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## McLean Students Celebrate Red Ribbon Week



Kay Taylor passes out red ribbons on Monday to kick off Red Ribbon Week at McLean High School.

McLean ISD is celebrating Red Ribbon Week this week. National Red Ribbon Week serves as a tribute to Special Agent Camarena, who was kidnaped and brutally tortured and murdered by drug traffickers in Mexico. This tragic event produced an immediate outpouring of grief, but over time has generated a sense of hope across America. That hope is being kept alive through the hard work of thousands of Americans - our young people - who participate in Red Ribbon events during the last full week in October. This tradition is

stronger than ever particularly today, as increasing number of Americans are saying "yes" to a drug-free life. Red Ribbon Week is the most far-reaching and well known drug prevention event in America. The elementary students will be celebrating the week with the following activities. Monday - Jump out of Drug's Way - Each class will have a jump rope competition. The person who jumps the most in each class will compete against the winners from the other classes. Twizzler candy will help students remember the Monday

Motto. Tuesday is "Don't Be A Dad, Don't do Drugs - milk dud candy will be the reminder. Wednesday - Don't Be An Airhead, Know the Facts. Airhead candy will be the reminder. Thursday is "Give Me A Break, Don't Do Drugs. Kit Kat Bar will be the reminder. On Friday, PK-8 will celebrate "Plant a Promise" by each student planting 2 red twigs in the flower beds at school. Also, on Friday, Jr High students will celebrate "Fly Free by having an airplane flying contest. The planes must be made at school with the "special drug free" paper



Jump winners are George Patterson (JR High), Trae Hannon (4th & 5th), Colten Morris (2nd & 3rd) and Jack Reyna (K & 1).

handed out by Mrs. Shelly Henderson, elementary, junior high red ribbon week co-ordinator. Ms. Melissa Jones has co-ordinated the following activities for high school. Monday - Tie Red Ribbons all around campus. Tuesday - Follow your dreams - don't do drugs - wear pajamas (must meet dress code requirements). Wednesday - Drugs give you the blues. Wear Blue. There will be an assembly in the auditorium. Thursday - Use your head.

Don't do drugs - Crazy hat and hair day. Friday - Show your drug free school spirit - wear school colors or pride shirts. There is a canned food See Red Ribbon, pg. 8

### DPS Offers Halloween Safety Tips

- Texas DPS offers these tips for a safe Halloween;
1. Look both ways before crossing roadways. Don't run.
  2. Cross the roadway at intersections and crosswalks when possible.
  3. Travel in groups with adult supervision.
  4. Make sure children know their home phone number and how to call 911 or their local emergency number if they have an emergency or become lost.
  5. Take all treats home for an adult to inspect before eating anything. Never eat unwrapped candy.
  6. DO NOT enter the cars and homes of strangers. AVOID homes without visible porch lights.

### McLean Named Outstanding School Again

McLean ISD School Board met in regular session on Monday, Oct 16. Because of technical difficulties, the following items were omitted in the Oct. 15th issue of The McLean News. Mr. Hannon had talked with a few other individuals regarding the study of the school facilities. Mr. Lynn Ramsey, an architect, from Shamrock had been to the school and went on a walk through with Mr. Hannon to discuss upgrades needed in each building. Mr. Ramsey's main concerns were the A/C units which

were 15 years old, accessibility issues in all buildings, classrooms were too small and most of the buildings are old and in need of repair. All buildings had issues and Mr. Ramsey stated that the cost of renovations could be better used on construction of a new facility. The facilities have been working for the needs of the district, but not very efficiently. The utilities are high because of old doors and windows. Water leaks have also caused damage. The facilities are scattered causing students to have to leave the building to go to

various other classes. Some options to consider are keep the existing buildings in good condition with as little expense as possible while building a new facility or a new wing. Major renovations could be done to all structures, which could be very costly. The board will take a closer look at the longevity of the district, and therefore try to make a decision to plan for the future to continue to improve the education of the children. McLean ISD has been identified as an outstanding school See School, pg. 8

### Pampa Crime Stoppers Will Be Paying a Promised Reward Very Soon

Pampa Gray County Crime Stoppers are asking Caller number 3345 to call 662-1022 between 9 AM and 3 PM Monday-Friday to claim your reward. If you are interested in making a donation, call Fred Courtney at 669-5700 or contact Crimestoppers at PO Box 2499, Pampa, TX 79066, ATTN: Fred Courtney. The phone number for Crimestoppers is 669-2222.

### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**TIME CHANGES**  
Sunday, Oct 29 at 2 AM. Set your clocks back 1 hour.

**ARCHIE COOPER** will be preaching at the McLean Assembly of God Church, Sunday at 6 PM.

**PIONEER STUDY** Club will meet Thursday, Nov. 2nd at Elizabeth's.

**YOUNG @ HEART** Health Fair from 1-4 PM, Friday, Oct 27 at the Young @ Heart building.

**RED HAT** Attitudes will meet at the Red River Steakhouse, Wednesday, Nov. 1 at 11:30 AM. All ladies welcome.

**COMMUNITY MEMBERS** who are 65 or older may come by the McLean ISD Business Office and obtain a pass for free admission to home athletic events. Thanks for supporting the Tigers and Lady Tigers

**NEWSPAPER SHOOT-OUT** contest continues through next Friday. Call 779-2141 or 779-2158 for details.

**VETERAN'S NAMES** will be ran in the Nov 9th issue of THE MCLEAN NEWS. If you need to submit a name or check to see if a name is there, call 779-2141 or 779-2158.

**TRICK - O - TREATERS** are invited to the McLean Care Center Tuesday, Oct. 31 to "show-off" their costumes. Time is 6 PM.

**FAMILY READING** will be every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 3:15 to 3:45 in the elementary library.

**BOOK SALE** at Lovett Library Nov 6-Nov 22. Book donations accepted.

**TIGERS vs MOTLEY** County, Friday, Oct 27 at home. Scheduled time 7:30 PM

*McLean Birthdays & Anniversaries*

**October 26** - Becky Fish, Christopher Bybee, Mandy Reeves.

**October 27** Nama Webb, Tanner Hess, Mert and Jenny Collom (A).

**October 28** - Randi Jo Riley, Britnie Cooper, Nelson Dwyer, Grace McClellan, Bob Sherrod, Linda Fuller, Vonda

Averett, Calvin Armbrister Mr. & Mrs. Duan Carroll (A).

**October 29** -  
**October 30** - Victoria Bradley, Lorie Holland, Sue Simmons.

**November 1** - Belinda Daniels, Stephen Williamson, Staci Smith, Lyndsey Ellis, Lisa Ellis.

**Lydia Smith Passes Away**

Lydia Ann Smith, 88, of Amarillo died Saturday, Oct 21, 2006.

Services were held in Amarillo with Rev. Carroll Messer and Rev. Walt Ellis officiating. Burial was in the Llano Cemetery.

Mrs. Smith was born on December 31, 1917 in Wheeler County. She was raised in McLean and graduated from McLean High School in 1937. Lydia married Earnest L. "Buddy" Smith on March 13, 1938 and they moved to Amarillo in 1953.

She worked for Furr's Grocery for 36 years, United for 10 years and Thriftway Grocery for 9

**Red Ribbon**

drive all week. The donation box is in the High School Library. The food will be donated to the local food bank

years. She retired at the age of 83.

Survivors include her husband, a son, Frankie Smith of Wichita Falls, a daughter Sharon Petricone and husband Fred of Denton, 3 granddaughters, and 6 great-grand children and two great-great grandchildren; a brother in law, Hershel Smith, three sisters in law, Irene Hund, Gladys Stewart and Lucille Shelton.

The family suggests memorials be to BSA Hospice, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, Texas, Harvest Time Pentecostal Church of God, 409 S. Cleveland, Amarillo or a favorite charity.

**OOPS!**-Danny Syfrett's name was left out of the cooking picture.

**Services Held For Digger Dean**

Amarillo - Arthur Melvin "Digger" Dean, 83, passed away on October 22, 2006.

Graveside services were held, Tuesday, at the Llano Cemetery with Rev. Jeff Messer and Rev. Larry Capranica performing the service.

Mr. Dean was born on August 28, 1923 in Lebanon, Oklahoma to Charlie and Sadie Dean. He was a veteran of World War II and served in the U.S. Air Force. After the war, he began working in the oil field, employed 39 years with Getty Oil Company. He was a good Christian man and served as a deacon in the Baptist church. He married Anna

Bernice Combs on February 8, 1941. He was preceded in death by a son, Charles Dean.

