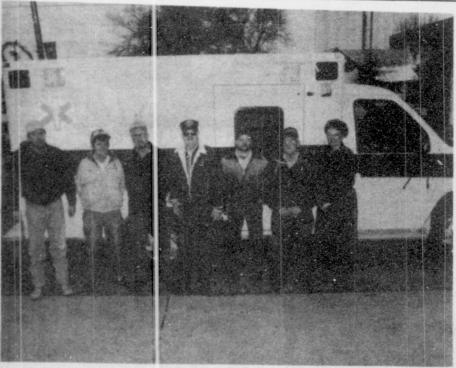
The Groom Rews

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Thursday, April 11, 1996



Some very proud members of the Ambulance Department and City Council on the day the new ambulance was delivered. Tony Treadwell, Wilcoach driver, Al Homer, Wilcoach driver, Kevin Kerlee, Bobby Cornett and Det bie Anthony.

Provider Of The Year Named

Service was presented the Volunteer Emergency Medical Services Provider of the Year for 1995 from Panhandle Emergency Medical Services System (PEMSS). This honor was presented to Groom EMS at the annual PEMSS Banquet held at the Grand Plaza Room at the Amarillo Civic Center on Saturday evening, January 6, 1996. Three hundred people with

Groom Ambulance an interest in prehospital care from the top twenty-six Panhandle were in attendance. The PEMSS Special Recognition Award recipients were selected by a vote of the PEMSS Public Interaction Committee (PIC) based on nominations from the almost 2,000 prehospital providers in the Texas Panhandle.

The Groom Ambulance Service has served its

community of approximately 600 citizens for 30 years. counties of the Texas The fourteen volunteers who drop whatever they are

Be Prepared

Tornado Weather On The Horizon For Our Area

Although winter seems like it will never end, it will not be long before area residents will be looking toward the skies to watch for severe weather.

Tornados and intense thunder and lightning storms occur frequently in the Texas Panhandle. There are several safety tips that are good to know.

(1) Always keep flashlights, a portable radio and extra batteries on hand. When electricity goes off due to lightning strikes you can continue to monitor the weather conditions. The flashlight will help you see when the lights go out. There is no darker dark than when all the lights are

off in town.
(2) During a lightning storm, stay inside away from windows and doors. Do not talk on the telephone. Unplug all unnecessary See Ambulance, pg. 5 appliances to protect them from power surges if lightning does strike nearby.

(3) Monitor a channel that gives the local weather. With cable T.V., many times the channel you happen to be watching is from another part of the country. On stormy days be sure you occasionally check the local stations for weather updates.

(4) A tornado watch means that weather conditions are favorable for tornadic activity.

(5) A tornado warning means that tornados are imminent or have been sighted in counties that are announced by the weather

(6) If you are in your car during heavy rains, be sure to turn on your lights. If you pull off the road to wait for the storm to pass, turn on your flashers and make sure you are well off the road. Heavy rains make

(7) In Groom, one long continuous blast of the sirens means that a tornado is in the area. Residents should take cover in a basement or cellar. It is good to have a plan with children in the home as to what to do if the parents are not home. Should a tornado alarm sound during school hours. Do not attempt to go to school to get children. They are much safer there than out on the road.

(8) If no basement or cellar is available, experts suggest getting in a small room with no windows, such as a closet or bathroom. Put a blanket over your head to protect your skin from flying debris.

(9) One short blast will sound when the weather has cleared enough for you to safely leave your shelter.

Carson County I-40 Bridges To Be Resurfaced

A dozen bridges on IH-40 in Gray and Carson counties are getting a minor facelift. Contractors for the Texas Department of Transportation have started work to resurface bridges on IH-40 in Groom and McLean.

The \$600,000 contract was awarded to SCR Construction Co., Inc. of

Richmond, Texas. Traffic on the bridges will be reduced to one lane of travel at times during construction. The project will result in a new surface and safer guardrail ends on eight bridges in Groom and four bridges in McLean.

The project is expected to be completed in about three

What The Siren Blasts Mean

1 - Ambulance Call

2 - Fire Meeting

3 - Fire

Several Long Blasts - Tornado 1 Short After Tornado - All Clear



Lauren Crowell Wins SWCD Poster Contest

McClellan Creek Soil and of Groom.

The Fifth Grade Class at Water Conservation District. Groom Elementary was The students participated in presented Eastern Red the District's poster contest Cedar tree seedlings last in February. The local Wednesday by the winner was Lauren Crowell

Five Groom Athletes Earn Regional Slot At **District Tennis Meet**

Groom participated in the 1-1A District tennis meet last week. Five will be going on to the Regional competition. In the boys single

competition Brad Sustaire defeated Lee of Sunray, 7-5, 6-4; and Hayes of Vega, 6-1. 6-3 to secure a second place seat in the district.

He was defeated by Mendiola of Wheeler in the semi-finals, 7-5, 6-2.

Daniel Treadwell and Josh Evenson won second in boys doubles. They defeated the team of Knocke and Poor of White Deer, 6-3, 7-5 and Ginter and Simpson of Booker.

Harris and Espino Sunray beat them for first place 6-0, 6-1.

In the girls singles competition Jessica Friemel ran into some stiff competition, splitting sets with Dollar of Wheeler, Jessica won the first game 5-7 but lost the next two 6-4, 6-1. She then played Jolly of Wheeler losing 6-3, 7-5.

