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Students Win State UIL Honors

Groom returned from the State UIL contest in Austin winning in three of the four events entered. Erin Eschle and Tony Homer won second place honors in their respective contest and Michael Rose received fourth place for his effort in the News-writing contest. Lezlie Sweatt advanced to the finals in poetry.

Erin received second place in Persuasive Speaking drawing the topic, "Has Texas Stemmed the 'Rising Tide of Mediocrity' in Texas Education". She spoke on the subject for the required seven minute time period.

Erin and Lezlie have been coached this season by Mrs. Janetta Lamb, who has taken students to the State UIL meet every year since 1972.

Tony Homer received his second place award in the Accounting contest. He was coached this year by Georgann Hinson.

The students were accompanied to Austin by Principal Kenneth Sweatt, Mrs. Lamb and Mrs. Glynda Eschle.

New Phone System At School Installed

A new phone system has been installed at Groom Schools. Most of the phone numbers remain the same but a few additional lines were added changing the numbers for some offices.

Please make notation of the number changes in your phone directory.

Principal's Office 248-7474
Superintendent 248-7557
Business Office 248-7251
Coaches Office & Swimming Pool 248-7971
Ag Department
Home Economics
Band Hall
Cafeteria 248-7309



Tony Homer, Erin Eschle and Michael Rose all placed in the events they entered at the State UIL Academic meet held in Austin last week.

Pick-A-Project For All To Benefit Center

The Groom Community Center Board has approved a new program that's purpose is to involve people in the community with maintenance and beautification projects at the Center. The program has been named Pick-A-Project.

Interested individuals or groups may choose from the following project list. If you have any questions, please contact Martin Hermes-meyer or Johnny Brumley.

Pick-A-Project

1. Prepare exterior doors for painting
2. Paint exterior doors
3. Paint north entrance addition
4. Strip and wax hall floors

Outage Caused By Raccoon

A raccoon was responsible for a power outage in Groom and Claude Sunday night. SPS serviceman James Duke said the creature got caught in a main transformer located in Conway causing the outage about 11:45 p.m. Sunday. Electrical service was restored about 12:20.

and brick room floor

5. Re-glue ceiling tile that has fallen

6. Replace light bulbs that are burned out

7. Run side walk on north side of building and repair old side walk on west side

8. Run wheel chair ramp on main entrance

9. Build sign denoting Community Center and regular meeting organizations

10. Edge lawn around sidewalks and curb.

11. Remove grass and dirt from side walks

12. Prepare trim on building for painting.

13. Paint all trim on building

14. Reorganize northwest storage room and clean same

15. Repair minor leaks in roof over northwest room and brick room

16. Service air conditioners in kitchen

17. Replace damaged ceiling tile as needed

18. Clean and paint mechanical room

19. Repair holes in concrete floor in north entrance

20. Paint concrete floor in north entrance

See Pick-A-Project, Page 3

Gary Friemel Wins Seat OnBoard; Incumbents Hold At Grandview

Local elections were decided by a small percentage of the registered voters last Saturday. A total of 232 votes were cast in the School Board election and 159 in the City election.

Voters cast ballots for the incumbents in the City election with totals of 135 votes for Bill Homer, 143 for Jimmy Britten and 122 for

John Eschle. Six write-in votes were cast for various persons.

Don Lyles and Gary Friemel were selected by voters to serve on the School Board. Lyles garnered the top vote with 185; Friemel unseated incumbent Pat Weinheimer with 160 votes to Weinheimer's 71.

Those elected were sworn in Tuesday night at their respective meetings.

The incumbents held their seats in the Grandview-Hopkins Trustee election held last Saturday. Charles Bowers and Kenny Babcock ran unopposed in the election. Bowers received 25 votes and Babcock 14. Write-in ballots were cast for Melvin Wills with 11 votes and Larry Stephens with 7.

A total of 29 votes were cast in the election.

DPS Captain Tells Of 77% Increase In Fatalities

The first quarter of 1988 has shown an increase in the number of accidents and fatalities in the state, according to Bob Russell, captain of the Texas Highway Patrol. To date, officers across the state have investigated 16 fatal accidents as compared with nine at the same time in 1987, this is an increase of 77 percent.

Personal injury accidents are up 10.5 percent and property damage has raised 1 percent. Persons injured in accidents have shown a 13 percent increase. Deaths from accidents have increased 122 percent from 1987.

Captain Russell in evaluating the accident picture said the causative factors seem to be DWI, speeding and failure to wear seat belts. He has sent a plea to officers throughout the State to watch for these violations.

Locally, DPS officers filed 381 cases in April with 126 warning tickets issued. The officers also served three warrants, made five DWI arrests, worked four accidents, recovered two stolen cars. Fines collected for April totaled \$10,672.00 with the county receiving a \$7,202.00 share. During the first four months of 1987, some \$38,576.00 in fines have been assessed.

Heather Patterson Selected HOBY Candidate

Heather Patterson has been selected as the 1988 Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation (HOBY) Leadership Seminar candidate from Groom High School. She was chosen for the leadership potential which she has demonstrated in school and community activities.

Heather will attend the HOBY Panhandle Leadership Seminar this weekend, May 13, 14 and 15, 1988. The event will be held at the Hilton Inn in Amarillo and more than 90 outstanding sophomores will be in attendance.

This conference is designed to develop an awareness of present and future issues by actively involving Seminar participants in discussions and informal debate.

The program includes outstanding speakers, enter-



tainment and a special awards banquet.

Heather plans on participating in a Talent Show on Saturday night and her parents, Randal and Nancy Patterson will join her on Sunday for the closing ceremonies and awards banquet.

Community Calendar

All mothers of GHS athletes are asked to be at the Community Center, Tuesday, May 17, at 3:00 to help in preparations for the Athletic Banquet.

Kountry Kousins will meet Friday, May 20 in the home of Belinda Britten at 1:00 p.m. The program will be on Emergency Care Centers.

