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Incentives Given To Top Readers



An incentive program was offered to grades kindergarten through fifth by the restaurant chain Cracker Barrel. Cracker Barrel stated in its letter that the "WHY" and the "WHO" was a decision for the school itself.

Mr. Crockett chose to present the coupons, which are for a free dinner at Cracker Barrel, to the top readers in each class.

The top readers are Jack Reyna in kindergarten with 4.9 points and a 98 average; Wyatt Armbrister in first grade with 11.2 points and an 85.8 average; Danny Well in second grade with 73.7 points and an 87.9 average; Jasmine Montoya with 30 points and 90.7 average; Trae Hannon in fourth grade with 34.3 points and 88.5 average; and Kaleb Thompson with 79 points and 87.4 average.



Left - Laura Brooks shows off her pretty white unicorn costume Halloween night.



HARVEST KING AND QUEEN FOR 2005. Suzanne Howard and Chase Bohlar won top honors as the 2005 Harvest King and Queen at MHS. Chase and Suzanne represented the freshman class. The honor is given to the high school class that raises the most money during the cake auction. Chase is the son of Chet and Sally Bohlar. Suzanne is the daughter of Scott and Denise Howard.

Angel Program Gearing Up For Christmas

Christmas is a time of excitement for all children. The joy of waking up Christmas morning to the presents that have been placed under the tree.

However, there are some in this area who may be in need of extra help to make this a happy Christmas.

There is help available. Every year, the Angel Program of McLean helps those in need of help at Christmas time. If you or someone you know has a child in need this Christmas from the

McLean or Alanreed community the Angel Program can help. For

more information, call or drop by the Methodist Church. The number is

779-2337 and the address is 219 N. Gray.

LOCAL REMINDERS

THE PIONEER Study Club will meet today at Elizabeth's.

THE ANNUAL CRAFT Bazaar will be held Sat., Nov 5, 9 - 3 p.m. at the McLean Care Center Sunroom.

THE TIGERS WILL Play tonight at Duncan Field against Sennorwood at 7:30 p.m. This will be Senior Night.

THE ALANREED Community Association's regular monthly meeting will be Saturday, November 5 at 6:30 p.m. in the Alanreed Community Center. There will be a brief report followed by a potluck meal. Your attendance will be greatly appreciated.

ELECTION DAY is November 8.

THE CITY Council will meet on City Council on November 14 at 6 p.m. at City Hall.

IF YOU NEED OR someone you know needs help with Christmas. The Angel Program can help. Call 779-2337 or go by the Methodist Church at 219 N. Gray.

REMEMBER Your Veterans on Veteran Day, November 11.

McLean Birthdays & Anniversaries

November 3 - Argie Glass Burrus, Wilma Barker, Betty Morgan, Joe Morgan, Betty Heathington.

November 4 -

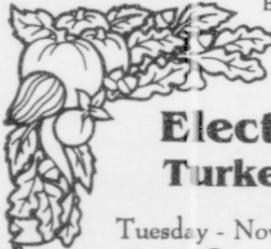
November 5 - Doris E. (Patton) Hill, Ruth Caudill, David Brown, Sharulean Brown

November 6 - Ken Erwin, Marvella Collins.

November 7 - Hogan Ketcherside.

November 8 - Dale Glass, John Meyers, Katrina Thomas.

November 9 - Britnic Renae Kennedy, Derek Studebaker, Emilee Bolton



Election Day Turkey Dinner

Tuesday - Nov. 8

@

McLean United Methodist Church
219 N. Gray

11 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

\$7.00 per plate
(Drinks and dessert included)
Carry outs available

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McLean ISD Breakfast and Lunch Menu

for the week of Nov 7-11

BREAKFAST

Monday: Waffles, Ham, Toast & Jelly, Juice, Milk

Tuesday: Hot or cold cereal, Toast & Jelly, Juice, Milk

Wednesday: Donuts, Toast & Jelly, Juice, Milk

Thursday: Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Toast & Jelly, Juice, Milk

Friday: Cinnamon Rolls, Toast & Jelly, Juice, Milk

LUNCH

Monday: BBQ on a Bun, Baked Beans, Veggie

Sticks, Pickle Spears, Fritos, Milk

Tuesday: Pigs in a Blanket, Pinto Beans, Pineapple Orange Salad, Chips, Milk

Wednesday: Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots, Texas Toast, Fruit, Milk

Thursday: Corn Dogs, Pasta Salad, Baked Beans, Fruit, Milk

Friday: Cheeseburgers, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Onion, Potato Wedges, Cake, Milk

Ten Commandment Monument Still In Need Of Funds

The Ten Commandments Monument Committee met on Thursday, October 27 at 7 p.m. at the Church of Christ annex. Those present were Archie Cooper, Ronnie Ferguson, Thacker Haynes, Kelly Raymond and Jim Reyna. The meeting was opened with a prayer led by Ronnie Ferguson.