Survivors in his wife: Anna Dean of the home; 2 Daughters: Peggy Immel and Jemmy Thomas both of Amarillo, TX; 1 Son: Don Dean of Amarillo, TX; 5 Grandchildren: Jodi Williams and husband, John; Brad Immel and wife, Catherine; Sherilyn Immel, all of Amarillo, TX; Butch Thomas and wife, Karie of Spring, TX; Jennifer Vail and husband, Tom of the U.S. Air Force; 10 Great-Grandchildren.

The family suggests Memorials: BSA Hospice, c/o Olivia's Angels, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX

**School**

identified as an outperforming school district for two consecutive years (2003-04 and 2004-05) according to Standard & Poor's. Ranging in 10 percent of the 770 districts in Texas. The district has outperformed demographically similar school districts in reading and math proficiency, serving student populations that range from 38.8 to 100 percent economically disadvantaged. The outperformers method uses the following criteria: 1) Districts must achieve higher levels of student proficiency than peers. 2) Districts must perform at a level that significantly exceeds

statistical expectation. 3) Districts must outperform consistently (At least 2 consecutive years.

Other area schools receiving this rating were Claude, Hedley, Silvertown and Wellington. Joe Riley commended the school for another job well done.

Mr. Hannon briefly discussed the Region 16 tax rate survey which showed the tax rate for each of the 62 districts located within Region 16.

Under other business, Mr. Hannon reminded the board about the PAASB meeting at Region 16 on Thursday evening, Feb. 26, 2007. There will be a team building training for school board and superintendent relations in Shamrock. He also informed them of the 24<sup>th</sup> annual fall TASB seminar on November 15, 2006, in Amarillo.

The school had received a letter from Ty Bonner, son-in-law of Kenneth Martindale thanking the students for the school supplies they had collected and sent to kids in Iraq last year.

Toni Bohler had been approached by a senior citizen inquiring if they could receive a pass to get in the games for free. The board agreed to offer passes for senior citizens. It will be printed in

**McLean School Menu**

**BREAKFAST-FRIDAY**- Cinnamon Rolls, toast & jelly, juice and milk. **MONDAY**-breakfast and milk. **TUESDAY**-sausage and gravy, toast & jelly, juice and milk.

**LUNCH-FRIDAY**- chicken sandwich, lettuce & tomato, potato wedges, pickle spear, cookie and milk. **MONDAY**-burrito w/ chili, pinto beans, salad, peach crisp and milk. **TUESDAY-CROW LEGS, GOBLIN CHUNKY SALAD, WITCHES FINGERS, R.I.P. TOMBSTONE, DRAGON CLAWS WITH SAUCE AND MAGIC POTION.**

The remainder of the menus were unavailable at press time.

the McLean News. The passes can be picked up at the business office.

All motions carried unanimously unless otherwise stated.

Motion by Toni Bohler, seconded by Randy Eddleman to approve EPSSA manual.

Motion by Randy Eddleman, seconded by David

Fuller to approve waiver for the modified TAKS testing schedule that will allow students not being tested to miss a portion of that day and allow staff to administer tests.

Motion by Terri Adams, seconded by Toni Bohler to approve the draft for

See More School, pg. 10

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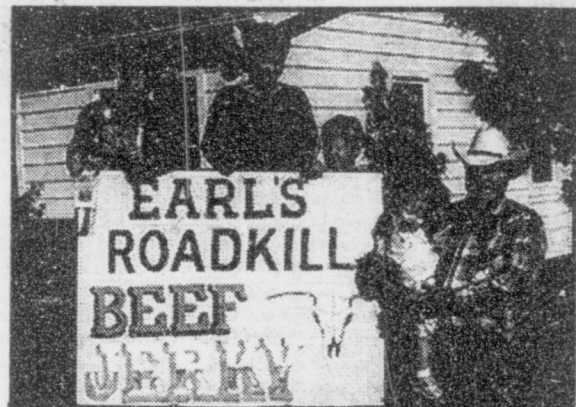


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## McLean Tigers Get Ready For Their Important District Game with Motley County On Friday

McLean Tigers will play Motley County this Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, in what Head Coach Jack Graves see as a must win game. If the Tigers (6-1) can beat the Matadors (6-1) the playoff picture looks a whole lot clearer. Coach Graves commented, "Samnorwood beat Motley County last Friday and they will be really fired up for McLean. They have two really good running backs, and they will give us all we can handle all night."

