

# The Groom News

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## No Election Necessary For City Or School Voters This May 2nd

Neither the City of Groom nor the Groom School Board will have need to hold an election this year. With only enough candidates to fill the seats the entities will not be out the cost of an election. Write in candidates had to file by March 23, in order to be on the ballot.

Filling the seats on the City Council will be Don Case, Ellis Stapp and Pete Ham. Case and Stapp will be beginning

their second terms in office. Pete Ham will be beginning his first term.

In the School Board vacancies, Dennis Babcock, Cliff Britten and Brad Rogers will take office. Babcock is the current president of the board and will begin his fifth term in office. Britten and Rogers will be sworn in for their first term.

These candidates will take office in May after what would have been the election date.

## Father Crosier Re-Assigned, St. Mary's To Welcome Father Dee

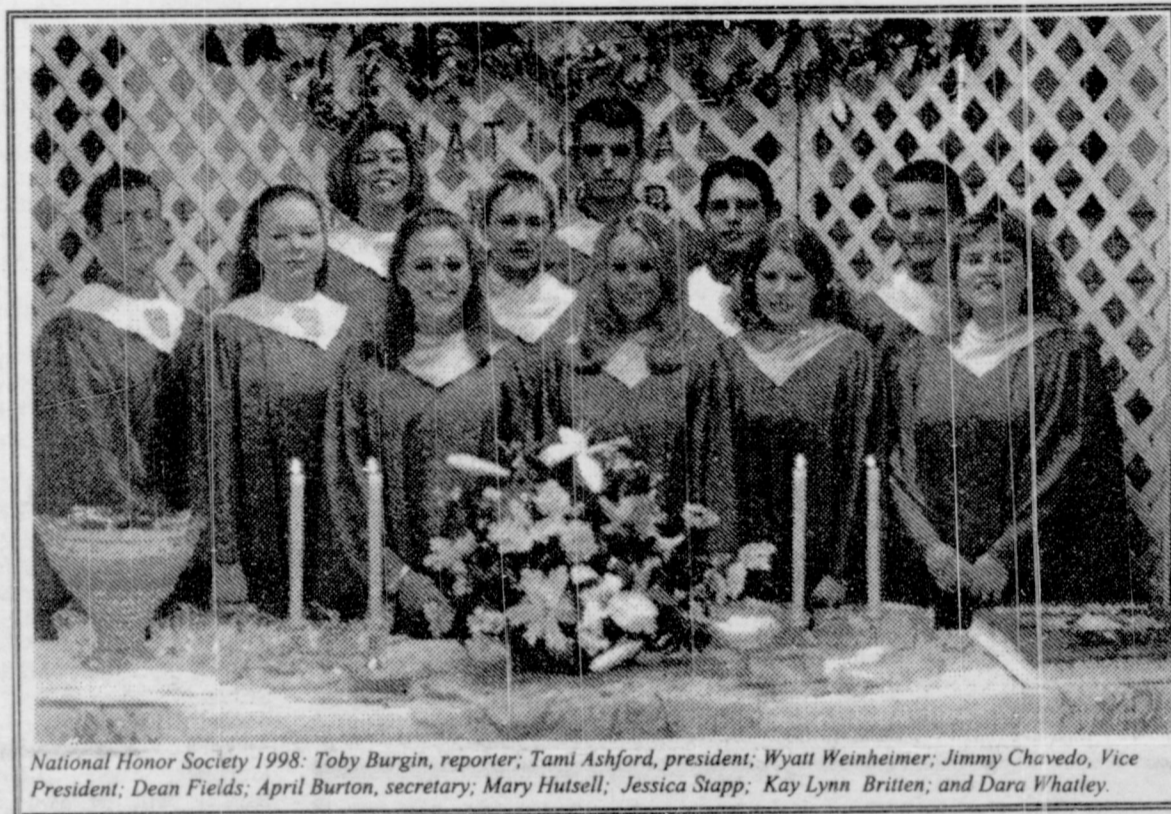
Father Ray Crosier, currently the pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Groom, has recently been reassigned. Crosier's new home will be St. Joseph's Church in Amarillo. The new appointment is scheduled to become effective April 27, 1998.

He is also the Bishop's representative on the Catholic School Board and on the Blue Ribbon

Committee for all Catholic schools in the diocese.

Crosier came to Groom from Dalhart in 1995 after the untimely death of Father Richard Neyer.

Replacing Father Crosier will be Father Neal Dee, who is currently pastor of St. Joseph's Church in Amarillo. The News will have more information on him later.



National Honor Society 1998: Toby Burgin, reporter; Tami Ashford, president; Wyatt Weinheimer; Jimmy Chavedo, Vice President; Dean Fields; April Burton, secretary; Mary Hutsell; Jessica Stapp; Kay Lynn Britten; and Dara Whatley.

## Carson County Deputies Catch Escaped Felon

Carson County Sheriff's Deputies were called out early Tuesday morning to assist in a man hunt for an escaped felon. Warren County, Kentucky Sheriff's Deputies were transporting 33 year old Michael L. Sweatt from California to Kentucky, where he was wanted on 2nd degree forgery

charges. They had stopped at the L.A. Motel at Conway for the night. At approximately 3:00 am, Sweatt managed to get one of the deputies wallets and credit cards, he fled with approximately \$2,000 in cash.

Within minutes, the Warren County Deputies,

discovered him gone and notified authorities. The Carson County Sheriff's

Department, DPS Troopers, Texas Rangers, See Capture, pg. 4

## Community Calendar...

"GOOD OLD Gospel Singing" has been moved to Sunday, April 26, 6 pm at Groom United Methodist Church.

COMMUNITY Easter Cantata, Sunday, April 5, 6 pm. Groom United Methodist Church. Everyone invited.

THE GROOM Junior High and High School track teams will attend a meet at Miami on March 27 & 28.

GROOM GOLF competitors will attend a tournament at Amarillo's Ross Rogers Golf Course on March 30.

APRIL 2ND is annual cheerleader tryouts at Groom Junior High and High School.

APRIL 3RD & 4TH are the dates set for the Groom Track Meet.

THE MOTHER'S of Catholic Seniors will be hosting a Senior '98 Pizza Party on April 21. Each Senior needs to bring approximately 30 pictures, (they will be returned) from birth to their senior year, to the News Office by Friday, April 3. Please leave the pictures with Donna Burton.

THE SUMMER Baseball Program is looking for someone to help run the program and for people to be coaches. Contact Joe Homer at 248-7320.

## First Baptist Church Welcomes New Pastor & Family to Groom



Byron Williamson, 33 years old, will fill the pulpit Sunday, March 29, as the new minister of the First Baptist Church of Groom.

He has a wife, Jana, and three children - Ashley, 8; Bethany, 5; and Colby, 3. They will take up residence in the Baptist parsonage at 401 East First Street.

Rev. Williamson comes from Plano, where he has served as youth minister for the past four years at Hunters' Glen Baptist Church. He has been in youth ministry for 11 years - first at Champion Forest Baptist Church in Houston, then at

Immanuel Baptist Church in Temple, and First Baptist Church in Tomball.

He graduated in 1987 from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Science degree in physical education and from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1993 with a Master of Arts degree in religious education.

The family arrived in Groom on Monday.

"We're excited about getting in and meeting everybody," Rev. Williamson said. "The children are already making friends."

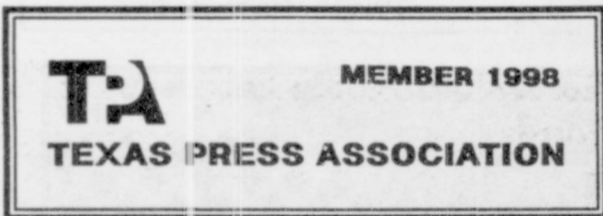
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### Correction!

A mistake was made in the reporting of the City minutes last week. The east side of town will get the new seal coating. Sorry for the confusion.

