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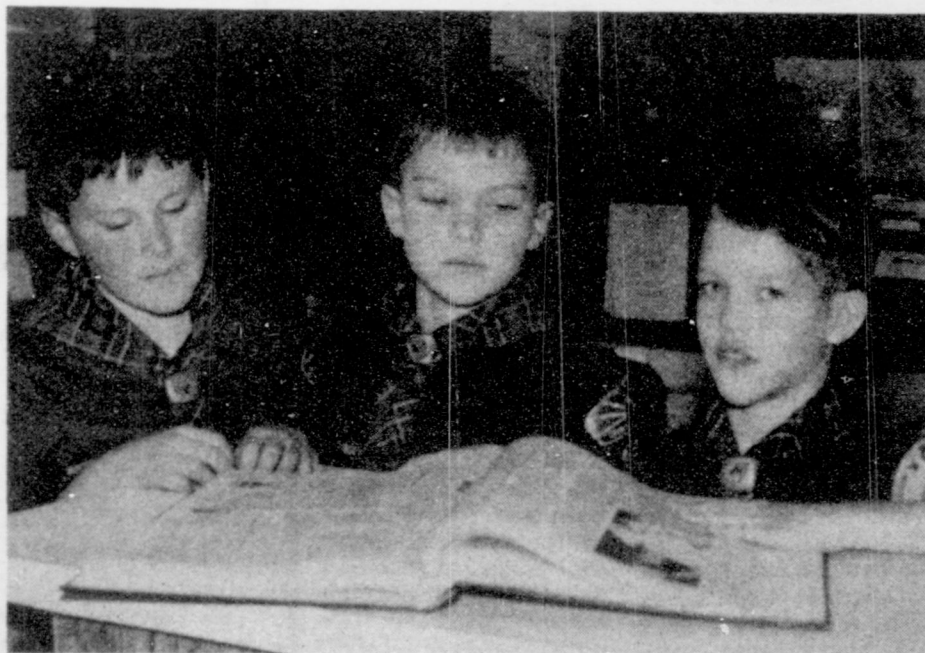
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Thursday, February 27, 1997

Boy Scouts Visit The Groom News Office

The Groom Boy Scout Webelos recently visited the Groom News office to tour the facility and discover how the local newspaper business works. The boys are currently working on their "Arrow of Light" badge. Members of the pack are Chance Barkley, Richard Barkley and Adam Britten. The boys will be receiving this and other badges during a special ceremony near the end of the year. Kathleen Barkley is the leader of the group.



Volunteers Honored At Lion's Club Appreciation Dinner

The Groom Lion's Club hosted an appreciation dinner for many of Groom's volunteers on National Volunteer Day, February 22. Lion Dan Martin was the Master of Ceremonies, stepping in for Boss Lion Bill Homer, who was ill. Lion Robert Cornett led the large crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance. Lion Father Ray Crosier gave the invocation. The meal was catered by Dyers BBQ.

Civic volunteers honored were members of the Groom Cemetery Board, Groom Economic Development Corporation, Community Center Association, the City Council, Groom ISD Board, and the Grandview Hopkins ISD Board, the Groom Ambulance Service, the Groom Volunteer Fire Department and other honored guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Kuehler and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Weller were honored for their work on many city beautification projects over the years. Charleen Weller was also recognized for her service as the town "Medic" for so many years. Her knowledge

as a registered nurse has been a "life saver" in more ways than one since the City of Groom has been without a doctor.

Other Lion's Club honorees were:

Greg Acker, Grandview-Hopkins School Board; Steve Anthony, Groom School Board; Debbie Anthony, G.E.D.C.; Pam Ashford, G.E.D.C.; Daniel Ashford, Jr., City Council; Mary Sue Lyles, City Council; Denny Babcock, Groom School Board; Gary Don Babcock, Groom School Board; John Mark Baggerman, Grandview-Hopkins School Board; Jody Ball, Ambulance and Fire Department; Page Blackwell, Cemetery Board; John Bohr, Ambulance and Fire Department; Mike Bohr, Fire Department; Charles Bowers, Grandview-Hopkins School Board; David Britter Ambulance and Fire Department; Pat Britten, Groom School Board; Dale Brooks, Cemetery Board; Johnny Brooks, Cemetery Board; Johnny Brumley, G.E.D.C. and Community Center

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Ballots Arrive For Extended Calling

Ballots Arrive For E.L.C. Groom area G.T.E. customers recently received ballots by mail from the Texas Public Utility Commission to add Canyon

and Clarendon to the Local Expanded Calling area. Groom already can call Amarillo, Pampa and Panhandle without incurring toll call expenses. (White

Deer can also be called because they chose the Groom Exchange as one of their five exchanges.

While voting for Canyon and/or Clarendon will not

increase the fee customers already pay, at least 70% of subscribers must return their ballot on or before the deadline in order for the

See Ballots, pg. 3

Elementary And Junior High Ready For Contest UIL-ers Prepare For District Contest

Groom Elementary and Junior High students will be attending their District UIL Contest in Silverton on March 4. The following is a preliminary list of the categories and the students who will be competing in them. This is not necessarily a final draft and entries could be changed for one reason or another:

Art Contest (4th grade) Chance Barkley, Adam Britten, Magan Bivens. (5th grade) Leah Looten, Jennifer Jenkins, Jamie Vaughn.

Calculator Applications (6th grade) Stephany Fraser, Jill Britten, Lance Ollinger, (Alternate) Brin Burgin. (7th grade) Garrett Britten, Clay Ritter, Hugh Weinheimer. (8th grade) Liz Vega, Nicholas Anthony. Creative Writing (2nd grade) Kecia Howard, Karla Howard, James Reed.

Dictionary Skills (5th grade) Clay Britten, Jennifer Jenkins, Faith Looten. (6th grade) Brin Burgin, Stephany Fraser, Lauren Crowell, (Alternate) Robert Newton.

Dictionary (7th grade) Cassie Ashford, Candace Bohr, Luke Pavlovsky, (Alternate) Nichole Barnett. (8th grade) Liz Vega, Courtney Sustaire, Michele Stephens.

Listening (5th grade) Clay Britten, Cody Schaffer. (6th grade) Lauren Crowell, Brin Burgin, Stephany Fraser, (Alternate) Amanda Martin. (7th grade) Wyatt Britten, Garrett Britten, Luke Pavlovsky, (Alternate) Daniela McCoy. (8th grade) Sarah Looten, Macie Britten, Liz Vega, (Alternate) Marci Babcock.

Maps, Graphs & Charts (5th grade) Clay Britten, Cody Schaffer, Joaenea Horn. (6th grade) Doug Fields, Amber Moore, Lance Ollinger. (7th grade) Garrett Britten, Clay Ritter, Wyatt Britten, (Alternate) Cody Bivens. (8th grade) Sarah Looten, Brooke Britten, Marci Babcock, (Alternate) Russell Conrad.

Music Memory (5th grade) Caren Howard, Alicia Martinez, Lorri Britten, Jennifer Jenkins. (6th grade) Lance Ollinger,

Brett Britten, Amanda Conrad, Lauren Crowell.

Mathematics (6th grade) Doug Fields, Amber Moore, Amanda Martin, (Alternate) Stephany Fraser. (7th grade) Candace Bohr, Cassie Ashford, Nichole Barnett. (8th grade) Nicholas Anthony, Sarah Looten, Russell Conrad, (Alternate) Brooke Britten.