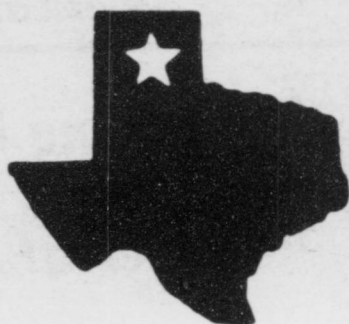
Alpha Mu Xi meets at the home of Sue Britten, May 12, 7:00 p.m. for officer installation.

Lazy Dazys meet May 17, at the home of Kathleen Barkley. Remember your Mother's Day gift. If you are unable to attend please send your gift.

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Local Happenings

Clara Britten is a patient in St. Anthony's in Amarillo.

Staci Britten, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jigger Britten, was a recent patient in the Pampa hospital with pneumonia.

Mrs. Mildred Miller returned to Groom Saturday from Stratford where she had visited her son Wesley Miller and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Glynn D Harrell joined their daughters, Mr. and Mrs. R.J. Mulkey of Panhandle, and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ingram of Amarillo for a Mother's Day dinner.

Eric Irwin had surgery Monday at the Pampa hospital.

Cecil Culver was hospitalized in Pampa and returned home Monday.

LaVesta Barentt was a patient last week at the Pampa hospital.

Edna Russell is a patient at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo she was transferred from St. Ann's Home Sunday.

Enjoying dinner Friday night at the Japanese Steak House in Amarillo were Pat Ashford and daughters and daughters-in-law, Patti McLaughlin, Mary Sue Lyles, Pam Ashford, and Kathy Ashford and also Janet Pool and Charlene Weller.

Charlotte, C.J. and Dara Whatley spent Saturday at her dad's on the Harrell Ranch. They enjoyed the day in the canyons.

Jack Bivens and Charlie Fields spent Thursday through Saturday fishing at Lake Conscious.

Mrs. George Eschle visited her son, John Eschle and family Sunday. On Monday she and Johnny left to take her to Commerce to visit her daughter, Mrs. Mike Clay and family.

Bill Pavlovsky was released from the Pampa Hospital Tuesday. He suffered a heart attack last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Friemel have returned from a visit in Fayetteville, N.C. in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Jim Bayless and Mr. Bayless. They were accompanied by Mrs. Bill Burgin who flew on to visit her daughter Mrs. Curtis Downs III and family in Burke, Va. They all returned to Groom on Wednesday, May 4.

Herschel and Ruth Black of Hereford visited Sunday with Mrs. Ethel Blackwell.

Baptist Women

Baptist Women met at Ruby Milton's home with Carole Fields leading the Bible study. Juandell Ritter gave the mission program on the leaders of the WMU convention.

Others present were Stella Patterson, Fannie Asberry and Billie Bivens.

Completes Flight School


Suzanne Bralley, daughter of Bill and BeBe Bralley of Amarillo, has completed her training at Miami, Fla. and is now stationed in Boston, Mass. where she is a flight attendant for Eastern Airlines.

Vaccination Clinic
Saturday, May 14, 1988
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Dogs: Rabies-\$6.00
Parvo-\$6.00 Distemper-\$8.00
Total-\$20.00


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Mrs. Buster Haning and Jennifer and Jarrod of Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Britten and Wesley English spent Mother's Day with Zoah Britten.

Kevin Wood was a member of the wedding party of Becky Osborne and Danny Hillock who were married Saturday night in Amarillo.

The Whatley family enjoyed Mother's Day in Amarillo with the mothers treated with a lovely lunch out. Those attending were Darrell and Charlotte Whatley, C.J. and Dara; Curtis and Margaret Whatley; Sharlene, Michael and Jeremy Lewis, all of Groom; Sheila Whatley, Ronn and Debbie Tigg, Cameron and Tisha of Amarillo. The family also attended Tisha's soccer game while in Amarillo.

Celebrates Birthday

The 91st birthday of Audie Martin was celebrated at the Grill Monday afternoon. A beautiful birthday cake decorated with roses in shades of pink and coffee were served to about 20 guests.

Out-of-town guests were Annie B. Kirk and Col. and Mrs. Art Lantham of Amarillo and Mrs. Jimmy Finley of Claude.

The party was hosted by Helen Witt.

Receives Degree

Curtis Thornton was among graduates from Abilene Christian University to receive his diploma in ceremonies on Saturday, May 7, 1988. Thornton received a degree in finance.

Attending the ceremony were Jerry and Nadine Thornton of Groom, Troy and Rhonda Thornton and Shayna of Lubbock and Thomas and Connie Britten of Abilene.

Local Students To Perform in White Deer Dance Recital Saturday

Kelly Stroope of Groom will be a featured dancer in the 23rd annual recital by Linda Germany School of Dance. Kelly is a senior this year and has studied dance for 15 years including classes in ballet, toe, tap, jazz, novelty and gymnastics. Numbers she will perform in this year's recital include ballet, tap and jazz. She is the daughter of Mr and Mrs. Wayne Stroope.

Other Groom dancers to be featured in the recital are Stephany Fraser, Frances Britten, Brooke Britten, Marci Babcock, Nathan and Natalie Forbes, Allison Eaton, Carrie Sue and Kristanne Davis, Kay Lynn Britten and Martie Phillips.

The recital is this Saturday evening at 7:30 p.m. at the White Deer High School Auditorium.

Attend Seminar

Wanda Adkins of Borger, and Billie Bivens attended an associational WMU training session at Abilene last Thursday and Friday. Enroute home they spent the night in Hamlin with Allene Dean. They returned home Saturday.

Pick-A-Project

21. Get fire extinguishers recharged, inspected and installed.
22. Prepare instructions for proper operating use of thermostats and post same by each thermostat.
23. Prepare larger poster for rules and regulations concerning use of Center and post in several places.
24. Prepare and install hanging brackets for mops and brooms in janitor closet
25. Help keep grounds clean and free of trash
26. Install small window units in two doors in north entrance.



Kelly Stroope, above, is a graduating senior this year at Linda Germany's School of Dance. She will perform three numbers in this year's recital. Below, Stephany Fraser, daughter of Katie Fraser and Michael Fraser, will do a tap dance "Panda Bear".