### Card Of Thanks

I would like to commend Bronte Britten, Lee Barkley, and Ronnie Fields for their help with my car on the morning of March 18. These men prove that chivalry is alive and well in Groom. Thank's guys. You made my day!  
 Christi Weller

### Groom Birthdays Anniversaries

- March 27 - Laveda Wood.
- March 28 - Clinton Adam Babcock, Billy Dan Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Leven (A).
- March 29 - Bill Ellington.
- March 30 - Kenneth Jackson, David Fields.
- March 31 - Melissa Anthony, Ed England, Michael Thomas, Angela Reed Beddingfield.
- April 1 - Linda Fields, Mrs. E.C. Goodlett, Allie Hoyt, Charles Bowers, Sarah Hutsell, Cody Babcock.

## Local Happenings

Rip and Joy Snyder visited Truman Goodlett and L.M. Rowan at the McLean Rest Home and with Bill and Dorothy McKee in McLean on Saturday.

- March 30 - April 3**
- Monday**  
 Breakfast: Cold cereal, oats, muffins, juice, milk.  
 Lunch: Frito pie, pinto beans, salad, Tiger sized cinnamon rolls, milk.
  - Tuesday**  
 Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk.  
 Lunch: Chicken breast nuggets, mashed potatoes, cut corn, hot rolls, apple crisp, milk.
  - Wednesday**  
 Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, hash browns, juice, milk.  
 Lunch: Spaghetti, salad, bread sticks, pears, milk.
  - Thursday**  
 Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, milk.  
 Lunch: Chicken fajitas, sauteed onion and green pepper, shredded lettuce, pineapple, milk.
  - Friday**  
 Breakfast: Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk.  
 Lunch: Pizza, pepperoni or cheese, salad, applesauce, milk.

### Christian Mothers Plan Farewell For Father Crosier

Christian Mothers met at the home of Alice Britten on Monday, March 23, at 7 p.m. with hostesses Wamyth Britten and Jan Britten. After an opening prayer President Alice Kuehler conducted the business meeting.

Members attending the Spring Deanery meeting at White Deer on Thursday, April 2, will be Wynona Koetting, Louise Conrad, Doris Britten, Alice Kuehler, and Lucille Britten. Members may contact Alice Kuehler to purchase chances on items for the silent auction. A beautiful Easter basket has been decorated by Laura Kuehler for Groom's Christian Mothers donation to this fund raising event for the Deanery.

Adela Kotara distributed letters pertaining to the no bake sale before Easter. Members are asked to be generous with their donations which may be sent to treasurer, Marla Britten.

First Communion for Anthony Luna, T.J. Moraniec, and Chad Barkley will be held at the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday, April 25th, with a reception following at the parish hall served by Regina Coeli Circle.

Officers for 1998-2000 will be as follows: President, Doris Britten; 1st Vice President, Lucille Britten; 2nd & 3rd Vice Presidents, Julie Friemel and Renee Weinheimer; Secretary, Mitzi Moraniec; Treasurer, Marla Britten; and Reporter, Donna Barnett. We thank these

members for their support of our organization and for their generous use of their time and energy.

A family potluck farewell supper will be held for Rev. Raymond Crosier on Sunday, April 19 at 6 p.m. at the parish hall. Please bring a dish to pass.

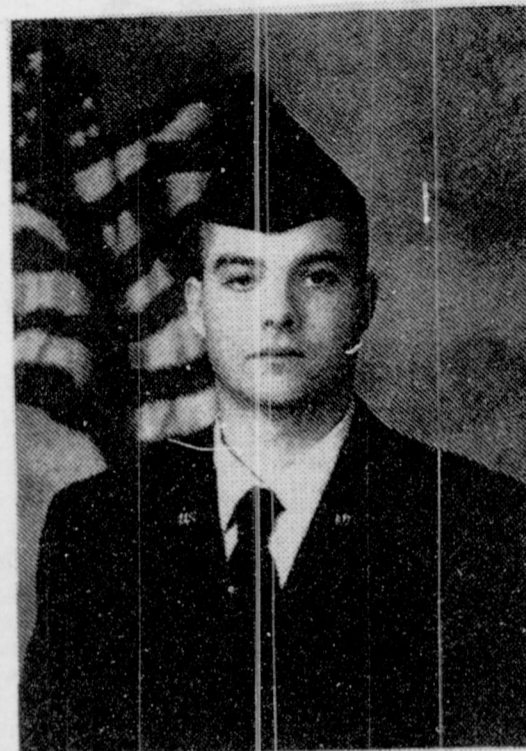
A teacher appreciation luncheon will be held at noon during the week of May 11 to honor the men and women who instruct our children at Groom School. The Christian Mothers organization would like to say "Thank You" for your hard work and support of our children.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 27, at 7:00 p.m. at the parish hall. A salad supper and installation of new officers will be held. The current officers will be hostesses. Bring a salad and a friend and join in the fellowship.

### Sorority Rush Information

Amarillo Panhellenic will hostess a Rush Information Meeting on Sunday, April 5, 1998 at 2 p.m. at 3215 Hawthorne Drive, in Amarillo. All senior high women who are interested in going through Rush should

attend this meeting to receive important information on Rush packets and deadlines. A short video and discussion will be part of the meeting. For more information please call Charlene Goodson at 806/353-2065.



### Brody Brown Graduates From Basic Air Force Training In San Antonio

Air Force Airman Brody Brown graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas January 29, 1998.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the

Community College of the Air Force.

The airman is a 1995 graduate of Groom High School.

Attending graduation ceremonies in San Antonio were his parents, David and Lanna Brown, his sister, Amy Brown and Chris Williams. He is currently in training in Pensacola, Florida until May. He will then be stationed at Pope Air Force Base in Fayetteville, North Carolina.

### COV/ POKES

### By Ace Reid



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# Republican Carson County Convention To Be Held On March 28

Submitted By Jeri Osborne, Chairman Carson County Republican Party  
 Carson County Republican Party will hold its open county convention on Saturday, March 28, 1998, at 6:30 pm in the War Memorial Building in Panhandle. All interested Republicans who voted in the March 10, Republican primary election are invited to attend this convention where delegates to the State Republican convention to be held in Ft. Worth on June 12 and 13, 1998.

If you have any resolutions you would like to be considered at the state or national conventions, bring them to the county convention.

### Are You An Eligible Voter

Submitted By Jeri Osborne, Chairman Carson County Republican Party  
 Are you an eligible voter? To be eligible for registration as a voter in Texas, a person must:

- 1) be 18 years or older;
- 2) be a United States citizen;
- 3) not have been determined mentally

incompetent by a final judgment of a court;

4) not have been finally convicted of a felony or, if so convicted must have:

a) fully discharged the person's sentence, including any term of incarceration, parole or, supervision, or completed a period of probation ordered by any court; or

b) been pardoned or otherwise released from the resulting disability to vote; and

5) be a resident of the county in which application for registration is made.

To be eligible to apply for registration, a person must, on the date the registration application is submitted to the registrar, be at least 17 years and 10 months of age and satisfy the above listed requirements except for age.

The voter registration becomes effective on the 30th day after the date the application is submitted to the registrar or on the date the applicant becomes 18 years of age, whichever is later. The voter may vote in the early voting period if he will be 18 on the date of the election.

A person does not

register as a member of the Republican Party nor a member of the Democratic Party at the time he/she makes application for a registration, nor when he/she receives his/her voter registration renewal. The voter may vote in either party's primary, but the voter cannot vote in the other party's primary, runoff primary, nor participate in any of the other party's precinct,

county, state, and national convention. The voter's registration certificate is stamped by an election official of the primary in which he/she voted to show he/she has voted in that party's primary and is ineligible to vote or participate in the other party's primary or conventions.

A voter who did not vote in a party primary may vote in any primary, election runoff.

A voter does not have to go to the county clerk nor the voter registrar to get his/her voter registration certificate stamped before going to the polling place to vote.

The voter becomes a member of a political party only if he/she files as a candidate for political office or votes in a party primary.

### Local Happenings...

William and Floretta Neal of Amarillo, Rip and Joy Snyder, Bertha Knight, and Ray and Gaynell Pool visited Les and Dora Neal, Mrs. Adams, and Bertie Helton at the Claude Nursing Home on Sunday evening.

