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## Board To Implement Stricter Controls On School Spending

The McLean Independent School District Board of Education met for a Special meeting at 7:00 p.m. on August 3, 2001. Board members present were John Holland, Joe Riley, Billie Ward, Toni Bohlar, and Don Dorsey. Absent were Neal Odom and Mike Darsey. Superintendent, John Griffin, and Elem. Principal, Dick Crockett were present. Visitors present were Gordon Maddox, Dick and Effie Lou Everett, Bob Sherrod, Ben Reeves, John and Debbie Krueger, Jim Shaw, and James Hefley.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by John Holland, President. The Open session was recorded.

The Board went into Executive Session at 7:34 p.m., with motion by Toni Bohlar, second by Billie Ward to discuss Item III-Personnel.

Return to Open Session came at 9:24 p.m. to vote on Item IV-Motion by Toni Bohlar to hire Gordon Maddox to obtain credit card receipts, phone bills, and other related expenditures for an unspecified period of time, second by Billie Ward.

Mr. Griffin recommended that the school needed to look for a Girl's Basketball Coach if the Board was not opposed to this.

John Holland opened up the session for questions from the visitors at this time.

James Hefley had no comments, when offered the floor. A visitor asked why the same auditor was being used. The Board responded that Mr. Maddox already has the knowledge regarding the district's operation, which would be very helpful, and this could cut down on the amount of time being spent, and also would cut down on the cost of the audit. There are different types of audits, and John Holland stated that in the near future, the public

would understand why this course of action was chosen. Billie Ward stated that guidelines are set by the state to present our records and that we are conducting business in a fair manner, and the auditor goes by what the state give him as a guideline. This particular audit will be detailed and much more specific. Mrs. Ward went on to say that the Board is bound by law to keep what is discussed in Executive Session to themselves, and in no way is the Board trying to be evasive. John Holland stated that the audit guidelines are a source to check the budget, and see how well or how poorly the funds are being used.

Don Dorsey said Mr. Maddox had recently done a general financial audit, but this time he will be looking at individual bills, receipts, etc.; to which a visitor commented that this audit would be in addition to any other required audit. The Board responded with "yes." Another question of the visitors was concerning the period of time in which funds were spent, which would be covered in the audit.

The Board responded that there would be no time period limit as to the past spending, as was clarified in the motion earlier by saying an unspecified time, which will be good in the sense that there will be no limit, and the audit may go as far back as one month or several years.

Mr. Shaw asked what you are looking for in this audit, and questioned if there was misuse of funds. The Board is looking at how the money was spent, and although they can't expound on the subject yet, they will let the public know what has taken place when they can, in the near future. Visitors commented that they could not believe that the Board allowed the spending, not

knowing where it was going and how much was spent. Mr. Holland responded that the Board was working on the answers.

Bob Sherrod quoted that thirty years ago when he was serving on the Board, that a similar issue came up, and it caused great turmoil and hard feeling among the town.

Billie Ward declared that she did not want this to tear our small community apart, a visitor commented that it was already happening, and Mrs. Ward agreed that she was afraid it had too. She went on to say that all we want is what's best for our kids and for each other, there is business at hand that has got to be dealt with. Visitors commented that they are only searching for the truth, and Mrs. Ward said the Board is also searching for the truth.

Another visitor commented that at one time the district had a good surplus of money, but it was made aware that the schools were state mandated not to carry a lot of surplus over the budget, and yet the Board continued to over tax, now where did all the money go. Past Board members commented that they had supervised bill paying, and that the President and Secretary was responsible for signing checks. Billie Ward stated that they will be going back to a strict policy of requiring a Purchase Order for items bought, with an authorized signature of approval. The Board will also look at the bills one by one now, which have not received a lot of attention in the past, but Billie said "hindsight is 20-20." The Board admits to having done some things wrong, they do not think they have been lax, but agree that this is a very complicated situation, and they feel they have been misinterpreted.

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## Tigers Begin Two A Day Practices

The Tiger Football team started two-a-days this week. Coach Eric Smith and Coach Blaze Herring started the boys off at 7:00 a.m. Monday morning with stretching drills and running drills. They met again at 7:00 p.m. for more drills including passing and catching. The team will meet twice a day through

Friday morning, when they will be in full uniform.

The Tiger team has some returning players and has added some new faces. Team members are Bron Bohlar, Jay Wallis, Reo Dennis, Terrance Fite, Sean Conners, Drew Barker, Josh Seymour, Trent

Cadra, Dusty Moody, Benn Reyna, Andy Ritchie, Robert Brass, Matt Gutierrez, and Chris Spurling.

This years team is a young one, but they have a good attitude and a fighting spirit. They are looking forward to a wonderful season. Go Tiger Team!

## Troopers Seize \$97,000 Cash

DPS Trooper Jerome Ingle of McLean recently stopped a rented Lincoln Towncar west of town. The driver refused to consent to a search, but Trooper Ingle received consent from the rental company to search the car. When Trooper Ingle opened the door of the car, he detected the odor of marijuana. Trooper Ingle along with Trooper Henderson also of McLean found a briefcase in the trunk of the car. The briefcase contained \$97,320.00. The driver and the passenger claimed no knowledge of the briefcase or the money and were released without charges being made. However the money was seized and is suspected to be drug related. Trooper Toby Schaet of Amarillo was also called-in with his K-9 unit to search the car, but no drugs were found.

## REMINDERS

MCLEAN Masonic Lodge will meet Thursday, August 9, at 7:30 p.m.

LADY TIGERS Golf Tournament is August 18, at 9:00 a.m. at the McLean Golf Course. \$25.00 per pair. Prizes will be awarded.

CLARENDON Fishing Tournament is scheduled for August 11th.

CITY COUNCIL Meeting is Monday, August 13th, at 6:00 p.m. From 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. There will be a public hearing about Cable One's franchise with the city. The City tax rate will be discussed at the 6:00 meeting.

