey pertaining to the location of a medical clinic here. Information must be gathered to determine the number of potential patients at such a clinic. Your answers are necessary to insure that we have a speedy local access to medical care.

REMINDERS

McLEAN MINISTERIAL Alliance Sing-A-Long and ice cream social will be held' at the city park at 7:00 pm,

SENIOR CITIZENS covered dish luncheon every Tuesday at 12:00 noon. Birthday lunch and business meeting will be June 28th.

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McLEAN BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

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

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

July 2 - Doug Purcell, Verion Duggan.

July 3 - Dixie Jo Crockett.

July 4 - Nicki Hefley.

July 5 - Corinne Trimble, Hershel McCarty, Melissa Thompson, Patricia Gaybeal. July 6 - James Hefley, Sara Brown, Worlan Robinson

CARD OF THANKS

We want to thank all our friends for being so thoughtful of us and so helpful to us following our recent surgeries. The flowers food, calls and visits have been much appreciated and we are especially grateful for all the prayers and kind thoughts expressed in our behalf. Thanks again to all of you.

Joyce & Sheri Haynes

Lacy Thomas of Stratford is visiting her grandmother, Jodie Thomas and greatgrandmother Velma Kinard in McLean another week.

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Sunday afternoon Bro. Pat Andrews, pastor of the Church of Christ was here to conduct a Worship service.

Residents playing bingo Monday were Dick Wheeler, Kittie Hessey, Clyde Trusty, Eula Morrow, Teresa Richardson, Annie Eudey, Ruby Ayers, Lucille Cullison, Lorena Bailey, Adelle Walker, Leon Burch, Jessie Coleman. Virgie Everett and Beryl Halbert. Our volunteer helpers were Sylvia McClellan and Cliffie Heasley. Bananas were furnished by McLean Lions

Tuesday morning the residents enjoyed Church of Christ ladies fellowship. The ladies led the residents in a Sing-A-Long of old time songs such "Daisy, Daisy", etc. accompanied on the piano by Cynthia Hauck. Cake and punch were served. Ladies attending were Cliffie

Regina McMullan, and her eight year old grandson, Terrence Fite of McLean have just returned from a vacation and sightseeing trip to London, England. They visited daughter and Aunt Ann Marie Star who makes her home in England. They did a lot of sightseeing while there. They left June 7th and returned June 22nd.

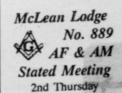
Heasley, Martha Van Huss, Godfrey, Mary Gladys Woods, Louise Watson and Oleta Harris.

Residents playing dominos Tuesday were Eula Morrow, Dick Wheeler, Craig Morris, Leon Burch, Teresa Richardson, Imogene King and Ruby Ayers.

Wednesday many of the ladies had manicures.

Thursday Inez Trostle was here to style the ladies hair. In the morning they enjoyed the donuts furnished by Leta Mae In the afternoon Hess. Leon Burch, Dick Wheeler, Imogene King and Teresa Richardson played dominos.

Friday morning Bingo was played again, those participating were Kittie Hessey, Virgie Everett, Cullison, Lucille Annie Jessie Coleman, Eudey, Leon Burch, Eula Morrow, Lorena Bailey, Dick Wheeler, Teresa Richardson and Adelle Walker.



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Visitors Welcome

Alanreed News

By Lena Carter

The James Bryants of Pampa were here last week to assess the loss of their former home which burned

on Tuesday. Paul Myers of Colorado City, Texas spent this week with grandparents the R.L. Leeders.

Paul and Shawn Bruce of Pampa spent the weekend here at the Robert Bruces.

Ruby Dorsey made a trip to Amarillo to the airport Saturday to allow her daughter to return to her home after a nice visit here with them.

The Olin Weldons were in Amarillo last week for medical attention for Mrs. Weldon.

Visiting here and at McLean Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Felton Conner and grandchildren (Diane's) Junction. accompanied them to McLean for a longer visit.

Jerry Carter and Leon Waldrop of Pampa were here at his mother's, Lena Carter on Sunday.

Visiting here grandmother Nell Keese during the weekend was Susie Conner of Junction.

Due to a recent disaster, fire and utter dryness, the community asks that those who buy firecrackers be doubly careful.

Due to an oversight the name of Thelma Ruth Black was left off the deceased list on our recent Homecoming Program. Mrs. Black was the granddaughter of a very prominent family the Craig's. The crew are extremely sorry for

Heifer Fools Trew's Dad

By Delbert Trew

Of all the calls a rancher must make in the operations of his ranch, none reach the importance of the date that good heifer will calve.