In girls doubles the team of Conrad and Case won Sandie second place. Conrad and Kay Case defeated Butler and Sims of Booker, 6-3, 6-2 and Baker and Stevens of Sunray, 6-3,

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

School Events

ATTENTION new residents and teens who will Borger, high school boys be 18 by May 7th. There is and girls. still time for you to register

The Groom ISD Business Office has voter application Track Meet at Sunray. cards available. If you sign up now you can still vote in the up-coming City and School Board elections, as well as the General election this fall. Exercise your right and get out and vote.

TUESDAY PRICES AT ATTEBURY GRAIN CO. WHEAT-\$5.38 MILO-\$7.37 CORN-\$7.87

No Moisture Reported This Week April 9 - District Golf at

April 10, 11 & 12 - Six Weeks Tests. April 12 & 13 - District

April 16 - UIL Band

Contest at Boys Ranch. April 19 - UIL Literary contestants compete for Regional at Levelland.

April 20 - Jr. - Sr. Prom. April 22 & 23 - Regional Tennis.

THERE WILL BE an Immunization Clinic at the Groom Community Center April 17; 1:00 to 4:00 pm.

There will also be an Immunization Clinic in Pampa at the Texas Tech Health Center, 600 W. Kentucky, April 25, 9 am to 4 pm.

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Local Happenings

Allie Hoyt had another birthday dinner last week, this put the count up to 4. She, however, was thoroughly enjoying them all! Norris was beginning to wonder if they were ever going to eat at home again.

Glynn D and Sybil Harrell, Jeremy Mulkey and Glynda Eschle visited Sunday in the home of Louise and Bob Mulkey at Panhandle. Others present were Beverly and Jim Ingram of Amarillo, Sara-Allyson and Steven Hightower, Robert and Whitney and Margie Ewing of Panhandle.

Groom Birthdays Anniversaries

April 11 - George (Jigger) Britten, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Bowers (A).

April 12 - Rodney Bohr, Evelyn Ollinger, Brandon Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ruthardt (A), Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Lamb (A).

April 13 - Craig Howard.
April 14 - Henry Merrick,
Mrs. George (Jigger)
Britten, Jr., Leslie Crowell,
Allison Eatmon, Jennifer
Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. W.H.
Ollinger (A).

April 15 - Gary Don Babcock, Chance Bowers, Collin Bowers.

April 16 - Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lee (A).

J. E. Lee (A).
April 17 - Keith Andrew
Britten, Karri Britten, Louis
Vega.

Celebrating Easter at Donald and Nila Burgin's home were JoAnn and Art Britten of Groom, Bill and Mildred McWhirter of Amarillo; Mark and Nancy Britten and children of Amarillo; Cliff and Susan Britten and children of Groom; Monica and Craig Howard and children of Groom; Ricky and Rita Poor and children of White Deer, Dennis Britten and his guest Linda Williams of Amarillo, Ted Britten and his guest Robin Fornsetti of Canyon, Jay Britten of Canyon, Matt Britten, Johnny Burgin of Amarillo and Jack Britten of Kansas

Groom City Reminder

The City of Groom reminds all residents and businesses to remember not to pour grease, oil or diesel down drainlines.

The employers spent much of Easter weekend cleaning out stopped up drains. They say the culprit seems to be grease. This clogs the city's main sewer lines and creates problems for everyone on that line.

Businesses that use oil should have a recycling container. Contact the City Hall if you are in need of one.

Home for Easter were Bruce, Bronte and Bart Britten, sons of Sharon and Gary Britten.

Sharlene, Michael and Jeremy Lewis; Charlotte, C.J. and Dara Whatley; Margaret and Curtis Whatley and Kelly Wheeler spent Easter in Amarillo with Shelia Whatley.

Groom Lil' Dribblers spent their Monday "out of school" holiday washing cars to raise money for their program.

Tommy Talley and wife, Sharon visited Mom, Katie, this holiday weekend. The Reverend Steven
Barrett and Glynn D and
Sybil Harrell attended the
Lenten luncheon at the
United Methodist Church in
Clarendon Thursday.
Steven was the speaker of
the day.

Ill Or Recovering Twila Jackson Nellie Painter Mert Kendrick

Early Voting Begins

Early voting by personal appearance will begin April 15 and continue through the 30th, for the Groom School elections and the Groom City election. Voters may request ballots by mail beginning now.

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James Cummings

Could Old Saying Cause Rain?

Mr. Tom Reed was recently in the News Office to bring us a bit of rain trivia...

Many years ago it was believed that if you put a snake on the fence, it would rain. The snake had to be belly side up and it had to be on the top row of a barbed wire fence.

A lady from his horse town of Lelia Lake brought the old wives tale to mind after recalling scoffing at it as a teenager in the 1950's.

"My cousin and I were on a creek where my covs were. We came upon a snake. He wound up being carried a quarter of a mile and placed on a fence. Next night, it came a flood down that creek, biggest in years."

"Needless to say," she continued, "by the t' : I hunted cows for a couple of days, walking miles downstream to find them and mending fences, I said never again to that old saying. I'll not do it again to find out."