### You May Be Over The Hill If...

You remember when Jello came in a folded paper packet and what a joy it was to be allowed to lick the paper after the Jello was out.

When you wanted blackberry cobbler you went out to the fence lines and woods and picked the berries.

You took a day off and went "nutting" to gather enough hickory nuts, etc. to last during the cold winter evenings.

Entertainment at recess was marbles, hopscotch, tag or mumbley peg.

You remember the "1935 Black Duster" when scared people thought it was the end of the world.

When it was considered "cool" for girls to learn to dip snuff that came in glasses later using them for milk glasses at the table.

Your favorite cake was spice cake put together with homemade wild grape jelly.

The voter may vote for any candidate of any party on the ballot in the November 3, General Election. If the voter voted in the Democratic Party primary election, the voter may vote for any candidate listed as a Republican or other political party in the General Election in November.

The voter who is an elected official in the Democratic party can vote for any or all Republican candidates or other candidates of any party in the November 3 General Election.

Example: a Democratic county commissioner, judge, congressman, or President of the United States may vote for any candidate of any other political office.

A voter may vote for candidates of any party even though his parents always voted Democratic.

The party platform or statements of beliefs does matter. When the voter votes for a candidate of a party, he/she is voting for a candidate who has signed on to that party's statement of beliefs. The voter who is a fiscal or

social conservative should vote for candidates whose party platform is conservative and not for a candidate who runs on a liberal platform. Vote intelligently.

The Republican Party welcomes all voters to vote in the April 14, 1998, Republican Party primary runoff election if the voters did not vote in the Democratic Party primary. The Republican Party urges voters to vote for conservative Republican candidates in the November 3, General Election.

## Cockrell Responds

March 26, 1998

Well I thought I was out of the judges race, but Roselius has invited me back in with his "Cry for Sympathy" paid political ad. I will say right here that I never printed anything untrue. If he thinks I did, I welcome him to get a lawyer. He did a lot of crying and talking in circles with implied accusations without really saying anything. He did prove that he can not take a clean punch in the political ring. I had no idea that Roselius was so thin skinned and immature. He has never been tested in 16 years by a political challenger.

Roselius, hereinafter styled (J.R.), reminds me of another democrat called Slick Willie. If anyone accuses them on the issues, they say everyone is telling untruths. I was very pleased that J.R. finally put something in writing. Let's examine what he has said. 1. In his announcement he said he has operated a successful insurance business. This was untrue. He had nothing to do with the operation of Farm Bureau with operational headquarters in Waco, Texas. The operational manager in Panhandle was Rick Knox. The truth is J.R. was just trying to sell insurance for a few months.

2. The voters gave him 31.7% of the vote while giving the republicans 68.3%. This resulted in his "Cry For Sympathy" article after the election with his implied accusations. He said he had been called an appointee. Then he gave you the date 1982 when he was elected. Like Slick Willie the wording is important. He implied he was not appointed. The truth is Judge Williams won the 1982 primary unopposed. When it became clear Williams could not win and was in poor health, Williams resigned about one month before the election and J.R. was appointed by the democratic leadership to the judgeship. That is how Roselius got on the ballot without running in the primary.

3. J.R. said he had been called a rascal. This was untrue. In my news releases twice I said it is time to "Throw the Rascals Out." "Throw the Rascals Out" was a political term introduced over 100 years ago by Teddy Roosevelt for career politicians. CBS News' Dan Rather uses the term "Throw The Rascals Out" many times in an election year. We need to "Throw The Rascals Out" to keep democracy alive. I believe when you can't decide how to vote, a good rule is to vote for a change and new ideas. "If in Doubt, Just Throw the Rascals Out." These career politicians should be replaced after 4 to 6 terms.

4. J.R. implied I had said he was unqualified. Then he listed his degree. He did not tell you what his degree was in. I understand it was in physical education. He said he has a master's degree. He did not tell you what that degree was in. His master's degree was from a one horse mail order type college in Alma, Oklahoma and I presume that it was in P.E. also. I do not know why he left teaching physical exercise to try to sell insurance. I still say he did not have the education or business experience to be a judge or county budget manager.

5. J.R. talked about a tax rate decrease in his "Cry For Sympathy" article. What he did not tell you was you can have a tax rate decrease by one or two cents but pay more tax because of an increase in inflated property valuations. This is used by tax and spend democrats to fool the tax payers. Up the value of your appraised property and give a tax rate decrease and you still pay more taxes. He did not tell you the rest of the story.

6. My last question today for J.R. is why he did not address some of these issues while I was a public figure and a candidate. Why wait until after the election to try and run me down with his innuendos. Now I am a private citizen concerned about our county government. Slanderous remarks by elected officials about private citizens are dealt with firmly by the courts. I will address the other issues brought up by J.R. at a future date.

In my opinion J.R. shot himself in the foot with his "Cry For Sympathy" paper advertisement. It was very poorly written and without focus, but what can you expect from a P.E. major with no business experience. At least he showed the voters a side of the judge they had not seen. We saw the true J.R. I believe Roselius and Clinton have done a lot to advance conservative republicans.

I thank J.R. for giving me one more political punch on the issues. J.R. asked for it in his "Cry For Sympathy" paid political ad. I think the voters may have a lot of questions for Roselius on the issues.


The opinions in this editorial are my own. I have been a Carson County citizen for 45 years. We have only had two judges in that period. It is past time for a change. Isn't America great where concerned citizens can voice their opinions about tax and spend career politicians? Our founding fathers were counting on the people to protect democracy by voicing their opinions openly and at the ballot box.

Cordially,  
 Lee Cockrell

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### School Board Approves Resignations

The Board of Trustees of the Groom Independent School District met in a regular monthly session on March 17, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. in its usual meeting place in the school administrative offices with the following members present: Barry Fields, Tony Treadwell, Dennis Babcock, Pat Britten, Adela Kotara, Tony Britten, and Tim Case.

Ben Ingham, Superintendent, Joyce Hutsell, Business Manager, and Danny Chisum, Principal were also at the meeting.

(Unless otherwise noted, all votes on motions were unanimous.)

Mr. Pat Britten moved and Mr. Tony Britten seconded to approve the minutes of the February 9, 1998, regular board meeting as read. The motion carried.

The Board voted by ballot for members of the E.S.C. XVII board of

directors. No action was necessary.

The Board discussed the calendar for the 1998-99 school year. No action was taken.

Mr. Fields moved and Mr. Case seconded to accept the resignation of Danny Chisum and Marsha Chisum. The motion carried.

Mr. Case moved and Mr. Tony Britten seconded to offer employment to all professional staff as presented for the 1998-99 school year. The motion carried.

Mr. Case moved and Mr. Treadwell seconded to pay all bills. The motion carried.

Mr. Fields moved and Mr. Tony Britten seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.

## Groom Tiger's Place Third In Claude Track Meet

### Groom Track

Groom High School boys competed at the Claude, North Plains Relays over the weekend. Matched up with much larger schools, the Tigers earned a very respectable 3rd place as a team. Also competing were White Deer, Boys Ranch, Claude, Wellington, Shamrock, Clarendon, Silverton, Adrian, and Happy.

In the 3200 meter run, Alberto Vega placed 3rd and Josiah Scott placed 6th.

Dusty Crump won the discus and placed 5th in the Shot Put.

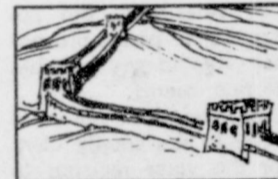
In the triple jump, Wade Ritter placed 5th. The 400 meter relay team of Dean Fields, Daniel Treadwell, Josh

Evenson and Toby Burgin placed 4th. The 1600 meter relay team of Wade Ritter, Alberto Vega, Dewayne Gray and Toby Burgin earned a 3rd place medal.

In the 100 meter hurdles, Evan Crowell placed 3rd, Wade Ritter 4th, and Wyatt Weinheimer placed 6th. In the 300 meter hurdles, Wade Ritter earned a 3rd place slot.