## Wanted!

Wanted Self Motivated Individual who is interested in the McLean Area and it's Residents Flexible Hours Writing skills and interpersonal skills a big plus Contact Phil Miller or Donna Burton at 248-7333. The Groom-McLean News

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1	\$11,167	\$5,892	\$931	\$1,325	\$215	\$306
2	15,093	7,478	1,258	1,790	291	414
3	19,019	9,866	1,585	2,256	366	521
4	22,945	12,253	1,913	2,722	442	628
5	26,871	14,640	2,240	3,187	517	736
6	30,797	17,027	2,567	3,653	593	843
7	34,723	19,414	2,894	4,118	668	951
8	38,649	21,801	3,221	4,584	744	1,058
9	42,575	24,188	3,549	5,050	820	1,165
10	46,501	26,575	3,877	5,515	895	1,274
11	50,427	28,962	4,205	5,982	972	1,382
12	54,353	31,349	4,533	6,448	1,048	1,491
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	\$3,926	\$2,067	\$168	\$246	\$56	\$79

The McLean school offers a choice of healthy meals each school day. Children may buy lunch for \$1.75 (K-5) and \$2.00 (6-12), breakfast for \$0.50, and after school snacks are not available. Children who qualify under U.S. Department of Agriculture guidelines may get meals free or at a reduced-price of \$0.40 for lunch, \$0.30 for breakfast and after school snacks are not available. All meals served meet nutrition standards established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. If a child has a disability, as determined by a doctor, and the disability prevents a child from eating the regular school meal, the school will make substitutions prescribed by the doctor. If a substitution is needed, there will be no extra charge for the meal. Please note, however, that the school is not required to make a substitution for a food allergy, unless it meets the definition of

disability. Please call the school for further information; telephone number 779-2571. Your children can get free school meals if you get food stamps or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). Depending on your income, your children may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals. How do I get free or reduced-price school meals for my children? You must complete the Application for Free and Reduced-Price Meals Form and return it to the school. \*Households getting food stamps or TANF. You only have to include your children's names and case numbers, and an adult household member must sign the form. \*Households that do not get food stamps or TANF. If you do not have a case number, you must include the names of all household members, the amount of income each person received last month and where the income came from. An adult

household member must sign the form and include his or her social security number, or indicate that he or she has no social security number. \*Households with foster children. You must include the children's names and the amount of "personal use" income the children received last month, and an adult must sign the form. Will the form be verified? You eligibility may be checked at any time during the school year. School officials may ask you to send written evidence that shows that your children should get free or reduced-price meals. Can I appeal the school's decision? You can talk to school officials if you do not agree with the school's decision on your form. You also may ask for a fair hearing by calling or writing to: John W. Griffin, phone-779-2301, address-P.O. Box 90, McLean, TX 79057. Must I report changes? If your children get free or reduced-price meals because of your income, you must tell us if your household size decreases, or if your income increases by more than \$50 per month or \$600 per year. If your children get free meals because your household gets food stamps or TANF, you must tell us when you no longer get these benefits. Will information on my form be kept confidential? We will use the information on your form to decide if your children should get free or reduced-price meals. We may inform officials with other child nutrition, health and education programs of the information on your form to determine benefits for those programs or for funding and/or evaluation purposes. Can I apply for free or reduced-price meals later? You may apply for free or reduced-price meals at any time during the school year. If you are not eligible now but have a change, like a decrease in household income, an increase in household

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CARD OF THANKS

We just wanted to say thank you for all the help we received. A special thank you to the ambulance crew; Robbie Sanderson, Dennis Ward, and Robert McDonald. You kept him in good spirits. Also a special thank you to the town, to the residences of McLean and the surrounding area. Scott and I did not realize how blessed we really are to have so many friends. I personally was overwhelmed by the phone calls, the offers of help, and the visitors. Your concern is deeply appreciated and has not gone unnoticed. We can not thank you enough, each and everyone of you. God Bless. Sincerely Yours, Scott and Denise Howard

- McLean Birthdays  
Anniversaries  
August 9 - Birdie Lee Smith, Connie Flores, Alvin White.  
August 10 - Dorothy Dwyer, Dollie Buckhaults, Karen Brown.  
August 11 - Britten Shipman, Caleb Wolfe, Dee Ann Burkes.  
August 12 - Holly Thompson, Christopher Hauck, Becky Orrick Nunez, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Day (A).  
August 13 - Bill Thomas, Chloe McMullen.  
August 14 - J. Boyd Smith, Caleb Wolfe, Thacker and Sharon Haynes (A).  
August 15 - Shirley Bentley, Dick Wheeler, Holly Hefley, Mark Jones.

Letter To The Editor

This is the third and final letter to you on McLean ISD. The reason being the community is aware of the ISD problems and can exercise available options in effecting solutions and problems solving; or they can ignore the whole thing and live with the resulting consequences.

The board's idea of having an audit conducted is a good one. However, the approach is a little strange. To be serious about fact finding, one would normally not announce an audit is to be done and to name the auditor. There is a particular lack of merit in designating any member of the board to point out to the auditor where to look and what to look for. This action, as announced, guarantees a non-independent audit,

casts some doubt on the part of the board in the selected auditors ability and in a final analysis evokes at least an inferential image of hen houses and foxes.

The board has in the past held the authority and responsibility for the oversight of financial practices, policies and procedures, and members may not know what to look for. In either instance then their counsel of an auditor would be questionable.

My sympathy goes to the teachers and to those of the dedicated staff being called on to do more with less. The current situation has not been fair to you or the recently elected board members. You have the understanding of the community in this.

Bill Reeves

McLean Church Directory

Church of Christ 4th & Clarendon  
779-2548

Sunday Bible School 10 am  
Worship 10:40 am & 6 pm  
Wed. Bible Class 7:30

First Assembly of God 4th & Main

Pastor Dean Williamson 779-2221  
Sunday School - All Ages 9:30 am  
Morning Worship 10:45 am  
Sunday Night & Youth Services 7 pm  
Wednesday Night Service 7:00 pm

First Baptist Church 206 E. 1st

Brian Quisenberry, Pastor 779-2175  
Sunday School 9:45; Worship 11 am & 7 pm  
(Youth) & Wed. Bible Study, Prayer Meeting 7 pm

United Methodist Church 2nd & Gray

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

Heald United Methodist Church

Kellerville Road  
Sunday 9:15

Trinity Baptist Church 603 Commerce

James Mantooth 779-3207  
Sunday School 9:45 am Worship 11 am  
Sunday Evening Worship 7 pm  
Bible Study & Prayer Meeting Wed 7 pm


Cowboy Church at Red River Steakhouse

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## 4-Hers Earn Ribbons

The McLean 4-H made a good showing this year with five turning in record books. They are: Nicholas Odom-Food and Nutrition, blue ribbon at District; Zachary Odom-Sheep, blue ribbon at District; Kristen Odom-Clothing and Textiles, blue ribbon at District; Travis Fish-Sheep, blue ribbon at District; and Anna Shackelford-Sheep, blue ribbon at District.

McLean also has fourteen students and twelve leaders eligible for year pins. They are: Amanda Fricks and Zachary Odom-1st year; Anna Shackelford-2nd year; Travis Fish, Kristen Odom, Mark Smith, and Lucas Webb-3rd year; Brooke Seymour-4th year; Nicholas Odom, Chisum Smith, and Kevin Smith-

5th year; Chloe Smith and Krista Smith-6th year; and Nikki Hefley-9th year. The leaders are Sally Bohlar, Doug Seymour, Monica Shackelford, and L.H. Webb-2nd year; Neal Odom, Beverly Odom, and Linda Smith-5th year; Terry Smith-6th year; Becky and Jay D. Fish-11th year; James Hefley-14th year; and Charlotte Hefley-16th year. Congratulations 4-H'ers!



