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Florida Is Not The Only Place Still Counting Votes



Florida is not the only place having to do some recounting of ballots. Democrat Charles Kessie is requesting a recount of votes for the 31st District Attorney's race in Lipscomb, Wheeler, Hemphill and Roberts Counties. Kessie did not ask for Gray County to be recounted because it

counts with voting machines. The other counties do their tally by hand with paper ballots. With only 227 votes separating the two candidates, Kessie felt justified in asking for the recount.

"This recount is no reflection on any election judges or county clerks," said Kessie in an interview with another paper. "There were so many races to be counted and split tickets that I think it's a possibility for error."

The reversal of a race in Hemphill county also factored into his decision. On election night four votes separated incumbent Gladene Swires and



Challenger Mary Ann Wright, showing 723 for Wright and 719 for Swires. A recount on Monday had Swires winning with 736 and Wright coming in 2nd with 731.

Kessie has filed with the Secretary of State's office and the petition is being reviewed.



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Board Approves Lighting Refit

The McLean Independent School District Board of Education met for a regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. on November 16, 2000. Board members present were Mike Darsey, Billie Ward, Neal Odom, Don Dorsey and Bob Glass. Others present were John Griffin, Superintendent; Dick Crockett, Elementary Principal; Blaze Herring, High School Principal; Leslie Darsey, Secretary; Margaret Milam, Shandee Tolleson, Gordon & Audrey Maddox, and Walt Wesley.

Absent from the meeting were T.D. Simmons and John Holland.

All votes were unanimous unless otherwise stated.

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m. by Bob Glass, President. Opening prayer was led by Neal Odom.

Minutes from the regular meeting of October 16, 2000 and the

Special Meeting of October 23, 2000 were approved.

The audit report for the year ending August 31, 2000, was given by CPA, Gordon Maddox. The audit was accepted as presented.

The board went into executive session at 7:15 p.m.

Return to open session came at 9:00 p.m., with no further action being taken.

Walt Wesley gave a Power Point presentation to the Board proposing a new lighting retrofit, which would be a state of the art lighting system, updated technology, and conserve energy. Upgraded fixtures will utilize electronic ballast and T-8 lamps, which are brighter, and easier on the eyes because of color index, and have low-noise features. All work will be scheduled so that classes will not be disturbed. Instruction will be given to designated personnel in the operations and

maintenance department. Service, new electronic ballast, bulbs, and warranty will be provided by Control Tech Corp. The study conducted on McLean ISD current lighting system compared to the new retrofit, showed a 43% savings, which will result in approximately \$25,615.00 annually. The cost of the lighting system is \$26,400.00, and will be for a ten-year contract in which the district will receive 30% of the energy savings during the first 42 months, and 50% for the remaining 78 months. Therefore, the district will not be out any money, in order for the upgrade to be conducted. If the school decides to purchase the system, they have that option after five years, or they may have the option of purchasing at each anniversary thereafter. McLean ISD is currently using W.D. Wesley's energy management and building automation

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Larimie Lancaster drew a name out of the pot for the raffle at McLean Care Center's bazaar. Florence Drake was the winner of the quilt and the afghan.

REMINDERS

PTA MEETING will be December 5 at 7:00 pm in the school cafeteria.

FAMILY HEALTH Clinic will be closed on November 24.

Red River Steak House

Known as a steakhouse, but the cattlemen also eat here because of the catfish and shrimp. The Red River Steak House located along Interstate 40 is the pride of McLean. In business since August 1997, Gabe and Cozy Parson invite you to drop in and try one of their special recipes. They are open from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. The restaurant is closed Sunday, Monday and holidays. Come and really enjoy the new expansion of the building.

Alanreed Museum News

For the month of October there were 65 visitors from 19 states. Also a couple from Czechoslovakia, six couples from Ireland and two from Poland. The visitors from states other than Texas were Illinois, North Dakota, Nebraska, Florida, Oklahoma, Kentucky, Arizona, Indiana, Oregon, Louisiana, Iowa, California, Ohio, Missouri, New Hampshire, Maryland, Tennessee and Kansas.

McLean Birthdays & Anniversaries

November 23 - Freda Holland, Evelyn Hunt, Ann Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Longino.

November 24 - Sophie Hutchinson, Velma Cornell Kinard, Robert Sanderson.

November 25 - Bill Hambright, Terri Lee Adams, James and Shirley Armbrister.

November 26 - Tonja Webster, Evan Patterson.

