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Newly Elected Trustees Take Oath Of Office

The McLean Independent School District Board of Education met for regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on May 16, 2005. Board members present were Billy Bybee, Ronnie Ferguson, Chet Bohlar, Terri Adams, Bobby Richardson, David Fuller and Marshall Hanes. Others present were Superintendent, Eric Smith, Jimmy Hannon, Dick Crockett, Jason Farmer, Leslie Darsey, David Haynes, and newly elected Board members Toni Bohlar and Joe Riley.

All votes are unanimous unless otherwise stated.

Ronnie Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and Bobby Richardson gave the opening prayer.

Motion by Terri Adams, second by David Fuller to approve the regular meeting minutes of April 18, 2005. Motion carried.

Motion by Terri Adams, second by Bobby Richardson to approve the canvass of the May 7th School Board election. Results of the election were 104 votes for Joe Riley, 108 votes for Toni Bohlar, 90 votes for Jason Henderson, 60 votes for Bobby Richardson, and 85 votes for Carey Richardson. New

Board members Joe Riley and Toni Bohlar were sworn in and the oaths were issued by Notary, Leslie Darsey. At this time Bobby Richardson gave a farewell to everyone and exited the meeting.

The board re-organized with a motion by David Fuller, second by Chet Bohlar to nominate Terri Adams as Board President. Motion carried. Motion by Chet Bohlar, second by Toni Bohlar to nominate David Fuller as Vice-President. Motion carried. Billy Bybee was elected Secretary by acclamation. Motion carried. Ronnie Ferguson thanked the Board and left the meeting.

Motion by Chet Bohlar, second by David Fuller to accept the resignation of Christy Cox, Special Ed teacher. Motion carried.

Mr. Smith reported that the new route bus had been purchased to replace Mr. Crockett's bus and would be delivered the last day June or the first of July.

Motion by David Fuller, second by Joe Riley to approve Policy Update 75. Motion carried.

The Board went into executive session at 7:38 p.m. to discuss the high school principal position and the girl's basketball

coaching position. Jason Farmer was asked to join the executive session for a short time. Return to open session came at 8:15 p.m.

Motion by Billy Bybee, second by David Fuller to accept Mr. Smith's recommendation to hire Jason Farmer as Head Girl's basketball coach and Blaze Herring as Head Boy's basketball coach. Motion carried.

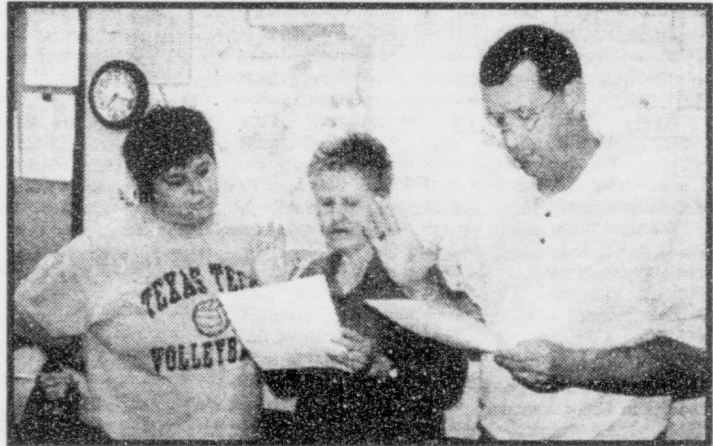
Motion by Chet Bohlar, second by Marshall Hanes to approve the Financial Reports A, B, and C. Joe Riley and Toni Bohlar abstained from voting.

Motion by Billy Bybee, second by Joe Riley to approve to pay the bills as presented and to sign the corresponding checks. Motion carried.

Under other business, Mr. Smith informed the Board that the e-rate had been denied for the internal connections because the amount submitted did not reach the approved discount level, but he will appeal the denial.

A tentative school calendar has been made up and will be approved at the next Board meeting with August 17th being the first day of school.

Marshall Hanes had a
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Toni Bohlar and Joe Riley take the Oath of Office to serve on the McLean I.S.D. Board of Trustees on Monday night at the regular board meeting.

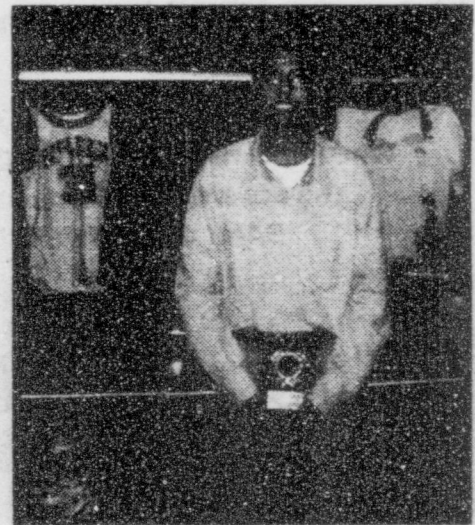
Athletes Honored

McLean High School held the annual athletic banquet on Friday, May 13, 2005 at the Devil's Rope Museum.

Coach Herring gave the welcome and then the crowd enjoyed a barbeque meal.

Coach Butler started the evening by awarding the most improved cross-country recipients. Brooke Seymour earned the girls award and DJ Menefield earned the boys award.

Jack Graves, coach of the Tiger football team awarded some of the members of his team for their efforts. Jayme Welch took home the most improved award. Nick Jones was awarded outstanding defense. Team MVP and outstanding offense went to Senior, James Alexander. The Fighting Tiger was awarded



Senior, Antonio Montoya was honored with the MVP award in Tennis at the annual Sports Banquet.

to Kevin Smith. Tiger basketball coach, Jason Farmer handed out several awards during the night. The free throw award went to Senior, Tyler Hanes. Mandan Conklin
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MCLEAN REMINDERS

THE GIRL SCOUTS are looking for McLean volunteers. For more information call Denise Bertrand 1-800-687-8740.