Card Of Thanks

Thanks to each of you for the concern and care you showed me while I was in the hospital. Your prayers, calls, visits, cards and flowers meant so much. A special thank you to all of those who helped out at the station.

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Thimblette Needle Club members met in the home of Helen Witt with Burnice

Brown as co-hostess last Thursday. Visiting and fellowship were enjoyed by all. Burnice Brown, president, led in a short business meeting after which delicious refreshment of

tea and coffee and angel food cake with fruit salad were served to those present.

Those attending were Ivy Clark, Nettie Fields, Bertie Helton, Lucille Case, Wynona Koetting, Truman Goodlett, Velma Hickox, Ruby Milton, Mamie Pool, Lenabel Newton, Doshia Cornett, Emalea London, Mary Knorpp, Betty Hudson and the hostesses Helen Witt and Burnice Brown.

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**Christian Mother's
Install Officers**

The Christian Mothers held their regular monthly meeting Monday, May 2. This will be the last meeting until September. A salad supper was one of the highlights of the evening serving 25 members and Father Neyner.

Another highlight of the evening was an Installation Prayer Service of Light, installing the new officers for the coming year. They are Marla Britten, president; Lucille Britten, first vice president; JoAnn Britten, second vice president; Angela Looten, third vice president; Linda Weller, treasurer; Marcia Conrad, secretary; Loretta Britten, publicity and reporter; Doris Britten, leader.

A short business meeting was conducted. The summer school of religion will be held for four days, May 31 to June 3. This is for grades 1-6.

A Parish Picnic was also discussed and activities for Groom Day. Decisions will be made later as to these activities.

Card Of Thanks

We wish to thank all our friends for their prayers, visits, cards and the wonderful meal prepared for us during the loss of our Mother and Grandmother. God bless all of you.

The Stapp Family

Political Calendar

The Groom News is authorized to present the names of the following candidates for office, subject to the Primary Election to be held in March. A fee has been paid by each candidate for a listing in this column from now through the election.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY

For County Sheriff

Terry Timmons

For County Attorney

Ed Hinshaw*

**For County Tax Assessor
Collector**

Lloyd Sterling*

For U.S. Congress

Bill Sarpalius

For State Senate, Dist. 31

Mel Phillips

REPUBLICAN PARTY

For County Sheriff

Tam Terry

**For State Representative,
Dist. 88**

Dick Waterfield*

For State Senate, Dist. 31

Teel Bivens

*Denotes Incumbent

**What An
Example!**

By Gary Blakeney

This past week I was privileged to stay a few days with my maternal grandmother, Carrie Ethel Moore Blackwell. Though she is ninety years old, she is very much alive and active. She is one of the sweetest and

kindest ladies I know.

One morning I asked her what was the secret of her longevity. With her voice cracking because of humility and contrition, she began to talk about her blessings and how she needed to be thankful. Was that the secret of living long on this earth? Was it because she had experienced only good times and no heart-aches or problems?

To the contrary, as a new bride she and her husband moved to the high plains of Texas. The year was 1917. Times were hard. They lived near a little town called Groom. That winter she melted snow to get enough water to wash. Fuel for cooking and other purposes was cow chips. Neighbors were scarce and not seen that often. When the depression came they lost their farm, but they never went hungry. There was always beans and cornbread. Due to hard work, diligence, and persistence they were eventually able to buy their farm back.

World War II saw her only two sons go off to war—one in Africa and Europe and the other in the Pacific. Her daughter-in-law, with husband off to war, did not want the obligations of a child, so a granddaughter was left on her doorstep to raise, along with her four daughters.

Death has been a frequent visitor to her life. Her oldest daughter, Ina Fay, died at the age of 23 due to medical complications that doctors in the 1940s were unable to treat. In 1958 a grandson, Floyd Dale, age 6, was playing at his father's gas station. He was killed in a tragic explosion. In 1965 two grandsons, Dee and G.G., ages 13 and 11, were killed when a tunnel they were digging caved in. In 1971 her husband, Ollie, to whom she had been married 53 years, died of a cancerous condition in his digestive system. In 1981, Lucy, a devoted and loving daughter-in-law, was killed in a car accident. In 1984, the fourth of her eight



Dancing a tap number to "Tiger Lil" will be from left, Frances Britten, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Britten; Brooke Britten, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Greg Britten and Marci Babcock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Don Babcock.

grandsons was killed. Greg, only thirty years old, was working-out for an athletic event on a lonely stretch of West Texas highway. A drunk ran over him. In 1987, her oldest son, Guy, collapsed while working and died.

But my grandmother talked about her good life. She counted her blessings. An attitude of gratitude graced her countenance. Life for her was a positive experience. May the Lord continue to make his face shine upon her and may I walk in her footsteps.

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Don't Forget

The McLean Drama and Speech Class will perform in a three-act play on Tuesday, May 17, at the high school auditorium.

The annual Spring Band Concert, which will include all bands, grades 5-12, will be held next Tuesday, May 19, at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

The Fifth and Sixth Grade Bands will compete on May 21 in Floydada.

The Annual McLean School Play Day will be next Friday, May 20, at the football field.

The Annual All-Sports Banquet, honoring this year's high school athletes, will be next Friday, May 20, at the Country Club.

Board Hires Principal



John William Griffin

McLean School Board met Monday night in its regular monthly meeting at the School Business Office. Saturday's election was canvassed and the results were approved (see related story for election results). After the oath of office was administered to Trustees Thacker Haynes and Gwen Henley, the board elected officers for the 1988-89 school year. They are: President-James Hefley; Vice-president-Jake Hess-II; and Secretary-Gwen Henley.

In one of the major items of business during the evening, the board reluctantly accepted the resignation of Principal Pete Bateman who has decided to retire. He and his wife Kate will be moving back to Brady where they can be closer to their children and grandchildren.

In his letter to the board, Mr. Bateman said, "Working here has been my pleasure. I wish you success in your endeavor to provide the best possible education for the students at McLean ISD."