Maggie Vines has generously donated a portion of her property for the monument. Her property is located on the

corner of Gray Street and Route 66. This is an excellent location which provides great visibility to those traveling along Route 66. It is across the street from one of the most photographed sites on Route 66, the restored Philips 66 station. The committee agreed to accept her donation with a verbal agreement.

The Wallace Monument Company of Clarendon has given a projected cost of \$3765.00. The total time of construction will take approximately eight weeks. The committee has accepted this bid barring any unforeseen circumstances. Almost one-third of this amount has already been raised! A focused effort is underway to raise the full amount by Thanksgiving.

McLean residents and all interested parties are strongly encouraged to bring their donations as soon as possible to the Bank of Commerce in McLean. A special fund has been set up for this purpose. Also, donation containers have been placed at several retail establishments throughout McLean. Please give generously

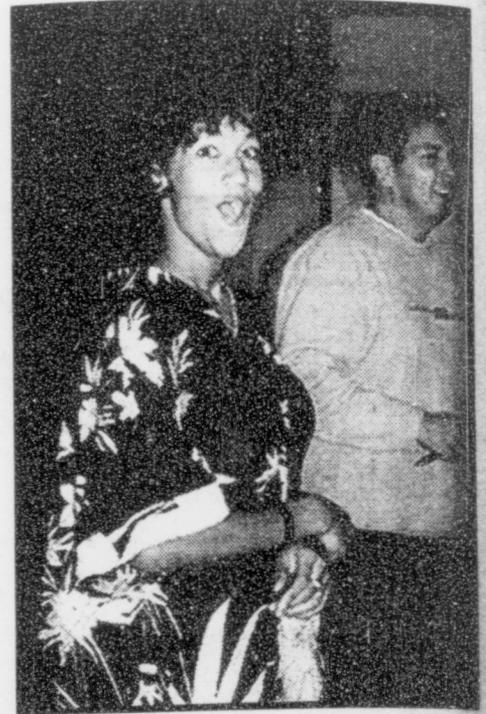
School Notification For Bad Weather

Snow season is just around the corner and with it comes bad roads and unfavorable conditions.

The school likes to keep the parents informed to make sure that the students and staff are always safe.

In order to keep parents informed the school will be announcing any school closings and late start times on radio station 110.3 KOMX and channel 4 KAMR.

The school will try to make these announcements as early as possible so that the appropriate plans can be made.



D.J. Menefield a.k.a. "Big Momma" dressed up for Halloween in the spirit of fun and to show his support for the little kids "Light up the Night" carnival that was held at the Trinity Church.

ANNUAL CRAFT BAZAAR MCLEAN CARE CENTER SUNROOM

Saturday - Nov. 5 - 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

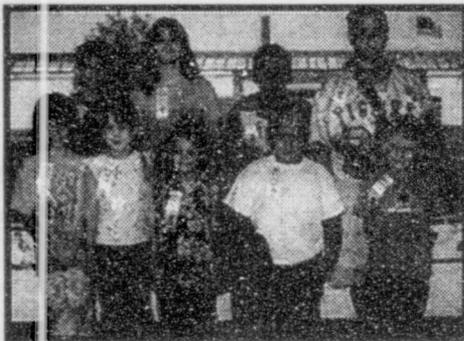
All proceeds go directly to the Activities Department for the residents

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Students of the Week



For the week of Oct 31 - Nov. 4 Pre-k: Autumn Byron, K- Chandler LaRoe, 1st- Whitney Hambright, 2nd- Julian Arvizo, 3rd- Shelby Passmore, 4th- Cody Azzazi, 5th- Kirstie Perkins, 6th- Rudy Rodriguez, 7th-Dakota Young, 8th- Hoylea Harper

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First Assembly of God 4th & Main

Pastor Mahlon Richardson

Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Youth 7:00 p.m.

Cowboy Church - 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church 208 E. 1st

Pastor Kelly Raymond 779-2175

Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:50 & 7:00 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 Railroad Street

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 - 779-2135

Sunday at 7:00 pm

First Assembly of God - 420 Main McLean

McLean Cubs Fall To Higgins After Comeback

The McLean Cubs fell behind early versus the Higgins Coyotes, 22-7. They then came out of half-time and closed within 33-25 with three minutes left in the fourth quarter.

McLean kicker, Corey Graham kicked an onside and sixth grader George Patterson recovered the ball. But the momentum was short lived because the

ball was fumbled back to Higgins two plays later.

Both teams then exchanged touchdowns bringing the final tally, Higgins 41 - Cubs 31.