Someone, please, find

New Farm Bill

WACO, TX. - The new farm bill overhauled by Congress last week, paves the way for a corporation-dominated American agricultural system in which farmers and ranchers will simply become employers, and the independent family farm way of life will perish, said Wes Sims, Texas Farmers Union president.

"To begin with," said Sims, "farming will get a big black eye by the general public because the majority in Congress rammed through the idea that payments will be made to farmers for the next seven years no matter how good or bad commodity prices are. At the end of the seven-year period, there won't be any federal food and agriculture safety net programs.

"This legislation marks the end of an era," Sins stated. "Both farmers and consumers are being abandoned by their

government."

"It will only take a couple of bad years of drought or insects to drive practically every agricultural producer of food and fiber in the land into contracts with the multinational corporations, effectively making them serfs of the big corporate boardroom."

More Local Happenings

Sunday evening, Rip and Joy Snyder visited in Clarendon with Les, Dora, Benny and Sharon Neal and in the Claude rest home with Willard Cook.

Glynda Eschle of Lubbock was a weekend visitor in the home of her parents, Glynn D and Sybil Harrell. Easter morning breakfast guests in the home of Agnes Homer were Bill and Norma Jean Homer, Joannie and Tiffani Homer, Travis Homer of Amarillo, Mary Jo, Daniel, Brittney, Jacob, Kinzi Jo and Justin Schacher and Gene and Vernie Schacher all of

Lazbuddie.

An Easter egg hunt was held for the kids after breakfast.

In the afternoon a bar-bque was held at Bill and Norma Jean's home. Doug Kling also joined in the activities.

Rip and Joy Snyder visited in McLean at the Care Center on Saturday with M.L. Rowan and Truman Goodlett. They all enjoyed the Easter party and the children's style show

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More Local Happenings

Glynn D and Sybil Harrell attended the East-West basketball game at the Amarillo Civic Center Friday evening. Easter visitors at the Burton home were Allie and Norris Hoyt and Al and Virginia Alward of Claude. Later in the day Jerry and Gerald Been and their granddaughter Dorinda all of Oklahoma City stopped by for a visit.

Jeremy Chavedo and Daniel Terbush were in Amarillo shopping over the holiday. Melissa Anthony, Angie Conrad and Jennifer Lewis each, separately, celebrated their 16th birthdays recently. The News has it on good authority that they are now

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"licensed drivers!" So . . . watch out!

Enjoying a lovely dinner and wonderful visit at W.H. and Evelyn Ollinger's home were Mark, Cenee and Brice Graham of Claude; Diane, Mike, Mishon and Desiree Ollinger of Claude; Sherry, Tara and Chad

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Ollinger of Dumas; Kelvin, Debbie, Stephanie, Chris and Lance Ollinger of Groom; Jerry, Pam, Nick, Tami and Cassie Ashford of Groom; Larry, Karen, and Skye Brown, also of Groom.

The Bohr clan gathered to celebrate Rodney and Candace's birthday last weekend. Bill and Linda Bohr; Marie Bohr; Scott, Karen and Taylor Fields; and Blake and Nicole Barnett were guests. The event was hosted by Michele and Hali Bohr.

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41st Barbecue Dinner To Be Held

The 41st annual Barbecue Dinner sponsored by the St. Theresa Catholic Church is set for Sunday, April 28, in the church parish hall.

The meal will be served 11:30 am to 2:30 pm, adults \$6 and children under six

and up eating for \$3. Children under six eat free.

A country store will be held in conjunction with the barbecue.

St. Theresa Church can be located by taking Spur 293 off of Hwy. 60 in Panhandle, Texas.



Cave - Brinson To Wed

Mr. and Mrs. John Brinson of Paducah, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey T. Cave are pleased to announce the engagement of Angie and Heath.

The bride-elect is a 1987 graduate of Paducah High School and West Texas State University. She is employed by Canyon I.S.D. as a Special Education teacher.

The groom-to-be is a 1985 graduate of Groom High School and is employed by the Texas Department of Transportation in Amarillo, Texas.

The wedding of Angie and Heath is set for July 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church of Paducah, Texas.

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Groom tracksters traveled to Claude last week to compete in the North Texas Relays. The Groom boys and girls, both placed third in the meet.

Team totals for the boys were as follows: 1) Wheeler, 114; 2) Booker, 85; 3) Groom, 59; 4) Miami, 55; 5) Claude, 54; 6) Bovina, 51; 7) Kress, 40; 8) Happy, 36; 9) Valley, 28; 10) Shamrock 19; 11) San Jacinto 8.

Harold Cave placed third in the shot with a throw of 41'-9 3/4".

Brandon Crump cornered a second place win in the discus competition with a throw of 140'-10".

In the 3200 meter run Alberto Vega won third place with a time of 11:32.19.

Groom's 400 meter relay team of Andy Alexander, Justin Ritter, Toby Burgin, and Abdon Cassillo placed second with a time of 46.07.

Justin Ritter sped away with first place in the 800 meter run with a time of

806-352-9662

Alberto Vega placed third in the 1600 meter run with a time of 5:10.77.