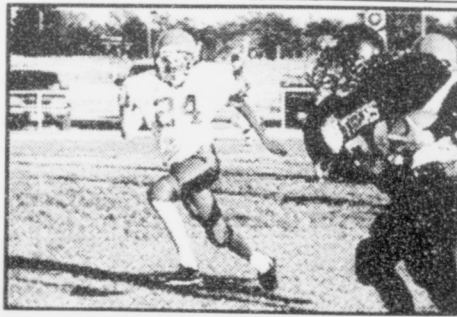
Having an open date

last week gave the McLean Tigers a chance to catch their breath and prepare for Motley County. The

Tigers are 1-0 in district after beating Samnorwood two weeks ago. Game time is 7:30 PM, at McLean.



Coach Herring and Coach Graves ready the Tigers.



Clay Crockett sprints for a touchdown against the Eagles.



Tanner Cadra, Scott Smith, Chase West and Zach Seymour defend Cub territory.

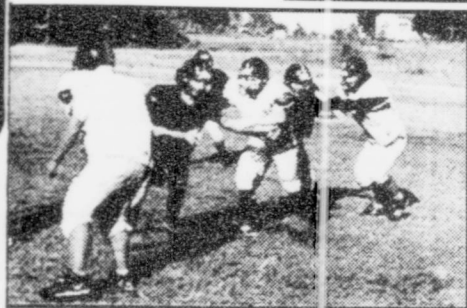
## McLean Cubs Win

The McLean Cubs defeated the Samnorwood Jr. High last Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 33-19, at Samnorwood.

Coach Graves saw a big improvement in the team from last week. "The defense played great," stated Coach Graves. "We were up 26-7 after the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. That enabled us to play our younger players the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter."

Clay Crockett had 3 touchdowns, Tanner Cadra 1 touchdown, and Jordan Herring 1 touchdown in the win.

The Cubs have an open date this week, and close out their season next week against Groom Jr. High here.



Tigers work on offensive and defensive plays during an afternoon practice.


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# Alanreed Fall Festival Deemed A Success By Crowd



Don Dorsey hands the ball to Kendalyn Richardson at the tire throw.



Ray Harris welcomes the crowd to the Fall Festival.



(Above) Emma Pechtel helps out at The Wheel of Fortune. (Below left) Denva Tidwell gets the fishing pole ready for Mickey Jackson and granddaughters.

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## McLean FFA Students Attend Workshop and Fair

Several McLean FFA students represented their chapter at events in September.

On September 16, 2006, Cory Ashley, Matt Appiewhite, Kutter Anderson, Mark Smith and Logan Sparling, represented the McLean FFA at the Tri-State Fair and competed in the Ag Mechanics show. Their projects included a rustic cooler, a log splitter and a wooden lawn chair. The cooler and the lawn chair placed first and second in the large wood category, and the log splitter placed second in the home convenience category. The Chapter won a socket set, tools, gloves, safety equipment and premium money.

on workmanship-25 points, design and materials-10 points, practicality-10 points, degree of difficulty-10 points, finish-10 points, plans, bill of materials, and photographs-10 points and student knowledge of project 25 points.

Evan McMordie and Lucas Webb represented McLean FFA at a web page workshop at WTAMU on September 19<sup>th</sup>. They learned the basics of web page design such as how to upload images and set up online order forms. Members of the Silverton FFA, who had set up their own website, were on hand to answer questions.

The McLean website is still a work in progress, but you can see how much has already been done by logging on to [www.mcleanffa.org](http://www.mcleanffa.org).

The entries were judged

## Attention Voters

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I am asking all voters who live in precinct 4 to **WRITE-IN DON FLETCHER FOR CONSTABLE OF PRECINCT 4**

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## City Council Meets In Special Session To Buy Irrigation System

McLean City Council met in special session, Monday, Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006 in City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Martin at 4 PM. Betty Taylor gave the invocation. Other council members present were Molly McDowell, George Shaw and James Troy. Mindy Reeves was absent. Toni Bohlar, city secretary, was also present.