Scoring for the Cubs was Clay Crockett with three touchdowns and Corey Graham with one touchdown. The Cubs finished the season on Tuesday against the Samnorwood Eagles.

Brownie Troops Learn About Native Indians

Brownie Girls Scout Troops #25 and #128 met Wednesday, October 26 at the home of Teresa and Ted Simmons.

Drumming Heart, Teresa's Indian name, to the Brownies of her Native American heritage and showed the troops around the tipi located in her yard. As the troops examined the

tipi, Teresa explained the significance of each part.

Drumming Heart taught the girls the Cherokee

Morning Song and then shared her Indian collection. The collection included many arrowheads, tomahawks, a buffalo hide, a deerskin that had been stretched and painted and many other interesting items.

After the tour of the collectio, the Brownies enjoyed a Halloween feast.

The nuts which the Brownies sold will be arriving the very first part of November.

Book Fair A Success

The Scholastic Book Fair on October 24-26 was a great success providing exciting books for the children and raising 41,184.00 for the McLean elementary and junior high libraries, according to librarian Freda Holland.

Visitors to the Book Fair bought books for themselves and also for teachers' classroom libraries. There was also a great turn out for the Family Event on Tuesday evening. Those attending the Family Event enjoyed refreshments, games and had the opportunity to win \$100.00 in door prizes.

Freda Holland, Chairperson of the Book Fair, credits the success to the school's support and hard work of several volunteers, including Niki Hanbright, Anna Jean Michalenko, Jackie Richardson, Missie Richardson, Tawnya Richardson, Tammy Morrow, Amy Herring, Julie Ferguson, Julianna Lewis, Wendi Ketcherside, Shelli Long and Mr. Crockett.

Plans are already underway for the next Book Fair to be held in April.



Jordan Cox and Sierra McDonald take a spin on the Twister Halloween night at the Trinity "Light up the Night" carnival that was held at the Trinity Church.

The way a man speaks lays bare the texture of his mind, the goodness of his heart, the inner pain or the sweet serenity that are his companions in solitude. —Harriet Van Horne

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McLean JH Cross Country Places Second In District

The McLean Jr. High District cross country meet was held on October 25 in Amarillo.

McLean placed second out of seven teams. The team suffered a loss of only two seconds behind Textline.

Out of 70 runners the team individual placements are as follows:
Nancy Castillo - 3rd
Ashley Byron - 10th
Nicole McClendon - 11th
Casey Graham - 23rd
Lyndsey Ellis - 30th

MCLEAN TIGER FOOTBALL



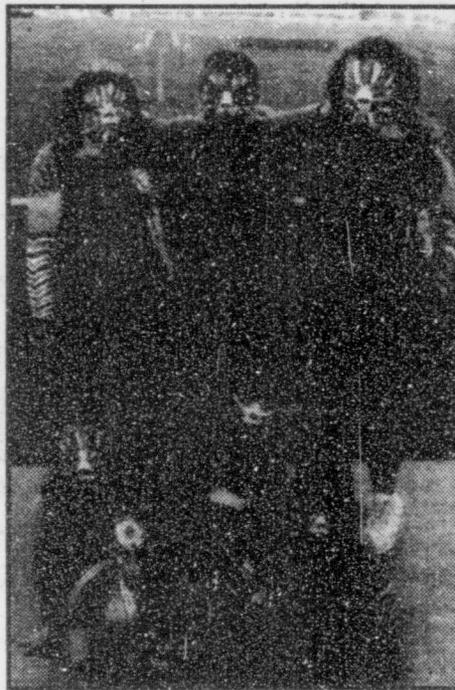
Tyler Lamb



George Patterson



Chase West



The Richardson cousins show off their Tiger Pride by body painting Tiger stripes on their faces and arms.

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Morgan Reynolds pulls "real" hard on the bungee cord to get his basketball into the basket.



Miranda McMordie and Kendra Richardson wait in line to participate in some of the carnival activities. While waiting, they take a moment to show how cool they really are.

Winner To Be Announced At People's Choice Reception

A reception honoring the photographers that participated in the "People's Choice" photography contest will be held at the Devil's Rope Museum on Saturday afternoon, November 19 from 2-4. Prizes will be awarded to the favorite single photograph and the favorite series of photographs. The public is

invited to enjoy refreshments and to meet the photographers.

If you haven't voted yet, please make an effort to stop by the Devil's Rope Museum, view the beautiful and interesting photos and cast your vote for your favorites. Museum hours are 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.



Pirate, Dalton Richardson, shown participating in the bungee basketball, won first place for his costume.

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Thursday, November 3, 2005

Mayor Orders Permanent Closure of Wood Burn Pile

City of Groom officials were forced to permanently close down the burn pile last week after a warning from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. An anonymous complaint was received by their agent, Joseph Campo at 7:30 am on Friday, October 28. He rapidly responded and by noon the site was closed down.