LAST DAY OF School - May 27. School out at Noon.

MEMORIAL DAY - May 30, 2005

8TH GRADE Graduation - May 26 at 7:00 p.m.

K-7th AWARDS Assembly - May 25.

HIGH SCHOOL Awards Assembly - May 23 at 1:15.

COWBOY CHURCH And L.: Arena of Life meet every Saturday night at 7:00 p.m. at the Historical Alanreed Church.

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McLean Birthdays & Anniversaries

May 19 - Maurine Barker Holden
Foshee, Clay Gordy.
May 20 - Zella Everett, Jimmy and
McClellan, Lee Ann Tammie Armbrister (A).
Feenstra, Dakota Watson.
May 21 -
May 22 - Janie
May 23 - Effie Lou
May 24 - Bob Hardin,
Erin Martin, Don White.
May 25 -

Barb Wire Museum Hosts Several Events

The high lights of April was the Barb Wire Show the 7th and 8th. We had collectors from several states. They showed their collections of barb wire and other collectables. Their ladies showed everything from frogs to gold table settings. A good time was had by all.

We had a total of 540 visitors from thirty-three states. We had 104 visitors from seventeen foreign countries.

The most fun was two young men from England. They were from the National Film and TV School outside London and doing a documentary for their graduate work. They hope it will be good enough to be on national TV. Their subject is Museums of Texas and they would like to have a companion piece to go along with the museum they are filming. Don Taylor was kind enough to take them to his place to

see his cattle and to the Shamrock's Cattle Auction. He also took them to the McLean Feedlot. Harold Hagemier, one of our board of directors, came from Amarillo to give them the grand tour of the museum. Delbert invited them out to his ranch because they wanted to see a "working ranch." They were fascinated with everything concerning the "Old West." They were in and out of McLean for a week, hoping for a sunny day to film outside. The weather gave them snow, rain, cold wind and everything but sunshine! They were a couple of fun guys and promised to send us a copy of their finished project.

The teacher appreciation dinner was held at the museum Hospitality Room on April 26th. We have the Junior-Senior Banquet and Sports Banquet booked for May.

Graduation Ceremony Held For The Pre-Kindergarten Students

The Pre-Kindergarten class of 2004-2005 graduated on May 10, 2005. The ceremony was held at the First Baptist Church in McLean.

The children have been attending the Pre-Kindergarten class all year. The class was held every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Volunteers from the children's family taught the students the fundamentals needed to progress to kindergarten at McLean I.S.D.

Members of the graduating class are David Wells, Payton Smart, Zacary Azzazzi, Brooke Alley, Cayden Mann,



Trenton Jasper, Sammy Blaylock, Jayden McLain, LaRoe, Maritza Retna, Raymond, Breanna Jack Reyna, Chandler, Mason Edwards, and Ariel Michalenko.

"Alive In '05" Theme For Ex-Student Reunion

Plans are underway for the McLean Ex-Students June 17-18 "Alive in 05" Reunion. Registration will start at 2:00 p.m. on Friday at the McLean County Club followed by a 5:00-7:00 p.m. chicken spaghetti dinner served by the Methodist Women.

On Saturday morning there will be a pancake

breakfast served from 6:30-9:00 a.m. at the grade school cafeteria by the Class of 2008. Late registration will be available at the high school that morning. There will be a Talent Show in the high school auditorium from 10:00-12:00 a.m. (Call Jane Herndon 779-2756 if you would like to participate).

A \$ 6.50 brisket lunch catered by Route 66 Restaurant will be served in the McLean Park at noon (with advance ticket purchase required).

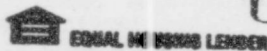
In the afternoon there will be a short business meeting, followed at 3:00 p.m. by individual class meetings. The Country Club will be available from

4:00-6:00 p.m. for additional visiting. The Texas Junction Band will provide music that night for a 8:00 p.m. dance at the McLean Country Club (with tickets \$10. tickets available at the door).

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Wednesday: French Toast, Sausage, Toast & Jelly, Juice, Milk
Thursday: Omelets, Egg Pattie, Bacon, Toast & Jelly, Juice, Milk
Friday: Donuts, Toast & Jelly, Juice, Milk

LUNCH
Monday: Corn dogs, Burritos, Pinto Beans, Fruit, Milk
Tuesday: Sausage Wraps, Spinach, Salad, Fruit, Milk
Wednesday: Chicken and Fish, Veggie Sticks, Carrots, Texas Toast, Milk
Thursday: Steak fingers, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Peas and Carrots, Texas Toast, Milk
Friday: Hamburgers, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Onion, Chips, Fruit and Milk

Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not go to church to have fun.