Mr. Bateman came to McLean in August, 1985. During that time, he has become known for his compassion, warmth, humor and level-headed approach to dealing with the day-to-day affairs at McLean High

School. His willingness to listen and to help have earned him the respect of his co-workers, the students, parents, and members of the community. Both he and Mrs. Bateman will be missed.

He will be replaced by John William Griffin from Westbrook, where he is a math teacher and coach. He has also served as High School Principal, math teacher and head coach at Divide ISD in Nolan, Tx. and was a math teacher and assistant coach at Trenton High School.

Mr. Griffin has a Master of Science Degree in Education and an Administrative Certificate, both from Tarleton State University. He and his wife, Sue, have three grown children. They will be moving here at the end of the current school year.

In other business on Monday, the board:

-Interviewed Mike Newland of Wheeler and Gene Gee of Lefors for the position of Grade School Principal. More interviews are scheduled to take place next week.

-Accepted the resignation of Special Education Aide Doris Guyton Stillwell, who is going to spend some time traveling with her husband;

-Hired Earnest Foshee and Roy Richardson as bus drivers for the 1988-89 school year;

-Approved the 1988-89 contracts with the Region 16 Service Center for computer services, remedial reading services, a block grant for curriculum development, a drug free school program, a community program co-op, an effective school co-op, a gifted and talented co-op, and media services;

-Approved an asbestos control contract with Hartford Insurance Co. According to a new law, buildings have to be tested for the See "School Board" p.6

Lions Journey For Sight Coming On June 4

The fifth annual Lions Journey For Sight will be held on June 4, 1988. Funds raised during the run or walk-a-thon will be used to benefit Lions' programs to aid the blind and sight-impaired.

On June 4 at 8:30 a.m., Lions Club members and other local people of all ages will walk or run 10 miles beginning at the McLean Golf Course and ending at the John M. Haynes home, north of McLean.

In the weeks ahead, people of the community will be asked to support this project by pledging a nominal amount of money for each mile traveled.

Trophies will be given to the first three male finishers and the first three females to cross the finish line will also receive trophies.

T-shirts will be given to all entrants who finish the course and dual-cassette stereo recorders will be given as awards for the two entrants who obtain the most pledge money. Refreshments will be available both during and following the Journey.

The trophies will be on display at the Bank of Commerce and the cassette recorders can be seen at McLean Pharmacy.

The Lions urge all citizens to take part either as an active participant or by pledging money for one of the people who will make the Journey.

Correction

In last week's article on the City Council election, we misquoted candidate Bill Thomas. Instead of saying, "I have to axes to grind," he said, "I have no axes to grind."

We apologize for this error.

1988 Honor Students



Angie Reynolds



Linda Reid



Missy Young



Chris Littlefield

The 1988 honor students for McLean High School and Junior High were named this week. Angela Lyn Reynolds was named Valedictorian for the Class of 1988 at McLean High School. The daughter of Michael and Anna Young, she maintained an average of 95.43 during grades 6-8.

Salutatorian for the class will be Christopher C. Littlefield, son of Loyd and Betty Littlefield and Dennis and Linda Meador. He maintained an average of 92.03 during grades 6-8.

Rounding out the top six for the Junior High graduating class are:

-Destry Magee, son of Joe and Kay Magee, with an average of 91.20;

-Daniel Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sparling, with an average of 89.53;

-Heidi Syfrett, daughter of Jack and Linda Syfrett, with an average of 89.28; and

-Lisa McClellan, daughter of Kelly and Karan McClellan, with an average of 89.08.

son, with an average of 87.04.

Graduating with highest honors at McLean Junior High School is Valedictorian Marilyn M. (Missy) Young. The daughter of Michael and Anna Young, she maintained an average of 95.43 during grades 6-8.

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B-G's Hangout Sets Hours

Don't forget that McLean has a new business. Called B-G's Hangout, it is located at 209 North Main, next to McLean Variety. It is owned and operated by George and Sam Green and George and Sue Burrow.

The store features hot and cold sandwiches, candy and ice cream, coffee and soft drinks. It also has a juke box, video games and other types of recreation.

According to the owners,

the store is designed to be a wholesome gathering place for the kids at lunch time, after school and during the evenings. But adults are also encouraged to come by and enjoy the food and the fun.

For the present time, the store will be open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. However, these hours are subject to change later.

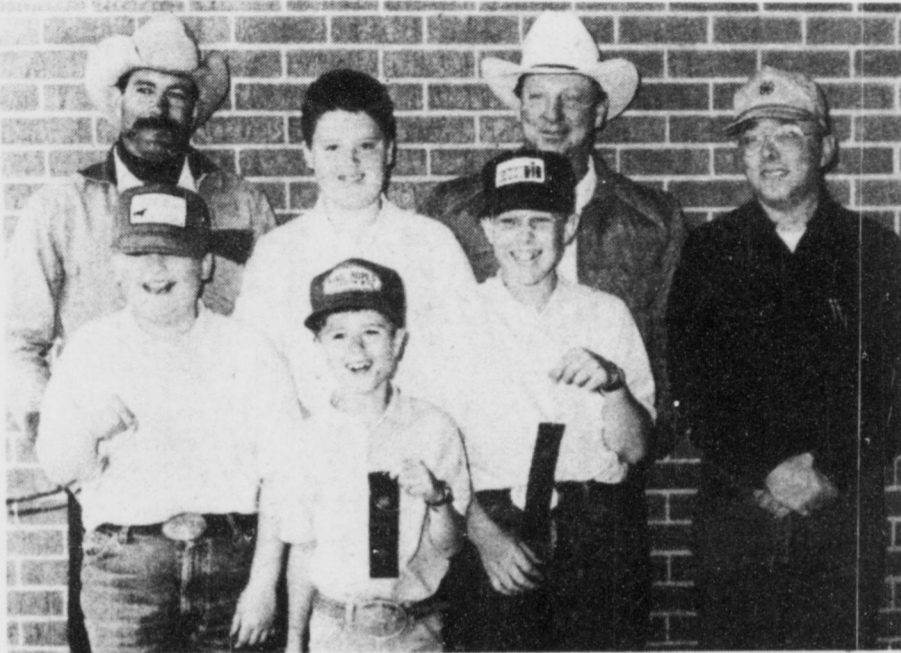
Graduation Issue Coming Next Week

It's almost graduation time again and we will be running our annual graduation issue next week, featuring pictures and biographies of all the Seniors.