As of now, the only alternative that anyone has to dispose of wood, tree limbs and grass clippings is to cut them up small enough to put in the your own dumpster or the community dumpster that is located in the gated area behind City Hall

during regular business hours.

The next meeting of the Groom City Council will be held on Nov. 14. At that time, Aldermen will discuss the City's options, expected costs and more concerning this issue.

According to Mayor Joe Homer, if anyone is caught dumping items on the outside of the gates after hours or at the barricade outside of the burn pile site they will be considered trespassing and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. The after-hours dumping of items has been a problem for city

employees. Items left outside the fence and complaints from neighboring property of trash blowing around have required limited use of the dumpsters recently. The City had problems with people putting items that were not wood on the burn pile, also.

Apparently the laws concerning the burning of any debris even on your own private property in town or out can land you a hefty ticket by the State Of Texas. According to Campo, burning your grass, as some do in the spring, or burning off wheat stubble, even if your have received county or fire department

approval for a controlled burn, may be breaking State of Texas laws if you have not also cleared with the TCEQ.

"Anytime there is a practical alternative to burning, it should be used," said Agent Campo.

A Notice of Violation can be issued and a fine of up to \$10,000 pre day could be applied.

According to Mayor Joe Homer, it costs the tax payers of Groom \$200.00 each time the big city dumpster is emptied. During a usual month, the city normally had the dumpster emptied about once every 30 days.

See BURN PILE, pg. 6

Halloween Is A Family Affair



The Chris Welch family has everyone seeing double!

Williams Indicted On Seven Counts Of Burglary

The Carson County Grand Jury met on October 27, 2005 and handed down 27 indictments including seven indictments on the man accused of all the

break-ins in Groom on September 7, 2005. According to court documents, Cody Williams also had two prior convictions of possession of a controlled

substance in Wheeler County in September of 2004 before his alleged crime wave began in Gray and Carson County. His indictments were as follows: Cause No. 3499:

Cody Nicholas Williams was indicted on a State Jail Felony offense of Burglary for entering a building not open to the public, owned by Eugene Goss.

He was also indicted for the following offenses: Cause No. 3500, State Jail Felony for theft of a computer against Timothy Warden, Cause No. 3501 for burglary of a building without consent of owner, John Koetting; Cause No. 3505 a 3rd degree felony for burglary of a building with consent of owner Dan Looten. Cause No. 3502: 3rd

See GRAND JURY, pg. 6



Daniel Terbush and son, Darius enjoy his first of many Halloweens!

Groom Community Calendar

Tuesday's
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GHS TIGERETTES will play their first basketball game on Nov. 7 at 6:30 pm, here, against River Road.

TIGERS WILL play their final game of the season, here, against Cotton Center on Friday night. Seniors and their parents will be honored prior to the game.

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WONDERFUL TURN OUT FOR HARVEST DINNER. The United Methodist Church reports that they had a very good turn out for their Annual Harvest Dinner. The event has earmarked the beginning of the Thanksgiving-Christmas Holiday activity season in Groom for many years. The meal was terrific according to all who dined!

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Local Happenings

Leslie Rainer was the surprise guest of honor on Thursday, October 27 at the Route 66 Steakhouse. Leslie is moving to Meadow, Texas where her husband Brad is coaching and teaching. The party was hosted by Alpha mu Xi. Those in attendance were: Rita Poor, Sherry Rocha, Charlotte Whatley, Tina Painter, Barbara Homer, Amy Crowell, Donna Barnett, Cindy Babcock, Erin Smith, and McCade Smith. Leslie was presented a "Precious Moment" from the group.

Phil Miller is home from a five day hospital stay after a bout with his MS.

Diane Bruso's vocal cord surgery went fine. She is unable to speak for a while, which was expected.

A FLU SHOT clinic will be held at Groom School on Nov. 17 beginning at 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Bring Medicare Card. \$10 per shot.

Melvin Wills is home after having a prostrate cancer procedure. He says he is a little sore but getting better.

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It's A Girl!

Megan and Nathan Ruthardt are please to announce the arrival of their new baby sister Leah Kaye Ruthardt. She was born on October 18, 2005 at 5:40 p.m. in Amarillo. Her happy parents are Brice and Jeanne Ruthardt. Leah weighed 7 lbs and 7 oz and was 19.5 inches long.

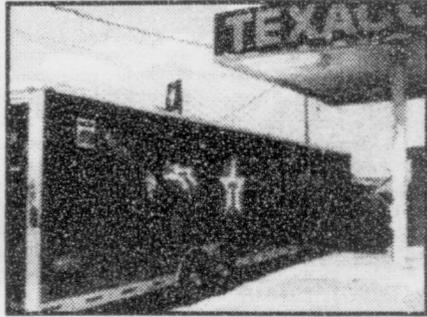
The proud grandparents include Louis and Judy Ruthardt of Groom and Dewey and Janice Vaughn of Stratford. The child is blessed to have a pair of Great-Grandmothers. They are Bess Ruthardt of Bogota and Willetta Shults of Meaker, Colo.