Oral Reading (2nd grade) Kecia Howard, Karla Howard, Thane Barkley, (Alternate) Berklea Ruthardt. (3rd grade) Jamie Moore, Katy Britten, Malorie Homen. (4th grade) Leah Looten, Sarah Broadway, Adam Britten, (Alternate) Chance Barkley. (5th grade) Faith Looten, Joaenea Horn, Jennifer Jenkins, (Alternate) Kristen Brooks. (6th grade) Brett Britten, Lainie Britten, Kira Broadway, (Alternate) Amanda Conrad. (7th grade) Karri Britten, Wyatt Britten, Krisanne Davis. (8th grade) Brooke Britten, Sarah Looten, Jessica McMahan, (Alternate) Courtney Sustaire.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

A DRIVER SAFETY Course will be held in Clarendon at the college on Sat., March 22. Call (806) 874-3571 for information.

THE DISTRICT Elementary UIL contest will be held in Silverton on March 4.

SPRING BREAK is set for March 10-14 for Groom ISD.

GROOM TRACKSTERS will compete in a meet at Highland Park on March 1st.

UIL COMPETITORS will attend a meet at Canadian on March 1.

THE PANHANDLE Track Meet will be held on March 8.

GROOM ISD will be on an early release schedule this Friday. Students will be getting out of school at 3:10.

GED Testing will be given at Clarendon College on Monday, March 3. Those wishing to take CLEP tests need to call to register. Call (806) 874-3571 for information.

COWBOY POETS will visit Groom School on March 3rd.

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Groom School Board Candidates

Barry Fields
Dianna McCoy

City Council Candidates

None

Mayor Candidates

None

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Local Happenings

Card Of Thanks

To all my wonderful friends I want to say "Thank you" for each kindness shown during my recent hospital stay. Your prayers and other expressions of concern helped in my recovery. Its great to be back in Groom!!

Lucille Case

New Groom Subscriptions

Paul Fields
 David Weller

The Reverend Manuel W. Reynolds, who served the local United Methodist Church 1963-1966, died February 7 in Vernon. He had been a member of the Northwest Texas Conference for 35 years until his retirement in 1982. Services and burial were held in Vernon on February 11.

85th Anniversary of Girl Scouting

An all out effort is underway to locate former Girl Scouts in Groom as part of the 85th anniversary of Girl Scouting. The Texas Plains Girl Scout Council is planning a brunch at 10 a.m., April 5 at the Amarillo Country Club, as part of the celebration.

Alumnae are being sought not only to partake in the festivities, but also to find out how Girl Scouting has benefited them as adults. Many accomplished American women have been Girl Scouts and believe their experience had a tremendous effect on their lives. Some highly visible former Girl Scouts are Barbara Bush, Hillary Clinton, Elizabeth Dole, and Barbara Walters just to name a few.

The these of the event is "85 Years of Making a Difference." It will provide an opportunity for former Girl Scouts to reconnect with the organization and become advocates for America's youth.

All former Girl Scouts are encouraged to call the Texas Plains Girl Scout Council at 356-0096 or 1-

800-687-4475. There is also a statewide number set up to handle calls at 1-800-448-8299. They can also write to Texas Plains Girl Scout Council, 6011 West 45th Avenue, Amarillo, Texas 79114-7866.

NOTE TO PEE WEE Coaches: If your team does not plan to continue playing, please have your players turn their shirts in after their last game.

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Groom Birthdays & Anniversaries

- February 27 - Tracy Jay Britten, Juanell Ritter, Mrs. Kenneth W. Babcock, Howard G. Britten, Clinton Wakefield.
- February 28 - Matthew Keith Fields, Mrs. Harris E. Howard, Gary Don Davis.
- February 29 - Erma Ray Rutherford, Mary Spencer.
- March 1 - Shurri Renee Britten, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Merrick (A), Mr. and Mrs. D.A. (Hap) Watson (A).
- March 2 - Kenny Schultz, Kenneth Ray Burger, Tommy Head.
- March 3 - Dara D'Ann Whatley, Curtis Whatley, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Burgin (A), Mr. and Mrs. C. Wayne Stroope (A), Mr. and Mrs. Anthony C.(Tony) Britten (A), Mr. and Mrs. Harvey (Ed) Gray (A).
- March 4 - Wayne Kotara, Mrs. Arthur Britten, Bruce Thornton, Eddie Neal Finck, Chandler Paul Bowers, Mike Conrad, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Leven (A).
- March 5 - Donald Burgin, Wayne Shaw, Tammy Bivens.

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G. E. D. C. Board Meets With Columbia Medical Center To Discuss Local Clinic

Groom Economic Development Corporation met on February 20th with all members present, Ben Ingham, Johnny Brumley, Greg Lamb, Debbie Anthony, Joyce Hutsell, Forrest McLaughlin, and Pam Ashford.

Columbia Medical Center of Pampa represented by Brenda Guess, David Nedbalek, Derreck Whittliff, Jerry Wilson and James Miller met with the group to discuss the possibility of a Rural Health Care Clinic in Groom.

Columbia proposed to keep a clinic open at least two days per week staffed with a Physicians Assistant,

a Licensed Register Nurse and a receptionist.

The board took no action at this time as they were scheduled to meet with Baptist St. Anthony's on Tuesday.

Johnny Brumley presented his letter of resignation that will become effective on February 28th. The board unanimously accepted.

The budget was approved by the board and will be

submitted to the City Council for their approval.

In final business the board approved deeding the Community Center to the City Council.

Groom Cagers Complimented On Good Behavior

This note accompanied a bill that was sent to the Groom School after the girls basketball team ate in an establishment in Wheeler.

Thank you so much for your business!

Groom has a great group of kids!

The girls were the best team we've served!!

Thank you!
Mel's Diner
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Lunch And Breakfast Menu

March 3 - 7

Monday
Breakfast: Cold cereal, blueberry muffins, juice, milk.

Lunch: Pizza, pepperoni or Canadian bacon, salad, apricots, milk.

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

Lunch: Mexican Pile On, corn, cherry cobbler, milk.

Wednesday
Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, hash browns, juice, milk.

Lunch: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, chocolate chip cookies, milk.

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

Lunch: Turkey & dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, mixed fruit, milk.

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

Lunch: Submarine sandwiches, shaved ham, turkey or tuna salad, pasta salad, pears, milk.

Ballots

exchanges approval. Be sure to sign your ballot, if left unsigned, it will not be counted.

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U.I.L.

Number Sense (5th grade) Caren Howard, Jennifer Jenkins, Clay Britten. (6th grade) Doug Fields, Amanda Conrad, Amber Moore. (7th grade) Cody Bivens, Luke Pavlovsky, Karri Britten, (Alternate) Wyatt Britten. (8th Grade) Nicholas Anthony, Russell Conrad, Brooke Britten, (Alternate) Sarah Looten.

Ready Writing (3rd grade) Jessica Cagle, Gailynn Drewery, Sharri Britten. (4th grade) Chance Barkley, Magan Bivens, Ashley Jackson, (Alternate) Sarah Broadway. (5th grade) Caren Howard, Britteny Martin, Jamie Vaughn, (Alternate) Lorri Britten. (6th grade) Jill Britten, Amanda Martin, Amber Moore (Alternate) Staci Britten. (7th grade)

Candace Bohr, Krisanne Davis, Nichole Barnett, (Alternate) Wyatt Britten. (8th grade) Macie Britten, Sarah Looten, Liz Vega, (Alternate) Marci Babcock. Science (Earth) Russell

Conrad, Brooke Britten, Nicholas Anthony, (Alternate) Jessica McMahan.