We will be contacting businesses today and tomorrow to ask them to sponsor a Senior. If you have a favorite graduate and want to scoop them up before someone else does, call the News Office at 779-2141.



Misty Magee, daughter of Joe and Kay Magee, is in Austin today representing the McLean Girl's Golf Team at State competition.



The Gray County 4-H Grass Identification Team placed 2nd in district contest held at Clarendon April 14. Team members were Lee Shaw, Shandon Stalls, Will Shaw and Stephen Wallis. Coaches were David Brown, Russell Bockman and Roger McCracken.

School Board Meeting

amount of asbestos they contain. Those exceeding the requirements have to develop a plan for asbestos management and removal. The Hartford Co. will be responsible for doing the testing and writing a management plan;

-Approved a list of students transferring from other school districts to McLean ISD. Students approved for 1988-89 are James

Armbrister, Skyla Bryant, Jason Carver, Stacy Carver, David Fuller, Brian Fuller, Stacie Hall, Lorin Hall, Matt

Hall, Dennis Hill, Dewayne Hill, Cal Holwick, James Martin, Kim Orrick, Granville Sanders, Kristi Tidwell, Wendy Winegeart, Sally Worsham, Susan Worsham, Amy Ward and Dennis Ward;

-Discussed a request from the Gray County Appraisal District to stagger the terms of the district's Board of Directors. Board member Thacker Haynes was asked to investigate the request before a decision is made;

-Agreed to approve early graduation for MHS students Kara Tate and Skyla Bryant, provided they have met all the requirements for graduation. Misses Tate and Bryant have almost enough credits to graduate and can complete the requirements by attending summer school.



The Gray County Range Evaluation Team took first place at Bi-District contest in Clarendon on April 16. Team members were Seth Brown, Matt Hall, Bryan Bockman and Ethan McCracken. Coaches were David Brown and Russell Bockman.

McLean Briefs

Katy Graham has been staying in Marlowe, Okla. with Bill's aunt, Miss Henry McMurry. Miss McMurry recently broke her leg in a fall.

Celebrating Mother's Day with Maggie Ruth and Elton Johnston were Jack and Bettye West of Groom and Martha and Rodney Barker

and Pam of Shamrock.

Visiting the Bob Fishes on Thursday was Luie Hicker-son of Stockton, Ca.

The Senior Class is off today for fun and games at Quartz Mountain.

On Sunday, J. Boyd Smith went to see his "second

mother", Blanche Smith, at the rest home in Clarendon. He also visited with Roy Blackmon, another resident at the home. Lee Caskey was also there visiting her father.

Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Meador of Carlsbad were here visiting the Dennis Meadors over the weekend.



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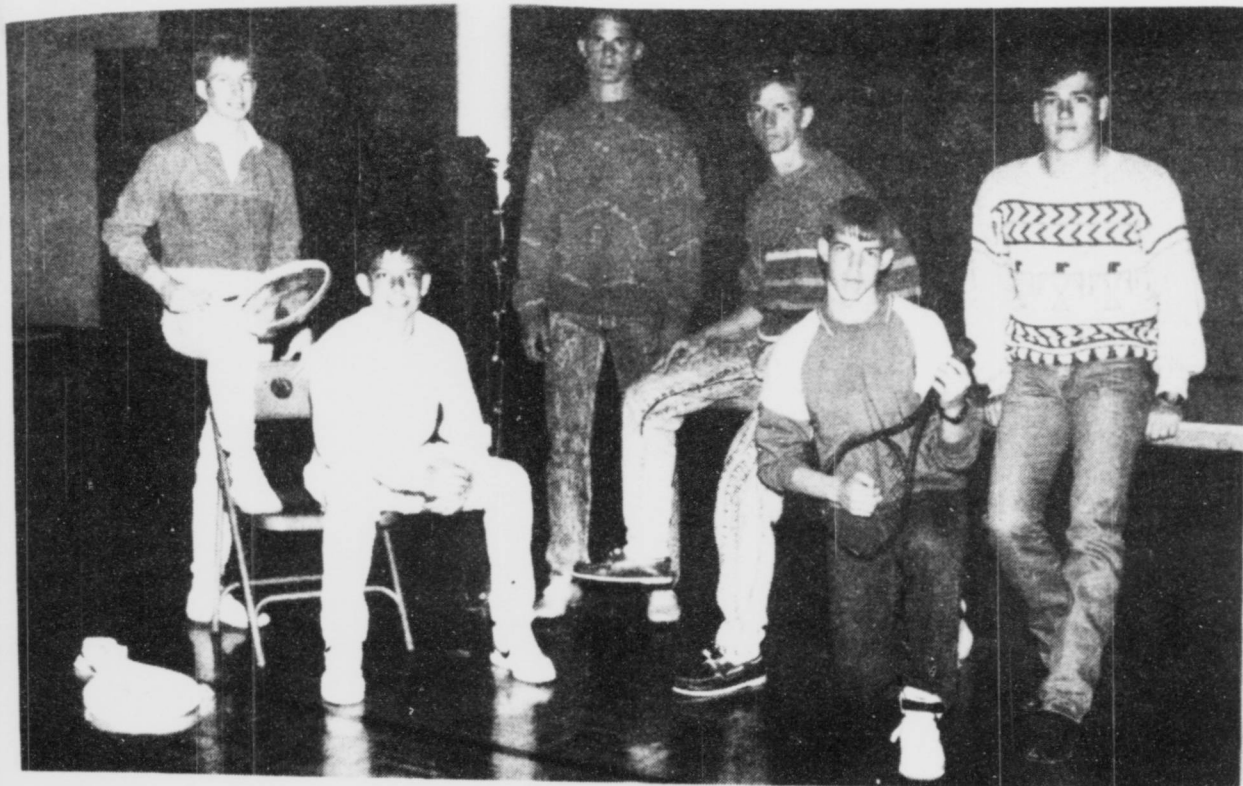
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The 1988 Tiger Tennis Team included (left to right) Donald Harris, J.T. Haynes, Sid Brass, who went to regional competition, Jim Anderson, Tres Hess and Huey Green.