Called right, a little help and concern will assure a sound calf that will bring cash to the till. Called wrong the cost of maintaining the heifer will certainly cut into the wife's budget.

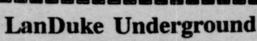
In over 40 years experience, I've learned a few facts! A veterinarian's even with a prediction, proper examination sometimes goes astray. A strutted udder means that the udder is strutted. A big means absolutely nothing at all relating to pregnancy. Look at your neighbor Bud, for a reasonable explanation of this condition. Other body parts also change day by day, so just like the lottery, a calving date is certainly unpredictable.

My father, J.T. Trew, was one of the best cowmen I ever knew, and he was usually always right, but one heifer in 1953, totally fooled

him for over a year. We removed her, along with others, from the herd and took them to the house pasture to calve. Checking through the day, and a time or two each night, we calved about 20 head, thinking she would be next each time. Dad finally turned her back outside only to bring her back in three weeks later. Several sacks of feed and many bales of alfalfa hay later, she again was turned

If she had not been the choice looking heifer of the whole bunch, I'm sure she would have been shipped a lot quicker. But she was gentle, she was sweet, she was fat and she had a terrific confirmation. Dad said she was just like the picture in the book and she ought to calve next week.

As we weaned the other heifer's calves that fall, and sorted out the cow cuts, Dad finally cut her out to ship. Big belly, strutted bag all the old sure signs, and still no calf! We loaded her up and the line of a song come to mind: "All that glitters is not gold."



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"God Made Me Special" Vacation Bible School was held on June 15 - 17 at the United Methodist Church. On Friday, June 17, thirtyeight certificates were awarded to the children who attended. The children enjoyed Bible Stories told by Freda Holland, Arts and Crafts taught by Mickey Jackson, Kristie Crockett, Ted Longino and Lynn Reeves, Snacks organized by

Jean Longino, Singing led by Patti Brass, Valerie Brass and Mary Dwyer, and Playtime with David

Johnson and Adella Jackson. Children present at Bible School were: Nicholas Odom, Kristen Odom, Zachary Odom, Jack Odom, Dustin Lee, Lucas Webb, Clay Crockett, Brennen Young, Cole Young, Jacob Tolleson, DaShae Tolleson, Sarah Fox, Tammy Syfrett,

Charity Luna, Breana Luna, Robert Brass, Sarah Holland, Staci Smith, Kortney Smith, Savannah Williamson, Stephen Williamson, Jordan Herring, Shaley Steel, Evan McMordie, Michael Doniz, Janie Jackson, Kassi Jackson, Josh Seymour, Lucas Seymour, Brooke Seymour, Zachary Seymour, Coy Tolleson, Ty Daniels, Bron Bohlar, Jay Wallis, Anthony Luna, Tyler Hanes

and Lacee Wallis.

Additional helpers were: Rose Steel, Beverly Odom, Amy Herring, Vicki Smith, Judy Lee, Penny Lee, Cindy Lee, Sally Seymour, Lacy Steel, Sara Brown, Inez Trostle, Katy Graham, John Holland, Becky Thomas, L.H. Webb, William Overshiner, Thacker Haynes and Nama Webb.

In the Sunday morning service, some of the children performed the songs they

learned in Vacation Bible School. It was clear that the children enjoyed what they learned and that the children and helpers had a good time.

CORRECTION

Mary Morales is not the new Postmaster at McLean Post Office as previously She was reported. appointed the Officer In Charge until such time as a new postmaster can be selected. The news regrets the error or any inconvenience it may have caused.

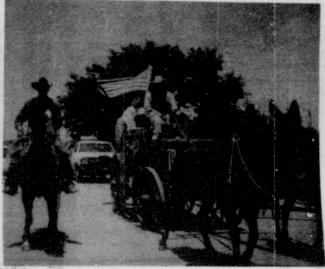
The annual art show was a tremendous success. The People's Choice Awards First place, went to: Dannell Comer; Second place, Bennie Williams; and

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weighed in at 8 lbs and 2 oz. He was 21 inches long. Proud grandparents are Jean and Chester Bohlar and Frank and Jackie Worsham.



third place Barbara Bode. It was very hard to vote, because so many were very, very good. Visitors from seven different countries voted also.



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Mammograms Not Always 100% Perfect

Mammograms may not detect all breast cancers.

There are a small percentage of cancers that, because of the way they develop, are more difficult to detect with a mammogram, said Dr Alfred Watson, Jr., chief of mammography at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

"If a lump or mass can be felt." Watson said, "follow up on it, even if the mammogram is negative. Have the lump evaluated, or schedule a short-term follow-up exam."