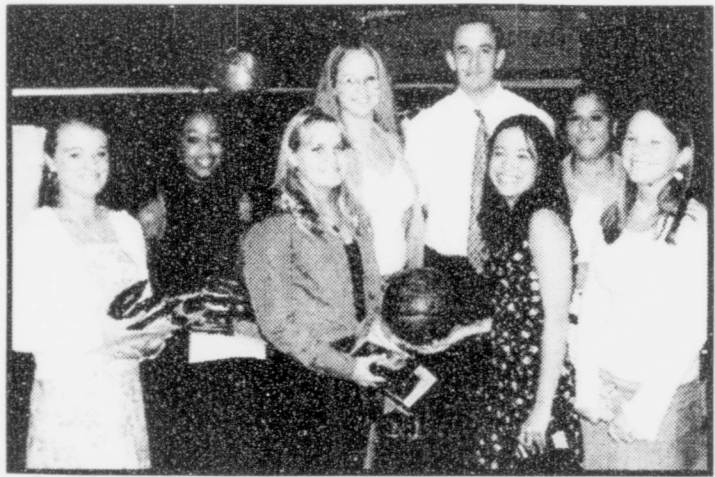
- J.B. Brown

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Sunday Bible School 10:00 a.m.
Worship 10:40 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed. Bible Class 7:30
- First Assembly of God** 4th & Main
Morning Worship 10:45 Children's Church 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday-Family Night 7:00 p.m.
Children, Youth @ 6:00 & Adult Bible Study @ 7:00
Sunday Evening 7:00 p.m.
- First Baptist Church** 208 E. 1st
Pastor Kelly Raymond 779-2175
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:50 & 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- United Methodist Church** 2nd & Gray
Pastor Thacker Haynes 779-2049 & 779-2337
Sunday 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:50 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Sunday Sr. High Youth Alpha Chi 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Choir 7:00 p.m.
- Heald United Methodist Church**
Kellerville Road
Sunday 9:15 a.m.
- Trinity Church** 663 Commerce
Pastor Larry Perkins 779-3207
Sunday worship 10:45 a.m.
Life Groups-Sunday-5:00 p.m.
Solid Rock Youth & Sunshine Children's Ministry
Wednesday 6:00
Adult Bible Study-Wednesday-7:00 p.m.
- Cowboy Church & The Arena of Life of McLean**
Ronnie Ferguson, Pastor
Saturday at 7:00 pm
Historical Alarreed Baptist Church



Coach Jason Farmer stands with all the Tigers and their awards.



Coach Matt Butler, who is moving on to another district, was presented a basketball signed by all the Lady Tigers on Friday night at the sports banquet.

ATHLETICS

received the rebound award, the 3-point shooting award also went to Tyler Hanes. Most improved player award was earned by Jacob Tolleson. The Fighting The defensive MVP award went to Zane Richardson.

Tiger award was given to Senior, Lucas Seymour. The offensive MVP award was given to two Tigers, Manden Conklin and Zames Alexander. The MVP was also shared by Zane Richardson and Manden Conklin.

Stephanic Henson earned the defensive player award

for the Lady Tigers basketball team. Coach Matt Butler also handed out the offensive player award to Markeisha Menefield. She was also awarded the MVP award. Most improved was earned by Brooke Seymour.

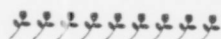
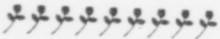
Coach Butler also awarded Markeisha Menefield with the Lady Tigers track MVP award. James Alexander and Jayme Welch were awarded the Tiger track MVP awards by Coach Graves. Most improved went to Stephen

Ingle.

Brooke Seymour earned the MVP award in Lady Tiger golf by Coach Farmer. Most improved went to Tamara Loya. Coach Farmer awarded Tyler Hanes with the MVP in Tiger golf. Most improved

was awarded to John Haynes.

Coach Jana Gates awarded Brooke Seymour with the Lady Tiger MVP award in tennis. Antonio Montoya earned the MVP for the Tigers. Most improved went to Nick Jones and John Haynes.



CARD OF THANKS

Thank you for the support and help you have given me and the students at McLean. Neither of us could have been as successful without the support of so many. It has been a wonderful first year

teaching experience because of the support that was given. A special thanks to those who assisted in making this tennis season a special and successful one.

Thank you,
Miss Gates



Students of the week - K- Rachel Soto and Callie Crockett, 1st- Samantha Long, 2nd- Jasmine Montoya, 3rd- Ian McMordie, 4th- Rocco Rodriguez, 5th- Rudy Rodriguez, 6th- Tyler Lamb, 7th- Jessi Skipper

Randi Riley Named To Honor Roll

A total of 1,058 students has been named to honor rolls at Southwestern Oklahoma State University for academic work during the 2005 spring semester on the Weatherford campus. There were 423 students named to the President's Honor Roll. An undergraduate student who earns all A's in 12 or more hours during a semester qualifies for the President's Honor Roll.

There were 635 students on the Dean's Honor Roll.

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Named to the 2005 spring semester lists was Randi Jo Riley of McLean.

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To the Voters of McLean

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your support in the May 7th election for McLean I.S.D. school board. I appreciate your vote of confidence and pledge to do my best in the interest for the students of McLean I.S.D.

Joe Riley

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Local First Grade Author's Read Their Work At Annual Tea

BOARD



B.J. Ketcherside and Alexis Brown read stories they created to their grandparents at the author's tea.

The first grade class held their annual Author's Tea on May 11 at the United Methodist Church.

This annual event allows the local first grade authors an opportunity to present their works to the public. Each student author, who was dressed to impress, read his or her story out loud to their audience. Each story was created entirely from their imagination. The authors

had also created the art work for their book.

During the event parents and others interested in their favorite author were treated to refreshments.

Mrs. Watson's kindergarten class learned important emergency medical information when the local EMS came to the school for EMS week.



question about how many days a student could miss and what would happen when they had been absent several days. Mr. Crockett explained that a student must be present 90% of the school year.

Terri Adams inquired about sending a letter to parents regarding the school's past encounter with a Belgium man hacking into the computer system. She also made an inquiry about the Pre-K class that had been talked about at a previous meeting, which will also be on the agenda for the next board meeting.

Terri Adams suggested having an introduction ceremony for Jimmy Hannon. Mr. Hannon will be taking on the superintendent responsibilities full-time beginning July 1st.

Board training in Canyon will be Wednesday, May 18.

Terri Adams and David Fuller will be handing out diplomas at High School Graduation. Toni Bohlar and Chet Bohlar will hand out diplomas at 8th Grade Graduation.

The next regular board meeting will be on June 20, 2005.



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Red Ripe Strawberries **99¢** for 1 lb. pkg.