November 27 - John Bentley, Brodey Carter, Kay Magee, Jess Coleman, Kortney Smith, Judith Watkins, Sheri Ann Haynes.

November 28 - Billy Rigsby, Thelma Hopkins, Nicole McClendon, Imogene Glass.

November 29 - Versie Collie, Jeannie Adams, Jess Auffer, Thacker Haynes, Morgan Reynolds.

McLean School Menu

November 27 - 30

Monday Breakfast: French toast sticks, sausage, toast and jelly, peanut butter, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Taco salad, meat, cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, refried beans, fruit, milk.

Tuesday Breakfast: Hot or cold cereal, toast and jelly, peanut butter, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Cheese burgers, French fries, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, pickles, pudding, milk.

Wednesday Breakfast: Cinnamon toast, sausage, toast and jelly, peanut butter, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls, fruit, milk.

Thursday Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, ham, toast and jelly, peanut butter, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Nachos, meat, cheese, pinto beans, salad, fruit, milk.



CHRISTMAS PARADE

Thursday, November 30, 6:30 p.m.
Downtown Pampa

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Study Club Hears Interesting Program

The Pioneer Study Club met Thursday, November 16th in the home of Jerry Corbin. Everyone enjoyed delicious pumpkin bread

and peach dessert with coffee and spiced hot cider. Members present answering roll call with their favorite First Lady were: Jerry Corbin, Mary Dwyer, Margaret Grogan, Mickey Jackson, Ruth Magee, Sheri Martindale, Zeld McClellan, Betty Morgan, Beverly Odom, Mary Powell, Pam Quisenberry, Lynn Reeves, Mindy Reeves, Ella Mae Reyna, Pat Stubbs, Ruth Trew, Nama Webb and Mary Emma Woods.

Mrs. President. First Lady Dolly Madison served as a substitute hostess for President Jefferson and Van Buren. Lucy Hayes was called "Lemonade Lucy."

Rachel Jackson was 50 years old when she was hostess in the White House. She and Andrew smoked pipes. Rachel was also criticized by the press for her country ways.

Marie Monroe was the first daughter of a President to be married in the White House. The oldest First Lady to enter the White House was Florence Harding (The Duchess), age 70. Helen Taft was responsible for having the cherry trees planted around the White House, 3000 ordered from Japan. Mamie Eisenhower was the best loved of all.

With this being election month and the 200 year birthday of the White House, Mary Emma Woods enlightened club members on First Ladies of the White House.

The first White House was in New York City and was called The Palace. The White House was later moved to Philadelphia and then to its permanent home in Washington, DC.

Our first president, George Washington, refused to be called King George I of America. He was known to his wife and family as Papa George and she Lady Washington to the public. Abigail Adams was a self-taught out spoken lady who set in all presidential meetings, advocated votes for women and was called

Bess Truman and Margaret with Harry were called the "Three Musketeers." Bess and Margaret were known as the boss and the boss that bosses the boss. In the 1980's a poll was conducted on which First Ladies were best noted for their contribution to the White House and Lady Bird Johnson, Eleanor Roosevelt and Abigail Adams were most noted.

Next meeting will be in the home of Mickey Jackson, December 7th.

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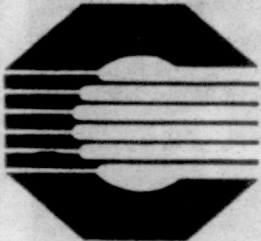
What: A Nondenominational Cowboy Ministry Service
Guest Speaker - Kitchell Collins of Seminole, Texas
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Care Center Holds Bazaar & Sale

Activities began for the residents Sunday with Sunday School with the Methodist Friendship Class. In the afternoon church services were conducted by the Reverend Thacker Haynes of the First Methodist Church. Activities Monday included nail care and bingo. Wednesday was the Methodist ice cream social. Residents appreciate very much the

Methodist members providing this social each month. Thursday activities included beauty shop and bingo. The Bazaar and Bake sale was a big success. We appreciate everyone who baked goods or bought our wares. A special thanks goes to Arissa Lancaster and Theresa and Archie Maness for bringing their special crafts and helping; and to these volunteers:

Mary Dwyer, Betty Lowe, Margie Fish, Louise Watson, Betty Heathington and granddaughter Laurie and Leta Mae Hess. Many, many thanks, this job could not be done without your help. Larimie Lancaster, great-granddaughter of a resident, Ariza Cocoran drew out the winning raffle ticket for the afghan and quilt. The winner of both was Florence Drake.