## CHEERLEADING CAMP

McLean High School sent six young ladies to cheerleading camp this summer. They spent a week at Oklahoma University learning cheers and jumps and stunts. They also spent time in competition with approximately ten other schools. The McLean team consist of Danielle Dampier, Chloe Smith, Jennifer Greer, Jennifer Smith, and Ashley Fish. Randi Riley is the Tiger Mascot.

The McLean team made quite a showing in competition. They won a bid to go to Nationals in Dallas. They won the herkie team award, the stunt smart award, and

two spirit sticks. The Tiger team received superior ratings in all evaluations except one, and received an excellent rating in it! Randi Riley received the All American Mascot award. The Tiger cheerleading team has been practicing in two-a-days this week and are expecting a good year under the direction of Margaret Milam.

## BOARD

Mr. Reeves stated that the money is one issue, but not having an inventory of assets, such as horns, tools, or equipment is also a concern. He has heard of tools disappearing, and the incidents that cannot be accounted for. This led to discussion of the band instruments, how

the money was spent, and the shape of the Alanreed school, with many different opinions arising. Jim Shaw stated that the inventory of the school system that is supposedly missing would be of some value to the district. He went on to inquire on the number of credit cards being used and by whom. Mr. Everett stated that the School Board ought to know that, credit cards, and cell phones are problem items, and he thought this type of business was totally out of control. John Holland assured the visitors that the office does receive statements, and that the cell phones were sent with the kids traveling all over as a source of insurance and communication if the bus broke down.

At this time John Holland chose to end the meeting, and extended an invitation for anyone to stay and visit him afterwards, just one on one.

The visitor comments were to air stuff out, but emotions were getting up, and Mr. Holland agreed that this was nonsense to argue, that the Board was trying to take care of business, but nobody trusted what the Board has done. He went on to say that the Board is not trying to

shuffle any responsibility, but that they are taking care of business. He also asked for the people's support, and not to add to the problems, and he thinks things are moving in that direction. If anyone wants to be put on the agenda for the next meeting for a specific topic or further discussion, then contact Mr. Griffin or Mr. Holland.

Mr. Holland invited anyone to visit after the meeting, instead of wasting everybody's time. He assured the visitors that he would be glad to visit with them, and at this time there was no other business. Motion to adjourn by Billie Ward, second by Toni Bohlar at approximately 10:00 p.m.

## CARD OF THANKS

The family of Pat Seymour would like to say "Thank You" to the nurses, administration, dietary, maintenance, laundry workers and residents of McLean Care Center. For many years, you have been Pat's family too, and you gave her excellent care and an abundance of love. A special thanks to Lula and Betty for all their precious deeds, and to Billie for her kindness to the kids and all of her help to the family. You're a great facility and a bunch of wonderful people, and we appreciate you all so much.

Mary Auldridge and Family



# McLean School Supply List

## KINDERGARTEN

- Bottle Elmers Glue
- Six #2 pencils
- Large box kleenex
- Small box (8) colors
- School Box
- Backpack (optional)
- Paint shirt (old t-shirt)

## FIRST GRADE

- #2 Pencils
- Eraser
- Elmer's Glue
- 16 or 24 Crayons (no more please)
- Fiskars School Scissors
- 1 pocket folders
- 1 School Box
- 2 boxes kleenex

## SECOND GRADE

- 3 boxes of kleenex (1 is for music class)
- 1 pair of pointed scissors
- Crayons
- Map colors (colored pencils)
- 4 glue sticks
- 1 large white liquid glue
- 4 red grading pencils
- Wide rule notebook paper (no college rule)
- 1 package of #2 yellow pencils

- 3 pocket folders-plain with brads (1 yellow, 1 light green, 1 light blue)
- 4 pocket folders-plain without brads (2 dark green, 2 dark blue)
- 1 large plastic supply box (the plastic shoe box at Walmart for 88 cents works great)
- 2 large pink erasers
- 2 wide rule spirals (no college rule)
- NO ink pens, markers, or mechanical pencils please.

- It is O.K. if the colors on the pocket folders vary a little.

## THIRD GRADE

- 2 boxes of kleenex
- 1-pair of scissors
- Crayons
- Map Colors
- Markers
- 1 glue stick
- 1 liquid glue
- 2 red grading pencils
- Wide rule notebook paper
- 1 spiral notebook
- 3 pocket folders with brads
- 1 pkg. #2 pencils
- 1 large ziplock bag

## FOURTH GRADE

- Wide ruled notebook paper
- Pointed Scissors
- Crayons
- Box to hold supplies
- Kleenex-2 boxes
- #2 pencils
- Red Pen
- 2 Pocket Folders
- Ruler
- No Notebooks
- Glue
- Highlighters

## FIFTH GRADE

- 2-#2 pencils
- 2 red grading pens or pencils
- Map color pencil set
- Crayons
- Markers (optional)
- 2 yellow highlighters
- 3 pack of notebook paper
- 3 boxes of kleenex tissues
- 1 pair of scissors
- 1 bottle of glue
- 1 ruler
- 1 notebook or binder

- 1 school supply box
- 2 folders
- SIXTH GRADE
- #2 lead pencils or a mechanical pencil
- Plenty of lead for the mechanical pencil
- Black ink pens
- Notebook paper (wide ruled)
- Notebook
- 5 folders
- 2 glue sticks
- 1 spiral notebook

- 1 package of thin tipped colored markers
- 2 highlighters
- Map pencils
- 1 gum-type eraser
- 2 red pens for grading

## SEVENTH GRADE

- Math and Science
- Pencils
- Notebook paper
- Ruler with centimeter and inch markings
- Scissors
- Glue
- Colored pencils (6-8 colors)
- Eraser
- Pens (blue or black ink)
- Red pen
- Highlighter
- One box tissues
- 2 new HD computer disks at least 1.44 MB (may be purchased at school)
- 5 zip-lock type bags, quart size
- 2-inch, 3-ring binder with a clear cover and end that allow you to insert a paper (for science use only)
- Package of divider pages with at least 6 sections (for science use only)
- Language Arts and Social Studies

- Pens
- Pencils
- Eraser
- 5-subject spiral notebook
- 5 pocket folders
- Notebook paper wide-ruled only
- Glue stick

- SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST
- 7th Grade
- Black pens
- 4 Pencils (Mechanical and/or regular)
- 3 Packages of wide ruled notebook paper
- Highlighters
- 2 Boxes of tissue
- Glue sticks
- 4 Pocket folders
- 1 2 1/2" Notebook with "view" (clear plastic front for paper insert)

- MCLEAN SCHOOL CALENDAR
- August 14-17, Teacher in service day.
- August 20, Staff preparation day.
- September 3, School Holiday.
- October 12, School Holiday.
- November 21-23, School Holiday.
- December 24-31, School Holiday.