Spelling (3rd grade) Malorie Homen, Katy Britten. (4th grade) Chance Barkley, Adam Britten. (5th grade) Clay Britten, Joaenea Horn, Caren Howard, (Alternate) Britteny Martin. (6th grade) Jill Britten, Lauren Crowell. (8th grade) Brooke Britten, Skye Brown, Courtney Sustaire, (Alternate) Sarah Looten.

Storytelling (2nd grade) Joel Horn, Berklee Ruthardt, Thane Barkley. (3rd grade) Neil Anthony, Gailynn Drewery, Daniel Thompson.

Impromptu Speaking (7th grade) Wyatt Britten, Cody Bivens. (8th grade) Macie Britten, Sarah Looten, Dewayne Gray.

City Council Begins Secretary Search

In a special called meeting the Groom City Council gathered to discuss the hiring of a new city secretary. Current City Secretary, Debbie Anthony, will be resigning at the end of the school year.

Present were Jay Lamb, Greg Lamb, Don Case, Mary Sue Lyles, and Ronny Fields. Danny Ashford, Jr. was absent.

Qualifications and deadlines for resume's were discussed and approved.

Applications will be accepted until March 7, 1997.

Library Has New Books On Shelves

The Groom Library has several new books available.

"501 Quilt Blocks"; "I Want To Tell You", by O.J. Simpson; "Depths of the Ocean" by Jaquelyn Mitchard; "Silent Honor" by Danielle Steel, and "Celestial Prophecy" and "Tenth Insight" by James Redfield.

The Library also has several books on cassette to loan. They are: "How Stella Got Back Her Groove", "Hank The Cowdog" and several different volumes of "The Delany Sisters"; and "Old Time Radio Comedies."

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Groom Pee Wee Basketball

Pee Wee basketball is currently in its 6th and final week of round ball action in Panhandle. This year Groom has five teams which play on Saturdays and Sundays in Panhandle.

Team entry fees were paid this year to Panhandle, who is sponsoring the games in their gyms.

Teams from Groom include the following.

3rd & 4th grade girls, coached by Jessica Stapp, assisted by Jodi Homen. Team members are Megan Bivens, Sarah Broadway, Jamie Moore, Katherine Robertson, Malorie Homen, Ashley Jackson, Chera Chavedo, Katy Britten, Jessica Cagle, Gailynn Drewery, Jan Ratteree and Tabitha McCoy. These little dribblers have lost only two games during the five weeks played. They play their final games on Saturday and Sunday.

3rd & 4th grade boys, coached by Jeff Fields. Team members are Neal Anthony, Adam Britten, Chance Barkley, Brandon Jenkins, Daniel Thompson, Josh Hubbard, and Ricky McCoy. These young scrappers have often played with only five boys. Their last games are also this Saturday and Sunday.

5th grade girls, coached by Sheri Koetting. Players are Britany Martin, Kristen Brooks, Caren Howard, Lori Britten, Jennifer Jenkins,

Alicia Martinez, Beth Wakefield, and Carol Wilson. These young ladies have also played with as few as five players. Their last game is on Saturday at 3:00 p.m.

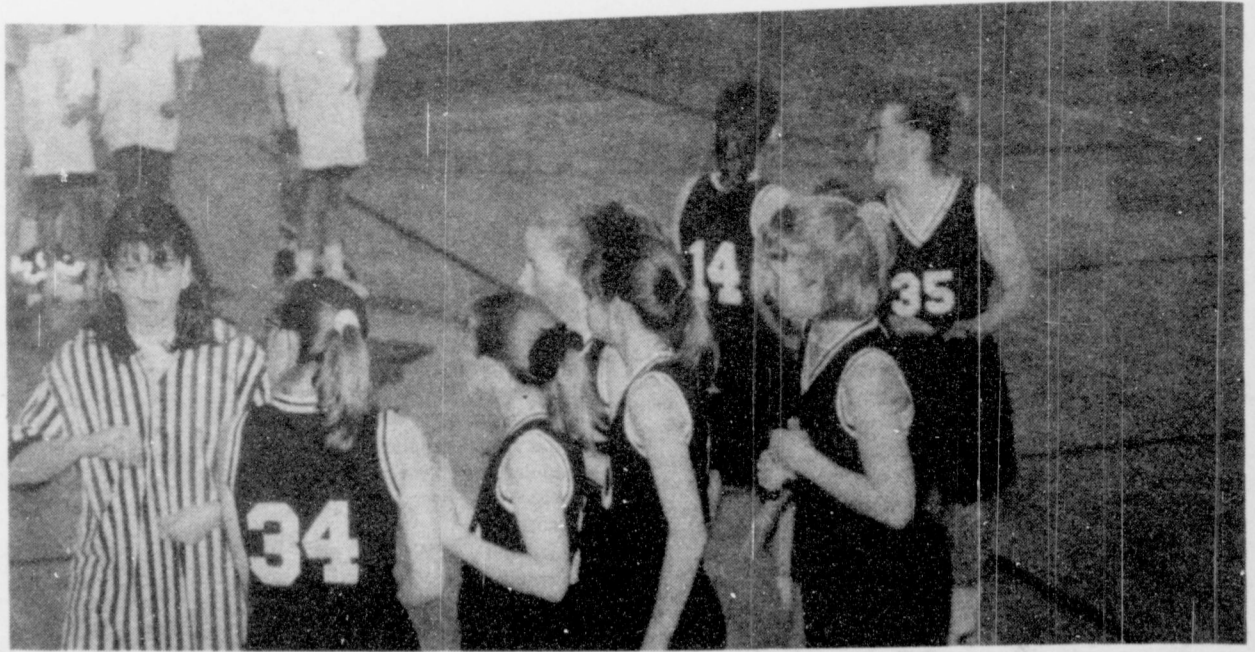
6th grade girls, coached by Stephanie Ollinger.

Members are Brin Burgin, Lauren Crowell, Jill Britten, Amanda Conrad, Stephany Fraser, Kira Broadway, Staci Britten, Amber Moore, Lainie Britten, Amanda Martin, Destany Aragon, and Penny McMahan. These young ladies, who are undefeated, will play their final game on Saturday at 5:00 p.m.

5th & 6th grade boys, coached by Corkey Hickey, assisted by Brad Sustaie. Team members are Doug Fields, Lance Ollinger, Brett Britten, Richard Barkley, Cody Babcock, Clay Britten, and Bobby Ratteree. These young men have games on Saturday and Sunday.

Although the schedule of regular games ends this weekend, some coaches are planning to play in upcoming tournaments. The Panhandle All-Star Tournament is scheduled for April 11-12 & 13. A tournament in Fritch is scheduled for the same weekend.

Congratulations to all these future basketball stars and their coaches.