The family holiday dinner is Saturday, December 2 at 6:00 p.m. The nursing home will provide the turkey, ham and trimmings. Make plans to join us. Everyone coming is asked to bring a dessert or vegetable dish.

Schedule Propane Heating System Checks

As colder temperatures begin to settle in across the state, homeowners should have their propane tanks and heating appliances thoroughly inspected by a licensed technician.

Propane fuel systems need regular service checks to ensure maximum reliability and safety.

Schedule a check of the whole propane system, including tank, piping, regulators, gauges, connectors, valves, vents, thermostats, pilots, burners and appliance controls.

School

system to control heating/air conditioning in all buildings. This allows the school to receive 50% savings on gas, and electric bills.

Mr. Wesley also proposed to update the current temperature controlling system in place. This updated technology will include a self-learning start and stop heat or cool optimization, which will have a touch sensor override. It will also have a 72-hr. battery back up, and be computer operated. The purpose of the energy management and building automation system described is to conserve energy, and will be accomplished by centralized control of major energy consuming loads. The cost for such a system is \$19,900.00, which will also be applied as a percentage of savings on each monthly bill. Mr. Griffin proposed that the Board accept Mr. Wesley's contract; motion by Mike Darsey, second by Billie Ward.

The Gray County Tax Roll for 2000 was approved. There were three bids for Health Insurance, and this item was tabled.

November 30, 2000, was the date picked for a special board meeting in order to see a demonstration of the Accelerated Reading program by Freda Holland.

The Board voted for the enactment of a state financed health care plan for all active and retired public school employees as received from the Better Texas Coalition. The resolution will be typed in support of this health care plan; motion by Neal Odom, second by Mike Darsey.

Area tax rate surveys were provided for comparison purposes.

Sam Haynes was voted to be on the Gray County Appraisal District Board of Directors, receiving 333 votes.

A little work has been done on the new gym, such as painting touch-ups.

Financial Reports A, B & C were approved.

The October bills were approved to be paid as presented.

A motion was made at 10:50 p.m. by Mike Darsey, second by Billie Ward, to recess until the following night, November 17, 2000, at 6:00 p.m., for the purpose of discussing Health Insurance.

The meeting was reconvened on November 17th, at 6:00 p.m. Those present were Bob Glass, Neal Odom, John Griffin, Pam and Dick Crockett, Don Dorsey, Billie Ward, Leslie and Mike Darsey.

One bid for Health Insurance was from Weldon Lawley, with Starmark proposing \$10,860.44 for a \$1,000.00 deductible, and \$12,604.82 for a \$500.00 deductible. Another bid

came from Charlie Waits, with Starmark for \$11,055.30, on a \$1,000.00 deductible with an insured percent of 90/70, and \$12,005.67 on a \$500.00 deductible (80/60). He also had another bid for \$1000.00 deductible, (80/60) at \$10,484.97. Stan Fogg of Unicare proposed the following bids.

BCBS-\$250 deductible at \$23,111.19; PAC Mu-\$500 deductible at \$16,511.81; Allied-\$5.00 deductible at \$17,007.06; United-\$500 deductible at \$13,446.57; Humana-\$500 deductible at \$23,433.57;

Trustmark-\$500 deductible at \$13,820.93; Starmark-\$500 deductible at \$19-654.85.

The Board decided to go with Charlie Waits and Starmark having a \$1,000.00 deductible, (90/70) at \$11,055.30, because of better overall benefits. Motion made by Neal Odom, second by Billie Ward to provide employees with coverage, and the District paying the largest portion of the premium, approximately \$211.55 per employee, and the remainder being the employee's responsibility.

Adjournment came at 6:27 p.m.

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Wed. Bible Class 7:30

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(Youth) & Wed. Bible Study, Prayer Meeting 7 pm

United Methodist Church 2nd & Gray
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Wed. Choir 7:00 pm

Heald United Methodist Church
Kellerville Road
Sunday 9:15

Trinity Baptist Church 603 Commerce
James Mantooth 779-3207
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Sunday Evening Worship 7 pm
Bible Study & Prayer Meeting Wed 7 pm