The mayor explained to the Council that the City needed an irrigation system for the sewer system and the one called for in the

grant was made only in France and was very expensive. Our permit does not specify the type of irrigation system that needs to be used and TCEQ agrees. Roby Lynn and the Mayor got several quotes. The lowest bidder was Smith Irrigation quoting a bid of \$10,895.00 plus freight. Motion made by Alderman Shaw, seconded by Alderman McDowell, with all voting in favor to buy the irrigation system from Smith Irrigation for the price quoted.

The meeting adjourned at 4:13 PM.

## More School

the EIC Local Policy to add dual credit academic college courses in the weighted courses for class rank calculations.

Motion by Toni Bohlar seconded by David Fuller to appoint Joe Morgan as the appraisal district board representative due to Sam Haynes' Retirement.

Motion by Randy Eddleman, seconded by David Fuller to allow Leslie Darsey to use the new gym for volleyball life group for a monthly fee. Motion passed with four voting "for" and Terri Adams abstaining.

Motion by David Fuller, seconded by Toni Bohlar to adjourn at 9:01 PM. Motion carried.

## MCLEAN CHURCH DIRECTORY

**Church of Christ** 4th & Clarendon  
Pastor Jim Rayna 779-2548  
Sunday Bible School 10:00 a.m.  
Worship 10:40 a.m. & 8 p.m., Wed. Bible Class 7:30

**New Life Assembly of God** 4th & Main  
Pastor Z.A. Myers  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday night Service 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Service - 7:00 p.m.

**First Baptist Church** 206 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.  
Wednesday Choir 7:00 p.m.

**Heal 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.

**McLean Cowboy Church & The Arena of Life** 119 E. 3rd  
Pastor Ronnie Ferguson, - 779-2135  
Worship Service Sunday morning 10:30 a.m.  
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# The Groom News

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Volume 81 Number 14

Groom, Texas 79039

Thursday, October 26, 2006



Candidates for local office meet over coffee at the Groom Community Center last Tuesday night with the public. Jackie Lewis, candidate for judge, Dea Schroeder, candidate for treasurer visit with citizens Karen Case and Brenda Ferguson.



Commissioners' Kenneth Ware, Jerry Strawn, Judge Louis Powers and Mike Britten accept the insurance check from TAC for Carson County at last Tuesday's meeting.

## County Accepts Check From TAC Risk Pool

Carson County Commissioners met Monday, October 23, 2006 to accept a county property refund insurance check for participating in the Texas Association of Counties' Risk Management Benefits Pool.

check claims and pay invoices, discuss any right of way easements, indigent care and roads, labor and machinery. Kenneth Ware, Commissioner opened the meeting by giving the Pledge of Allegiance and invocation.

County fines and their schedule of payments to each of the entities. The FEMA worksheet included entities from the area, reimbursement checks ranged from \$159.00 to \$4000.00.

Also, Brenda

### COUNTY SAVES TAXPAYERS MONEY WITH INSURANCE CREDITS

Carson County saved its property taxpayers \$9,053 in liability insurance cost through renewal credit program of the Texas Association of Counties (TAC) risk management pool.

TAC's County Government Risk Management Pool is part of several self-insurance programs owned and operated by counties that save tax dollars by allowing Texas counties to band together to obtain better rates for insurance coverage. The risk management provides automobile, general liability, public officials error and omissions and professional law enforcement coverage to Texas counties and county related governmental entities.

In April, the board of directors of the risk management pool voted to return a total of \$ 6 million in the form of renewal credits to longtime county members that have participated in the pool for a full year and successfully controlled their claims losses. The program affects 173 counties and 84 other county-related entities that are pool members.

Carson County has received a total of \$9,053 in credit for renewing their auto liability, general liability, public official's liability and law enforcement liability with the pool.

"Carson County has worked hard to shield its taxpayers from escalating insurance costs," said Sam D. Seale, TAC executive director. "By being a member of the TAC pool and being proactive in controlling claims, county leaders have made sure that protecting taxpayers' pocketbooks is a priority."

The Texas Association of Counties is a non-profit organization that provides custom tailored services to Texas counties and county officials, much of which is not available anywhere else.

Also, the court approved a proclamation to name November Official Home Health Care Month.