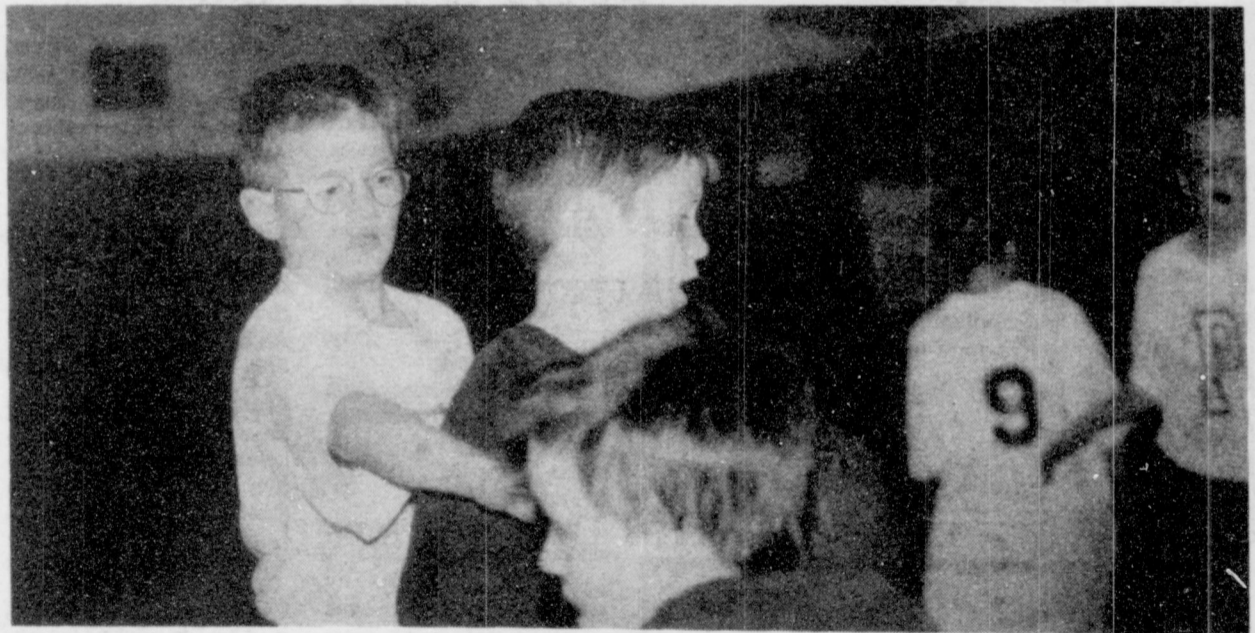
Stephanie Ollinger gives these Pee Wee girls a little advice as they prepare for their game against Panhandle.



"Any Questions?" These girls have lots to say to sophomore Jessica Stapp.

Public Hearing Notice City Of Groom Texas Community Development Program

The City of Groom will hold a public hearing at 6:00 p.m. on March 13, 1997 at City Hall in regard to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for a Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) Grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TCDP application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to Debbie Anthony, City Secretary, at the City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.



Neal Anthony protects the ball as this Panhandle player tries to set-up a screen.



Jeffrey Fields explains his defensive philosophy to these cagers at half time.

Groom All District Cagers Announced

Groom Girls All District The 6-1A All District girls basketball team was recently announced.

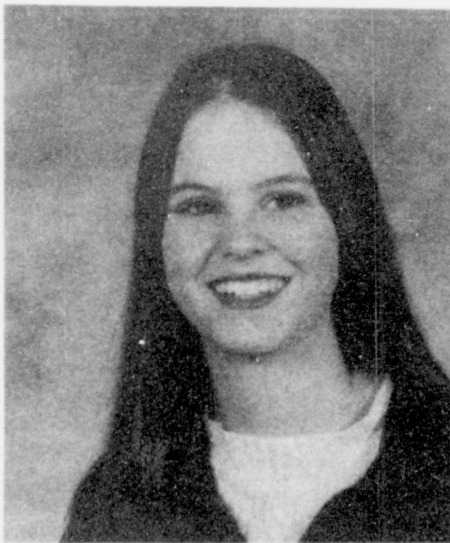
Groom had two girls earn first team honors. Angie Conrad, Junior and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Conrad, and Mary Hutsell, also a Junior and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hutsell.

Jessica Friemel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Friemel and a Junior, was named to the second team. Jessica Stapp was also named to the second team. Jessica is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Stapp and a Sophomore.

Stephanie Ollinger, a Senior, was named Honorable Mention. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kelvin Ollinger.



Mary Hutsell



Angie Conrad



The Laura Ingalls Wilder Award, established in 1954, is given every three years to a children's author or illustrator whose work is outstanding over a period of several years.

As The Interstate Turns

By Trooper Gary Davis
On 2-15-97, Trooper Davis arrested a Orville Ray Anderson of Pampa for DWI. Anderson was stopped on US 60 west of Panhandle. Anderson was placed in jail in Panhandle and charged with DWI - 2nd offense, open container. Again some people never learn.
On 2-24-97, Troopers Gary Davis and Oscar

Esqueda were westbound on IH-40. They ran the license plate on an Oklahoma car as it passed and found it to be reported stolen out of Oklahoma City. The vehicle was stopped and the two occupants were arrested without incident. The driver, a Thomas Dwayne Davis and passenger, William Alan Dunn were placed in jail in Panhandle.

Groom ISD 1997 Spring Events

- February
23-28 Houston Stock Show
27 Exit Test Reading
- March
1 H. S. UIL Canadian Track - Highland Park H.S.
Tennis - Canyon
3 Andy Wilkerson Cowboy Poet 8:30 -10:30
4 UIL Elementary and Jr. High Silverton 9:00
7 Tennis Canyon
8 Track Panhandle H.S.
10-15 Spring Break
21&22 Track Lefors H.S. & J.H.
22 Tennis Wellington
24-27 Book Fair
25&26 H.S. UIL Amarillo College
28 No School - Good Friday
28&29 Track Miami H.S. & J.H.
29 Tennis Memphis
31 No School - Easter Break
- April
2&3 District Tennis Borger
4&5 Groom Track Meet
7 District Golf Southwest Amarillo
8 District Band Boys Ranch
10 District Track @ Groom H.S. only
11 District J.H. Track
18,19 Regional Academics
21-25 Regional Spring Athletics
25 No School
29 TAAS Math 3-8
30 TAAS Reading 3-8
- May
1 TAAS Social Studies
2 TAAS Science
2,3 State Academic
9,10 State Track, etc.
10 Jr. High Band Dumas
17 Jr/Sr Prom
19 Athletic Banquet
30 No School- Teacher Work Day
Graduation
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Three Seats To Be Filled In Groom School Board Election

The Groom School Board will have another seat to fill after the recent resignation of trustee Steve Anthony. A special election will be held simultaneously with the regular election to fill the slot.

At presstime two people

had filed for the two regular seats. Barry Fields, who currently holds the office and Dianna McCoy.

Anyone interested in serving on the school board has until March 19 to sign up. Anyone interested in the Special Election position

has until April 3.

In the City Election, interested parties also have until March 19 to apply for a place on the ballot. At presstime no one had signed up for the Mayor's position or either of the aldermen positions.

Christian Mothers Meet

Christian Mothers met Monday, February 24 in the home of Janelle Sustaie with Doris Kuehler assisting as hostess.

Alice Kuehler expressed gratitude to the Junior CYO and their sponsors for the delicious meal served at the Spring Fling. Sixty-eight diners were in attendance and a good time was had by all.

Members were asked to bring cookies to the home of Kay Britten by noon on Sunday, March 16, for Bishop Matthiesen's farewell reception to be held on that day at the Pampa Catholic Parish Hall from 2-4 pm.

A bakeless Easter bake sale will be held the week end of March 22. Envelopes will be distributed to all members for a monetary donation instead of an actual baked item.

Christian Mother members are asked to offer a Rose Hail Mary for the unborn children. Father Crosier encouraged mothers, grandmothers, and aunts to become involved in some way to help combat the moral issues and trends of today regarding the recent breakthroughs in genetic studies.

A donation was made to the After School Graduation party.

A Christian Mothers scholarship fund will be established at the Groom bank. A scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior at the Senior Mass in May.

Carson County Arrests Thief

In a recent arrest, a Carson County Sheriff's deputy spotted a man on a road north of the Pantex Plant complex. He was allowed to return to his home in Panhandle, which was kept under surveillance while authorities investigated the case, the sheriff said.