Tropical Langos **3\$1** for



Banquet Pot Pies Assorted 7 oz. pkg. **5\$2** for



White Bread TenderCrust Thin Sliced, 24 oz. **2\$1** for



Sirloin Tip Steak **\$1.99** Lb. Preferred Trim Boneless Beef

Smoked Sausage Peyton's Reg. or Polish, 14 oz. **99¢**



Shurfine Ice Cream Assorted Flavors 5 quart pail **\$3.99**



Hunt's Ketchup Perfect Squeeze 20 oz. bot. **89¢**



Shurfine Sodas Assorted 3 liter **89¢**



Bathroom Tissue Soft'n Gentle 4 roll pkg. **99¢**



Dairy Case

Shurfine Buttermilk 1 1/2 gallon **2\$3** for

Shurfine Chocolate Milk 1 1/2 gallon **\$1.79**

Assorted Flavors Plains Dips 12 oz. tub **\$1.29**

Select Varieties Kraft Chunk Cheese 4-8 oz. pkg. **2\$4** for

Shurfine Shredded Cheddar 4 oz. **89¢**

American Finest Singles 10 oz. **89¢**

Jumbos Biscuits Shurfine Assorted 8 count **99¢**



Frozen Foods

Blue Bunny Yogurt Smoothie, Ice Cream Bars or Sweet Treats: Ice Cream Bars, Lunch Lites or White Choc. Almond Bar

Novelties 12 count **\$3.59**

Select Varieties 7.8-11 oz. Dinners or 20 oz. Mac & Cheese

Stouffer's Dinners **2\$5** for



Select Group Family Size Snacks **5\$5** for 6-12 ct. family size

Libby's Reg. or Chicken Vienna Sausage 3 oz. can **2\$1** for

Libby's Potted Meat 3 oz. can **3\$1** for




Assorted On or Off Palmolive Dish Liquid 18 oz. bot. **2\$4** for

Half Baked Chocolate Cake 18 oz. **\$1.49**

Many Size Pink Salmon 14.25 oz. **\$1.69**

Hand Towel Paper Towels **79¢** per roll



Country Style Ribs Meaty Pork Family Pack **\$1.49** Lb.



Navel Oranges 59¢ lb

Iceberg Lettuce **79¢** EA.

Cantaloup 49¢ lb

Mini Carrots **99¢** ea.

Garden Fresh Asparagus **2\$69** lb.

Crisp Celery **69¢** ea.

Jumbo Vidalia Yellow Onions **89¢** lb.

Spicy Hot Jalapeño Peppers **99¢** lb.

Non-cyber Melon **89¢** lb.

Northwest D'Anjou Pears **79¢** lb.

wash. Extra Fancy Pink Lady, or Golden Delicious Apples **79¢** lb.

New Crop Seedless Red Grapes **79¢** lb.

Tangy Juicy Lemons or Limes **3\$1** for

Fresh Apricots **79¢** lb.

Golden Pineapple **2\$99**

peeled 1 lb. pkg. **2\$5** for

Tomatoes **2\$5** for



100 Calorie Snacks Kid Sense Fun Pack **2/\$5**

Nabisco Ritz Chips Ahoy **2/\$5**

Salad Dressing **2\$4** for

Hawaiian Punch **2\$5** for



Pork Chops Preferred Trim Center Cut Boneless **\$2.69** Lb.

Chuck Roast Preferred Trim Boneless Beef **\$1.99** Lb.

Split Fryer Breasts Family Pack (previously frozen) **\$1.19** Lb.

H&B Hot Links **\$1.19**

Oscar Mayer Sausages Cooked Ham 1 lb. pkg. **\$2.99**

Sirloin Bone-In Pork Roast **\$1.69** lb.

Preferred Thin Boneless Beef Sirloin Tip Roast **\$1.99** lb.

Preferred Thin T-Bone Steak **\$5.99** lb.

Preferred Thin Boneless Beef Chuck Steak **\$2.19** lb.

Preferred Thin Boneless Beef Chuck Eye Steak **\$4.39** lb.

Applegate Medium Rare Quick Peel 2 lb. **\$6.99**

White Shrimp **\$6.99** 41/70 ct.

Bar-S Franks **69¢** 15 oz.

Bar-S Meat Bologna **89¢** 15 oz.

Peyton's Reg. or Thick Sliced Bacon **\$1.99** 11 oz.

Peyton's Chorizo **\$1.19** 8 oz.

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Thursday, May 19, 2005

City Raises Water Rates

The Groom City Council held its regular monthly business meeting on Tuesday, May 10 at 7:30 p.m. Attending were the Mayor, Joe Homer; Aldermen Ellis Stapp, Don Case, Chris Welch, Kenneth Weller, and Doug Kling; City Secretary Mary Sue Lyles and visitor, Tim Case, representing the Groom Summer Youth Program.

The meeting was called to order and Mary Sue Lyles administered the Oath of Office to newly re-elected Mayor Joe Homer and newly re-elected aldermen Chris Welch and Kenneth Weller.

Ellis Stapp was elected

Mayor Pro Temp

Tim Case, treasure of the Groom Youth Program, presented the financial statement for the 2004 summer baseball and swimming programs and projection fro the 2005 programs. The \$2200 funds voted upon at the last meeting will be released to the program since the financial statements have been presented. (These statements are included at the end of this report)

The BFI rate increase of 4% for each dumpster customer was approved.