All commissioners were present at the meeting to

Local Emergency Director Brenda Vermillion identified the area entities who responded to Carson

Vermillion discussed with the court the evacuation plan for safety procedures See County pg. 6

### Groom Community Calendar

**DON'T MISS** the Harvest Dinner Sunday, beginning at 11:00.

**VETERAN'S DAY** is celebrated on November 11. The News will publish the Veteran's Honor Roll on November 9<sup>th</sup>. Please contact us if your loved ones name was not on it in the past or if you need to add a name to the list.

**CLOCKS FALL** back this Sunday, 1 hour.

**MCLEAN NEWS** is in the lead in the Subscription contest! Please help the Groom News Editor by subscribing, today! (New Subscribers Only!)

**GROOM CUBS** will play Samnorwood, here on Thursday Oct 26 at 6:00 p.m.

**GROOM TIGERS** will play Samnorwood, there, Friday Oct. 27, at 7:30 p.m.

## Groom Feed Yard Under New Ownership



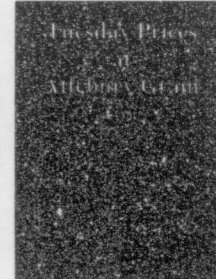
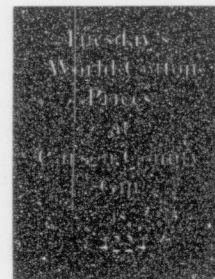
New feedlot owners Thom Childress, Ron Kramer and Cody Kramer have taken over the Groom Feedlot as new partners. They will be overseeing the day to day operations

The Groom Feed Yard has new owners! Partners Ron Kramer, Cody Kramer and Thom Childress are excited about the prospect of the operation.

"We can see a lot of potential in the operation," stated Senior Cattleman, Ron Kramer. "We are very excited to be in the Groom business community."

Thom Childress will be managing the operation with assistance from his wife Terri, his dad, Shot and Cody Kramer. Thom and Terri will be living out at the Feed Lot. Thom is a Wheeler native and his wife is from the Mobeetie area. He spent 25 years in the oil and refinery business, traveling the world.

"I have realized that the best people in the world live right here in the Texas See Feed Lot, pg. 6



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## Birthdays & Anniversaries

October 26 - Jackson Rainer, Judy Eatmon, Susi Thompson, Dorothy and Bill Britten (A).  
 October 27 - Ruben Baggerman, Raymond Ruthardt, Wyatt Weinheimer, Jessica Staop.  
 October 28 - George (Jiggs) Britten Sr., Robert Homer, Rose England.  
 October 29 - Sharon Britten, Amanda Chaney, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Howard (A).  
 October 30 - Gina Miller, Brian Baker.

October 31 - Shirley Ann Fields, Hallie Thompson, Kade Brown, Maddie Wieberg.  
 November 1 - Milton Thompson, Jackson Kuehler, Katie-Lane Thompson.  
**IT WAS ONLY A DRILL!**  
 The Groom Ambulance Service class made several practice runs to homes in Groom on Tuesday night. This was a drill for them to practice their patient assessment skills.

## Local Happenings

Tim Case traveled to Chromo Colorado last week to go elk hunting. After one week in the cold wilderness, Tim decided he would rather spend 1 week at the dentist than do that again!

### CARD OF THANKS

With great appreciation, we thank our friends from the Methodist Church and Church of Christ for helping with the tailgate party. Also thank you to the cook, Joe Homer and others for their helping hands.

### It's a Boy!

Wesley Aaron Kuehler born October 15 at BSA, Amarillo weighed 8lbs 15 oz and was 21 inches long. He is the son of Nick and Nicole Kuehler of Panhandle. He is welcomed home by his big sisters and brother, Grace age 6, Jackson age 4 and Kate age 2. The proud grandparents include Ron & Debbie Fangman of Vega and Robert and Alice Kuehler of Groom. Great grandparent are Phelba May and Gene & Eloise Fangman, all of Vega.

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kuehler accompanied by their daughter and son-in-law, Martha and Jerry Brorman of Vega motored to Newton, Kansas, recently for the wedding of their nephew, John Paul Koetting to Lynette Gayle Harms. Another Kuehler daughter, Mary Lane of Salina, Ks. was also present.

## Carrigan New In Kling Home



Tiffani and Cody Kling want to announce the arrival of their new baby sister, Carrigan Anne. She was born Oct. 3, 2006 at NWTH. Carrigan weighed 7 lbs 11 oz and was 20 inches long.  
 Proud parents are Doug

and Joannie Kling of Groom. Grandparents are Bill and Norma Jean Homer of Groom and Joan Kling of Houston and the late Paul Kling.