Tire prints matching the man's vehicle were discovered on Pantex property, and a piece of the vehicle's license plate cover also was found there according to the sheriff. He was arrested on a theft charge after about \$2,500 in copper wiring was stolen from a Pantex Plant contractor.

Forrest Dale Gardiner, 39, of Panhandle, was placed in the Carson County jail on a \$5,000 bond on a charge of theft over \$1,500 but under \$20,000.

Gardiner cut through perimeter fences at the plant, according to officials.

At least three holes were cut, but the wire was not located in a sensitive area, Carson County Sheriff Loren Brand said.

Pantex has heavily armed guards in armored vehicles

that patrol areas where plutonium is stored in underground concrete bunkers. The plant also has a series of razor wire fences, motion detectors and other devices that can detect intruders in sensitive areas.

Brand said FBI officials were notified of the theft, but they decided the case did not fall under federal

jurisdiction because the wire was the property of a private contractor.

A large spool of damaged copper wiring later was recovered on Farm-To-Market Road 293. The man also originally faced a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, but that charge was dropped, he said.

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Callum Resigns, Athletic Director Position Revoked

During a long meeting last week, the McLean School Board accepted the resignation of McLean High School principal Charles Callum and voted to do away with the position of athletic director. Callum, who had told board members earlier of his intention to retire, came to McLean during the 1992-93 school year. He had worked 30 years in the Oklahoma schools systems as a class room teacher, counselor, assistant principal, assistant superintendent, and principal. Callum said that he and his wife would move back to Tulsa where they have a home.

A large delegation of towns people and McLean High School students spoke at the board meeting on behalf of Jerry Miller, the athletic director and head coach of MHS since 1988. Speaking in support of Miller were T.D. Simmons, Ike Hanes, Aaron Rice, Brian Fuller, Charlie Carter, Chris Flores, Neil Campbell, Kathy Carter, F.J. Hess, and

Teresa Simmons. Following the presentations, the board adjourned to an executive session that lasted over two hours. When the board returned, they voted to extend elementary principal Dick Crockett's contract for one year. Crockett currently holds a two-year contract with the school. On a motion by John Holland the board voted unanimously to do away with the position of athletic director. The motion was seconded by Eugene Galley. On a second motion, also by Holland and seconded by Galley, the board voted to take no action on Miller's contract, with the understanding that Miller has one year left on his two-year contract, at a salary of \$43,560.00.

In other action, the board called the trustee election for May 3 for the purpose of electing two trustees, each for a three-year term. Trustees whose positions will be up for election are Neal Odom and John Holland. The board

accepted tax bids from Robert Pepper (\$500.00) and Roger Payne (\$70.00) on land, and a bid from Frank Sparling for the WW stock trailer in the amount of \$1256.01. The board also decided to purchase a 14-passenger Chevrolet van from Culberson-Stowers in Pampa.

The board unanimously agreed to appeal the comptrollers property tax values.

A conciliation agreement was presented by Paul Lyle and accepted.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Attending the meeting were board members Don Dorsey, Bob Glass, John Holland, Jay Dee Fish, Neal Odom, Billie Ward, and Eugene Galley. Also present were John Griffin, superintendent; Charles Callum, high school principal; Dick Crockett, elementary principal; Leslie Darsey and Pam Crockett, secretaries. Visitors were Kathy Carter, Lynch Glass, See School Board, pg. 12



Estes' Drug Bust Nets 489 Lbs

On 2-19-97, while on routine patrol on IH-40 Trooper Chad S. Estes stopped a 1989 Itasca Motor Home for speeding and defective tail-lamp.

Trooper Estes visited with both occupants of the vehicle and upon receiving conflicting statements Trooper Estes asked the driver for consent to search

the vehicle. The driver agreed and signed the written consent form. Upon investigation Estes discovered 489 pounds of marijuana.



Stella Lee Retires After 41 Years At McLean City Hall

Stella Lee, secretary for the City of McLean since June 23, 1955, was honored with a reception and a gift from the City Saturday at Lovett Memorial Library. Mrs. Lee recently retired, January 1, after 41 years of service. Toni Bohlar replaced her as City Secretary.

Mayor Sam Haynes

presented Mrs. Lee with a plaque and a gift from the City at the reception, which was hosted by Bohlar and Ann Williams, Lovett Memorial Library librarian. Several city workers, officials, friends and neighbors of Mrs. Lee attended the party.

Mrs. Lee, the former See Retirement, pg. 10



Students Learn About D.A.R.E.

Deputy Sheriff Jim Scott is once again bringing the D.A.R.E. program to the fifth grade students at McLean Elementary School. The classes will continue every Thursday until the end-of-school. The students are taught

methods to resist drugs and violence. Through directed discussions, the students learn how to say "No" to different kinds of pressures, learn ways to deal with stress and other kinds of problems, and learn to consider the consequences

of their decisions and actions.

The program is designed to help the students build the self-esteem that is needed to make their lives drug-free and violence-free.

Members of the fifth See D.A.R.E., pg. 8

Reminders



FAMILY HEALTH Clinic will be closed next week on Wed., 2-26, and Fri., 2-28. Jerry is going to be out of town. Patients can call the hospital if there is an emergency. The number is 665-3721.

THE 1997 McLEAN Livestock Boosters Appreciation Dinner will be March 6 at 7 p.m. at the Gerald Tate Barn.

McLEAN LITTLE Dribblers tournament will be Feb. 27, 28 and March 1. Please support these youngsters!

NEW MEMBERS will be inducted into the National Honor Society, Monday, March 3 at 7 p.m. in Mrs. Riley's room.

TAAS TESTS Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at MISD.

Briefs

Anyone having any photographs or information on the history of the following buildings, please contact James and Jane Funk 779-3176.

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Greyhound Drug Building 116 W. First St., McLean

The McLean Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a raffle to benefit the upcoming rodeo.

The prize will be 2 round-trip tickets furnished by Southwestern Airlines with a value of up to \$900.00.

More information will follow on where and when tickets may be purchased.

Q.D. and Deloris Bevell made a trip to Little Rock, Arkansas to visit Brent, Dawn, Amanda and Jerrod.

Maggie Ruth Johnson's birthday is February 24. The children were all in McLean to wish her happy birthday, Dale Johnson from San Angelo, Martha Barker from Shamrock, Fred Johnson from McLean, Bettye West from Groom, and Elton Johnson from San Angelo.

Fred Cable spent several days in the hospital. He is back home at this time and doing fair.

Helen Black is in the Columbia Medical Center of Pampa.

Pat Bailey has been taken to the Columbia Medical Center of Pampa.

Rex Long underwent surgery at the Veterans Hospital on Wednesday the

20th. At this time he is in intensive care.

Lorena Bailey is in the Columbia Medical Center of Pampa.

Danny and Peggy Simpson were in Lubbock, Thursday the 20th for doctor appointments.

Mike Harkins from Monahans was in McLean over the weekend visiting his parents, Marion and Oneta Harkins.

Linda Hilt was in McLean over the weekend. She came to check on her mom and dad, Marion and Onita Harkins.

J.W. Hanes from Borger visited in the home of Roy and Chloe McMullen.

Kendra Richardson was taken to the emergency room with high fever on Monday. As of Tuesday morning, she is doing better.

D.A.R.E.

grade class are Derek Best, Ashley Francis, D.J. Graybeal, Jennifer Greer, Jaci Grigsby, Chase Jarvis, Jamie Kingston, Dusty Moody, Kendall Newton, Traci Rigsby, Jamie Seitz, Delinda Simpson, Slade Terry, Chris Vega, Cathie Vick, Jay Wallis, Robyn Weaver, and teacher, June Close.