Daniel Treadwell placed 5th in the 100 meter dash. Alberto Vega placed 4th in the 1600 meter run.

The Tigers will compete at Miami next weekend, followed by the district meet, here in Groom, on April 2nd and 3rd.



The Great Wall of China is reported to be 6200 miles long, varying from 15 to 39 feet high and as thick as 32 feet.

### DPS Report . . .

#### Local Accidents Injure Several People

By Trooper Gary Davis 03-20-98 Criminal Arrest:

I arrested a Samuel Ray Horton on an outstanding felony warrant. Horton was wanted by the Pawnee County Sheriff's Office in Pawnee, Oklahoma.

Horton was placed in the Carson County Jail. 02-30-98 Accident:

A pickup driven by a Sheldon James Pratt was turning left into the Stop N Shop. A car driven by Pamela Davis was northbound on Eastern Street. The pickup turned into the path of the Davis vehicle and both vehicles almost hit head on in the driveway. Pratt had only minor injuries and required no transport. Pamela Davis and two of the three children in the car were transported by Groom EMS to Columbia Hospital in Pampa. Pratt received a citation for failure to yield right of way - turning left and Davis received two citations for speeding and no seat belt, driver.

03-21-98 Accident: A TTST driven by Archie Coffee of Ft.

Myers Florida was eastbound on IH-40. Coffee glanced down and drove onto the shoulder where he struck a parked pickup. The occupants of the pickup were Justin Edward Easley, Amarillo and Jim Bob Harris, Claude.

Coffee was cited for failure to drive in single lane and Easley for no liability insurance.

03-21-98 Accident:

Fang was eastbound on IH-40 when he fell asleep. The car ran off the roadway and struck a concrete culvert and overturned. All four occupants were taken to Northwest Texas Hospital. The driver Kuan Hao Fang of Edmond, Oklahoma was cited for failure to drive in a single lane and no valid driver's license. The passengers were: Yokuen Shui, Tung Wen, and Hsien Shih.

02-22-98 Criminal Arrest:

I was called to assist in a domestic family fight in the northwest part of Donley County. I arrested John Harrison Dillinger, Jr. for domestic assault. Dillinger was turned over to Deputy Butch Blackburn of Clarendon. The girl that was assaulted was treated by Groom EMS and then released.

### Capture

and a Dog Tracking Unit of the Texas Department of Corrections arrived at the scene, just a short while later.

The peace officers combed the area, watching homes along I-40 for fear he would attempt to steal a car. At about 6:45, Deputies Ray Davis and Jeff Oldham were informed by a truck driver at Love's Convenience Store that a man fitting Sweatt's description had jumped onto his truck. They quickly apprehended the escapee.

Sweatt received a broken hand either in his attempt to get out of the hand cuffs or jumping onto the moving truck.

## Ettes Finish Fifth At Claude

The Groom Tiger High School girls track team had a successful day at the North Plains Relays at Claude last Saturday as they finished 5th out of 13 teams by scoring 59 points.

Groom point scorers are as follows:

400 Meter Relay: Brooke Britten, Sara Britten, Angie Conrad,

Karen Conrad, 4th place. 100 Meter Hurdles: Carrie Davis, 1st place.

800 Meter Dash: Jessica Kepley, 4th place.

800 Meter Relay: Brooke Britten, Sara Britten, Karen Conrad, Angie Conrad, 5th place.

300 Meter Hurdles: Carrie Davis, 1st place.

1600 Meter Run: Jessica Kepley, 6th place.

Triple Jump: Carrie Davis, 4th place.

Long Jump: Angie Conrad, 3rd place.

High Jump: Carrie Davis, 1st place.

1600 Meter Relay: Brooke Britten, Carrie Davis, Jessica Kepley, Karen Conrad, 6th place.

The next meet for the Tigers and Tigerettes both high school and junior high teams is next Friday and Saturday at Miami.

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# Carson County Junior & Senior 4-Hers Compete In Consumer Decision-Making

One hundred ten 4-H youth representing the top 21-Texas Panhandle Counties gathered in Amarillo, Saturday, March 21st to demonstrate their shopping skills while using critical thinking abilities. The 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest allows youth to use the decision making process to rate the best product purchase for a given situation. This year, youth studied in-line skates, credit cards, contact lenses, book packs, magazine subscriptions, compact disc players, and tennis racquets.

Those participating from Carson County were Juniors - Chad and Jason Smith, Chance Barkley - Groom, Kandus Meaker, Blake Howell - White Deer, Danielle Arnold, Gail Lynn Drewery - Groom, Malorie Homen - Groom, and Shannon Meaker.

Intermediates were Dawn Hooten, Clay

# West 's Granddaughter Wins Big At San Antonio Stock Show

when Keli Schulte granded the Castro County Junior Livestock Show with her pig, Hotlips, she was all smiles.

About a week later, Schulte was in tears in San Antonio - tears of joy because Hotlips had just been selected as Grand Champion at the San Antonio Junior Livestock Show.

The 10-year-old Nazareth girl has had a lot of luck with Hotlips, first granding the Nazareth Stock Show, then Castro County Stock Show and finally in San Antonio. And when the 272-pound Hampshire was in San Antonio, it brought \$37,500, which beat last year's record price by \$1,500. The pig was purchased in San Antonio by HEB, Rush Enterprise, Cardell Cabinets, Budco Ltd., and one other buyer.

When the judge, Bryan Anderson, slapped Hotlips on the rump and announced to the crowd that it would be grand champion of the show, Schulte's father, Olen Schulte, ran out into the ring, picked up his daughter and hugged her. Both were in tears.

"It was one of the best hogs I've seen in some time," Anderson said. "He was a good one."



Scientists believe the dog gradually developed from a weasel-like animal called *Miacis*, which lived about 40 million years ago.

### Correction!

Joe Homer was incorrectly described as "The Major" in last week's paper. In all actuality he is "The Mayor." Sorry Mr. Mayor!

Britten - Groom, Rebecca Sinclair, and Amanda and Brittany Martin - Groom. Senior participants consisted of Cindy Britten, Amanda Sinclair and Francis Britten of Groom.

Thanks to the leaders who helped with the preparation of the contest, Belinda Britten, Debbie Arnold, Rebecca Yelverton, and Kevin Howell.

## Obituary

### Ken Edmondson

Ken "Snake" Edmondson, age 62, of Pflugerville, died on Friday.

He was a member of the Plumbers and Pipefitters Local #286 AFL-CIO in Austin. He was a Mason and a Navy Veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Carla Edmondson, Pflugerville; daughter, Jill Vasquez, and husband, Michael; son, Lance Lamberson, and wife, Meredith; daughters, Pam Johnson and Lisa Lindner; brother, Ben Edmondson, and wife, Dorothy; grandchildren, Zachary "Tony Boy" Vasquez and Kalli Vasquez, Logan Lamberson and Reed Johnson; as well as several nieces and nephews and many loving friends. He is the son-in-law of Earl and Yvonne Barker of Groom.

Pallbearers will be Duane Blanchard, Bill Bryan, Don Valk, Gene Duggan, Lance "Hud" Latimore and Chase Baromeo. Honorary pallbearers will include Wayne Lindgren, Todd Turner and Members of the Plumbers and Pipefitters Local #286 AFL-CIO.

Services were held Sunday in the Chapel of Cook Walden Capital Parks Funeral Home. Interment followed in Pearl Cemetery in Pearl, Texas.

There were approximately 4,800 barrows entered in the San Antonio show and Schulte said the sift was hard.

Two-thirds of the pigs were eliminated during the sift, but Hotlips remained for the final round.

"This was a once in a lifetime thing," said Barbara Schulte, Keli's mother. "It's taken Keli a little while to realize what has happened, but now she realizes that it may never happen again. She will forever remember Hotlips and

granding in San Antonio."

"We know this may never happen again, but we are so excited that it happened this year. The support of our family and friends was wonderful," Mrs. Schulte said.

The money Keli made from her pig this year will be used to establish a college fund and will also be used to help fund her future livestock projects.