Services For Former Resident

Services for Ralph "Shorly" Dilbeck, 68, a former resident of the McLean and Alanreed areas, were held May 5, 1988 at Chapel of the Chimes Mortuary in Hayward, Ca. Burial was in Hayward.

Mr. Dilbeck died May 1. He was a native of Arkansas but lived in McLean and Alanreed in the 1940's where he worked as an electrician. He had also worked for 30 years for Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland, Ca. He was a member of Foothill Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite of Oakland and Aahmes Shrine of San Francisco.

Survivors include his wife, Betty; two daughters, Mary Hicks of Fremont and Betty Littlefield of McLean; two sons, Tom Dilbeck of Santa Cruz and Ray Dilbeck of Lubbock; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. Dilbeck was formerly married to Mildred Giesler of McLean.

Thank You

We would like to thank everyone who helped us with the concession stand at the Hefley auction last week. We also appreciate everyone who took part in our family portrait sessions on Saturday.

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May 1-Caryn Jordan, Jimmy Shipman and Earl Stubblefield

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May 3-Loree Barker
May 4-Vernon Luther Kennedy

May 5-Michael Barker, Laverne Back, Lula Sheegog
May 7-Mrs. Harold C. Petty
May 8-Johnnie Rigsby, Pauline Miller

May 9-John C. Haynes
May 10-Pam Purcell, Bob Holwick, Larry Swanson and Robin Lynn Cline

May 11-Steven Myers
May 12-Wanda Myers, Lloyd Burnett, Fay Wilson

May 14-Velma Henley, Amanda Hauck, Maybell Brown
May 15-Sam Haynes
May 16-Rush Turner, Betty Littlefield, David Haynes and Avalee Crockett

May 17-Cal Holwick, Becky Roseberry, Elton Johnston
May 18-Kathy Carter
May 19-Maurine Foshee

May 20-Arley D. Bentley, Zelda McClellan, and Pauline Burnett

May 21-Ora Billingsley
May 22-Jamie Barker
May 23-Ricky Littlefield, Effie Lou Everett

May 24-Bob Haroin
May 25-Daphne Littlefield, Earnest Foshee

May 26-J.T. Pennington
May 27-Jill Hefley, Grant Mann

May 28-John Bible
May 29-Ruth Lowary
May 30-Garrett Kennedy
May 31-Fern Woods, David Crockett

McLean School Menu May 16-20

Mon.—Steak Fingers, Whipped Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls

Tues.—Corndogs, Salad, Tater Tots, Jello/Cookie

Wed.—Oven-Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Tossed Salad, Whole Wheat Rolls

Thurs.—Sloppy Joes, French Fries, Cherry Cobbler

Fri.—PLAY DAY SACK LUNCH

New Arrival

Randy and Anita Suggs of Rio Rancho, New Mex. are proud to announce the arrival of a new daughter, Misty Jo. Born April 27, 1988 at 12:57 p.m., she weighed 5 lbs. 15 oz. and was 19½ inches long.

She is welcomed by a sister, Monta Jo.

Grandparents are June Suggs of McLean and Jim and Beth Marks of Ozona, Tx.

Alanreed News

Visiting Rose Hall on Saturday were Jack Hall and son of Clarendon.

Visiting Lena Carter on Friday were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Carter of Pampa.

Nita McKee had her children with her on Mother's Day.

The Robert Bruces went to Pampa on Sunday so their son could take them out in honor of Mother's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bruce and Shelby spent Sunday with Lena Carter.

Beth Sharp of Clarendon and the Glen Hallums of Canyon spent Sunday with Rose Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis May spent most of the weekend with Hartley and Mary Davis.

Visiting the First Baptist Church on Sunday were Kay and Paul Bruce of Pampa and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bruce and Shelby of Amarillo.

Billy Bob and Jeannie Adams spent Mother's Day with Billy's mother in Memphis.

Mr. and Mrs. L.T. Goldston spent Sunday in Memphis with son Jim and family.

Adelaide Weldon and granddaughter made a trip

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to Pampa on Wednesday.

Olin Weldon has been off fishing in Oklahoma.

Some out-of-towners here for the burial of Ellen Stapp were Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Elms of Clovis, New Mex., Elizabeth Kunkel and daughter of Amarillo, Mertie Schaffer of Groom, Mr. and Mrs. Moody Stapp and Opal Stapp of Amarillo, and Bill Smith of Pampa.

Betty and Mona Finley made a trip to Clarendon this week.

Dixie Crockett made a trip to Amarillo on Wednesday.

Two trustees were elected to the Alanreed School Board on Saturday: incumbent Dick Bode and new member Don Charles Dorsey.

The Alanreed Community Improvement Program met in the school cafeteria Saturday night for its last meeting of the season. After a covered dish supper, a short business session was conducted by Vice-chairman Robert Bruce. The minutes were read by Jeannie Adams and approved. There was discussion about the access roads and the problem of having them covered with weeds. The group agreed to take action on the matter. There was also a discussion about the plans for Homecoming. The rest of the evening was spent visiting.

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Funeral Services For Resident's Father

Funeral services for William Martin Winegeart, 93, father of a McLean resident, were held Tuesday at Highland Baptist Church in Pampa. Rev. Joe Wortham, pastor, and Rev. M.B. Smith, retired Baptist minister of Pampa, officiated. Burial was at Fairview Cemetery in Wellington.

Mr. Winegeart died Sunday.