GROOM BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- November 3 - Lauren Crowell, Dwayne Gray.
- November 4 -
- November 6 - Kristi Barkley.
- November 7 - Rachel McGuire, Derek Weinheimer, Fern
- November 8 - Kathleen Barkley.
- November 9 - Mrs. Christopher Britten, Mr. and Mrs. George (Jiggs) Britten, Sr. (A).

CARD OF THANKS
Thank you for the support you have shown our family in the loss of my mother. God has used many of you to show us His graciousness and loving-kindness during this difficult time. We love you all and consider it a blessing to live in Groom and serve our Lord with you. Thank you for everything that you have done.
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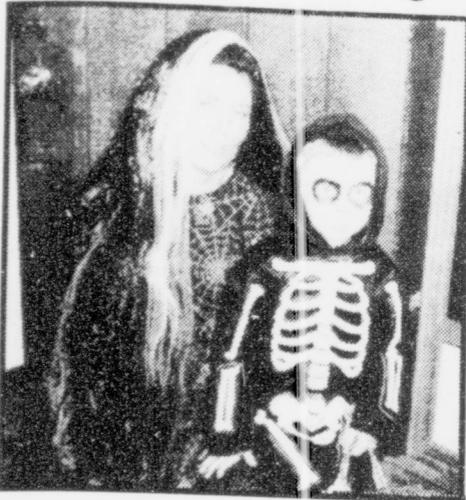
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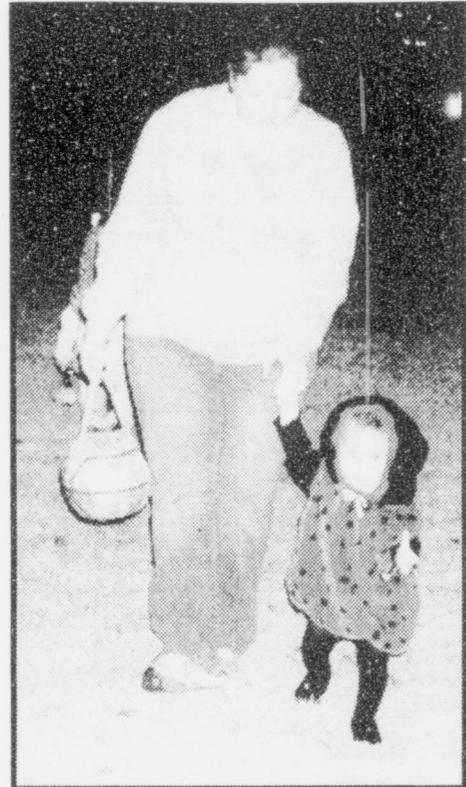
Happy Haunting!



Scary Mommy (Connie Britten) and Boney Son (Colby Britten) make a frighten pair!



Ladybug Hallie McLaughlin is ready to call it a night!

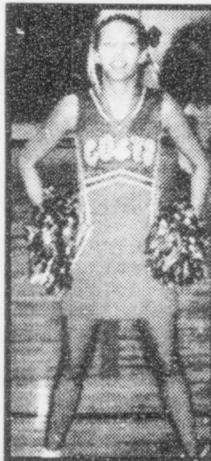


"Mom! You are cramping my style!" says Bailey Johnson to her mom Chrystal.



Firefighter Jackson Rainer and American Idol Star Molly Stewart pose for the paparazzi.

Cady Wilson Cheers!



Winning the All-Star Cheerleading award at Wellington's 3-Day UCA camp is Cady Wilson, 8th grader and daughter of Mark and Carla Koetting of Groom and Cecil Wilson of Boise City, OK. Cady competed against numerous 7th, 8th and 9th grade cheerleaders in the X-treme dance routine, new cheer, and new sideline competitions. By winning the All-Star position, she won a gold medal, certificate, and the opportunity to attend the Houston Day Parade over Thanksgiving.