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## The United Methodist Church of Groom Presents Annual Harvest Dinner Turkey & All the Trimmings

Groom School Cafeteria  
 Sunday October 29, 2006  
 11:00 am - 1:30 pm

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Area Catholic Women Hold Annual Meeting

The Amarillo Diocesan Council of Catholic Women held their annual convention at St. Mary's Hall, Groom on October 13 & 14. The beautifully decorated hall reflected the them "Yes Lord, Your Servant is Listening."

Friday's meeting began with Mass with Bishop John Yanta as main celebrate. "Woman of the Year" nominees, Mary Craghead, Ida Morales and Debbie Ollinger were recognized.

The meeting resumed in the Hall for the banquet and keynote speaker, Eileen Dolan's address on servant-hood. Workshops followed included

organization, Legislation and community. Ida Morale was named "Woman of the Year" and a reception was held at the Cross in her honor.

Saturday morning session began at 8:30 with bible enthronement and morning prayer. Janice Ponder gave the morning address - She said "We

must LISTEN to hear God speaking."

More workshops followed including Family, Church, and International.

Much interest and excitement was generated by the "Silent Auction" taking place both days. Ventura Romos, Tulia won the inspired cross stitch picture of John Paul II, created by Wynell Neush and Ann Mansel.

At the business meeting, reports were heard from commission chairs as well as deanery president. New officers were elected and installed by diocese Moderator, Mongignor Rex Nicholl. The new officers are We Saw...

Nichole Barnett shopping in Amarillo with her mom, Donna.

President Teresa Sarzynski, vice president Emilo Sanchez, secretary Kathy Lyons, treasure Gerry Ault, Historian, Roberta Sandley

and auditor Margaret Hammer. Over 120 members, clergy and guests attended the convention.

VOTE ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Dea SCHROEDER



DEMOCRAT CARSON COUNTY TREASURER

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Roskens Assists Austin In TAKS Test Revisions

Larry Roskens, teacher at Groom ISD was in Austin recently at the request of TEA and Pearson Measurement (the people who write the test questions for the TAKS testing) to assist the committee of teachers to help with the revision, review and deletion of question on future TAKS tests. Roskens was asked to assist with 10<sup>th</sup> grade mathematics questions.



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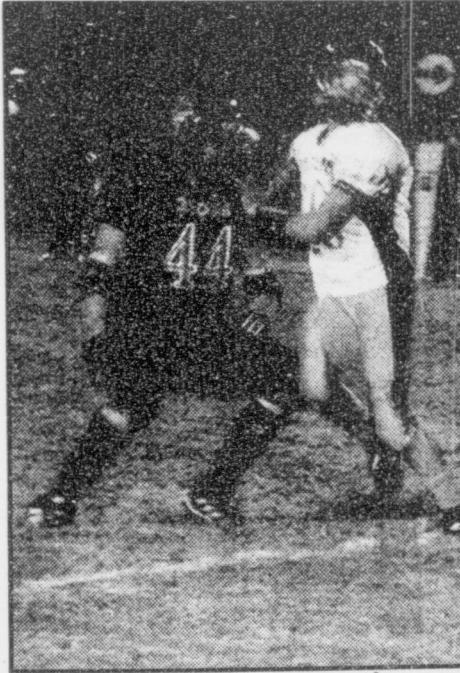
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## Tigers Defeat Lazbuddie, 59-8



Eric Torres has played some solid defensive games along with having a consistent PAT kick average this year.

Groom yet forced another 45 mercy rule on

Groom Tigers 5-2, 1-0 on the season has their job cut out for them in the final three games of the season fighting to get in the playoff systems.

their opponents last Friday night by scoring, 59 points in the first half, beating Lazbuddie 59-8. It is almost a guarantee that the final three games of the season will not be determined by the mercy rule because the top teams

in district will be going after each other, at Samnorwood this Friday night, McLean here on Nov. 3 and Motley County on Nov. 10.

Groom had 147 yards rushing against Lazbuddie and 207 yards passing was Thane Barkley threw for three touchdowns and Eric Torres ran for two more touchdowns. Anthony Luna scored on a 45 yard pass from Thane Barkley, Blaine Britten hauled a in a 16 yard pass from Eric Torres. Torres also had runs of 3 yards, and 5 yards. Torres make 5 of 7 PAT kicks and Tyler Babcock ran for another point after attempt. Blaine Britten scored on pass completions of 16 yards,

14 yard run and a 40 yard pass.