Keli is the daughter of Barbara and Olen Schulte of Nazareth. She is the granddaughter of Caroline and Robert West of Groom.

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Tami Ashford, current National Honor Society president, explains the symbolism of the "flame of knowledge".



New NHS member, Wyatt Weinheimer enjoys the reception almost as much as the Ceremony!

### Carson County Commissioners' Award Bid

Carson County Commissioners' Court met on March 23, 1998 with all members present. Minutes were read and approved and all claims were approved.

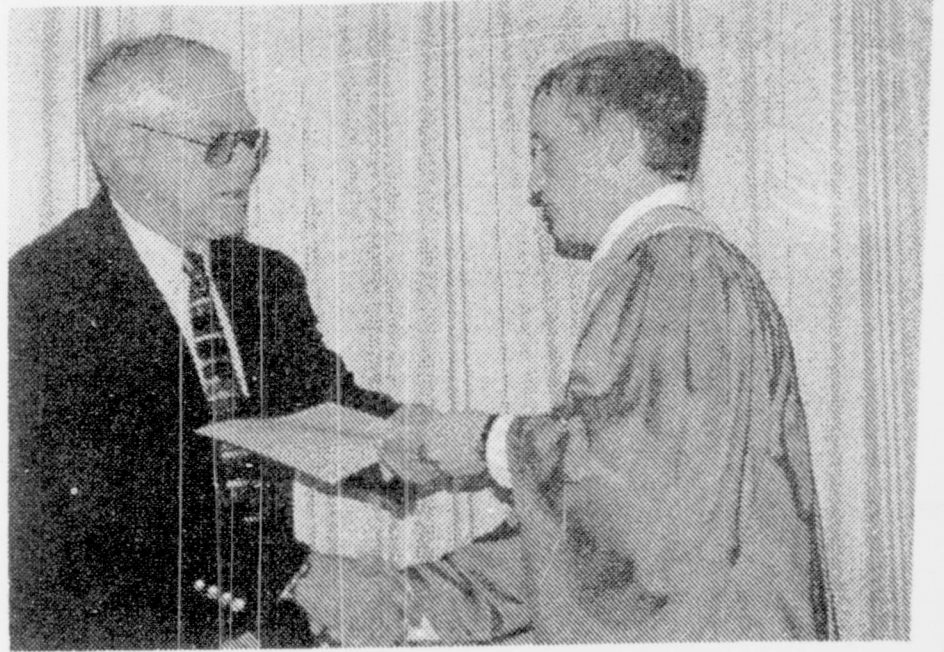
Judge Roselius explained to the court the two Carson County "law library" accounts. One account is in the county attorney's budget. The other is a general "law library" account which is located in the courthouse, it is available for use by all officials. It is funded by a \$20.00/case fee for cases filed in the district court and the general fund.

The court approved the request by G.T.E. to install communication lines in Precinct #4 east of White Deer. Approval was also granted for installation in Precinct #1 east of Panhandle. K&N was granted permission to install a gas line north of White Deer in Precinct #4.

Commissioner Smith requested to promote Danny Farrell due to a recent resignation in Precinct #2. The annual salary was set at \$15,114.60.

The court approved a provision to employ Tom Tarpley at \$11.15/hr. for part-time help. Mr. Tarpley recently retired from the county after nearly 40 years of service. Bret Hammer was employed as a full time building and grounds employee. His annual salary was set at \$15,418.44.

The court reviewed bids for a new Wheel Loader for Precinct #1. Bids from Yellow House Machinery, West Texas Equipment Company, and Scott Tractor were received. The court accepted the \$90,785.00 bid from West Texas Equipment for a new 938 G Cat Loader. Yellow House bid \$100,600.00 for a John Deere and Scott Tractor bid \$85,000.00 for a Case. Quality maintenance and buy back options were



Principal Danny Chisum presents Michael Stephens his certificate and pin attesting to his membership.



Mrs. Ingham serves up some cake found to be "finger licking" good by Martie Phillips and many other students.

considered by the court in making their decision.

The court released a \$100,000.00 Safekeeping Receipt from State National Bank of Groom.

A gun safety class was discussed by the court. The class would be part of the Carson County Extension Program. Classes would be at the county agriculture building under close adult supervision. Air rifles would be used in the program. The court agreed this would be a positive step for our youth.

Wanda Hood, Emergency Management Coordinator for Carson County met with the court to discuss the Pantex Alert and Warning System. The system will be tested the last Friday of each month between 11:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Pantex officials and county personnel will set the system off each month in order to evaluate the equipment. The first test will be March 27th.



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# The McLean News



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## School Board Donates \$500 To PTA For Survey

The McLean Independent School District Board of Education met in a regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. on March 16, 1998. Board members present were Jay Dee Fish, Bob Glass, Billie Ward, Neal Odom, John Holland, and Eugene Galley. Absent from the meeting was Don Dorsey. Others present were John Griffin, Superintendent; Leslie Darsey, secretary; Dick Crockett, Elementary Principal; Ed Bailey, High School Principal; and Vicki Smith, Site Coordinator. Visitors present from the PTA were Dawn Herndon, Terri Adams, and Susan Corley.

All votes were unanimous unless otherwise stated.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President, Jay Dee Fish. Opening prayer was led by Eugene Galley.

Minutes of the regular meeting held February 19, 1998, and the special

meeting held on March 11, 1998 were approved.

The PTA requested the board's approval for a grant application needed to start a Pre-K/Early Child Development Program. Motion was made by Neal Odom to assist the PTA with costs arising from a demographic survey of each eligible child, for the proposed facility; second by Billie Ward. The School Board presented the PTA with a check for \$500.00 to assist in mailing and assessment costs.

The following student transfers for the 98-99 school year were approved; motion by Billie Ward, second by Eugene Galley. Cesily Cadra, Trent Cadra, Suzanne Howard, Sarai Sawyer, Lucas Webb, Ashley Byron, Brody Carter, Brian Fuller, Bradley Howard, Bradley Sawyer, Nikki Alvarez.

The Financial Report A, B, and C were approved; motion by Neal

Odom, second by John Holland.

The board voted to approve the February bills to be paid as presented; motion by Bob Glass, second by John Holland.

The board went into Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. with a motion by Eugene Galley, second by Billie Ward. Return to open session came at 10:43 p.m. for the purpose of voting on rehiring of certified and non-certified personnel.

Motion was made by Billie Ward, second by Eugene Galley to renew Janet Glass' contract. Abstaining was Bob Glass.

Motion was made by Neal Odom, second by Billie Ward to renew Freda Holland's contract. Abstaining was John Holland.

Motion was made by Eugene Galley, second by John Holland to review

See School Board, pg. 10



## Keith Riemer To Perform At Red River Steak House

McLean native, Keith Riemer will be performing with his band "Skillet Creek" at the Red River Steak House on March 28th.

Keith Riemer was born in McLean and recently purchased the family homeplace just south of town. Riemer is an award winning songwriter, talented

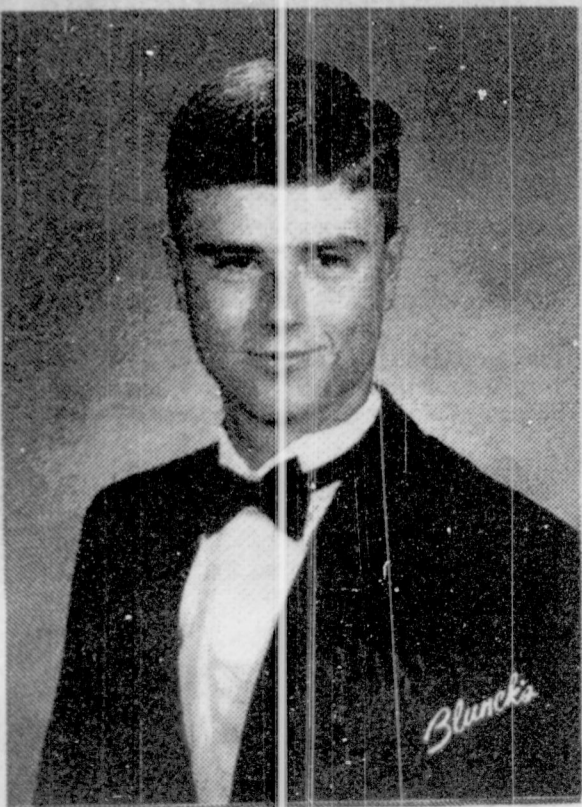
vocalist and guitarist. Thurston Shelby, a Pampa native, adds his fiery fiddle while Chris Savino rounds out the sound with some very fine bass work.