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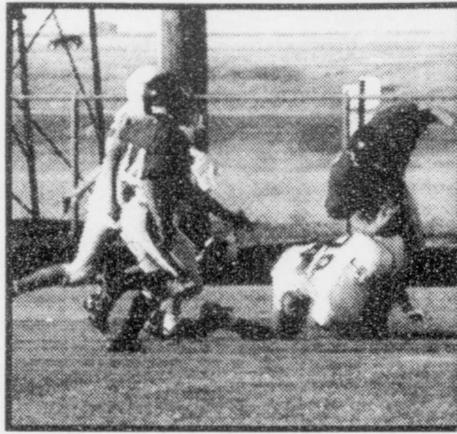
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 Friday - Do-Nuts, cinnamon rolls, juice & milk.
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 Tuesday - Chili Cheese Dogs, tater tots, pears, pickle spears, & milk.
 Wednesday - Mexican Pile On, corn, lettuce, tomatoes, peaches, graham crackers, & milk.
 Thursday - Turkey & noodles, mixed vegetables, pineapple, graham crackers & milk.
 Friday - Stuffed baked potatoes, broccoli with cheese sauce, hot sliced bread, & milk.



Cubs End Awesome Season With Shut-Out Over Hedley

The Groom Cubs finished the season on a high note. The cubs scored 5 touch downs and force 4 turnovers. The Cubs also recorded their first shutout of the season. The final score was Groom 32 and Hedley 0.

The Cubs ended the season with a winning record, with 5wins, 3 losses. This was especially

significant since they had only two players on the team that had any playing experience at all. They were Eric Torres and Tyler Babcock, but because of injuries they never played at the same time.

The Coaching Staff is very proud of the team and are pleased with the progress they had made.

District Cross Country

Groom Athletes competed in the district Cross Country meet last week. The Junior High Girls placed 3rd as a team. They also had five runners who placed in the top 20. Rachael Hopkins placed 13th, Korri Britten placed 16th, Maddie Wieberg was 17th, Haley Keuhler was 19th, Ashley Murry was 24th, Stacy Schick was 39th, Virginia Froese was 41st, Samatha Clendennen

was 44th and Alannah King was 52.

In the High School Meet, Michaela Roseken just missed qualifying for the Regional meet. Only the top 10 advance. She placed 11th. Kacie Galyearn placed 29th, Sharri Britten placed 33rd, Brandi Bates was 39th and Kyra Stevens was 41st.

Michael Kelly ran for the High School boys and placed 14th.

Tigers Blast Owls

Groom Tigers played their next to last game as if they were not ending the season as they beat Hedley 60-36. Groom scored all 60 points Friday night with Thane Barkley assisting in all of them as he rushed for three touchdowns and threw for five more of them.

Thane Barkley has contributed heavily this season and he will return next season to add experience and power to a young Tiger team.

Groom 5-4, 2-4 took a 22-6 lead in the first quarter on three passes from Barkley to Blake

Galyearn, Barkley threw two more touchdown passes in the second quarter.

Groom led in first downs 17-15 and 535 total yards to Hedley's 350 total yards. Groom completed 13 of 26 passes with no interceptions. Hedley completed tow passes of eight and one interception.

The Tigers will play their final game this Friday against Cotton Center beginning at 7:30. The Seniors and their parents will be honored before the game.

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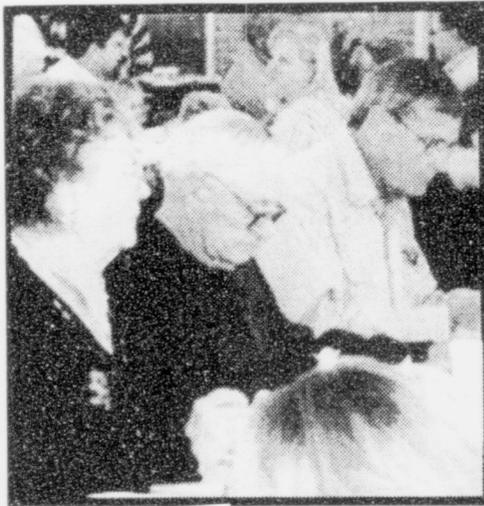
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Harvest Dinner Deemed Big Success



(Left) Evelyn Schaffer and Shirley Lamberson are some of the "skill behind the meal!" (Above) Alice & Breeze Kuehler, along with Cobb Britten enjoy a good visit with their food!

Jack & Margie Stephens are the official greeters!

Preview To Medicare Part D

By Candace Naylor

If you are a Medicare Beneficiary then you are among 41 million Medicare Beneficiaries who must make a decision to select New Prescription Drug Benefits or pay a financial penalty. Open enrollment begins November 15 through May 15 and coverage will begin January 1, 2006. Open enrollment will be each year between November 15 and December 31 allowing you to join or change plans. Standard Medicare Part D plans estimated cost is \$32.20 monthly in addition to any premiums you currently pay for Medicare Part A and Part B. If you choose not to decide you still have made a choice. The penalty for not choosing is 1% of the base premium for every month you are not enrolled.

Medicare Beneficiaries who are currently covered

under an employer sponsored plan should consult with the employer or customer service department of the insurer offering the benefit plan. If these benefits are at least comparable to the standard Part D benefit you are not required to enroll in Part D at this time and the penalty will not apply.