Team totals for the girl's competition are as follows: Shamrock, 95; 2) Wheeler, 89; 3) Groom, 68; 4) Claude, 66; 5) Miami, 52; 6) (tie) Bovina, 40 and Kress, 40; 8) Vailey, 34; 9) Adrian, 30; 10) San Jacinto, 26; 11) Booker, 20; 12) Happy, 12; Samnorwood, 6. 13)

In the individual events, Kay Case pulverized her opponents winning the discus with a throw of 101' 6½", a full 7 feet further than second place.

Sandie Conrad placed third in the high jump competition, with a 4'8"

Stephanie Ollinger, Martie Phillips, Sara Britten and Sandie Conrad placed second in the 400 meter relay team race with a time of 53,40.

Karen Conrad placed second in the 100 meter dash with a time of 13.19.

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In the 800 meter relay race, Groom's team of Stephanie Ollinger, Martie Phillips, Sara Britten and Sandie Conrad won the event with a time of 2:01.82

Ambulance

community fund raisers and grants - \$35,103.00 raised from the community itself. One grant written by Jay, Janetta Lamb and Joyce Hutsell brought in \$21,725.00 from the Meadows Foundation, and another grant from Texas Department of Health netted the service \$5,681.00. The new ambulance arrived in Groom just in time for Christmas.

Community and local school student education in CPR, use of 9-1-1 and safety has been a major project for these dedicated volunteers. Groom is located 40 miles from the closest hospital facility, and their service area includes approximately 45 miles of east and west bound miles of I-40. Groom EMS not only responds to calls from friends, neighbors and family within their community but also interstate travelers involved in motor vehicle accidents. They also mutual aid with their nearby communities when needed.

Groom currently has two of the EMT's striving to enhance patient care capabilities in their community by attending Intermediate classes. Most all the volunteers have fulltime jobs with very understanding employers. Jay Lamb, EMS Director, works as a coach and teacher of Pampa High School - which is a full-time job and a half - in addition to his many responsibilities as EMS Director. These dedicated people donate their time and work very hard to realize a goal of excellent patient care for their community through their efforts to stay current with and improve their skills

doing when the phone rings to serve their community are EMT's Jay Lamb, Craig Howard, Charlotte Whatley, Britten, Donald Burgin, Jody Ball, John Bohr, Kerry Jenkins, Kevin Kerlee, Scott Fields, Toni Pavlovsky, Tony Painter, EMT-Treadwell;

Intermediate Brent Stephens; and drivers Jack Spencer, Rick Prather and

Mike Bohr.

With the leadership and driving force of Jay Lamb, their very active and committed Service Director, Groom EMS raised over \$56,828.00 toward the purchase of a much needed new ambulance through improve response equipment.

PEMSS recognizes Groom EMS's dedication and contribution of time and effort to improve and deliver the best possible prehospital care in their service area.

Top O' Texas CattleWomen Meet

The Top O'Texas CattleWomen met in regular session on April 2 in Allison Methodist Fellowship Hall with Louise Coulter and Darenda Begert as hostesses.

Darenda Begert welcomed the guests, and read, "Wait Three Days" since it is the Easter Season. Then the president called the meeting to order, and asked Carolyn Buckingham to offer the invocation. Amelia Sims read the minutes of the previous meeting, and they were approved as corrected. Louise Coulter gave the treasurer's report.

There were members of our group at the State Convention: Anita Brown, Lilith Brainard, Amy Brainard, Sena Brainard, Sally Wicker, Darenda Begert, and Louise Coulter, and they were all very they enthusiastic about the work being done CattlwWomen, and the projects being undertaken.

A new unit or local has been formed at Texas Tech University to be in the same category as the Texas A&M group. It is great to have the younger ladies in the Texas State CattleWomen.

The State CattleWomen are selling chances on a Bronze Sculpture made by Kenneth Wyatt called "The Trail Boss". The money will go to Beef Promotion. This is a limited edition of 50. The drawing for the sculpture will be in June 1996 at Corpus Christi, Texas during the meeting of the Texas Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association Board of Directors.

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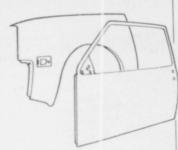


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viewing this program.

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reserve space by calling

Carol Farris at 806/874-

The teleconference will

be moderated by Cokie

Roberts of ABC News and

will feature a distinguished

panel of experts on issues of

sudden and traumatic loss.

"Living with Grief: After

Sudden Loss", a live-via-

satellite video

teleconference, will focus on

grief and bereavement

issues involved with sudden

Hospice programs are a

resource on living with grief

and how to overcome many

of its symptoms, pains, and

families, even communities

often suffer sudden and

traumatic losses," said Jack

D. Gordon, President of the

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On Wednesday, April 17 at 12:30 p.m., Clarendon College will host "Living with Grief: After Sudden

PIN To Hold Information Meetings

The Panhandle Information Network (PIN) will hold regional information meetings during the month of April to provide the public with the opportunity to hear more about this important project. As you may know, efforts have been underway for educators, bereaved some time to formally create PIN as a consortium of governmental and public nonprofit institutions, entities and organizations. The consortium is being formed to plan, coordinate and facilitate the cooperative development and operation of a regional ntegrated telecommunications network to serve the 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle.

Regional information meetings will be held in Pampa at the Pampa Community Building, MK Brown Rm., 200 N. Ballard on April 11 from 7-9 a.m.; in Hereford at the Deaf Smith County Library, 7-9 p.m. April 15; in Clarendon at Clarendon College Activities Center, April 22 from 7-9 p.m; in Dalhart at Dalhart High School, April 23, 7-9 p.m.; in Amarillo at the Regional XVI Education Service Center, April 30 from 7-9 p.m.