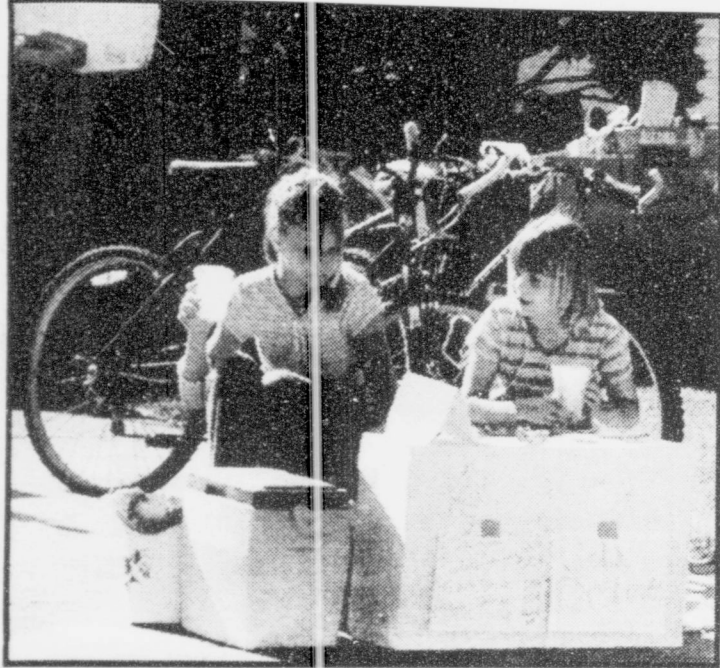
The city will seek quotes for roof repairs for the City Hall. Estimates will include a quote for a

flat roof as well as for adding a pitched roof on the City Hall building. Quotes will also be requested for the city's rental property on Broadway for roof repairs.

The mayor reported that the community Development Grant which with City had applied for to facilitate water line replacement had been scored at the local level. The City project placed 23 out of 36 cities applying for the grants.

Don Case moved and Doug Kling seconded the motion to increase water rates. The new rates will be a \$3.00 increase to the

See CITY, pg. 4



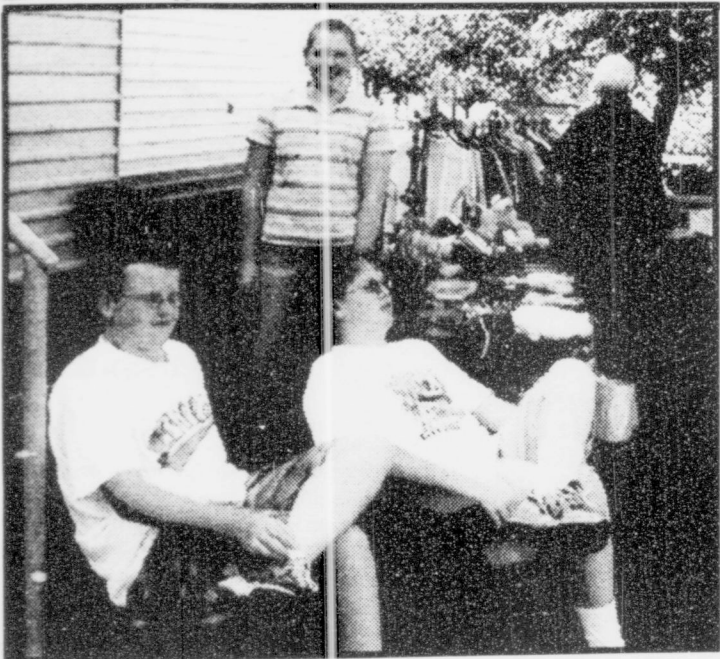
The Case grand-kids, Tyler, Ryan, Kara man the check out stand for their grandmother, Karen Case at Saturday's sale.

City Wide Garage Sale Deemed A Big Success!

Groom's city-wide garage sale was a great success! Ten homes had items from numerous families to offer shoppers.

Those participating felt that the good turn out was due, at least in part, to the great weather. The event is hosted by the Groom News

as a community service. Press releases are sent out to surrounding communities. A fall city-wide garage sale will be held in October. See GARAGE SALE, pg. 3



It's a business in a business! These grand-kids at Gladys Thias set up a cold drink stand, something every garage-sale-er needs.

Re-Count Finds No Change In Original Election

Ballot counters came back to the school late last week to verify the election results after one candidate asked for a recount. Under Texas election laws, any one of the candidates who was not elected may request a recount of the ballots, (although under the law certain winning

candidates may ask for a recount although this law does not apply in this case).

Seth Ritter, who lost his seat on the Groom ISD School Board by 1 vote petitioned the Election Coordinator for the recount citing the law that states that a recount is allowable if the number of votes

received by the petitioner and the number of votes received by the person who was elected is less than a 10% difference.

"I have no reason to expect an error but when the election was decided by one vote, I felt it was better

See RECOUNT, pg. 6

GROOM COMMUNITY CALENDAR

GROOM ISD will hold its annual Awards Assembly on Monday, May 23 at 8:00 am.

GROOM ISD 8th grade graduation will be at 6:00 p.m. on May 27.

THE CLASS of 2005 will hold Commencement Ceremonies at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, May 27 in the Groom ISD Auditorium.

THE GROOM softball team will play the Claude Reds at Claude Thursday, May 19th, at 7:00 p.m. They will play Clarendon #2 at Clarendon Monday, May 23rd, at 6:30 p.m.

THE GROOM minor league baseball team will play the Clarendon Astros at Clarendon Tuesday, May 24th, at 7:00 p.m.

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It's A Girl

Ainsley Danielle was born May 12. She weighed 7lbs 14 ozs and was 20 and 1/2 inches long.

Ainsley was welcomed home by her big brother, Hunter, and her proud parents Aimee and James Bussard.

Ainsley's grandparents are Lawrence and Diane Bussard of Dumas and Don and Mary Sue Lyles of Groom. Great-grandparents are Dan and Pat Ashford of Groom and Eldon and Ruth Lyles of Childress.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

May 19 - John Bohr, Grant Weinheimer, Dusty Crump.

May 20 - Carrie Sue Davis, Hali Bohr.

May 21 - Johnny W. Brooks, Tom N. Britten, Joannie Kling.

May 22 - Shirley Jean Fields, Diane Bruso,

Richard Barkley.

May 23 - Charles A. Britten, Ray C. Britten, Courtney Head, Christy Painter.

May 24 - Jayden Lambert, Dale Brooks.

May 25 - Sharlene Lewis.



Metzger's Welcome New Baby Girl, Hannah Grace

Hannah Grace Metzger was welcomed to the world on April 21, 2005 at 4:09

P.M. She weighed 7 lbs 6 oz. and was 20 3/4 inches tall.