The group will be available in the area to play at dances, receptions and other events. Their performances include

traditional cowboy songs and western swing classics, a la Bob Wills as well as a collection of extraordinary originals.

The Red River Steakhouse is Texas dining at it's best. The Parson's welcome everyone to stop by for a wonderful meal and the best in country-western entertainment.

## Stalls Named To All-Star Rodeo Team



DENVER - Leaders of the National High School Rodeo Association (NHSRA), the oldest youth rodeo organization in America, appointed Shandon Stalls of McLean High School Rodeo Club to the Wrangler High School All Star Rodeo Team, the first-ever corporate-sponsored youth rodeo team.

The Wrangler High School All Star Rodeo Team is fashioned after Wrangler's Champion Pro Rodeo Team which includes superstars like Ty Murray, Joe Beaver, Dan Mortensen and Hall-of-Famer Jim Shoulders. Shandon earned a position on the Wrangler High School All Star Rodeo Team based on leadership qualities, academic eligibility and

See Stalls, pg. 10

### I Remember When . . .

*I remember when my dad, John Carpenter, and O.G. Stokley put the four black families who lived in McLean in the cellar to protect them from the KKK. They stood guard all night with guns and let it be known that if anyone tried to get them they would be shot. I watched out my bedroom window. No one came and they weren't bothered again. This was in about 1925.*

- Alice Graham

Former McLean resident, now in California.

### McLean Reminders . . .

TIME CHANGE is coming up on Sunday, April 5. Remember to change your clocks!

DEVIL'S ROPE Museum will help you advertise a spring garage sale if you schedule it for April 17 & 18, during the barbed wire show. Contact us at 100 Kingsley or call 779-2225.

## Briefs

Spring Break is almost over!

Shawn Bybee and Tori went to Borger to visit friends on Saturday.

Clay Crockett went to Paducah to visit his grandparents, Bob and Anita Thompson, over the weekend.

Jeffrey, Dee Ann, and Skee Burkes went to Umbarger Sunday for a family reunion.

Billy Bybee raced in Houston over the weekend in the top

alcohol dragster division.

Carrie Hardin's sister, Glenda, was visiting from California.

Deanna Ashley and Nicole McClendon are in San Diego, California visiting family.

Miranda McMordie celebrated her third birthday over the weekend.

### Gray County Area Primary Results

In the primary election, the results were as follows:

Justice of Peace,  
Precinct 4:  
Mary Ann Carpenter 752  
Don Dorsey 198  
County Commissioner

McLean School Menu  
March 30 - 31  
Monday  
Breakfast: French toast sticks, bacon, fruit, juice, milk.

Lunch: Corn dogs, tator tots, pork-n-beans, apple crisp, milk.

Tuesday  
Breakfast: Hot or cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Lunch: Chicken spaghetti, green beans, salad, bread sticks, fruit, milk.

Precinct 4:  
James Hefley 869  
Precinct 5 Chairman:  
Ted Simmons 35  
Linda McAnear 130  
Alanreed  
Precinct 4:  
Katherine Dorsey 17  
Jeff Haley 5

McLean Birthdays  
Anniversaries  
March 26 - Heidi Lynn Syfrett, Colleen Orrick Huseman.  
March 27 - Davey Ridgway, Joe Cooke, Patrick Martin.  
March 28 - Louise Watson, Shanna Littlefield, Jo Ellen Kniffen, Jesse Swafford.  
March 29 - Raymond Guyton, Linda McDonald, Martha Smith.  
March 30 - Jodie Thomas, Anna Miller.  
March 31 - Martha Parker.  
April 1 - Dick Everett, Emma Jean McDonald.

## Neighbors Caring For Neighbors.... Jo Logue Joins Hospice Team

Jo Logue, LVN, with 28 years of nursing experience - 10 years in hospice, has joined the team of Crown of Texas Hospice. She feels she has come full circle in her hospice career. She started at St. Anthony's Hospice, then under the leadership of Sharla Roselius-Valdez, Ronnie Atkins, and Gerald Holman, who are now the President, the Vice President for Patient/Family Services and the Vice President for Medical Education for Crown of Texas Hospice. Dr. Holman is also now the President of the American Board of Hospice and Palliative Medicine and is also the only physician on the National Hospice Organization Board.

Jo had great training that has led her to successfully care for more than 600 patients and their families in McLean and surrounding communities during the last seven years. "I started my hospice nursing mission after 18 years of nursing experience; however, I experienced hospice care long before it was known here in the U.S. with the care of my grandmother," she said.

Jo had known death early in her life - her father died when she was

only eight. Her father was badly burned in an oil field accident. He lived 40 painful days. Her grandmother followed later.

Her Grandmother had learned the lesson that people learn when they don't have hospice support - they don't want to die in pain. In the late 70's she developed Cancer and refused surgery. The hospital refused to release her from the hospital - her son carried her out. The physician refused to care for her at home. A relative in Colorado worked for a physician who must have known about hospice care (comfort care) who told them how to care for her for her Grandmother. The physician also sent medications and told them how to administer them. Jo, her sister and cousin were nurses and had the courage to gather all of the family to work together. They were able to offer care to their loved one - care, free from pain, surrounded with love and care - hospice.

"I know our family members became nurses because of our experience with my father and my grandmother. It has always seemed very natural. It is so sad that many terminally ill people never experience hospice - hospice is a god-send," she stated.

Jo tells that Hospice cares for terminally ill persons and their families - the whole family, the whole person, people of all ages, all diseases, and the best part is they care for people regardless of their ability to pay. All hospices are funded the same - Medicare,

medicaid and many private insurance companies. Crown of Texas Hospice encourages physicians to continue to care for their patients with the support of the wonderful team of professionals. Crown of Texas Hospice has always done courtesy care. The Crown of Texas Hospice Foundation assists with special needs of the patient and family - food, shelter and clothing - which are often necessary when the family has had so many losses and expenses. They also don't actively fundraise - they leave fundraising to the civic organizations and churches who need it.

Crown of Texas Hospice uses local businesses - pharmacies, equipment companies, nursing homes, the hospital, etc. Hospice is available 24 hours a day - seven days a week - just a phone call away. They believe that families have not only the will and the courage but also the gift to care for their own. Every one should have a choice in healthcare - and we do have a choice in Pampa. Our experience in caring for the dying is extensive - more than 2500 families in the past six years have experienced our hospice love. It is as it should be - neighbors caring for neighbors.

"I've never left the Panhandle area and I am so glad to be at home and back home with my original hospice family," stated Jo. Crown of Texas Hospice has 300 years of hospice experience and it shows in the quality care. "The truth is, Hospice helps people to live."

### Thanks!

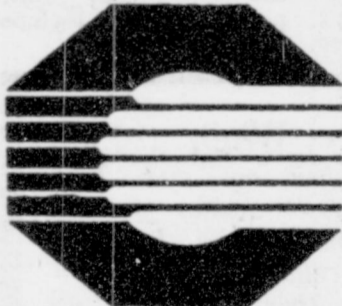
Thanks to the McLean Feedyard for sponsoring the women's basketball team to a 4th place finish this season.

Leslie Darsey, Rose Steel, Dee Ann Burkes, Sally Seymour, Sally Bohlar, Paula Waters, Eva Terry, Doretta Gerber, Sheila McFatridge, Kristie Crockett, Shandee Tolleson, Lacey Steel, Alicia Reynolds, and Angie Billingsley.

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### Alanreed News

By Lena Carter  
Visiting with Lena Carter on Sunday was Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Carter of Pampa.