These meetings will be used to discuss distance education and the Panhandle developing Information Network as well as view telecommunications technology demonstrations.

Panhandle Information Network is sponsoring the meetings with assistance from ARNet, Inc., GTE Southwestern Bell Telephone.

> Groom School Menu

April 15 - April 19 Monday

Breakfast: Cold cereal, blueberry muffin, juice, milk.

Lunch: Chicken fajitas, sauteed onion, sauteed green pepper, pears, milk. Tuesday

Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk.

Steak fingers, curly fries, Texas toast, fresh orange slices, milk.

Wednesday Breakfast: Breakfast hash browns, burritoes,

juice, milk. Lunch: Lasagne, salad, fried okra, bread sticks, pineapple, milk.

Thursday Biscuits, Breakfast: gravy, bacon, juice, milk.

Lunch: Pizza, salad, peaches, milk.

Friday Breakfast: Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk.

Lunch: Stuffed baked potatoes, shaved ham, broccoli cuts w/cheese sauce, hot sliced bread, sherbet, milk.

what we can to assist individuals in mourning, as well as physicians and Loss", a national nurses, clergy, social bereavement teleconference. workers, teachers, police and The conference will be broadcast in the Courson

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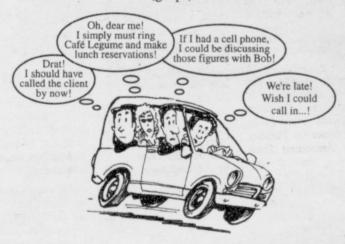


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City of McLean Votes To Cancel Local Election Under New Texas Law

In a special session on April 2, 1996, upon a motion by Jackson, second by Lands, all present voting in favor of the motion, the following was approved:

"By order of the City Council of McLean, Texas, the General Election for 3 positions of alderman is hereby cancelled due to no opposition for any of the

positions."

Under a new amendment, the Texas Election Code states all persons who wish to have their name placed on the Official Ballot must have applied by March 20, 1996 for the May 4th General Election. March 20 was the deadline to register as a write-in candidate.

With only three candidates filing for three positions and no propositions on the ballot, it will save taxpayers money to not hold an uncontested election.

Filing for the Alderman positions were incumbents Mary Dwyer, Sid Lands, and Wayne Bybee.



The cast of "Little Women", McLean's one act play consisted of (Back) Tobey Purcell, Monty Joiner, Jeremy Crutcher, Mike Stone, Heather Hess, Tanna Shipman, (Front) Jessica Rich, Jill Hefley, Holly Jasper, Moriah McCracken, Tammye Cole, and Kristi Tidwell. Directors were Virginia Holwick and Jonathan Galley.

Bogus Check Lands Saye In Jail; Locals Investigating Ties To Freemen Standoff

The Freemen standoff with the FBI in Montana has apparent ties to McLean, it was learned Tuesday.

According to Gray County District Attorney John Mann, a definite scam has appeared with the discovery of a bogus check issued to Lamb-Ferguson Funeral Home in McLean. The story broke on Tuesday when the Associated Press Wire Service reported that Leonard Saye, 70, was arrested in Las Vegas, Nevada by the FBI Metro Squad. Saye was charged according to Mann with Felony Theft. The check sent to Lamb-Ferguson Funeral Home was for the graveside burial services held in McLean for Ruth E. Saye, mother of Leonard Saye who passed away in Las Vegas, Nevada on

Mann explained that the funeral home charged \$7,100. for their services in transporting and burial of Mrs. Saye. Leonard Saye issued a check to the funeral home for \$14,600.00 in hopes of getting back \$7,000 for himself. check was signed by LeRoy M. Schweitzer and Daniel Peterson. District Attorney Mann said, "This just happens to be the leaders of the Montana Freemen group".

November 1, 1995.

Mann also explained other points of interests in

the case that caught his eye, one was the endorsement on the back of the bogus check. The check, made out to Leonard Saye, trustee, and Lamb-Ferguson Funeral Home had this on the back of the check in the area that is usually used for the endorsement.

"Pay to: Lamb-Ferguson Funeral Home "paid under protest" Ruth E. Saye Trust By: Leonard Saye, Trustee "without recourse"
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Mann did say that he absolutely would bring Leonard Saye back to Gray County.

Leonard Saye has a brother, T.J. Saye of Casper, Wyoming and two sisters, Tincy Gideon and Mae Chilton both of McLean.

One Act Play Cast Wins Honors

The McLean High School One-Act Play members presented their play "Little Women" in zone competition on Tuesday at White Deer where they won the honor to advance to District competition to represent the South Zone along with Hedley. Miami and Higgins were selected from the North Zone to compete at the District level.

McLean was not selected to advance to Regionals although the cast members performed superbly and the judges were very complimentary.

Individual honors for the

cast of "Little Women" at the zone level were: Best Actress, Tammye Cole; Best Actor, Jeremy Crutcher; All Star Cast, Heather Hess and Holly Jasper; Honorable Mention, Jill Hefley, Kristi Tidwell, Tanna Shipman, and Monty Joiner. At District competition Heather Hess and Tammye Cole were named to the All Star Cast and Honorable Mention went to Holly Jasper and Monty Joiner.