Medicare prescription drug plans might vary but in general, this is how they will work. After you pay the \$250 deductible you will pay 25% of your yearly drug costs from \$251 to \$2,250. Your benefit plan will pay 75%. From \$2,250 to \$5,100 there is no benefit or a coverage gap which has been coined the "donut hole". In other words you will pay 100% of your drug costs from \$2,251 until you're out of pocket costs reach \$3,600. Then you pay 5% of your drug costs (or a small co-payment) for the rest of the calendar year.

For the first time,

Medicare benefits will vary by income status. Low income beneficiaries will have to meet both an income and asset test to receive additional assistance. Beneficiaries may apply for low-income assistance with Part D at local Social Security or state Medicaid offices.

Beginning November 5, 2005 over 21 private health insurers will begin marketing stand alone prescription drug plans (PDP). Standalone PDP's will be sold to Medicare beneficiaries with original Medicare and Medicare Supplement plans. Drug plans may vary in what prescription drugs are covered, how much someone has to pay, and which pharmacies can be used. All drug plans will have to provide at least a minimum standard level of coverage, which Medicare will set. However, some plans might offer more coverage and additional drugs for a higher monthly premium. When a person with Medicare joins a drug plan, it is important for them to choose one that meets their prescription drug needs. For more information you can log on to www.medicare.gov or call 1-800-633-4227 or contact Candace Naylor at 806.373.8551, Amarillo.

Candace Naylor, Managed Healthcare Professional, has completed studies and received designation through the Health Insurance Association of America. She has over 18 years experience in the insurance industry.

Most recent experience includes over five years as an independent agent specializing in Group Health Benefits. Thirteen years of previous employment with BlueCross and BlueShield of Texas involved servicing and coordinating the administration of managed health, HMO and life contracts, state and federal legislation, membership and claims issues for 287+ groups, throughout twenty-six counties in the Panhandle of Texas.

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—Henry Ward Beecher



RED HATS FOUND AT CAFÉ! The Groom Red-Hatters Club hosted the Amarillo Audacious Adorables with a luncheon at the Route 66 Steakhouse last week. Pictured are (beginning at the top) Roberta Ellington, Rose England, Karen Care, Norma St. Clair of Amarillo, Helen Veal of Amarillo, Pat Ashford, Shirley Fields, Juandell Ritter-Bivens, Juanita Brown, Wilam Zwichey of Amarillo, Glendma Boatman of Amarillo, Carlisle Medley of Amarillo, Mary Sue Lyles and Dorthy McMullen. These gal do know how to have fun!



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(Please note that an indictment does not constitute guilt and only

means that there is sufficient evidence to request further legal action.) Other Indictments are as follows:

Cause No. 3475: Jeffrey Dwayne Hunt was indicted on a State Jail Felony for criminal failure to pay child support.

Cause No. 3476: Gene Wesley Rogers was indicted on a 3rd degree felony offense for Driving While Intoxicated, 3rd time or more.

Cause No. 3477: Toriono T. Johnson was indicted for 3rd degree felony for possession of marijuana in the amount of less than 50 but more than 5 pounds.

Cause no. 3478: Van L. Wimsatt was indicted on a 3rd degree felony possession of marijuana, less than 50 pounds, but more than 5.

Cause No. 3479: Christopher James Medina was indicted on a 2nd degree felony possession of a controlled substance, namely methylenedioxy-methamphetamine in the amount of 4 grams or more, but less than 400 grams. He was also indicted on possession of marijuana in the amount of less than 5 pounds but more than 4 ounces of marijuana, Cause No.

3480.

In Cause No. 3481: Eric Blake Saldana was indicted on a State Jail Felony of five pounds or less, but more than four ounces of marijuana. He also was indicted on a 2nd degree felony for possession of "meth" 4

grams or more, but less than 400 grams. Cause No. 3482.

Cause No. 3483: Jesse Barnett was indicted on a 1st degree felony for Possession of a controlled substance (Meth) in the amount of 400 grams or more.

Cause No. 3484: Manuel Ochoa Holquin was indicted on a 3rd degree felony of DWI.

Cause No. 3485: Armando Fernandez was indicted on a 1st degree felony offense of possession of cocaine in the amount of 400 grams or more.

Cause No. 3486 -Gary Edward Liles was indicted on a State Jail Felony for possession of marijuana in the amount of 5 pounds or less but more than 4 ounces.

Cause No. 3487 Monce Marquez was indicted on a 3rd degree felony of possession of marijuana in the amount of more than 5 pounds but less than 50 pounds.

Cause No. 3488 - Arturo Villanueva was indicted for possession of Marijuana, more than 50 pounds but less than 2000.