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### Services Held for Charley Marsh

Graveside services for Mr. Charley Denver Marsh, 70, McLean, TX, and former Clinton resident were held on Wednesday, August 8, 2001 at 2:00 p.m. at the Navajo Cemetery in Friendship, OK. It was officiated by Jim Reyna.

Charley Denver Marsh was born on October 29, 1930 to Robert Phillip and Nellie Mae (Cassidy) Marsh in Headrick, OK, and passed away Sunday, July 22, 2001, in his McLean, TX, home following a lengthy illness.

Denver was raised in Headrick, OK., graduating from high school in 1950. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served during the Korean War and was honorably discharged in 1954. He married Faye Dudley in 1953 in San Diego, CA. He returned to Headrick and soon became a meat cutter. He worked several years for Puckett's Food Stores, serving many Western Oklahoma stores and mostly in Clinton and McLean, TX. He also worked from the west coast to the east coast and retired in 1997. He married Sue Williams on January 27, 1969 in Elmer, OK.

He was a member of the Church of Christ. He loved to fish and be outdoors. He enjoyed playing pool, cards, dominoes, and he loved to cook for others and visit the elderly and shut-ins. He always liked to

drive in the country and teach his children and grandchildren how to drive.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a son, Roger, two sisters, Bobbie Jones and "Snorts" Anderson and two nephews, Bruce Jones and Darrel Hamilton.

He is survived by his wife, Sue of the home; four daughters, Donna Mixon and Allen, of Lawton, DeDe Jarvis and Phil of Ft. Still, Julie Marsh and Tami Marsh, both of the home; two sons, Chuck Marsh and wife Linda of Canadian, TX., and Max Marsh and wife Cheryl of Belfair, WA.

He is also survived by four sisters, Jesse Dollins of Altus, Neva Jo Crain and husband, Hylton of Arlington, TX., Peggy Hamilton and husband, Joe of Durant, and Dixie Anderson and husband Jim of Altus; brother in law, Andy Anderson of Altus; and nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

A memorial service is scheduled for Thursday, August 9, 2001 at the McLean Church of Christ at 11:00 a.m.

Local Feed Yard manager uses different technology to control one of the oldest problems to plague mankind and animals for years and it works!

"You can catch more flies with honey than you can with vinegar." Neal Odom would probably disagree with that statement. He has eliminated virtually all of the fly problems at this feedyard not with chemicals or fly swatters but with tiny wasp that thrives on flies.

This feed yard is also using new technology on waste control and works very closely with EPA to be on top of any new problem that may arise.

This has produced very positive results. McLean Feed yard employs 22 and with more improvements coming up hopes to hire more help as the need arises.

In today's world it seems that to overcome and advance requires new ideas, a lot of hard work, and a manager that is not afraid to try something new. Neal Odom seems to be on the right track. We expect more good things from this well managed business in the future.

Good Luck, Neal and thanks!

Bill Kingston

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR...

Our school is in financial difficulty and after attending the most recent school board meeting I think I have discovered what the problem is. No one seems to be in charge.

There were several questions asked but none were answered with any degree of satisfaction. No one seems to know for sure how much money they have or where it went. According to the President of the board, everyone on the board signs checks from time to time and an accurate accounting system seems to be non-existent. The old board seems to have been sitting on their hands while the school system's finances have deteriorated. We have some new board members that are trying to save our school and from this individual, I want to wish them the best of luck.

Dick Everett

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## LEGAL NOTICE

The Carson County Commissioner's Court will hold a salary increase hearing concerning the 2001-2002 proposed budget, August 27, 2001, at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioner's courtroom, at the County Courthouse, Panhandle, Texas.

Since not increasing allowances, etc., the salaries of certain elected officials are currently set at:

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Groom ISD is accepting bids, by August 14, 2001, for fuel service for the Groom ISD transportation fleet for the 2001-2002 school year. Specifications include gasoline, diesel fuel by the tank. Bids may be sent to Groom ISD, Kevin Noack, Superintendent, 304 W. 3rd, Groom, Texas 79039-0598.

## PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notification of Nondiscrimination in Career and Technology (Vocational) Educational Programs

1. The Groom Independent School District offers career and technology education programs in Microcomputer Applications and Agriculture. Admission to these programs is based on grade level, prerequisite courses and class availability.

2. It is the policy of the Groom Independent School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or handicap in its vocational programs, services or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

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4. The Groom Independent School District will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission in all educational and vocational programs.

5. For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator/Section 504 Coordinator Kevin Noack at P.O. Box 598, Groom, Texas, 79039.

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The Carson County Commissioner's Court will hold a budget hearing concerning the 2001-2002 proposed budget, August 27, 2001, at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioner's courtroom, at the Carson Courthouse, Panhandle, Texas.

This notice is published according to Sec. 111.007, and 111.0075, Texas Local Government Code.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES: The Grandview-Hopkins Independent School District is accepting applications for a teacher's aide position and bus driver. Applications will be accepted through August 13, 2001 for these positions. If you are interested, please call 669-3831 for an application.

BID NOTICE Groom ISD is accepting bids, by August 14, 2001, for milk for the 2001-2002 school year. Specifications include homogenized regular, low fat, chocolate, low fat chocolate milk, delivered in 1/2 pint containers. Bids may be sent to Kevin Noack, Superintendent, 304 W. 3rd, Groom, Texas 79039-0598.

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Thursday, August 9, 2001



Lonnie and Fred Brown get the Groom Day Parade off to a traditional start by bearing the colors as they have done for many years.



"Thunder," the West Texas A&M University Mascot is lead down Main Street by Aggie Herdsmen.



Cassie Ashford, Skye Brown, Nichole Barnett, and Dorinda Been are the latest generation of Groom Day volunteers.

## Groom Day 2001 Ends A Big Success Thanks To Many Volunteers

For the celebration that almost didn't happen, Groom Day 2001 was a huge success. Approximately 1,000 to 1,200 people attended the two day event with approximately 800 attending the Barbecue.

This year's parade had a very large audience. Placing 1st was the Junior High Cheerleaders, 2nd was the Ambulance and Fire Crew's entry, and 3rd was John Quirk and "The Train". Perhaps one of the most unique entries was the WTAMU buffalo, Thunder.