Hannah is welcomed to her new home in Sweetwater, Texas by her big brother Benjamin and her proud parents Mark and Karen Metzger. The happy grandparents are Kenneth and Linda Babcock of Groom and Ken and Sue Metzger of Lubbock. The precious girl also has a very pleased Great-Grandmother, Johnnie Stout of Clarendon.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

ON THURSDAY, May 19 the Groom ISD Music Department will have a K-6th grade program and Talent Show at 7:00 p.m.

THE GROOM High school will hold a Mediaeval Festival on May 19.

ATTENTION

Bicycle and moped riders! Please follow traffic rules, or someone is going to get hurt! Parents, please help reinforce this POINT!

Card of Thanks

My sincerest thanks to all who supported me in my bid for the school board. I will do my best to serve the whole community, being ever mindful of what is best for our school and it's students.
Kathleen Barkley

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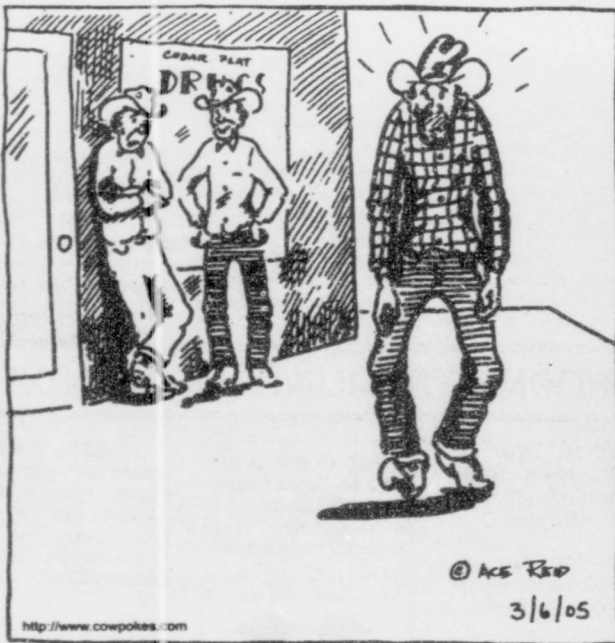
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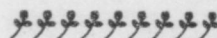
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Groom Basketball CUP 2005

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Where: Groom HS Gym

Times: 3rd-5th grade-9:00a.m.-12:00p.m.

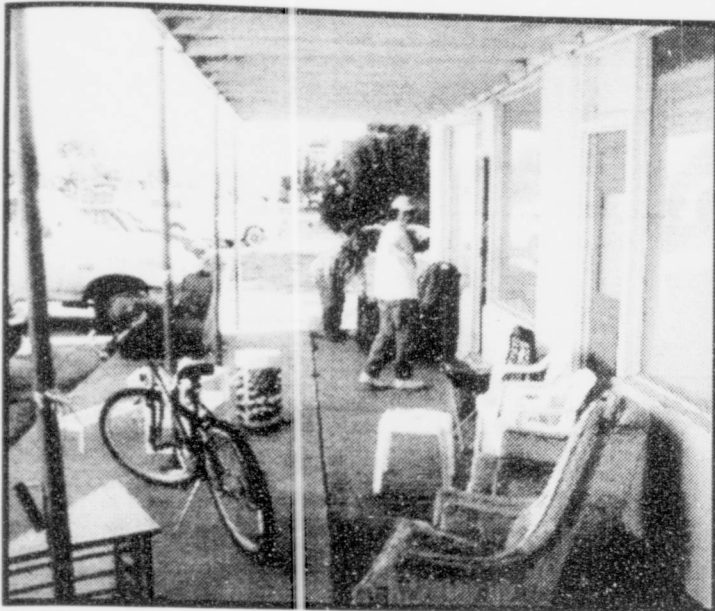
6th-9th grade-1:00p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Cost: \$25.00 if you register before June 1st.
\$30.00 after June 1st.

Campers will receive a camp t-shirt and a basketball.

For more information, contact Doug Galyeen.

Groom City Wide Garage Sale Resounding Success!



One of the best places in town for a garage sale is the old store front next door to The Groom News, owned by Jiggs and Janie Britten. They have a great place for all kinds of goodies in front and on the inside.



Frances and Kenneth Payton are looking for some "priceless treasure" at a "need to get rid of this price". It's just part of what garage sale-ing is all about!



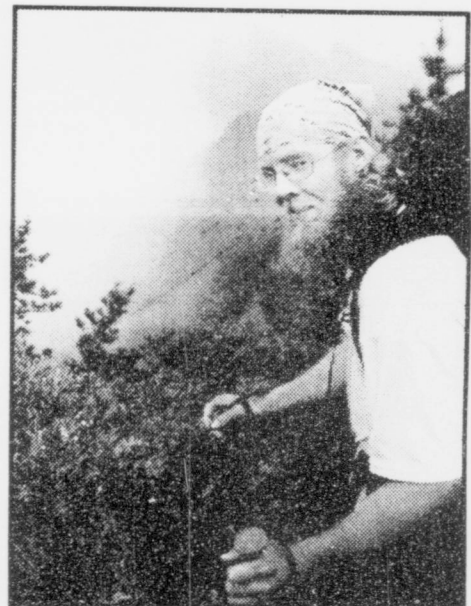
On the Trail with Travis...

Britten's Trek Get More Solitary, But Is Averaging 15-27 Miles Per Day

Appalachian trail hiker, Travis Britten, reported Monday that he was past Erwin Tennessee and should be in Damascus Virginia by next Sunday.

He has walked over 340 miles since the start of the trip. His partner, Ben Thomas, twisted an ankle as they were nearing North Carolina but still hiked for several days. After receiving medical attention in a nearby town, Ben learned that his ankle injury was more severe than expected. As a result, Ben is back in Amarillo and Travis has been on his own since May 8th.