He was born on Feb. 2, 1895 in Glenmore, La. He moved from Wellington to Pampa in 1950. He married Viola Roberta McNutt on Sept. 6, 1914 at Glenmore. She died in 1983. He was also preceded in death by five children. He was a member of the Highland Baptist Church.

Survivors include three daughters, Opal Crocker and Ola Mitchell, both of Pampa, and Evelyn Parker of Dalhart; two sons, Travis Winegeart Sr. of McLean and Gene Winegeart of Pampa;

two brothers, George Winegeart of Pampa and Mitchell Winegeart of Sherman; three sisters, Dovie Gilbreath of Bakersfield, Ca. Bertie Bean of Pampa and Terrie Browning of Gainesville; 31 grandchildren; 61 great-grandchildren; and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

Care Center News

McLean Care Center extends their deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Cora Turner who passed away at the Nursing Center.

Coronado Hospital To Sponsor "Walk With Your Doc" on Saturday

Many Pampa physicians will shed their work-day clothes and join their patients on Saturday, May 14 to demonstrate the benefits of walking for physical fitness. They represent a group of doctors who will lead a fitness walk called "Walk With Your Doc" that is scheduled in more than 100 communities nationwide. Contributions raised from the event will benefit the American Diabetes Association.

Coronado Hospital was selected to conduct "Walk With Your Doc" in the eastern Panhandle. "We're really excited about giving the people in the area the chance to test their level of fitness, and to help them learn to start a walking fitness program safely," Norman Knox, administrator of the hospital said.

Before "Walk With Your Doc" begins, local doctors will demonstrate proper stretching techniques. Participants will also have the opportunity to take the Rockport Fitness Test, a test designed by a team of exercise physiologists from the University of Massachusetts Medical School, to determine an individual's level of cardiovascular fitness.

"Walk With Your Doc" was created by Dr. Arl Ulene, the "Today" Show's family physician and chairman of Feeling Fine Programs, to bring doctors, patients and hospital together to promote better health. "Walk With Your Doc" is the first of many programs designed by Dr. Ulene to educate the public about issues that affect their health. The national sponsors for "Walk With Your Doc" include the American Medical Association, Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories, The NutraSweet Company, The Rockport Company and Feeling Fine Programs.

The suggested donation to the Diabetes association is \$5 per family. For more information, contact Linda Haynes at 665-3721.



The Tigrette Tennis Team for 1988 included (back row, left to right) Dollie Haynes, Hollie Hauck, Alicia Reynolds, Angie Reynolds and Linda Reid; (front row, left to right) Wendi Smith, Tiffany Lopez, Darla McAnear, Sally Worsham and Susan Worsham.

Sunday, Brother Jeff Messer, of the Baptist Church, was here to conduct services.

Monday morning, the residents enjoyed donuts furnished by Leta Mae Hess. In the afternoon, residents playing bingo were Odessa Beeman, Ora Billingsley, Ruby Ayers, Lona Jones, Dick Wheeler, Leon Burch, Earl Tolleson, Teresa Richardson, Lillie Knox, Ruby Trusty, Annie Eudey, Ruby King, Kittie Hessey and Bonnie Bidwell. Our helpers were Mildred Giesler, Cliffie Heasley and Bertha Smith. Bananas were furnished by the Lions Club.

Tuesday, Ted Robertson and Pete Evans were here to assist the residents in dominos.

Residents working in crafts Tuesday morning were Teresa Richardson, Imogene King, Annie Eudey, Ruby Ayers, Leon Burch, Lona Jones, Mattie Wheeler and Odessa Beeman.

Thursday afternoon, we had our Mother's Day party. Loyce Murray played many

older familiar tunes on the piano. Odessa Beeman sang "Mother." Corsages for all lady residents were made by Ginger Morilla. Cake was

furnished by Isabelle Cousins, punch by Louise Turner and the party napkins by Marie Immel. Ladies serving were Isabelle Cousins, Ginger Morilla, Louise Turner and Marie Immel.

Friday, Martha Parker

was here to show her great movies.

Our birthday party for the month of May will be Tuesday May 17 at 2:30 p.m.

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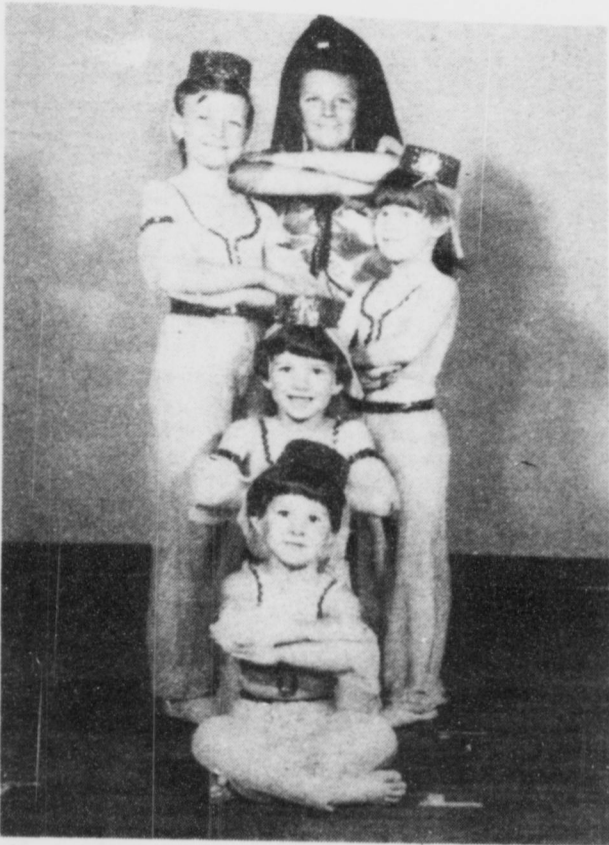
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SPS Provides Annual Feedlot Report

A record number of cattle moved last year through feedlots in the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles and nearby regions, according to a just-released study by Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS).

SPS annually prepares a Fed Cattle Survey covering feedlots in its service area. The electric utility serves a 52,000 sq. mile area comprising the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles, the Texas South Plains, eastern and southeastern New Mexico, and southwestern Kansas.