There were lots of winners in the other categories.

There were eight \$50.00 winners in Cow Pattie Bingo. They were Mike Keagy, Jimmy Britten, Leonard Husted,

Karisa Wieberg, Dutch Crowell, Pat Britten, Tim Case, and Bill Homer. Dale Brooks was the lucky winner of the \$250 Lion's Club pot. Jerry and Nadine Thorton won the \$600.00 trip sponsored by Groom Day.

The Ranch Rodeo was once again a huge success with 15 teams participating. The Top Team award went to the Kade Mathews' Ranch of Alanreed. Members were Chris Harrison, Robert Long, Pecos Hagler, Seth Brown, and Chris O'Neal. The 2nd place team was the Rafter L Cattle Company made up of Lonny Brown, Ryan McCoy, Ty McCoy, Brett Brannon, and Casey Cameron. The 3rd place team was The Company. Members were Chris

Morton, Mike Benson, Billy Hollowell, Brett Cobel, and Ricky Clark. Willy McCluskey owned the Top Horse and Lonnie Brown was named the Top Hand. Chris Mathews bought the Top Team in the Calcutta and Jack Thunderbird bought the second and third place teams.

In the Volleyball tournament the Cornette's team won the meet. Members of the team were Adam Podzodomy, Terry Cornett, Audra and Jordan Easley, Brooke White, Mike Podzodomy, and Nila Burgin.

Six teams held a spirited competition under the direction of Pam Ashford.

On the horse shoe See Groom Day, pg 3

## School Begins For Groom ISD

School bells will ring for Groom ISD students tomorrow, August 10, 2001, to kick off the new year, 2001-2002.

Children should arrive at school no earlier than 7:30 a.m. The first bell will ring at 7:50 a.m. At 7:55 a.m., the tardy bell will ring.

Elementary students will be released at 3:11 p.m. and Junior High and High School will be dismissed at 3:16 p.m. Kindergarten students will attend 1/2 days through August 17.

Students who wish to purchase lunches in advance should do so in the cafeteria before 7:55 a.m. on Monday and Tuesday, or during regular hours at the office of the Business Manager.

Groom ISD will be welcoming four new teachers to it's ranks. They are: Lisa Roskens, teaching middle school english; Anna Knoblock, teaching middle school math; Susi Thompson, teaching 3rd grade; and Shannon Fisher teaching Girls Basketball and Social Studies.

Changes in the dress code have already been mentioned in previous publications but parents and students are encouraged to consult the Student Handbook or Superintendent Noack if they are in doubt.

Julie Friemel will be manning the registration office and can answer

any questions concerning absences, lunch schedules, class schedules, and holidays as the need arises throughout the year. Contact her at 248-7474.

The teachers and administration are anticipating a great year. Welcome back to our students and teachers.

## Community Calendar

**CLASS BEGINS** tomorrow, August 10 at Groom ISD.

**GROOM TIGERS** will scrimmage Follett at Miami on Saturday, August 18, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

**NOTICE**  
Please be careful with any outdoor burning and please do not set off fireworks until the drought is over.

City of Groom  
**BIKE-A-THON** will be held on Tuesday, August 21, at the City Park at 6:00 p.m.

**LOST:** On Groom Day at the City Park, one light blue Adidas visor cap. If found, please return to Tyler Babcock, 248-7264.

### Tuesday Prices At Attebury Grain Co.

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## Dear Citizens of Groom,

We have had a wonderful Groom Day weekend, thanks to your help. The volunteer work you did made it all possible. Thank you for the help in the planning and preparation, your donations of time, money and equipment, cleaning both before and after, but most of all, thank you for always welcoming everyone back home again.

Your smiles and all your effort makes everyone glad they are here or from here.

Thank you,  
 The Groom Day Committee

## COW POKES

By Ace Reid



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## Local Happenings

Glynda Eschle of Lubbock was a weekend visitor in the home of her parents Glynn D. and Sybil Harrell.

**GROOM SCHOOL**  
 Board will meet on August 14 at 8:00 p.m. in the Superintendent's office. The meeting is open to the public.

**FOUND** after Groom Day- 2 coolers with stand at the Park, contact Johnny Brooks. Also found a pair of prescription glasses, contact Melvin Wills.

### IMMUNIZATION CLINIC TO BE HELD

The Texas Department of Health will hold an Immunization Clinic at the Groom School on August 15, 2001, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

### It's A Girl!

Jeremy and Tonya Mulkey of Panhandle announce the arrival of a six pound, 12 ounce baby daughter Friday, August 3, 2001 at 9:50 p.m. in Baptist St. Anthony Hospital in Amarillo.

The infant was named Caitlyn Avery. Grandparents are Bob and Louise Mulkey of Panhandle, Lillian Atchley of Las Vegas, Nevada and Tony Sintas of Piedmont, Oklahoma. She is the sixteenth great grandchild of Glynn D. and Sybil Harrell of Groom.

### SHERIFF'S REPORT

There were five persons booked into the Carson County Jail during the week of July 30 through August 5, 2001. Currently there are 14 persons incarcerated in this jail and additional 17 prisoners being held in other jurisdictions.

Arrest made this week include:

Sara McLean, age 26 of Auburn, WA.- Possession of a Controlled Substance and Possession of Marijuana less than 2 oz.

Ross Sharp, age 29 of Auburn, WA.- Possession of a Controlled Substance and Possession of Marijuana less than 2 oz.

Cody Corbitt, age 20 of Borger, TX.- Theft and No Driver License.

Justin Downs, age 20 of Borger, TX.- Theft and Minor in Possession of Alcohol.

Sherwin Bernal, age 22 of Amarillo, TX.- Traffic Warrants-DPS.

### Groom Birthdays Anniversaries

August 9 - Mary Elizabeth Hutsell.

August 10 - Ada Lou Durham, Austin Cole Friemel, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Stephens (A).

August 11 - Mrs. Dale Brooks, Ruby Denton, Judy Babcock, Evan Crowell, Jonathan Shane Robinson.

August 12 - Daniel Treadwell, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Gray (A), Mr. and Mrs. Gordon W. Schaffer (A).

August 13 - August 14 - Christopher Dean Burger, Rebecca England Britten, Dana Johnson.

August 15 - Dorothy Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis E. Whatley (A), Mr. and Mrs. Jamie Bowea (A).

**BIKE-A-THON** will be held on Tuesday, August 21, at the City Park at 6:00 p.m.

**CITY COUNCIL** will meet on August 14 at 8:00 p.m. at the Groom City Hall. The meeting is open to the public.

## Letter To The Editor...

To Groom Friends,

Next year, 2002, Texas Tech Museum has scheduled an exhibit of art from the Vatican Museum in Rome. It is titled "Traditions and Renewal: Medieval Frescos from Vatican Museums." It will not be seen in any other city in the United States.