Cause No. 3489 - Deon Lee Bell was indicted on a 3rd degree felony charge of unlawful restraint. He was also indicted on a 1st degree felony for Aggravated Assault on a Public servant who was investigating a

domestic disturbance. Cause No. 3490.

Cause No. 3491: Sabrina Bermudez was indicted on a 2nd degree felony offense for possession marijuana, less than 2000 pounds. She was also indicted for possession of methamphetamine in the amount of less than 1 gram. Cause No. 3492

Cause No. 3493: Jennifer Rani Acosta was indicted on a 2nd degree felony charge of possession of marijuana for possession of more than 50 pounds but less than 2000 pounds. She was also indicted on a State Jail Felony for possession less than 1 gram of methamphetamine.

Cause No. 3495 - Humberto Gonzalez-Martinez was indicted on a 1st degree felony for possession of a controlled substance (meth) with intent to deliver 400 grams or more.

Cause No. 3496: Jason Daniel Robinson was indicted on a 3rd degree felony for more than 5 but less than 50 pounds of marijuana.

Cause No. 3497: Christopher Robert Ellis was indicted on a 3rd degree felony of possession of marijuana less than 50 pounds but more than 5 pounds.

Cause No. 3498: Fredrick L. Paschall was indicted on a 1st degree felony for Manufacture on a Controlled Substance, methamphetamine.

Cause No. 3506: Timothy Lee Hill was indicted on a 3rd degree felony charge of DWI.

Cause No. 3507: Jesus Ayala Paycheck was indicted on a 1st degree felony for possession of

400 grams of more of methamphetamine.

Cause No. 3509: Tammy Denise Gray was indicted on a 1st degree felony for Aggravated Assault on a Public Servant, Sheriff Tam Terry with an automobile. She was also indicted in Cause No. 3510 on a second charge for 1st degree felony Aggravated assault on a public servant, Chris Ray, DPS Trooper. She is also named in Cause No. 3511, a State Jail Felony for Evading Arrest.

Cause No. 3508: Ivan Iriza Torres was indicted on a 1st degree felony charge of Possession of A Controlled Substance, methamphetamine, 400 grams or more.

Services Held For Johnny Bill Hermesmeyer

CLARENDON - John William "Johnny Bill" Hermesmeyer passed away on Sunday Oct. 30, 2005 in Amarillo.

Rosary was said on Tuesday, Nov. 1 at 7:30 p.m in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic

Church of Groom. Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated at 10:00 am on Wed. Nov. 2 at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with Father Joes Palathara officiating. Burial was in the St. Mary's Cemetery.

Mr. Hermesmeyer was one of seven children born to Frank and nell Ruyle Hermesmeyer. He grew up loving the great outdoors on the Hermesmeyer Brothers Ranch at Jericho. He was an expert horseman, breaking and training horses at a young age. He worked along with his brother Hunk, helping local ranchers round up and ship cattle when he was young. He enjoyed sports, especially football which he pleyed in high school He served in the US Army in the Signal Corp at For gordon, GA during the Korean Conflict. He returned home to Jericho to operate the ranch. He also worked for Monte Johnson and Les Carcy. He was active in comunity services and served as a directro for the Clarendon Outdoor Entertainment Asscoation since 1964. He was a amember of the southwester Cattle Raisers assaction for many years. He married Lva Lee Farr on June 21, 1968. Johnny Bill will always be the heart of his familly and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother and 2 sisters.

He is survived by his wife, Eva; one daughter Cindy Foster and husband Brett of Border; one son

Shawn Hermesmeyer of Borger; 6 grandchildren, Courtney, Crystal, Brody, Brady, Chad and Mickey; one brother, Phillip Hermesmeyer and wife Jerry of Jericho; 2 sisters Pauline Kline of Panhandle, and Joan Guide of Amarillo; a nephew that they raised,

Bill Hermesmeyer and wife Carolyn of Panhandle and a host of nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials be sent to The American Cancer Society, 3915 Bell, Amarillo, Tx 79109 or a favorite Charity.



Reward Offered In Assault Case

A \$1000 reward is now being offered for information leading to the arrest of Thomas Wayne Carrol. Carrol was involved in the assault on a elderly man in Memphis on Tuesday. The man attacked was 66 year old Dennis Irons of Memphis. Mr. Irons in in NWT Hospital and he is in ICU but is listed as stable. If you provide information that leads us to finding Carrol you will be eligible for the one thousand dollars. To give a tip call Crime Stoppers at 806-669-2222

Burn Pile.....

Homer expects to have to increase the frequency without the burn pile to take care of the tree limbs.

Charging a fee to dump will most likely be an item city fathers will discuss.

Until then, remember to try to cut trees limbs and other wood refuse into

small enough pieces to go into your dumpster or bring items to the city dumpster during regular business hours. Be prepared to unload items yourself into the dumpster.

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