McLean Tigers & Lady Tigers

MCLEAN HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

2000-2001

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Nov 28	Dumas JV	Here	6:30
Nov 30	Miami Tournney	There	TBA
Dec 5	Miami	Here	6:30
Dec 7 & 9	Samnorwood Tournney	There	TBA
Dec 12	Shamrock	There	6:30
Dec 15	Ft. Elliott	There	6:30
Jan 2	Miami	There	6:30
Jan 5	Samnorwood	There	6:30
Jan 9	Lefors	Here	6:30
Jan 12	Hedley	There	6:30
Jan 16	Pampa Academy	There	6:30
Jan 19	Groom	Here	6:30
Jan 23	Samnorwood	Here	6:30
Jan 26	Lefors	There	6:30
Jan 30	Hedley	Here	6:30
Feb 2	White Deer	Here	6:30
Feb 6	Groom	There	6:30

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MCLEAN JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL

2000-2001

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Nov 27	Allison	There	6:00
Dec 4	Samnorwood	There	6:00
Dec 11	Open		
Jan 4	Lefors	Here	6:00
Jan 8	Hedley	There	6:00
Jan 15	Allison	Here	6:00
Jan 22	Groom	There	6:00
Jan 29	Samnorwood	Here	6:00
Feb 1 & 3	Hedley Tournney	There	TBA

Josh Acuna, PFC Is Stationed In Arabian Gulf

Marine Corps Pfc. Joshua B. Acuna, son of Debbie and Antonio Acuna of McLean, is halfway through a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), home based at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

During the deployment, Acuna's unit is defending U.S. policy and supporting international interests in the Middle East and Europe.

Acuna's unit visited cities in Croatia, Italy and Spain, where Marines had the opportunity to shop, sightsee and enjoy the local culture and cuisine. Marines also participated in community relations projects.

Acuna's unit is an

expeditionary intervention force with the ability to rapidly organize for combat operations in virtually any environment. MEUs are composed of more than 2,000 personnel and are divided into an infantry battalion, aircraft squadron, support group and command element. With this combination, Acuna's unit supplies and sustains itself for either quick mission accomplishment or clearing the way for follow-on forces.

Acuna is a 1995 graduate of McLean High School and joined the Marine Corps in March 1999.

Obituaries

Julia 'Aunt Jute' Williams

Julia 'Aunt Jute' Williams, 90, of Pampa, died Sunday, November 12, 2000. Services were Friday in Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Todd Dyess, pastor of First United Methodist church, officiating. Burial was in Jericho Cemetery in Donley County under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Williams was born September 2, 1910, in Gray County and attended the Wagner School in Wheeler. She married John Earl Williams on December

24, 1938, at Canadian; he died January 16, 1986. She was a homemaker and, for many years, a farmer in Wheeler County. She moved to Pampa from Mobeetie in 1975.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church and was active in the Home Demonstration Club of Mobeetie.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Sid and Jettie Morgan.

Survivors include a sister-in-law, Betty Morgan of Fritch; and many nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, Texas 79065 or to First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1981, Pampa, Texas 79066.

Norma Myatt Osburn

Norma Myatt Osburn died on October 25, 2000 at a hospital in Big Spring, Texas. She had lived in Big Spring since 1993.

Norma was born on July 3, 1923 and was raised on a farm near McLean. She graduated from McLean High School with the Class of 1943. She was a graduate of Northwest Texas School of Nursing and practiced various phases of nursing for 30 years. Norma was a long time member of the Southern Baptist denomination.

Survivors include her husband, P.E. Osburn of Big Spring; three sons, Robert Bruce Martin of Odessa, Cecil Bryan Martin of Wink and Zack Osburn of Paducah; two daughters, Seral Lee Freeman of Odessa and June Cooper of Brownfield; three brothers, Cecil Audra Myatt of Johnson City, Tenn., Bobby W. Myatt of Las Vegas, Nev., and Keith Myatt of Port Arthur; two sisters, Imogene Gibson of Murfreesboro, Tenn., and Audie Williamson of Lovington, N.M.; 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.



Nicole McClendon and Hogan Ketcherside were the top two selling students for the Innisbrook fund-raiser. Nicole won \$100 for being the top seller and Hogan won \$50 for the second place seller. The students raised over \$8000. The profit from this money will be used towards new books and reading tests, prizes for accelerated reading and the end of the year school trip to Wonderland Park.

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McLean Reminder

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Junior High teams will play on Monday, November 27 at Allison beginning at 6:00 p.m.

McLean 4-H News

Submitted by Jamie Sanderson, Reporter
McLean 4 Clover 4-H club met on November 15, at 5:30 p.m.

Anna Shackelford and Travis Fish presented their method demonstration on Basic Lamb Production.