They are expecting people from all over the U.S.A. to see this exhibit scheduled June 2 through September 1, 2002. In order to ensure quality viewing, access will be by ticket only. Tickets are free. Tickets must be reserved for a specific time and date. They will allow as many as 200 tickets for each hour and

you may order as many as you like. Just think, if you all ordered now, a

whole afternoon could be reserved for all of Groom. That might make national news. The tv news reported last night that tickets are going quickly.

I thought many of you would like to see this show and would need to make plans now if you want to see it.

For information about reservations, call (806) 742-6800 or 1-866-803-6873 (toll free) Monday through Friday 10:00 to 5:00 p.m.

I like to get my paper. Have you noticed a quirk about those of us who grew up in Groom, TX? You can take us out of Groom but you cannot take Groom out of us.

Hope to see you all Groom Day.

Glynda Harrell Eschle

## Class of '33 Holds Reunion

The Class of '33 met at the Grill Friday evening for dinner and to observe their 68th Anniversary. Billy Reders of Los Angeles, California hosted the dinner and served delicious pralines and chocolate candy for dessert. Those attending were Wendell Smith of Panhandle, Beulah Shockley, La Vesta Barnett and Helen Witt of Groom and Billy Reders of L.A.

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# Groom Day Activity Highlights



A record turnout was observed at the Ranch Rodeo this year. The event just keeps getting bigger and better every year. This year the Mathews Ranch of Alanreed were the visitors.



Competition is a way of life in Groom. These youngsters come by it honest as they race to the finish line in the popular Children's track meet.



Three Lions who are hard at work dishing up delicious sausage sandwiches. They are David Britten, Joe Homer and Curtis Downs.



Groom Junior High Cheerleaders won the Parade with their float. They also recently returned from camp where they placed 1st out of 10 schools for their cheering abilities. They are (front) Kecia Howard, Brandi Bates, Berklee Ruhardt, Malorie Homen, Karla Howard, (back) Sherr Britten, Katy Britten and Gailynn Drewery.

## GROOM DAY

pitching tournament the team of Nick Kuehler and Donald Burgin won. Placing second was Scott Fields and Edward Ontederas. There were eight teams participating.

The news was unable to obtain results from the softball tournament, tennis tournament and 3 on 3 basketball by presstime.

Once again, Groom Day 2001 was a bid success. Thanks to all the volunteers for their selfless giving of their time.

## MORE HAPPENINGS...

Joy Snyder came through her hip replacement surgery and is doing well. She will stay at NWT Hospital for three nights and then will be moved to BSA Bivens Rehab for a few days.

Bertha Knight is doing wonderfully well with her rehab and might get to come home the latter part of the week.

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## COMMISSIONERS' COURT

On August 6, 2001, the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Carson County, Texas met in pursuant to adjournment with the members and officers present as follows: Hon. Lewis W. Powers, County Judge, Commissioners Mike Britten, Pr. #1, Kenneth Ware, Pr. #2, Jerry Strawn, Pr. #3, and Kevin Howell, Pr. #4.

Minutes of the July 23, 2001 meeting were read and approved.

The commissioners discussed the hearing date for the 2001-2002 proposed budget. A motion was passed to set the meeting for August 27, 2001 at 10:00 a.m.

The court discussed proposed salaries for the upcoming budget year. The motion was passed to hear the salary recommendations on August 27th.

Sheriff Gary Robertson discussed with the court the prospect of hiring an additional jail/dispatcher. Robertson asked the court to consider hiring the full time employee and he would eliminate one part-time employee. Robertson stated that he wanted the full-time status with anticipation of alleviating turn over within the department. No action was taken.

The court adjourned until August 13, 2001.

## HOMER CELEBRATES 89TH BIRTHDAY

Al Homer was honored with a birthday party last week to celebrate his 89th Birthday.

Attending were his wife, Agnes; children, John and Doris Homer of Groom, Joe, Barbara, and Stan Homer of Groom, Rose Mary and John Eakins of Pampa, Jim and Deanne Homer of Howardwick, Ruth Williams of Amarillo, Jerry Homer of Cedar Hill, Roger Arnold of Amarillo; grandchildren, Russell and Jennie Eakins and family of Pampa; great-grandchildren, Deanna Bradford and family of Lubbock, Katrina, Jackie and Zane of Amarillo; and great great-grandchild, Kyle Hough of Friona.

Also attending were friends, Blanche Koetting of Selina, Kansas, Archie and Gladus Looten and Floyd Detton of Panhandle.

The group enjoyed hot dogs, hamburgers, homemade ice cream, and lots of visiting!

## CARD OF THANKS

Our sincerest thanks to all the tributes to our loved one. The food, visits, prayers, flowers, and memorials were wonderful. God bless you all.

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## Groom School Supply List

### Kindergarten Supply List

- 5 #2 Pencils
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  - 6 Small glue sticks or 4 large, (purple or blue ones work best)
  - 1 Fiskar safety scissors (Walmart)
  - 1 Crayola Washable Classic Colors Markers (not thin-line). If you can find the 10 pack markers that include the pink and gray, the children will really use those two extra colors.
  - 1 Crayola Watercolor paints
  - 1 large box tissues
  - 1 large backpack
  - 1 red & blue resting mat
  - 1 plain vinyl pocket folder (available at Walmart & office supply stores for about \$1).
  - 1 1 inch 3 ring binder
  - 1 Pair of non marking tennis shoes
- Please do not purchase a school box. I have baskets that the children use for school boxes.

### First Grade

- 10 #2 pencils
- 1 Box Crayola Markers (Classic Colors)
- 1 24 count crayons
- 1 Medium bottle Elmer's White Glue
- 1 Large glue stick (Purple or blue kind)
- 1 pkg pencil top erasers (No novelty items)
- 1 Fiskar scissors
- 2 70 page wide ruled spirals
- 1 Red pocket folder (Do not buy the plastic kind, everything slips out of them)
- 1 Black pocket folder (Do not buy the plastic kind, everything slips out of them)
- 1 Large box Kleenex
- 1 Inexpensive clear plastic shoebox with lid (Find at Walmart or Target for \$1)
- 1 pair non-marking tennis shoes

### Second Grade

- 20#2 Pencils
- 1 School supply box
- 1 Box Crayons (24 Count)
- 1 Set of Crola markers (8 Count)
- 2 Spirals, 80 sheet, wide ruled
- 3 Folders with pockets

- 2 Red Pens
- 2 Large pink pearl erasers
- 1 Large box kleenex
- 1 Notebook with 1 inch binder
- 1 Fiskar scissors
- 2 Large glue sticks
- 1 Pair of non-marking tennis shoes