Watson stressed, however, that the mammogram is still the "gold standard" for early breast cancer detection, even though it is not a 100 percent perfect diagnostic

FASTER APPROACH TO DNA SEQUENCING

A molecular geneticist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston is developing faster approaches to DNA sequencing, which is used in the study of gene structure and function in connection with the Human Genome Project.

The work is funded by a \$2.2 million grant from the National Institutes of

Dr. Richard A. Gibbs hopes to simplify the timeconsuming, labor-intensive DNA process that his laboratory can sequence 1 million DNA base pairs annually instead of 300,000.

"Improving current automation and the level of reliability is the key to speeding up the sequencing output," Gibbs said.

Baylor Human Genome Center is part of the \$3 billion, 15 year human Genome Project seeks to identify and sequence the estimated 100,00 genes on the 23 human-chromosome pairs.



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Tongue Twisters To Try

(Editors note: Do not try this exercise if you have consumed alcohol, even in cough syrup)

- 1. The seethin sea ceaseth and thus the seething was sufficeth us.
- 2. Betty Botter bought a bit of butter. "But," she said, "this butter's bitter. If I put it in my batter, it will make my batter bitter. But a bit of better butter will make my batter better." So Betty Botter bought a bit of better butter, and it made her batter better.

3. Three gray geese in the green grass grazing. Gray were the geese and green was the grazing.

AGE SHOULDN'T STOP EXERCISING

Some common health problems related to aging can be reversed with simple exercise.

Activities such as walking can prevent and lessen the effects of heart disease, stiff joints and low energy, said Dr. Allan Herf, a physicalconditioning expert at Baylor College of Medicine

Herd also recommends chair exercises for people older than 65. A daily routine of these simple calisthenics can improve range of motion in most joints and make it easier to get around.

Books about exercise are available at bookstores and libraries.

Stressful exercises such as running, tennis or rowing can strain the cardiovascular systems of people who do not exercise regularly. Anything other than simple

calisthenics, walking or chair exercises should be discussed first with

toeses are roses, but Moses supposes erroneously. For Moses he knowes his toeses aren't roses, as Moses

- The sixth sick sheik's sixth sheep's sick. (this is the most difficult tongue twister according to the Guiness Book of World
 - Records.) 6. Iquaqu Iaziqikaqika kwaze kwaqhawaka uqhoqhoqha. (this is the most difficult one in a foreign language. It is the South African dialect for Xhosa, it means: "The skunk rolled down and ruptured it's larynx.)

4. Moses supposes his

supposes his toeses to be.

- Amidst the mist and coldest frosts, with the barest wrists and stoutest boasts, he thrust his fist against the posts, and still insists he sees the ghosts.
- 8. Theophilus Thistle, the thistle-sifter, sifted a sieve of unsifted thistles. Theohilus Thistle, the thistle sifter, sifted a sieve of unsifted thistles, where is the sieve of unsifted thistles Theophislus Thistle, the thistle sifter, sifted?

(I nearly hurt myself just trying to type these!)

Economic Indicators Look Good

"Summer is here and the Texas economy is heating up," State Comptroller John Sharp said.

"The latest Index of Leading Texas Economic Indicators points to down by 13.5 percent from continued strong growth. a year ago. Since April, The Index is up substantially to 121.7, an increase of 3.6 percent compared to a year ago" Sharp said.

The Texas economy continues to expand more rapidly than the national The U.S. economy. Leading Economic Indicator Index is 101.2, a 2.8 percent increase compared to a year ago, but no increase since last month.

"A positive consumer attitude, plentiful jobs and a strong housing market are driving Texas' e growth," Sharp said. economic

Texas consumer confidence is 37.4 percent stronger than it was a year That optimism generated a 5 percent increase in April retail sales compared to last year. Officials of the states multibillion dollar tourism industry expect a strong summer vacation season, as consumers decide to loosen

expanding. Help Wanted ads in Texas newspapers are up by 16.7 percent. The

state's unemployment rate declined by 0.1 percent in April -- the seventh consecutive monthly drop in . unemployment. Claims for unemployment benefits are 1993, Texas has added 237,000 jobs, and increase of 3.2 percent.

The average length of the manufacturing work week grew to 43.7 hours in April, an increase of 2.9 percent.

The Texas Stock index is at 177.9, up 13 percent to last year at this time. Stock prices have risen by 3.1 percent since last month, as Texas stocks recover from maneuvers by the Federal Reserve Board to stem inflation, which sent stock prices tumbling nationwide.

Only two components of the Index of Leading Texas Economic Indicators are negative this month. New business incorporation dipped by 1.3 percent. And Texas oil prices are down by 21.1 percent compared to this time last year, despite a 13.4 percent price increase in the last month.

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