Members of First Baptist Church enjoyed their monthly luncheon in the church kitchen on Sunday.

Visiting at First Baptist Church Sunday were the Wagner's, on their way home from California to Nebraska.

Welcome back, Dan and Susie Martin!

We received only a good dusting of snow on Monday, but 1.25 inches of rain. Very welcome.

Dixie Crockett made a trip to Amarillo on Friday.

Visiting the Tidwell's during the weekend was Verna Carver and family of Lamesa. Her daughter visiting here all last week returned home with her.

The First Baptist Church enjoyed an old-fashioned singing at the church Saturday evening with cookies and coffee afterward in the kitchen. Visitors came from other churches and we really enjoyed them.

The crew got the roof on the church house recently destroyed by wind.

Robert and Anita Bruce were in White Deer on business Tuesday.

You are cordially invited to a dedication celebration at the First Assembly of God Church, McLean, Tx.

This exciting time is for the dedication of our newly remodeled sanctuary. We will also be enjoying a time of homecoming with our former pastors.

**Sunday March 29, 1998**

11:00 am - Dean Williamson, dinner following  
6:00 pm - Community service with Dean Williamson

**Sunday April 5, 1998**

11:00 am - Z.A. Myers, dinner following

**Sunday, April 12, 1998**

11:00 am - Easter Celebration, Pastor Newton  
6:00 pm - Easter Celebration

**Sunday April 19, 1998**

11:00 am - Gary Griffin, dinner following  
6:00 pm - Gary Griffin



# McLean Care Center News

Saturday we started with Special Moments. Then we later met for our chat group. Those attending were Truman Goodlett, Phyllis Bailey, Thelma Finson, Thelma Hopkins, and Dovie Simmons. We did nails later in the morning. Saturday afternoon we gathered for Bingo. Those attending were Truman G. Phyllis B., Don Y., Dick W., Ora B., Dovie S., Thelma F., Dorothy P., with special volunteers Amanda Hauck and Josh Parsons.

Sunday morning our Sunday School did not meet because of the snow. The residents gathered to watch a gospel video tape of Buddy Payne. Those attending were Dick Wheeler, Gladys Andrews, Ora Billingsley, Thelma Hopkins, Jesse Coleman, Carnie Lowe, Dorothy Patterson, Mary Carter, James Throckmorton, Emma Graham, Don York, Duella Beverly, Vernie Collie, Beryl Halbert, Florence Drake, Hadda Moore, Polly Bennett, Dovie Simmons, Christine Shipley, and Jessie Watson, Teresa Richardson, Lula Sheegog, Christine Shipley, Dovie Simmons, Mable Dickey, Ora Billingsley, Leon Tate, James Throckmorton, Dick Wheeler, and Don York. In the afternoon, residents gathered for a movie and popcorn.

On Thursday morning Don York, Hadda Moore, Thelma Hopkins, Vernee Bowling, Emma Graham, Duella Beverly, James Throckmorton, Dorothy Patterson, Florence Drake, and Gladys Andrews gathered for a sing-a-long followed by a session of reminiscence.

Afterwards, all gathered at the T.V. for "Price is Right." In the afternoon, residents played bingo. Those attending were Ruby Ayers, Phyllis Bailey, Ora Billingsley, Vernee Bowling, Mable Dickey, Thelma Finson, Truman Goodlett, Hadda Moore, Dorothy Patterson, Teresa Richardson, Dovie Simmons, M.L. Turner, Jessie Watson, Dick Wheeler, and Don York.

Friday morning began with the men's "Special Moments" group. Afterwards, residents gathered to discuss the current events going on, followed by the "Price is Right." In the afternoon, residents gathered for dominos and crafts.

Sunday afternoon the residents gathered for church with the Methodist Church. Those attending were Jessie Watson, Pat Seymour, Lillie Billingsley, Mable Dickey, Duella Beverly, Jesse Coleman, Hadda Moore, Vernee Bowling, Polly Burnett, Ruby Ayers, Don York, Thelma Hopkins, Christine Shipley, Loma Gibbs, Ruby Myers, Emma Graham, Varnie Lowe, Dorothy Patterson, Thelma Finson, Ora Billingsley, Marjorie Turnage, Phyllis Bailey, Mattie Bailey, Truman Goodlett, and Dovie Simmons.

Tuesday came around with Special Moments first thing with nail care following. Later in the morning 14 residents gathered for a game of beach ball kick. In the afternoon, residents gathered to play dominos or to work on crafts.

Wednesday morning circle was a busy event when Betty Lopez came back to visit. Residents

out to visit with her were Ruby Ayers, Phyllis Bailey, Duella Beverly, Vernee Bowling, Polly Burnett, Lillie Billingsley, Jesse Coleman, Florence Drake, Truman Goodlett, M.L. Rowan, Thelma Hopkins, Varnie Lowe, Silvia McClellan, Hadda Moore, Thelma Finson, M.L. Turner, and Dorothy Patterson.

## Would You Share A Toothbrush?

(NAPS)—If you forgot your toothbrush, would you be willing to use someone else's? If your response was "yuck"—you're not alone. A recent survey showed that, for 29 percent of male and 36 percent of female respondents, the answer is a resounding "no."

## I Remember . . .

By Johnnie F. Mertel  
I remember one year Ernie Pyle came to McLean. He came with a group that was running across country from Los Angeles to Chicago. They stayed all night in McLean at different homes around town. Red Grange was in charge of one of the teams. The next morning Ernie Pyle did the count down for the start. There were runners from several different countries. The English runner ran on the left side of the road!

I remember when they laid the brick for paving the streets in downtown McLean. There was a water well in the intersection where we

now have a stop light. Later a flag pole took the place of the water well. Merle Grisby was going to put up the rope to pull the flag up. He



## Katrina Thomas Places First In Shamrock's Lad & Lassie's Contest

Katrina Shealyn Thomas, 5-year-old daughter of Bill and Tina Thomas, participated in the Lad & Lassie Beauty Contest in Shamrock on March 14.

Katrina won 1st place in the 4-6 year old category and was the girls' overall 1st place winner in the 2-13 year old category.

Grandparents are Betty Mackie, McLean; Beatrice Thomas, Wellington; and great-grandmother Neva Mackie of Pampa.



couldn't make it up the pole. Carl Hefner suggested I might try it. I said, "OK, but don't let my Dad see me!" I climbed up and pulled the rope through the pulley and pulled up the flag. I thought I was really a big shot that

day. They paid me a dollar and fifty cents.

I was noted at that time as a fast runner. They egged me on to run against a horse. I did and I beat him in a 100 yard race. Running got me out of trouble for a short time once. One Saturday night my brother, Paul and I and some other guys went down to Rish Phillips' watermelon patch to steal some watermelons. Mr. Phillips caught Paul and the other guys but I ran out of the melon patch and through the adjoining corn field lickety-split. When I got to the edge of the field I had to go through a barbed wire fence and tore up my jacket pretty bad, but I

got away. The other boys had to go to church the next morning with Rish Phillips and I missed out on that! My torn jacket gave me away, so I didn't get away with it all together. But that's another story.

My brother and I helped in the making of the concrete blocks that went into the three store buildings that are now my Boot Shop and The Alan Reed-McLean Museum. One of our jobs was watering them down to keep them wet for curing. That was another time I felt like a big shot. Being a citizen of McLean makes a person a pretty big shot anyway, I think.

## Twentieth Century Study Club

The Twentieth Century Study Club met March 12th in the home of Virginia Dalton with Laverne Brookes as co-hostess. As it was luncheon day all present were treated to a sumptuous lunch with too much food to enumerate. After which Mary Groves, President called the meeting to order. The Collect was said in unison led by Lena Carter. Minutes were ready by Laura Edleman and approved as read. No new business was discussed. Old business was plans for the field day in June and all members will bring recommendations next meeting in April at Lena Carter's. The program was given by Virginia and she read a long poem of her childhood memories. The roll call was "Creeks" and each present gave a memory of a special creek in their lives. Answering roll call was members: Relia Ayres, Laverne Brookes, Lena Carter, Virginia Dalton, Laura Edleman, Mary Groves, Cliffie Heasley, Sherri Martindale, Lillie Williams and visitors from Pampa, Jackie Lowe, Dorothy Cowart, Nell Hill, Bonnie Bidwell, Oleta Harris, Misty Hannon, Mallory and Ashley (Mary's grands) and Brother James Martindale.