### Third Grade

- 24#2 Pencils
- 2 Red grading pencils or pens
- 1 Box of 48 Grayons
- 1 Sissors
- 1 Box Map pencils
- 1 Box Kleenex
- 1 Spiral (wide rule 70-100 sheets)
- Notebook paper
- 3 Folders with pockets
- 2 Folders with brads & pockets
- 1 School Box
- 1 pair non-marking tennis shoes

### NO LOOSE LEAF NOTEBOOKS

### Fourth, Fifth, & Sixth Grades

- 1 2 inch 3 ring binder
- 1 pkg white notebook filler paper, wide ruled (min. 200 sheets)
- 1 pkg reinforcement labels for notebook
- 1 pkg. 8 tab index dividers for notebook pages
- 1 pen/pencil pouch to fit binder
- 1 pkg pencils (min 10)
- 1 pkg red grading pens (min 2)
- 1 Highlighter
- 1 12 inch ruler (with inches & centimeter)
- 1 pair white bottom PE shoes

### FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL MENU

Breakfast: Donuts and cinnamon rolls.

Lunch: Cheese burgers, and all the fixings, baked beans, and cookies.

### TECH ANNOUNCES HONORS

More than 3,900 Texas Tech University students qualified for academic honors lists at the end of the spring semester.

Those from Groom who made the Dean's List included Joe Britten, a senior Multidisciplinary Studies major and John Stephens, a senior Chemical Engineering major.

### MORE HAPPENINGS...

Weekend guest in the home of Helen Witt were Camellia McGill of Searcy, Arkansas, Lynell

Peek and Danese McGill of Clarksville, Texas and Dr. and Mrs. Dan Witt of Hoisington, Kansas. Other guest were Shannon Peek of Amarillo, Becky and Jimmy Finley of Claude, Jimmy and John Thornton of Grunter, Texas, Rose Helen Rielke of Amarillo, Melissa Hill and Jerry and Nadine Thornton of Groom.

Camellia stayed until Tuesday before flying home to Searcy.

### Britten To Receive Scholarship

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo continued providing state wide educational support with the presentation of 70 four-year, \$10,000 scholarships to Texas 4-H members during the 2001 Roundup in College Station, Texas.

Selected by the Texas 4-H Foundation, recipients of Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo 4-H scholarships must pursue a degree in agriculture or life science at a Texas college or university. The scholarship recipients also must demonstrate academic excellence and strong leadership skills throughout their high school and 4-H careers.

"Texas 4-H and the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo share common roots in youth and agriculture," said Mike Wells, president of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. "And, we also share a common vision for the future as we work together to educate and develop tomorrow's leaders."

This \$700,000 in scholarships continues a tradition of supporting Texas 4-H that has included 1,295 4-H scholarships totaling more than \$10 million over the past 40 years. As part of its current educational commitment of more than \$8.3 million, the Show also presents FFA, FCCLA, Area Go Texan, Metropolitan, Opportunity and School Art scholarships. The Show's overall commitment to scholarships and educational programs has exceeded \$77 million since the program began in 1957.

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo is a 501 (c)(3) educational charity with the mission of benefiting youth and supporting education. Rodeo Houston and the Houston Livestock Show will run from Tuesday, Feb. 12, through Sunday, March 3, 2002.

The recipient for the 2001 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scholarship for Carson County is Brooke Britten.

### SCHOOL MENU AUGUST 13-17 Lunch

Monday: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, brownies, milk.

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

Wednesday: Soft tacos, corn, shredded lettuce, tomatoes, gingerbread, milk.

Thursday: Burritos with chili, bean dip, pears, tortilla pieces, milk.

Friday: Pizza, salad, peaches, crackers, milk.

Monday: Cold cereal, muffins, juice, milk.

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

Wednesday: Breakfast burritotes, hash brown potatoes, juice, milk.

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

Friday: Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk.

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*Groom, Texas*

*Reception and dance following*

### 2001 Property Tax Rates In General Fund

This notice concerns 2001 property tax rates for General Fund. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund	Special Road/ Briège Fund
Last year's tax rate:			
Last year's operating taxes	\$1,483,474	\$225,534	\$345,196
Last year's debt taxes	\$0	\$0	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$1,483,474	\$225,534	\$345,196
Last year's tax base	\$521,349,613	\$516,072,491	\$521,349,604
Last year's total tax rate	0.285504 /\$100	0.043702 /\$100	0.066212 /\$100
This year's effective tax rate:			
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$1,487,085	\$225,247	\$344,874
This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$684,602,115	\$679,410,385	\$684,602,115
This year's effective tax rate	0.217218 /\$100	0.033153 /\$100	0.050375 /\$100
This year's maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	0.223734 /\$100		
This year's rollback tax rate:			
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$1,487,085	\$225,247	\$344,874
This year's adjusted tax base	\$684,602,115	\$679,410,385	\$684,602,115
This year's effective operating rate	0.217218 /\$100	0.033153 /\$100	0.050375 /\$100
This year's maximum operating rate	0.234595 /\$100	0.035805 /\$100	0.054405 /\$100
This year's debt rate	0.000000 /\$100	0.000000 /\$100	0.000000 /\$100
This year's rollback rate for each fund	0.234595 /\$100	0.035805 /\$100	0.054405 /\$100
This year's total rollback rate	0.324805 /\$100		

### Statement of Increase/Decrease

If General Fund adopts a 2001 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.217218 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2000 taxes by: \$3,689

### Schedule A: General Fund

#### Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year

**MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS**      \$0

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 500 Main St Panhandle Tx

Name of person preparing this notice: Barbara Cosper

Title: Carson County Tax Assessor-Collector

Date prepared: August 6, 2001

## Armstrong County Museum & Gem Theatre



Claude, Texas

Saturday, August 18th at 7:30 pm  
Threadneedle Street (rescheduled)

Saturday, September 8th at 7:30 pm  
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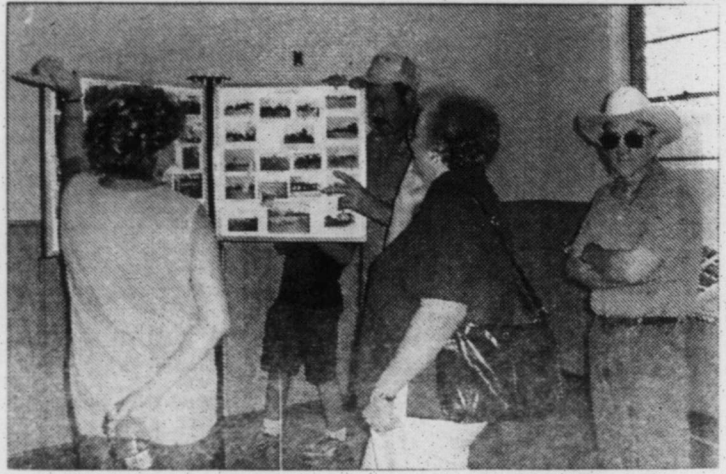
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# More Highlights From Groom Day



Groom Girl Scout Troop prepares to throw candy along the parade route.