D.P.S. Report

By Ron Shank, D.P.S. resident driving a 1988 GMC pick-up ran into a fence belonging to O.R. Blankenship. The GMC

School Lunch Menu

March 3 - 7

Monday
Breakfast: Cheese toast, fruit, juice, milk.

Lunch: Steak fingers, gravy, mashed potatoes, carrot sticks, fruit salad, bread, milk.

Tuesday
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Lunch: Spaghetti, meat sauce, oven fried okra, corn, bread sticks, dessert, milk.

Wednesday
Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast, juice, milk.

Lunch: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, dessert, milk.

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

Lunch: Frito pie, chili, cheese, salad, crackers, ranch style beans, apple crisp, milk.

Friday
Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, fruit, juice, milk.

Lunch: Hamburgers, lettuce, tomato, pickle, onion, tator tots, dessert, milk.

Two Earn G.T.E. Scholarships

Holly Jasper and Seth Brown, both of McLean, have received a GTE scholarship at Clarendon College, according to CC President Dr. Scott Elliott. Jasper is a Social Work major at Clarendon College and Brown is a Ranch and Feedlot Operations major.

Each semester, Clarendon college awards scholarships on the basis of academic achievement, extracurricular involvement and need. With 35 majors and five workforce programs, Clarendon College offers students small classes and practical learning experiences.

Clarendon College is the oldest institution of higher education in the Texas Panhandle and will celebrate its 100th Anniversary in 1998. Since its founding in 1898, the college has grown from a Methodist college to a public two-year community college. For more information, please call Clarendon College at 1-800-687-9737.

McLean Birthdays & Anniversaries

February 27 - Dianna Hallum, Lillie Mae Williams, Ruben Flores.

February 28 - Mike Acuna.

February 29 - Mike Harkins.

March 1 - Shane Coleman, Betty Mackie, Marvis Godfrey.

March 2 - David Swafford.

March 3 - Ann Pierce, Glenda White.

March 4 - Norma Sue (Hill) Bassett, Jacque Riley, Herschel Wolfe, Lee Ayn Jordan.

March 5 - Doris Hill, Trudy Myers, Jerry Corbin, Nona Turpen, Jason Thomas, LaTonya Phillips, Becky M. Thomas.

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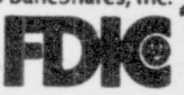
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McLean Chamber Of Commerce Reports On Multiple Meetings

The McLean Area Chamber of Commerce has had several meetings that have yet to be reported on.

The following are minutes from those meetings.

Members held a regular meeting at 8:00 p.m. on January 20, 1997, in the McLean Bank of Commerce hospitality room.

In attendance were Paul Gahagan, Garth Thomas, James Funk, Jane Pierce-Funk, Gordon G. Sheplor, Charlie McClendon, Jerry Ferguson, Beverly Odom, L.H. Webb, and Stephen Roosa.

The meeting was opened in prayer and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The treasurers report showed a balance of \$1036.94.

Directors were elected as follows. Jerry Ferguson, L.H. Webb, Garth Thomas, Gordon Sheplor, Stephen Roosa, Charlie McClendon, Jane Pierce-Funk, Mary Dwyer, David Haynes, James Funk and Jane Herndon.

It was moved and that Jane Pierce-Funk be Chamber manager for a time period, motion passed.

Officers were elected as follows: President, Charlie McClendon; Vice-President, Gordon Sheplor; Secretary,

Jane Pierce-Funk; Treasurer, Stephen Roosa.

The upcoming parade and rodeo were discussed, work will begin on both of these projects.

James Funk will be committee chair for the car rally to be held in conjunction with the rodeo weekend.

Stephen Roosa will work on a draft newsletter for the next meeting.

The Chamber meeting of February 17, 1997 was held at B&B Turbine with the following members present: Jane Pierce-Funk, James

Funk, Garth Thomas, Randy Stalls, Mary Dwyer, L.H. Webb, Monty Joiner, Stephen Roosa, Charlie McClendon, Rick Jasper and Brenda Jasper.

The meeting was called to order and the opening prayer was given by L.H. Webb.

Randy Stalls gave a progress report on plans for the upcoming rodeo, dance and parade. Mr. Stalls suggested a fund raiser to provide quality entertainment at the rodeo. All members were in agreement, and plans were made to sponsor a raffle. The prize will consist of 2 round trip airline tickets from Southwester Airlines with a value of up to

\$900.00. Tickets will sell for \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00. More details will be posted in the McLean and Pampa newspapers.

The treasurer report showed a balance of \$1036.94.

Plans were made for the upcoming car rally to be held in conjunction with the rodeo and dance.

The 1/2 cent sales tax was discussed and all members were in agreement that it should be passed. Monty Joiner hit on some good points on how to achieve this goal.

Rick and Brenda Jasper were accepted on the Chamber Board of directors.

Membership application forms will be drawn up by Stephen Roosa.

Various city beautification projects and ideas were discussed.

The next meeting will be held March 10, 1997 at 8:00 p.m. at B&B Turbine.



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FFAers Compete In San Antonio

On Sunday, February 9, three local FFA members, Jessi Fish, David Fuller and Jonathan Bailey left for San Antonio for a week. David and Jonathan exhibited pigs, and Jessi exhibited three lambs.

Mr. Layman, FFA teacher, Jay Dee, Beck, and Travis Fish made the trip with the three FFA members.

McLean Little Dribblers Kick Off Season

The McLean fifth and sixth grade boys Little Dribblers started the season Friday night with a 34-12 win over Lefors. The boys participating this year are Sonny Northcutt with the high score of 10 points, Slade Terry with 6 points, Drew Barker, Robert Brass and James Patton with 4 points each, Josh Seymour, Trent Cadra and Matt Gutierrez 2 points each, and Jeff Lee, Bron Bohlar, and Chase Jarvis. The coach for this years team is Bill Terry, with Eva Terry assisting. The McLean Little Dribblers tournament is this weekend, February 27, 28 and March 1. All the McLean teams will be involved so come on out and support our youth.

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Smith Earns Cap In Clarendon Ceremony

Connie Jean Smith of McLean participated in Clarendon College's annual Licensed Vocational Nursing program's capping ceremony. Held Friday, February 21, in the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Auditorium. The traditional ceremony celebrates the

halfway point in earning a LVN degree. Each CC nursing student officially received their nursing cap for their outstanding efforts in both the classroom and in hospital clinicals. Thirty men and women participated in the LVN capping ceremony.

In Memory of . . . Jack R. Riley

Jack R. Riley was born March 3, 1931 at Lake Village, Arkansas. He died February 17, 1997, after a lengthy illness.

Jack graduated from the College of the Ozarks at Clarksville, Arkansas. After graduating he came to McLean as a coach on his first teaching assignment. He served as a coach in the system from 1956 until 1964 and then became the elementary school principal. Later he became superintendent of the McLean schools, and he served in that capacity until 1971.

After leaving the McLean school system, Jack was in the insurance business for awhile, but his love for the school business caused him to change occupations once more. He became special

education director in the Littlefield, Brownfield and Lamesa areas and served in that capacity until his retirement.

Jack was a Korean War veteran, a member of the Masonic Lodge, and a member of the Lions Club. He served as District Governor of the Lions Club.

Jack had two children, three step children, and two grandkids. He and his wife, Wandalyne (Carson) Riley were living in Lamesa, Texas at the time of his death.

Jack will be fondly remembered by the teachers that served with him, as well as the students and many friends that he had in the McLean area. Not only was McLean his first teaching assignment, but it was also his first love in the school business.