There are plenty of people hiking the trail so he is not alone. He has been hiking between 15 and 27 miles a day since he began going solo. He sent plenty of photos back, which will be posted on his website soon. The



map will be updated and a few of his photos will be at the Stop N Shop for

anyone interested in following his trip.

Garage Sale

wide garage sale will be held, if there is enough interest.

Spring being a tough act to follow, God created June.

—Al Bernstein

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base rate of 2000 gallons and \$0.20 increase per thousand gallons after the first 2000 gallons. Those residents who are 65 years of age or older and are signed up for the city's senior program, will not see an increase in the base rate. The rates are set by ordinance. The ordinance will be published for the next two weeks in the Groom News before it will become effective. The June billing will be the first showing the new rate increase. The vote was unanimous.

Doug Kling moved and Kenneth Weller seconded the motion to table discussion about the City's policy regarding sewer repairs in the alley until the next meeting. The City Secretary is to contact several towns in the area and ask for their guidelines for the Council to review at the next meeting.

Clean letters to David Randall at 201 Kirkman and Century 21 at 308 Choctaw that the grass needs to be mowed.

There was no work list to review.

The minutes of the April meeting were reviewed and approved. The bills and financial statements were reviewed and approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Groom Youth Organization Profit & Loss January through December 2004

	Jan - Dec 04
Income	
Baseball Receipts	
Other Donations	470.00
Player Dues	790.50
Total Baseball Receipts	1,260.50
Donations	
City of Groom	2,200.00
Lions Club	1,000.00
State National Bank	1,000.00
Total Donations	4,200.00
Pool Gate Receipts	2,234.25
Total Income	7,694.75
Expense	
Advertising	38.00
Baseball	
Concession Costs	16.24
Equipment Purchase	1,474.87
Field Maintenance	42.06
League Fees	945.80
Portable Restrooms	657.25
Uniform Cost	1,217.25
Total Baseball	4,353.47
Miscellaneous Expense	99.50
Office Supply Expense	32.39
Postage	37.00
Swimming Pool	
Chemical Cost	1,679.16
Contract Labor	2,960.00
Lifeguard Certification	155.00
Maintenance	278.00
Sign Cost	160.00
Total Swimming Pool	5,232.16
Total Expense	8,792.52
Net Income	-2,097.77

GROOM YOUTH ORGANIZATION Potential Pool Costs January through December 2005

Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Pool Receipts	\$2,400.00
Total Income	\$2,400.00
Expenses	
Advertising	\$50.00
Salaries	\$3,200.00
Supplies	\$1,800.00
Training Costs	\$500.00
Equipment Repair	\$750.00
Total Expenses	\$6,300.00
Net Income	-\$3,900.00

GROOM YOUTH ORGANIZATION Potential Baseball Program Costs January through December 2005

Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Sponsorship Receipts	\$450.00
Player Dues	\$800.00
Total Income	\$1,050.00
Expenses	
Equipment Purchase	\$400.00
Field Maintenance	\$650.00
League Fees	\$500.00
Portable Restrooms	\$300.00
Uniform Costs	\$600.00
Total Expenses	\$2,450.00
Net Income	-\$1,400.00



SCHOOL LUNCH!

For the week of May 23-May 27.

Breakfast:

Monday: Cold cereal, muffins, juice & milk.

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

Wednesday: Breakfast burritos, hash brown potatoes, juice & milk.

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

Friday: No school.

Lunch:

Monday: Turkey and noodles, mixed vegetables, applesauce, graham crackers & milk.

Tuesday: Chili cheese dogs, tator tots, pickle spears, fruit cocktail & milk.

Wednesday: Mexican pile on, corn, lettuce, tomatoes, pears, graham crackers & milk.

Thursday: Sloppy joes, french fries, pickles, peaches & milk.

Friday: No school.

Local Girl Exhibits Show Rabbit

Kylie is holding her new show rabbit "Spot" which she plans to show at the Tri-State Fair. Kylie is a member of the 4-H Clovers Rabbit Project. If you are interested in joining please contact Buffy Gwyn or Lora Baggerman.



Making friends is what 4-H is all about! Kylie and her long-eared friend have had a great time!

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City of Groom Ordinance No. 187

An ORDINANCE amending the Public Utilities Code, concerning the water and sewer rates for the City of Groom, Texas

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROOM, TEXAS that Chapter 14, Section 18, Public Utilities, be amended to set rates or charges for services furnished by the Water Works System

Water rates shall be as follows:
 A. Water rates within City Limits excluding businesses: Base rate for first Two thousand gallons - \$10.00; except for customers over 65 years of age who are enrolled in Seniors program - \$7.00; \$1.80 per thousand gallons thereafter.

(This is an increase of \$3 in the base rate for those NOT in the over 65 program and 20¢ per thousand thereafter)

This ordinance change will be effective with the June 1, 2005 billing

Pamela Palmer Gagnon Comes Home To Texas

When Susan Brown's sister, Pamela Palmer Gagnon, passed away last fall in Fincksburg, Maryland, she requested that Susan bring her remains back to the Texas Panhandle. This past weekend, friends and family came to Groom for the memorial service. Saturday afternoon everyone traveled to the Bill Helton ranch southeast of Groom accompanied by R.J. Kempf for the spreading of ashes on a hillside overlooking a beautiful green valley of wild flowers. Susan gave an introduction about Pam's request. Bible scriptures were read by Rick Gagnon and a brief statement was given by Davis Case about Pam's friendship and love of

people. Karen Walters of Salt Fork Ranch in Goodnight played "Amazing Grace" on her violin accompanied by Glen Spillers on guitar.

The weekend was spent in the home of Juanita Brown with lots of shared memories and delicious food prepared by Leslie & Brad Rainer.