Members of the cast include Heather Hess as Jo, Tammye Cole as Meg, Jill Hefley as Beth, Holly Jasper as Amy, Kristi Tidwell as

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Mrs. March, Monty Joiner as Laurie, Mike Stone as Mr. Lawrence, Jeremy Crutcher as John Brook, Tanna Shipman as Aunt March and Jessica Rich as Hannah. Crew members were Tobey Purcell, Moriah McCracken and Jonathan Galley. Virginia Howick was the Director.

McLean Reminders

ELEMENTARY AND Jr. High students will be attending UIL competition on Friday, April 12 at Hedley.

McLEAN CITY Council will meet Thursday, April 11 at 7 p.m. at City Hall.

EXCEL MEETING Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Bank Hospitality Room.

COFFEE MEMORIAL is having a Blood Drive on Thursday, April 11 in the school cafeteria starting at 3:00 until?

DISTRICT TRACK meet will be at Lefors on April 10 and 11 for High School and Jr. High.

THERE WILL BE an Immunization Clinic in Pampa at the Texas Tech Health Center, 600 W. Kentucky, April 25, 9 am to 4 pm. There will also be an Immunization Clinic at the Groom Community Center April 17, 1:00 to 4:00 pm.



4-Hers Attend Fashion Show

The District 4-H Fashion Show was held Saturday, March 30 at Panhandle. Three members of the McLean 4-Clover 4-H Club placed in the top four of their category. Kaylee Shank placed in Junior Specialty Wear, Andrea

Shank in Junior Casual Daywear and Sarah Myers in Intermediate Specialty Wear. Other who did well but did not place were Jennifer Myers, Junior Dressy Wear and Jennifer Greer, Junior Active Playwear.

McLean also had two members enter in the Design Drawing category. Jennifer Myers entered a necklace design in the accessory category and Sarah Myers entered a dress design in the apparel category.

This is the seventh year that the Tandy Technology Scholar program has made awards to teachers and graduating seniors at American High Schools.

Mr. Bell and Benjamin Reeser both received a certificate for their accomplishments. Page 8-THE GROOM-McLEAN NEWS, Thursday, April 11, 1996

McLean Briefs

Clarene Williams' son Doug McLeren and family were in town for Easter.

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April 16 - Sammy Don Haynes, Misty Majee, Janet Glass, Dale Steel.

April 17 -Mickey Jackson, Cheryl Smith, Grace McCabe, Carl Dwyer.

Card Of Thanks

We are all lucky to live in a town that pulls together for someone in need.

Words cannot express our sincere gratitude to the people of McLean who helped out when Corinne's was robbed Monday, April

Thank you so much to Mark Simmons, Carey Richardson, Cindy Glass, Roger McCracken, Larry Wallis, Jim McDonald, Margaret Milam, Alta Mason, Dorris Windom and to the clinic staff.

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Stuffed baked Lunch: potatoes w/ham and grated cheese, butter, sour cream, bread sticks, sherbet, milk.

Tuesday Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, sausage, toast, juice, milk, jelly.

Lunch: B-B-O Ribblet on a bun, chips, cole slaw, pickle spears, mixed fruit, milk.

Wednesday

Breakfast: Cereal, toast, jelly juice, milk.

Lunch: Chicken fajitas, sauteed onions and peppers, grated cheese, salad, pineapple tidbits, milk.

Thursday Breakfast: Pigs in a blanket, applesauce, juice,

Lunch: Mini corndogs w/mustard, french fries, salad, fruit, graham crackers, milk, ketchup.

Friday

Breakfast: Donuts, fruit, juice, milk.

Lunch: Smoked sausage, fried squash, cole slaw, Texas toast, apricots, milk.

Joiner To Advance To Regional

McLean High School tennis players competed at zone and district level competition last week with one player advancing to Regionals.

Going to Memphis on Tuesday to compete at zone level were doubles teams Kristina Carter and Shaley Stalls placing 1st; Vanessa Glass and Rachel Galley, 2nd; Jeremy Crutcher and Jonathan Galley, 2nd; Scott Glass and Chad Richards, In the singles

Scholarships Top O'Texas CattleWomen will award \$500 in scholarships to area seniors at graduation. One \$300 scholarship and two \$100 scholarships will be awarded to three deserving seniors.

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competition were Monty Joiner placing 1st, Bonnie Hauck, 3rd and Derek Glass 3rd. The top two singles players and doubles teams in boys and girls advance on to district.

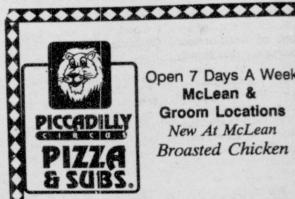
District was played on Wednesday at Clarendon High school. In the girls' doubles team Vanessa Glass and Rachel Galley placing

Shaley Stalls placing 4th. In the boys competition Jeremy Crutcher and Jonathan Galley also placed 4th. Monty Joiner was the only singles player to play at district and managed a 2nd place to advance to regionals.