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Ex-Students Prepare For 1997 Reunion

The McLean Ex-Students reunion is being planned for this coming summer, June 20-21, 1997. The news letters will be sent out to everyone who has an address in the files. Anyone who is interested in working on any of the class reunion or any special event or has a correct address for any of the people listed below please contact Joyce Haynes, 779-7087 or Carl Dwyer, 779-2314.

Diane Adler, Jesse Bailey, 1958, Juanita Bayley 1933, Ben Billingsley, Robert William Boston, 1942, Suzie Brannon 1932, Rowena Brewer 1969, Melba Stokesberry Bunch 1975, Don Cash 1960, Eileen Chilton 1929, Harold Clement 1928, Janice Cliett 1949, Bill Crockett 1959, Karen Crockett, LaVonda Davis, Eunice Dennis 1926, Linda Dickens 1963, Carlin D'Spain 1955, Marty Duniven 1976, Loretta Elkins 1929, Teresa Eubank 1983, Kenneth Gibson 1957, Dale Glenn Clipson 1983, Gary Joe Graham 1964, John Griffith 1949, Jack & Doris Harris 1942 & 1944, Ronnie Heasley 1975, Donna Heckendorn 1968, Joe & Lavada Hefner 1936 & 1940, Bill Henderson

1956, Gwen Henley 1956, Jim Henley 1971, Billy Gene Herron, Tommy Herron, Mary Hinson 1951, William Bick Horn 1982, Lola Horrell 1928, Jo Howard 1939, Virgie Howard 1940, John E. Kirby, Jr. 1943, Iva Dell Kohls 1945, Anna Bell Lamb 1935, Betty Lankford 1957, Sue Little 1953, Steve Lowe 1963, Terri Glass Luna 1982, Robert McCabe 1966, George McCarty 1935, Scotty & Lavetta McDonald 1948 & 49, Pauline McMullen 1933, David McPherson 1952, Thelma Martin 1929, Betty Morrow 1976, Rebekah Orrick Nunez, Larry Joe Parr 1969, Tina Payne 1956, Ethel Pool 1949, Jerry Preston 1955, Lona Raymond 1959, Doug Richards 1966, Jackie Riger 1976, Jesse Wayne Roberts 1953, Betty Cook Sanderson 1975, Harvey Shelton 1956, Patty Ruth Skoog 1947, Donna Smith 1977, Tim & Jana Smith 1981 & 1984, Roachelle Switzer 1956, James Thompson 1976, J.B. Waldrop 1942, Tom Watkins 1957, Don Webb 1980, Terri Willis 1976, Don Woodrome 1957, Diane York 1979.



Jennifer Patton participated in a Special Olympic's basketball game in Amarillo on February 7. Jennifer's team lost to Perryton's unbeaten team by a meager two points. The "Islanders" looked very nice in their new uniforms.



Heather Hess was named to the Distinguished Students List for the Fall Semester of 1996 at Texas A&M University. This honor is given to students who earned a 3.25 to 3.75 GPA while taking at least 15 hours. Heather is majoring in Agribusiness. She is the daughter of Ida Wilson of Austin and Jake Hess of McLean. Her grandparents are Jake and Leta Mae Hess of McLean.

Alanreed News

By Lena Carter
Descendants of some of our oldest settlers in this area were buried this week with the passing of Everett Hall whose father D.L. came here at the earliest. Everett followed in his father's footsteps in raising a nice family and then tragedy struck when son Billy was lost in the war, they bravely faced it and placed a memorial in the McLean Cemetery where Everett was put on Saturday of last week. He was 95. Also in the same cemetery Norma McCracken Haytes was also placed. Norma

was the second daughter of Roy and Mary McCracken, whose father F.R. was one of the oldest and best known settlers here. He was president of the local bank and raised his family here. F.R. lived to a ripe old age.

On the sick list and absent from First Baptist Church Sunday was Anita Bruce and Jim Bible was away on prison ministry at the Jordan unit in Pampa.

The Robert Bruce's were in Pampa on Thursday. The James Armbristers were both on the sick list Sunday.

Care Center News

Sunday, members of the Church of Christ were here to conduct a worship service.

Monday the following residents played bingo; Dick Wheeler, Teresa Richardson, Sylvia McClellan, Truman Goodlett, M.L. Rowan, Vernee Bowling, Florence Drake, Jessie Watson, Lena Bailey, Eula Morrow, Phyllis Bailey, Thelma Finson, Dorothy Patterson, George Garrett, Ruby Ayers and Sue Cubine. Bananas were furnished by the Lions club. Volunteer helper was Cliffie Heasley.

Tuesday morning members of the Church of Christ came to give the residents a social. Members furnishing refreshments were George and Louise Watson, Marjorie Fish, Cliffie Heasley and Clea Harris. In the afternoon M.L. Rowan, Dick Wheeler and Teresa Richardson played dominos.

Wednesday morning

donuts for the donut circle were furnished by Leta Mae Hess. Residents attending were Truman Goodlett, Ruby Ayers, Phyllis Bailey, Duella Beverly, Vernee Bowling, Jessie Coleman, Sue Cubine, Florence Drake, Thelma Finson, Helen Glass, Beryl Halbert, Thelma Hopkins, Sylvia McClellan, M.L. Rowan, Marion Turner, Leon Tate, Ora Billingsley and Lula Sheegog. In the afternoon the residents watched a movie, popcorn was served.

Thursday Inez Trostle was here to style the ladies hair and several ladies had manicures. In the afternoon the following residents played bingo; Sylvia McClellan, Truman Goodlett, Thelma Hopkins, Florence Drake, Eula Morrow, Lena Bailey, Phyllis Bailey, Teresa Richardson, Thelma Finson, Dick Wheeler, M.L. Rowan, Leon Tate and Dorothy Patterson.

Economic Dev. Tax To Be On Ballot

On the May 3 ballot will be the proposition to adopt a 4A economic development sales tax of one-half of one percent (1/2%). The economic development sales tax may be used for the promotion and development of new and expanded business enterprises, primarily intended for

manufacturing and industrial development. If the 4A sales tax is adopted by the voters, a corporation must be established to administer the sales and use tax funds. This corporation is composed of a five-member board appointed by the City Council, and must file articles of incorporation with

the Secretary of State. This A4 sales tax is for an unspecified period of time and is effective until repealed by an election. If approved by the voters, the tax becomes effective after one complete calendar quarter elapses from the date the Comptroller's office is notified of voter

approval. The city will give the 1/2% sales tax revenue to the development corporation, who in turn will decide what the tax will be used on. A 4A sales tax cannot assume a debt that existed before the adoption of the sales tax. This sales tax does not apply to food items (groceries).

Retirement

Stella McClellan, is a graduate of McLean High School, class of 1949. She said she started working on Main Street in McLean right after graduation and then started for the City in 1955. "I've enjoyed working for the City," she said. "I've met some wonderful people and have lots of fond memories of the years I spent there."

In presenting the plaque, Mayor Haynes remarked that a City auditor told him, following the yearly audit of the City's books, that Mrs. Lee kept the best set of books that he every

checked. "She has given dedicated service to this community," Haynes said. "I know how many problems she has solved for us." As part of her job she has been in charge of maintaining all the city records, billing for gas, water, and garbage services, selling cemetery lots, and keeping records of all City business. She also keeps books for the ambulance service.

She and her husband are the parents of one son, Doyle, and grandparents of two grandchildren, Dustin and Kayla.