Tigers travel to Samnorwood this Friday, October 27. Samnorwood was predicted to finish at the top of the 6-man Division II district 7, followed by Groom's next opponent the Tigers from McLean. Samnorwood is predicted to give to give Groom a good game, one that Groom must win to stay in the running for a district play-off position. McLean beat Samnorwood last week but not after Samnorwood gave them a battle. Also Samnorwood lost one of their top players in last week's loss to

McLean. Matt Tarver

## Groom School Menus

### Groom School Lunch Menu

The following is the breakfast and lunch menu for the week of Oct. 30-Nov 3.

#### BREAKFAST

Monday: Muffins, cold cereal, juice & milk

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

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

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

Friday: Do-nuts, cinnamon rolls, juice & milk.

#### LUNCH

Monday - Corn Dogs, Macaroni & Cheese, tater tots, peaches, pickle spears, and milk.

Tuesday - Char-Broiled chopped steak, scalloped potatoes, black-eyed peas, hot rolls, milk & cake.

Wednesday - Burritos w/ chili & cheese, bean dip, pineapple, lettuce, chips, and milk.

Thursday - Turkey & Noodles, mixed vegetables, applesauce, cheese zombies, and milk.

Friday - Cheeseburgers, Curley fries, baked beans, lettuce & tomatoes, milk, and cookies.

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# Varsity Boy Regional Bound In Cross Country



Cross Country Athletes competed in the District meet on Monday at Canadian. The Varsity Boys placed 2<sup>nd</sup> over all and will advance to the Regional Meet.

Joel Horn placed 2. Blaine Britten was 9<sup>th</sup>. Anthony Luna was 12. Josh Kelly placed 14<sup>th</sup>. Brett Friemel 16<sup>th</sup> and Ben Thompson 17.


In the varsity girls placed as follows: Michaela Roskens 14, Rachael Hopkins 16, Tiffani Kling 27, Korn Britten 32, Ashley Murray 35, Virginia Froese 38, Alannah King 40.

The Junior High girls placed 5<sup>th</sup>. Haley Kuchler placed 16. Neva Corley placed 20. Bekah Roskens came in 24. Maddie Wieberg placed 26, Samantha 32, and Hali Bohr 42.

Congratulations on all our athletes on a wonderful season.



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## Jackie West

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The commissioners approved the resignation of the sheriff's jailer dispatcher. The jailer-dispatcher's training lasts in excess of two weeks. The sheriff is advertising throughout the county for this position.

Approved was the Texas Association of counties health Care benefits update and the Silver Choice Plan, which is an option for county employees as a supplemental insurance after retirement.

Mike Vance of Panhandle was approved for another two year term by the commissioners court to represent Panhandle Independent School District, the City of Panhandle and Carson county for the Carson County appraisal Board

**Former President Stops  
By The Groom News  
Office!**

Bob Hale of Austin, and the former President of the Class of 1952, was in Groom recently. He was on his way to fetch back some money that Texan have been leaving in New Mexico.

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**POTEAU, OKLA.** - Mary Ruth Huckert, 53, died Sunday, Oct. 15, 2006.

Services were at 2 p.m. Monday in Oakland Cemetery Pavilion with the Rev. Jimmy D. Cook officiating. Arrangements were by Evans & Miller Funeral Home.

Mrs. Huckert was born Jan. 17, 1953, in Hereford, Texas, to Walter Lee and Iza Irene Miller Rogers. She was a retired RN.

Mrs. Huckert was preceded in death by her parents; and a brother, Dick Rogers.

Survivors include her husband, Jim Huckert; three children, Buffy Gwyn of Groom, Texas, Toylynn Walterschied of Amarillo, Texas, and James Huckert Jr. of Austin, Texas; a granddaughter, Kylie Pickering, a brother, Roy Mac Rogers of Levelland, Texas; a sister, Dene Kelly of Midland, Texas; numerous other relatives and loved ones; and a host of beloved friends.

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The following candidates have paid a fee to have their name on this political calendar. Their disclaimer statements are on file at The Groom-McLean News for public inspection.


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