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FFA Prepares For Contest

By Jaylene Watkins FFA Reporter

In the Texas Panhandle, the weather can't be depended on as a sure sign of spring, but in McLean, keep your eyes on the McLean FFA chapter and you will know when "spring has sprung." FFA a sure sign of spring? Of course! Every spring McLean FFA prepares for competition at several judging contests. This year, there are four judging teams competing. The Land Team consists of Scott Glass, Gary Jones, and Mark Bolton, all members of the freshman class. Sy and Sara Brown, both freshmen, and Anthony Albus and Jesse Swafford, both sophomores, make up the Dairy Cattle judging Jonathan Bailey, junior, David Fuller, junior, John Dickey, a senior, and Lee Shaw, also a senior are members of the Livestock judging team. Seth Brown, Casey Carter, Blake Crockett, and Jaylene Watkins, all seniors, make up the Horse judging team.

Alanreed News

year.

The judging teams have

The Land team

already been successful this

By Lena Carter

Ruth and Brenda McLain were in Oklahoma this week with their mother and grandmother.

Visiting the Armbrister's here last week were Vickie Hambright and family of Canadian.

Denva Tidwell and Nora Dragoo were in Pampa on Thursday for medical attention for Nora.

Absent from First Baptist Church Sunday due to illness was Rush Turner.

The Robert Bruce's visited in Midland over the Easter holiday.

The Armbrister and Tidwell families treated their grandchildren to an Easter egg hunt in the park and dinner later on Sunday.

Visiting Lena Carter on Sunday was Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bruce and David, and Debra Walker of Amarillo.

Jim Bible gave us a very interesting recount of his recent visit to the prison at Jim is very enthusiastic about his prison ministry and his interesting stories to tell.

competed at a practice competition at Perryton Tuesday, March 26 and tied for third place. They also competed at Clarendon College Saturday, March 30, and ranked 20th. The Dairy Cattle team competed West Texas A&M University Friday, March 29 and ranked 15 out of a total of 44 teams. Both the Livestock team and Horse team competed at WTA&MU Friday, March 29 and at Clarendon College March 30. Livestock team placed 16 out of 60 teams at WTAMU and was ranked individual ribbon by placing 6th out of 180 individual horse judgers. The team placed 5th out of 41 teams at Clarendon College and each received fifth place

All four teams will compete at the State Qualifying Contest at Texas Tech University Saturday, April 13, 1996. There they will also be competing for district and area awards. Keep your eyes open for more sure signs of spring from McLean's FFA chapter.

Reminders

APRIL 13 Great Texas Trash-Off. State wide.

CHEERLEADING Tryouts will be Tuesday, April 16 at 2:30 in the gym.

TLC Home Health Announces Opening Of Office In Shamrock

i.L.C. Home Health Services, 207 N. Main St., Shamrock, Texas, announces the opening of its offices in Shamrock, Texas. T.L.C. offers intermittent skilled nursing care, physical services, home therapy health aide services, and medical dressing supplies. The agency's service area covers Wheeler, Collingsworth, Hemphill, Donley and Gray Counties. Serving a s Administrator/D.O.N. of

T.L.C. Home Health is

Mary Kay Tallant, a lifelong

resident of Shamrock, and a twenty-year veteran in the nursing profession. Tallant received her BSN Degree from West Texas A&M University in Canyon and has worked as an RN in the Shamrock area for many years. Other staff personnel include Pat Henry, LVN, who is director of QI, and field nurses Tammy Puryear, RN, Debbie Simpson, BSN. LVN, Katrina Fling, LVN, D'Anna Gonzales, HHA, Raquel Mounce, HHA, and Jeannie Lucas, HHA.

Mrs. hours.

Amanda Cline Advances To Regional Semi-Final Round, Hoop Challenge USA

McLean 8th Grader Amanda Cline recently went to Clarendon College where she competed in Hoop Challenge USA and advanced to the Regional Semi-Final round.

Hoop Challenge USA is a spot shooting contest designed to test your basketball shooting skills. You compete against kids your own age taking the same shots. There are twelve different shots on the Hoop Challenge USA grid

you must shoot from. Each shot counts 2 points. To advance from the First Round to the Regional Semi-Final Round, participant must score at least 12 points (50%) or finish in one of the top 4 places. Amanada made 10 out of 12 shots for 20 points (83.4%) and took 1st place in her age group. The Regional Semi-Final Round will be held at Clarendon College on April

T.L.C. Home Health Services is dedicated to providing the highest level of quality in-home care for its patients. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and the agency invites everyone to stop by for a free blood sugar screening and blood pressure check during office For more information regarding agency services, please contact Mrs. Tallant at (806)256-3089 or stop by the agency offices located next door to the Shamrock Chamber of Commerce.



McLean Birthdays & Anniversaries

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April 16 - Sammy Don Haynes, Misty Magee, Janet Glass, Dale Steel.

April 17 - Mickey Jackson, Cheryl Smith, Grace McCabe, Carl Dwyer.

Back Hosts Easter Party

Laverne Back hosted a lovely Easter Holiday Party for 14 local and out of town guests on Easter Sunday. Visitors from out of town included Gabrielle Goodwyn and her parents, Lawrence and Linda, from France.

Early on the youngsters had their own Easter Egg hunt. Granddaughters, Emily and Erin Bennett, from Brenham, Texas, were the big winners. Emily found the Best Decorated Egg and Erin won the Super Bunny prize.