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College Student Scholarship Deadline
College students who are U.S. citizens and have a grade point average of 'B+' or better are eligible for a \$1,000 college scholarship. To receive an application, send a request by April 11, 1997 to the Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation at 721 North McKinley Road, P.O. Box 5012, Lake Forest, IL 60045-5012; fax a request to (847)295-3972; or e-mail a request to "scholar@ecif.com".

All requests for applications must include the student's name, permanent home address, city, state, zip code, name of college, approximate GPA, and year in school during the 1996-1997 academic year. Applications will be fulfilled by mail only, on or about April 22, 1997. Thirty-five (35) winners will be selected on the basis of academic performance, involvement in extracurricular activities, and some consideration for financial need. A total of \$35,000 will be awarded.

Public Notice

City Secretary: The City of Groom is seeking a qualified individual. The position plans, organizes, and manages the office of the City Secretary, records the proceedings of the City Council, maintains official records of the City and directs elections.

Requirements: Any combination of education and experience. Must be able to quickly gain knowledge of State laws, and ordinance, knowledge of duties and responsibilities of City Clerk, knowledge of election law and procedures; knowledge of office management methods and procedures; ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with administrative officials and the public. Ability to maintain accurate files and legal records. Ability to occasionally stand during the shift; ability to frequently lift up to ten pounds, and occasionally lift up to twenty five pounds in order to move file boxes and record books. Ability to push and pull objects in order to open and close file drawers; ability to place arms above at, and below shoulder height. Ability to communicate effectively with others. Machines and equipment used are a computer, typewriter, and telephone. Must be a resident of the City of Groom. Salary depending on qualifications. Interested applicants can come by City Hall for an application or send resume to Mayor, City of Groom, P.O. Box 217, Groom, Texas 79039. Deadline for applications is close of business on March 7, 1997.

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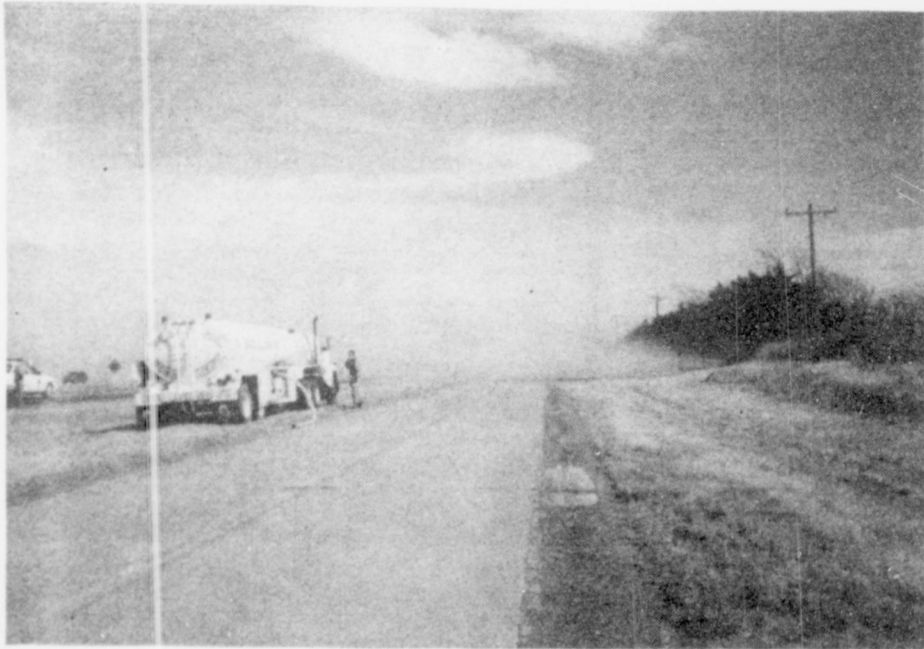
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The McLean Fire Department made a call to the old Grogan place in Wheeler County. The call came in at 1:45. Traffic had to be slowed down because of the smoke across I-40.



The above McLean students have reached their goal in the Accelerated Readers Program. 2nd grade, Erin Bailey, Tamara Loya, Anthony Ruiz, Brooke Seymour, and Amanda Fricks. 3rd grade, Kevin Smith. 5th grade, Jennifer Greer. 6th grade, Caroline Cole and Jeffery Lee.

Texas Plains Girl Scouts Celebrate

An all out effort is underway to locate former Girl Scouts in McLean as part of the 85th anniversary of Girl Scouting. The Texas Plains Girl Scout Council is planning a brunch at 10 a.m., April 5 at the Amarillo Country Club, as part of the celebration.

Alumnae are being sought not only to partake in the festivities, but also to

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find out how Girl Scouting has benefited them as adults. Many accomplished American women have been Girl Scouts and believe their experience had a tremendous effect on their lives. Some highly visible former Girl Scouts are Barbara Bush, Hillary Clinton, Elizabeth Dole, and Barbara Walters just to name a few.

The theme of the event is "85 Years of Making a Difference." It will provide an opportunity for former Girl Scouts to reconnect with the organization and become advocates for America's youth.

Linda Wright, executive director for Texas Plains Girl Scout Council said, "Girl Scouting has enriched the quality of life for so many girls in Amarillo and the surrounding area for years, and we are continuing our efforts by organizing a reunion for all former Girl Scouts as part of our 85th anniversary celebration.

The event is a great opportunity to not only celebrate the achievements of the past, but to reconnect and support projects pluralism and literacy.

Girl Scouting was founded in 1912 by Juliette Gordon Low, who was born in 1860 in Savannah, Georgia. To date, the organization has provided over 50 million girls with confidence, leadership skills, fun and lifetime friendships.

All former Girl Scouts are encouraged to call the Texas Plains Girl Scout Council at 356-0096 or 1-800-687-4475. There is also a statewide number set up to handle calls at 1-800-448-8299. They can also write to Texas Plains Girl Scout Council, 6011 West 45th Avenue, Amarillo, Texas.



GIRL SCOUTS



The Panhandle Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts held their business meeting on February 18 at the Devil's Rope Museum. People attended the meeting from all over this area. The Methodist women served a delicious dinner to 75 people. Mayor Sam Haynes delivered the welcome and Delbert Trew gave the program.

It's All Trew

The Old Demmycrat

By Delbert Trew

They say old Jake was a demmycrat,

Plumb back to the day he was born,

He was stubborn and reluctant to enter the world, Leaving his Mother both weary and worn,

Surviving the crash and the depression that followed, Left young Jake somewhat inhibited,

He never forgot eating rabbit and water gravy,

And all the things that being poor prohibited,

His whole life changed, when the New Deal came,

Roosevelt made Jake's life worth living,

He vowed he would live his life as a demmycrat,

To the republicans, he was never forgiving,

Jake raised a big family, and prospered as well,

Using only dirt, grass, and sweat,

He worried and fretted, through thick and thin,

And after thirty years, finally got out of debt.

Jake savored his retirement, and his money in the bank,

And he gave credit, where credit was due,

where credit was due,

He said he owed it all to the demmycrats,

And never doubted that it was true.

Jake's only regret, during his golden years,

Was the Reagan and Bush administration,

He argued and campaigned, and tried to change votes,

And deplored the fate of our nation.

Old Father Time, took his toll on Jake,

His body became worn out and thin,

He couldn't more around very much anymore,

But his mind was good to the end.

Jake wrote his will, and made some arrangements,

He knew his life was at it's end,

He called his family, both young and old,

And he gathered together his friends.

Before I go, I want to become a Republican!

All were shocked at his last wishes,

That way, when I die, and you bury me,

There will be one less of those sons-a-_____.

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