Doris Kuehler points out some interesting pictures of Groom and Groom Day past to those looking on.



(Above) Groom Day visitors enjoyed the diversity in craftsmanship of the quilts displayed at the Community Center on Saturday.



Christy Weller, Phillis Jackson, and Ashley Jackson get into their roles as part of the cast of "Ragweed Cowboy Joe." The cast of the melodrama was part of the parade.

(Right) Dean Fields and Courtney Sustaire make quite a pair in the melodrama.



Tom Pacholovsky and Darlene Jones encourage visitors to purchase colorful Groom Day t-shirts during the Arts and



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**KATHERINE GRAY GROOM**-Katherine Regina Gray, 76, died Friday, August 3, 2001, in Amarillo.

Memorial services were held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, August 7, in Groom at the United Methodist Church. The Reverend Mark Metzger, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Stratford, officiated.

Mrs. Gray was born in Wheeling, W. Va. She had lived in Groom for the past 12 years. A homemaker, she was a demonstration agent at Albertsons in Pampa. She was a member of the United Methodist Church in Groom.

She married Willis R. Gray Sr. on August 12, 1941, at Wheeling.

Survivors include her husband; four sons, Willis Roger Gray Jr. of Washington, Pa., Harvey Edward Gray of Groom, Richard Arlen Gray of Branson, Mo., and Ronald Neil Gray of Amarillo; a daughter, Shely Wilson of Amarillo; a brother, Wayne Philabaum of Elm Grove, W. Va.; a sister, Mabel Goudy of Triadelphia, W. Va.; 12 grandchildren; and numerous great grandchildren.

The family suggest memorials be to the United Methodist Church, 303 E. Second St., Groom, Tx 79039.

**LOYD LITTLEFIELD**

Lloyd Daniel Littlefield, age 82, died Monday, August 6, 2001.

Graveside services are scheduled for Thursday, August 9, 2001 at 10:00 a.m., in Jericho Cemetery.

Mr. Littlefield was born February 18, 1919 in Sunset, Wise County, Texas. He was a Wheeler County resident until age 7 when his family moved to Wayside. He moved from Jericho to Groom in

1970. He married Verda Lee James on May 31, 1941 at Panhandle. He had been a farmer and rancher most of his life. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corp during World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Verda Littlefield of Groom; three sons, Lloyd Littlefield of McLean, Leroy Littlefield of

Rosenberg, Jerry Littlefield of Waelder, Texas; one brother John Littlefield of Muleshoe; seven grandchildren; and nine great grandchildren.

**RUTH MARTIN**

Ruth Lill Martin, R.N., age 71, passed away peacefully with family at her side, Saturday, August 4, 2001 after a courageous battle against Ovarian Cancer.

She was born in Panhandle, Texas in 1930. She was raised in the Texas panhandle. She graduated from Canyon High School, Canyon, Texas in 1948. She graduated from Henrick Memorial Hospital School of Nursing in Abilene, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Myrtle Belle Harper Lill of Amarillo, Texas, and siblings John

Jr., Lila and Frank Lill.

She is survived by her husband of 50 years, Robert A. Martin; Mother-in-Law, Conola Martin; children, Rob Martin of Warner Robbins, Georgia, Bill Martin of Bertram, Texas, Debra Kasper and Son-in-law, David of Pflugerville, Texas; sister, Sue Bogue of Ozark, Arkansas; grandchildren, Josh, Jeremy, Renae, and Monica Martin, Jason

Kasper, and Kara Kasper Moellenberg; and great grandchildren Mackenzie Kasper and Staci Martin.

will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Pflugerville, Texas on Saturday, August 11, 2001 at 4:30 p.m. A family service will take place in Panhandle, Texas at a later date.

**Class of '51-'52 Holds Reunion**

Class members of 1951-1952 met for dinner at the Community Center Friday evening, catered by Margaret Whatley.

The evening was enjoyed by visiting, looking at past pictures, and remembering those Senior Trips.

Our special quests was Jay Malone, our basketball coach and June Malone, teacher. They brought us up to date on their family and stated that they still have very fond memories of their two years in Groom. They now live in Amarillo.

Those attending from the Class of 1951 are Ernest Hermesmeier and

wife Pat of Glendale, CA, Kenneth Brewster and wife Virginia of Eufaula, OK, Bill Crowell of Tex Carrollton, TX, Jimmy Hess of Amarillo, TX, Vick Ashmead of Amarillo, TX, Caroline (Koetting) Longest of Amarillo, TX, Betty (Berres) Johnson of Pampa, TX, Ellis Stapp and wife Roxie of Groom, and Doris (McAdams) Kuehler of Groom.

Those attending from the Class of 1952 was Bob Hale and wife Sheila of Austin, TX, Bud Patterson and wife Carolyn of Richmond, TX, Teresa (Homer) Cody and husband

Charles of Tow, TX, Eugenia (Weinheimer) Byard and husband Ray of Canadian, TX, Carol (Britten) Stroope of Panhandle, TX, Peggy (Schaffer) Beckham and husband Doyle of Pampa, TX, Earl Britten of Groom, Dorothy (Davis) McMulland and husband Jess of Groom, Charleen (Barnett) Weller of Groom, and Darlene (Nix) Jones of Groom.

Those who were not through telling past wild tales journeyed to Doris Kuehler's home to finish the evening.

Meeting at the Golden Spread Grill on Saturday morning enjoying breakfast and visiting was Caroline Longest, Ermet Hermesmeier, Jimmy Hess, Doris Kuehler, Ellis Stapp, Bill Crowell, Kenneth and Virginia Brewster, Peggy and Doyle Beckham, Teresa and Charles Cody, Charleen Weller, Earl Britten, and Darlene Jones.

We all loaded on the shuttle driven by Buddy Weller and joined in the 2001 Groom Day parade.

Our classes wish to thank all the volunteers who worked so hard and organized the Groom Day celebration encouraging everyone to return to Groom. We enjoyed it all.

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<b>COMBO NO. 3</b>	BBQ SANDWICH, HOWLERS & 32 OZ. TALLSUP	<b>\$2.29</b>
<b>COMBO NO. 4</b>	BREAKFAST BURRITO, HASH BROWN & 12 OZ. COFFEE	<b>\$1.89</b>