Those attending were Pamela's husband, Rick Gagnon and sons Kyle and Craig; Neil and Kathy Gagnon and friend Jessica of Fincksburg, MA; her sister Linda Goodson of Houston; cousins Mellic Bergman of Boerne, TX; Marcie Bankhead of Plano and Nancy Craig of Houston; friends Maura Fogerty of Boston, AD; David and Cynthia Case of Clinton, New Jersey, Loyd

McCord and wife Jessica of Abilene; Melinda McAnear and Jill Finch of Clarendon. Those attending from Groom were Lonny, Susan, Kori and Kade Brown; Karen Brown; Skye Ritter; Brad, Lezlie and Jackson Rainer; Molly Stewart and Juanita Brown.

Monday, the family returned to the Northeast and Pam is back home in Texas.

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Services Held For Gene Carter

Gene Carter, 72, died Tuesday, May 10, 2005.

Prayer services will be at 7 p.m. today in Seaside Funeral Home. Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Trinity Church of Nazarene. Entombment will be in Seaside Memorial Park.

Mr. Carter was born in Lawton, Okla., on March 23, 1933, to Jeter Clabe and Vera Carter. He was a devout father, husband, grandfather, great friend and employer, and will be dearly missed by all who

Poetry is the silence and speech between a wet struggling root of a flower and a sunlit blossom of that flower.

—Carl Sandburg

knew and loved him.

Gene was an accomplished pharmacist for 49 years. He was recently awarded his doctorate of pharmacy degree from Southwestern Oklahoma School of Pharmacy. Gene's life was fully devoted and committed to the practice of pharmacy. He was the proud owner of Carter's Pharmacy and previously owned Medical Plaza Pharmacy and Ocean View Pharmacy in Corpus Christi, and Groom Pharmacy in Groom. He was also a longtime supporter of Islander Athletics. Some of his memberships included Texas Pharmacy Association and National Community Pharmacist Association. Gene was a devout member of Trinity Church of Nazarene and Holy Cross Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and a

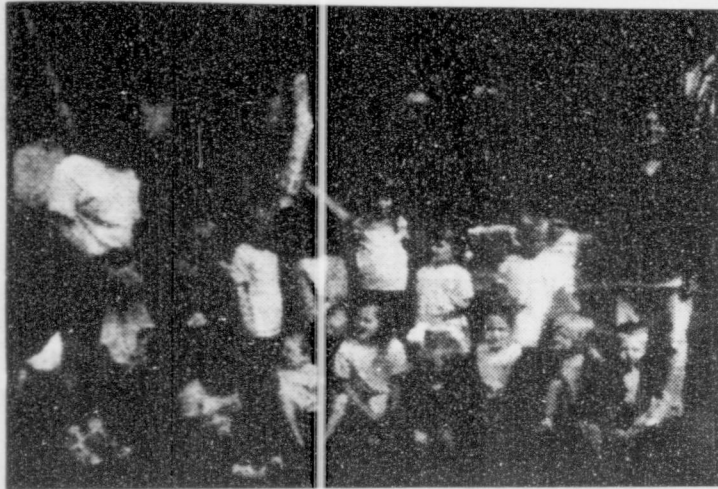
brother, Leroy Carter.

Survivors include his wife, Emma; his children, Debbie Carter, Michael Carter and wife, Susan, and

Gary Carter, all of Corpus Christi, Cheryl Plemons and husband, Kent, of Richardson, Mark Carter and wife, Shanna, of Portland and Michelle Martinez and husband, Manuel, of Pearland; his grandchildren, Bradley Plemons, Katie Plemons, Drew Carter, Matthew Martinez, and A.J. Carter; and his ex-wife, Patti Carter.

Active pallbearers will be Michael Carter, Gary Carter, Mark Carter, Manuel Martinez, Kent Plemons, and Brad Plemons. Honorary pallbearers will be Noel Gene Rogers, Don Van Dyke, Buddy Deere, Jeff Peck, Ken Littlefield and Dr. Lee Guinn.

The family suggests memorials be to Spohn Hospice.



MOM'S DAY OUT VISITS ZOO

Students for the Mom's Day Out Program at the First Baptist Church went on a field trip to the Zoo in Amarillo recently. Pictured are (Back) Sponsor Robyn Welch, Sponsor Melissa Ritter, Jimmy Leven, Logan Siler, Sydney Ritter, Brittney Stegall, Madison Friemel, Nathan Ruthardt, Trenton Welch, and sponsor Alta Cockrell. (Front) Colby Britten, Matthew Bowen, K'Leigh Young, Luke Cockrell, Ashlyn Young, Victory Brown, and William Cockrell.

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to be sure," commented Ritter, before the recount. Ritter was required to put a \$50.00 deposit down to pay the counters for their work, if no mistake

was found.

The Groom News was officially notified by Groom I.S.D. Superintendent Terry Stevens that the election stands as counted, with the exception of 1 less in the number of votes for candidate Curtis Downs. The 1 vote difference between Kathleen Barkley and Seth Ritter will stand as originally counted. The new tally will be as follows when the School Board canvasses the votes at their

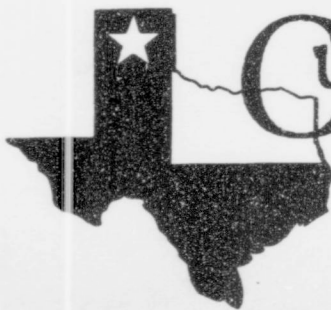
next meeting: Curtis Downs 116 votes; Kathleen Barkley 102; Seth Ritter 101; Tim Case 64.

Newly elected school board members, Curtis Downs and Kathleen Barkley will take the oath of office at the next school board meeting joining School Board Members Clifton Britten, Tony Britten, Tony Rocha, Ron Kuehler and Rodney Bohr to make up the GISD Board of Trustees.

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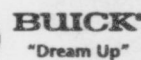
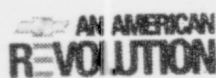
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