## McLean Church Directory

**Assembly Of God 4th & Main**  
779-2902 779-2221  
Sunday School all ages 9:45am  
Worship & Children's Church 10:45 am  
Worship 6:00 pm Wed. Bible Study & Youth Service 7:00 pm

**Church of Christ 4th & Clarendon**  
779-2548  
Sunday Bible School 10 am  
Worship 10:40 am & 6 pm  
Wed. Bible Class 7:30

**First Baptist Church 206 E. 1st**  
Pastor James Martindale 779-2175  
Sunday School 9:45; Worship 11 am & 6 pm  
(Youth) & Wed. Bible Study, Prayer Meeting 7 pm  
Sun. Youth Bible Study 5 pm

**United Methodist Church 2nd & Gray**  
Pastor Thacker Haynes 779-2049 779-2337  
Sunday School 9:45 am Worship 10:50 am & 6 pm  
Sun. Sr. High Youth Alpha Chi 5 pm  
Wed. Choir 7:00 pm

**Heald United Methodist Church**  
Kellerville Road  
Sunday 9:15

**Trinity Baptist Church 603 Commerce**  
James Mantooth 779-3207  
Sunday School 9:45 am Worship 11 am  
Sunday Evening Worship 7 pm  
Bible Study & Prayer Meeting Wed 7 pm

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### School Board

Coach Jeremy Ramsey's contract at the April board meeting. Bob Glass made a motion, second by Billie Ward to renew Alicia Reynolds' probationary contract. Neal Odom made a motion, second by Eugene Galley to renew Vicki Smith's probationary contract; with five (5) voting for: Jay Dee Fish, Neal

Odom, Bob Glass, Eugene Glass, and Billie Ward. One opposed: John Holland. Billie Ward made a motion, second by Eugene Galley to renew Coach Paula Waters' probationary contract. Billie Ward made a motion, second by Bob Glass to renew Jimmy Hannon's probationary contract. Neal Odom made a motion, second by Billie

Ward to rehire Linda Smith as an hourly part-time employee. The following certified teachers were rehired with motion by Billie Ward, second by Eugene Galley. Nikki Adams, Mindy Fletcher, Judith Watkins, Nancy Woodard, Cynthia Hauck, Laura Hommel, Kim Oldham, Jacque Riley, June Close, Bobbi Stalls, Lesa Greer, Misty Hannon, Linda Haynes, Bill Layman, Rhonda Patterson, Evelyn Sanders.

The following non-certified personnel were rehired with motion by Bob Glass, second by Billie Ward. Mary Basham, Myrtle Billingsley, Shaun Crawford, Leslie Darsey, Tammy Hanes. Frank

### Mom's Circle Holds March Games

On March 11th Mom's Circle met in the First United Methodist Church for fellowship and lunch. Games were played and Nama Webb, Ella Mae Reyna and Denise Howard won prizes. Lunch was spinach quiche, fruit salad, chicken and cashew salad, and cookies. Attending were the above mentioned and Dee Ann Burkes, Adella Jackson, Kendra Burchfield, Shawn Bybee, Teddy Sage, Kristi Crockett, Charlie Irene Webb, Becca Reynam Bradley Howard, Skee Burkes, Cassie Jackson, Madison Burchfield, Tori Bybee, Clarice and Nikki

Sage, and Cody and Clay Crockett. Nursery was kept by Judy Lee and Penny Carr. The next Mom's Circle will be April 8 at the Methodist Church. All mom's are welcome, just bring \$2 per child to cover nursery costs. For this time, we ask that everyone bring 2-3 recipes (copied) that we can trade around. For May 13, Shawn Bybee contacted Steve McCauley of Channel 4 News and he is coming to do a program about severe weather. Call 779-3194 for more information.

### Check Mail To The IRS

Before dropping it in the mailbox, always check mail to the IRS for enough postage and complete addresses - both the return address and IRS office. Otherwise, the mail could get lost or delayed, and that could cause penalties, interest and frustration.

### Voters Will Have Big Choice In May Election

McLean voters will have quite a choice when it comes to the May elections this year. 10 candidates have signed up for the McLean School Board Election. They are Jake Hess II, Mike Darsey, Milton Best, Jay Dee Fish, Joe Riley, T.D. Simmons, Bobby Sanderson, Bob Glass, Monty Joiner, Kathy Hembree. The City of McLean has 5 candidates for the 3 open seats. They are Sam Haynes, Bob Martin, Jim McDonald, Jane Pierce, and Ann Pierce.



### School Board

Sparling, Joe Billingsley, Tammy Carter, Pam Crockett, Glenda Dickey, Margaret Milam, Rhonda Sparling. Adjournment came at 10:48 p.m.

### Cow/ Calf Clinic To Be Held

A Cow/ Calf Clinic will be held on Tuesday, March 31, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. at the Skellytown Community Center. Dr. Joe Hillhouse, DVM, Carson County Veterinary Clinic will talk on Breeding soundness evaluation of bulls. Dr. Ted McCollum, Extension Beef Cattle Specialist will discuss the heifer reproduction tract evaluation. The meal sponsored by Britten Feed and Seed/HiPro. Please RSVP by 4:00 p.m. on March 27th at 537-3882.

### Loaves & Fishes Ministry Alive & Well

The Loaves and Fishes Ministry is alive and well, thanks to the hard work of volunteers and donations made by the community, said Vonnie Bible, coordinator. "We've had such a good response from people. Volunteers and donations are still welcome, because we are now serving 32 hot meals daily," Bible continued.

### Stalls

athletic achievements. "We are excited to expand Wrangler's rodeo sponsorship program at the high school level," said Karl Streeman, special events manager for Wrangler Rodeo. "It gives us a tremendous sense of pride to associate the Wrangler brand with promising young men and women. We're confident each member of the team will be an outstanding goodwill ambassador for the sport of rodeo."

Members of the Wrangler High School All Star Rodeo Team receive official competition apparel consisting of Wrangler Twenty X shirts embroidered with the team logo and two pairs of competition jeans. In addition, team members receive an official team certificate signed by rodeo greats Jim Shoulders and Ty Murray.

"Wrangler's NHSRA sponsorship is a natural extension of our professional and collegiate rodeo programs," said Louis Russo, director of Western Wear marketing for Wrangler. "We are confident the NHSRA partnership will reinforce Wrangler brand loyalty with the youth market." "The NHSRA owes much of its success to the support of its national sponsors," said Kent Sturman, general manager of the NHSRA, "and we

are excited to have a prominent company like Wrangler step forward to help us meet the ever increasing challenges facing our young people today."

"Cowboys can always depend on Wrangler to support the infrastructure of rodeo," said Sturman. "Our members are thrilled to have Wrangler as a sponsor and are proud to wear their products in and out of the competition arena."

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The mission of the NHSRA is to help today's young people become responsible, dedicated adults through the sport of rodeo. High school rodeo has come a long way since its start as a single event held in Hallettsville, Texas in 1947. It now features over 13,000 members and 1,100 sanctioned rodeos in 38 states and four Canadian Provinces.

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The Groom News is authorized to present the name of the following candidates for offices, subject for office, subject to the Elections to be held on March 10, 1998. A fee of \$35.00 has been paid by each candidate for listing in this column from now till the final election in November.

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**223rd District Court Judge**  
Democrat: Lee Waters

**Dist. & Co. Clerk**  
Republican: Gaye Honderich  
Democrat: Susan Winborne

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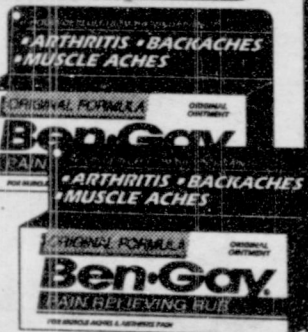
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