The highlight of the afternoon was the first annual "Over Forty Easter Egg Hunt". Millie Back was the winner of the "Berry Best Blue Super Bunny" prize. Everyone had a great

McLean Care Center News

Sunday, Bro. Q.D. Bevill, pastor of the Trinity Baptist Church was here to hold a worship service.

Residents working in crafts Monday morning were Phyllis Bailey, Truman Goodlett, Betty McCurley, Beryl Halbert, Teresa Richardson, Sylvia McClellan, Vernee Bowling and Thelma Hopkins. In the afternoon the following residents played bingo: M.L. Rowan, Phyllis Bailey, Sylvia McClellan, Dick Wheeler, Teresa Richardson, Annie Eudey, Eula Morrow, Lena Bailey, Vernee Bowling, Florence Drake, Betty McCurley, Beryl Halbert, Hadda Moore and Lavern Carter. Our volunteer helpers were Betty Lowe, Cliffie Heasley Crockett. Avalee and

Bananas were furnished by the Lions club.

Tuesday Kim Hernandez was here to give the residents their musical Imogene King, therapy. M.L. Rowan and Dick Wheeler played dominos.

Wednesday morning the residents colored their Easter eggs. Our volunteer helpers were Betty Lowe, Inez Trostle, Mary Powell Sherri and her niece, Martindale, Kaylee Shank, Wanda Myers and her two daughters Sarah and Jennifer. In the afternoon the residents enjoyed their Easter egg hunt. Helping with the hunt were Betty Lowe, Joy Richardson, Mary Lou Richardson and staff members. A special basket was presented to Imogene King for making the baskets for all the residents to hunt the eggs in.

Thursday Inez Trostle was here to style the ladies hair and several had have received from In the manicures. afternoon Teresa Richardson, Dick Wheeler and M.L. Rowan played dominos.

Saturday was our Easter party, the dining room chairs and wheelchairs were decorated with balloons which were furnished by Mary Ann Carpenter. Loyce Murray was here to play the piano for us. The following children modeled their Easter outfits: Erin Bennett, age 11 and her sister Emilie, age 8; Tammy Syfrett, age 5; Skyler

Ferguson, age 8 and Lacy Ferguson, age 2; Dakota Young, age 4 and sister Rachuel, age 2; Nikki Jo Alverez, age 4 and sister Jamie, age 11/2; Dustin Lee, age 4 and sister Kaela, 11 months; Katrina Thomas, age 3; Jazmanah Kemp, age 3; Jeddidiah Logan, age 1; Shiloh Brown, 10 months and the youngest was Jon Walker, 2 months old. Our Easter bunny, Linda Syfrett gave each child a basket filled with goodies. Refreshments were served following the modelling. Ladies serving were Betty Lowe, Inez Trostle, Marcie and Skyla Ferguson.

Card Of Thanks

Last Monday, April 1, 1996 something happened to me that I felt I would never be able to live through. But the help I whole community is just unbelievable. Knowing that everyone is there for me is I want very supporting. everyone to know I appreciate all the phone calls, the cards of support, and the pretty flowers that . were sent to me. There are a few people I would like to Mark think personally. Simmons, Carey Richardson, Linda McDonald, Margaret Milam, Becky Fish, Cindy Glass, Roger McCracken, Jim McDonald, Larry Wallis, Joe Magee, Carrie Hardin, and Le' McDonald. Becky Johnson

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Commissioner Mike Britten

Carson County Sheriff Loren Brand 类类类类类类类类类类类类类类类类类类类类类类类类类

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McLean Golfers Win Gold

McLean Tigers and Lady Tigers made another good showing at the District Golf Tournament held at Clarendon on Monday.

Michelle Basham brought home the gold (again) in the ladies individual competition. This will be the fourth time in four years for Michelle to

The Tigers took two teams to compete at the District tournament where McLean A also brought 113, David Burrow 119.

B tied for fourth place with Silverton in the field of nine

Individual scores were: Medalist, Michelle Basham, 104.

McLean A Team: Monty

McLean B Team: Shawn Sanderson 94, Chad Bailey 107, Derek Glass

advance to regionals.

home gold medals. McLean

Joiner 92, Andy Glass 97, Chris Flores 99, Jonathan Galley 102; Jeremy Crutcher

Richards 117, Jonathan

McLean Area CHURCH DIRECTORY

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 2nd & Gray Pastor Thacker Haynes 779-2049/2337 Sunday School 9:45 an · Worship 10:50 am & 6 pm Sun. Sr High Youth • Alpha Chi 5 pm Wednesday: Choir 7:00 pm

HEALD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Sunday - 9:15 am Kellerville Road

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH 603 Commerce Rev. Q.D. Bevill, pastor 779-3207 Sunday School 9:45 am · Worship 10:45 am Sunday Evening Worship 7:00 pm Bible Study & Proyer Meeting Wed. 7:00 pm

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Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 4, 1996, for voting in a trustee election, to elect two (2) full term trustees.

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES

voting by personal Early appearance will be conducted each weekday at McLean ISD Bustiness Office, 4th and Rowe, McLean, Texas between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., beginning on April 15, 1996 and ending on April 30, 1996.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

> PAM CROCKETT BOX 90 McLEAN, TEXAS 79057

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 26, 1996.

Issued this the 4 day of April, 1996.