Feedlots in the SPS service area fed 5,406,975 head of cattle last year, a 2.9 percent increase over 1986, according to the survey. The previous record was 5,259,779 head of cattle fed in 1984.

These latest statistics

demonstrate the cattle-feeding business is prospering in this part of the country," said Seth Thomason, manager of agricultural and industrial power. "The growth of this business shows how important cattle feeding is to our area's economy."

Total one-time capacity of the feedlots surveyed in 1987 was 2,728,255 head, up from the total capacity of 2,594,975 head in 1986.

Additionally, the survey found that 4,758,886 cattle were slaughtered last year at



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packing plants in the SPS service territory, down 312,991 from 1986. Fourteen beef-packing plants are in the SPS service area, Thomason said, noting the facilities have an annual slaughter capacity of 5,107,153 head.

"We get requests for Southwestern's Fed Cattle Survey from all across the nation," Thomason said. "By providing this information, we hope to help stimulate further development in the agricultural sector. The area's feedlots and packing plants were extremely cooperative and helpful during this survey. We commend them for their assistance."

The survey lists each feedlot in the SPS area, and the lot capacities and number of cattle fed, by counties. Thirty-one counties in the SPS service area have feedlots.

The report includes charts of the number of feedlots surveyed, number of feedlots with 1,000-head capacity or above, growth of the feedlot industry and one-time feedlot capacity.

Copies of the report and survey are available at SPS offices across the Company's service area or from Thomason, SPS main office, Tyler at Sixth Street, Amarillo, Texas, 79170.

A special 24-by-28 wall map showing feedlot and packing-plant locations also is available upon request.

Mother's Day Guests

Celebrating Mother's Day with a cookout at the Phil Miller home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Miller and Addie Howard of White Deer, Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Stewart, Ryan and Tosya and Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Miller and Holly.

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She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Case of Groom.

Angela began piano study at the age of seven and is completing her senior year studying with Penny Pangburn Hanlon and Yvonne Reynolds.

Since studying with Mrs. Hanlon, Angela has participated in TMTA State theory exams, DMTA Jazz/Pop Contest, DMTA High School Performance, Mountain View Piano Solo Competition, UIL District and State solo contests as well as others.

She performed for an audience of five thousand in the Entertainment Showcase of the Million Dollar Round Table Convention in Orlando, Florida in 1986. She has studied art in addition to music for five years receiving awards for oil paintings and pencil sketches entered in the State Fair Art Exhibition.

As a member of the DeSoto High School Honors and Jazz Bands, Angela played clarinet, oboe, bass guitar, xylophone and keyboards, and served as a Drum Corps Section Leader. She has been selected as a member of the National Honor Society, Who's Who Among American High School Students, Outstanding High School Students of America and the National Honor Roll. Angela has participated in the Senior Council, Youth Government, French Club and FHA. This year she was elected the Most Talented Girl at DeSoto High School. She will graduate with an Honors diploma in June.

Angela plans to attend the University of Texas at Austin this fall, beginning a combined degree plan in Piano Pedagogy and Communications.

Present for the recital of Angela Rae Sargent and Stacey Sargent held in the Central Dallas Library Auditorium at Dallas were their parents, Don and Emma Kay Sargent of DeSoto; Don's mother, Mrs. Pearl Sargent of Canyon, Emma Kay's mother, Mrs. J.L. Case of Groom and Billie, Stephanie and Jennifer Lewis of Panhandle, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Burke of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Morrison of Lorenzo and Kristi Knorpp of Dallas.

Places Third

Kellye Reed was a participant in the Pictionary tournament held recently in Amarillo to benefit Muscular Dystrophy. Her team, playing a game much like "Win, Lose or Draw" won third in a field of 20 teams.

**Grandview Students Win
Conservation Awards**

A total of 520 students entered the poster contest sponsored by the Gray County Soil and Water Conservation District recently. District winners were Ken Weinheimer, first, Grandview fourth grade; Marissa Grabato, second, Austin Elem., Pampa, fifth grade; Lora Carlisle, third place, Grandview, sixth grade.

Three certificates were presented to the top three classroom entries as a whole. They were won by students of Mrs. Ragsdale. The fourth grade took first place, the sixth grade, second and third place went to the fifth grade.

Country Neighbors

Members of the Groom Country Neighbors went to Amarillo Wednesday morning, May 4 for an outing before the club disbanded for the summer months. The ladies and a guest, Mrs. James Wallace of Amarillo met at Luby's Cafeteria on Coulter Drive for lunch and then went to the Tascosa Bank to view the quilt display.

Members participating were Mrs. H.F. Britten, Mrs. Rex Brown, Mrs. W.G. Koetting, Mrs. Jim Wall, Mrs. Roy Ritter, Mrs. R.J. Kuehler, Mrs. O.A. Pool, Mrs. June Pool, Mrs. B.F. Patterson, Mrs. Glynn D Harrell, Mrs. R.W. Wills and Mrs. John Hickox.

Mrs. Koetting and Mrs. Wills are to be hostesses of the September meeting when the club reconvenes after the summer break.

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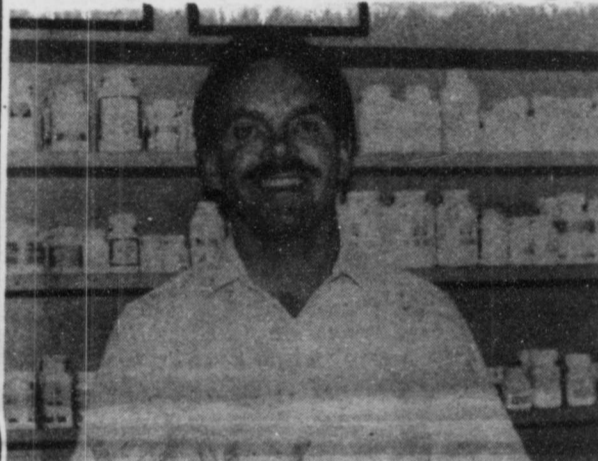
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