On November 11 McLean was host to the Gray County Food Show. McLean had seven people entered. Lucas Webb, Travis Fish, Nicholas Odom and Kevin Smith all received 1st place in their category and will be participating in the District Food Show to be held December 9th. Kristen Odom was named alternate and Anna Shackelford was awarded best display. We are very proud of everyone who participated in the food project.

On November 29, there will be a stock show meeting in Pampa for those who are interested.

It was announced that the next meeting will be December 6. At this time the 4 Clover club will be having a backpack drive and members are encouraged to bring a backpack. They are also asked to bring a dessert if possible. The club will also be participating in the celebration of lights.

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Board Members Discuss Budget Cut Possibilities With Interested Citizens

Several interested citizens were on hand at Tuesday night's school board meeting to discuss Groom ISD's financial difficulties and their concerns for its future. Present were Tony Treadwell, Lynn Britten, Paul McLaughlin, Forrest McLaughlin, Scott McLaughlin, Kay Lynn McLaughlin, Curtis Downs and Donna Burton, representing The Groom News.

Lynn Britten had several questions for the board.

"I don't understand why, if we are in such bad shape, that we spent so much money on a new science room and satellite room," he asked.

Superintendent Wilson explained that the money from the bond issue could not be used on daily operations or salaries.

"If we had not spent any of the bond money, we would be no better or worse off than we are right now," he said.

Money from the bond paid off the heating and air conditioning and electrical updating that the school was in dire

need. A minimum of \$500,000 was raised in the form of the bond, so the board decided to update the science room and create a video conference room with the hopes of future use. A grant was applied for the technology for the video lab, but Groom did not receive it this year. Wilson stated in an earlier discussion that he would apply again next year.

"We all hope that you will look at cuts in all other areas before you start taking programs away from the kids," stated Britten. "The Ag department probably gets as many or more scholarships for kids than any other in our school. My own son is going to college on a full scholarship, thanks to the help of the ag department and Mr. Burk."

Britten also asked why it seemed to him that we hire teachers at the top of the pay scale.

Wilson explained that while pay is a consideration, qualifications are the boards prime concern.

"Especially band

directors, are hard to get to come for a small school," he said.

"We are willing to give what ever is needed to the school to keep these programs going," stated Britten. "A lot of small schools have only one administrator. I would like to see the principal and superintendent job combined."

Tony Treadwell likened combining the jobs to working at a grain elevator for the board who are largely made up of farmers. "It would be like having the man who is unloading your grain in the elevator, also trying to do the selling of it. Combining these positions would be taking away something from every student, K-12."

The discussion continued with visitors tossing out ideas of combining classes, and looking at enrollment projections. In just a few years, there will be less than 35 students in high school, if current trends hold.

The "Open Forum" discussion ended with Board President Denny Babcock thanking

everyone for coming and assuring the group that all options were being considered.

Superintendent Wilson presented the Academic Excellence Indicator report for 1999-2000. Groom School received an exemplary rating from the Texas Education Agency. The entire report can be seen in any of the school offices, or the Groom Public Library.

TASB Policy Update was passed. The update was strictly a housekeeping update, changing wording but not meaning of several state policies.

A report was heard on the Accelerated Reading Grant. Groom received a grant for \$25,650. Groom ISD's matches funds of \$3,850. The grant will be used to buy reading program software, hire a reading aid and fund the summer reading program.

The Board began their discussion on the budget issues. The following items were discussed:

The need to further inform the public on the See Board, pg. 3



Lauren Crowell drives past Trinity player in Friday nights game.

City Residents To Be Judges In Lighting Contest

The City of Groom is pleased to announce a new Christmas Lighting Contest for the residents of Groom.

"We want to let everyone have a chance to decide which home they think is the best decorated," stated Mayor Joe Homer.

The rules will be as follows:

1. Everyone who wishes to have their home considered will need contact City Hall to ask for a place on the ballot by December 11.

2. A ballot will be published in The Groom

See Contest, pg. 2

Tigers Beat Miami Warriors For Bi-District Champs, Area Next

Groom Tigers were named Bi-District Champions after beating Miami 40-26 Friday night in Lefors. Groom moves on to the area contest which will be held in Silvertón against Lazbuddie on Friday at 7:30 p.m.

Lazbuddie is the District II Runner-up with an 8-2 record for the season.

"They have an exceptional running game," stated Coach Larry Reid. "Their players are good-sized, very aggressive and very physical.

We are anticipating a very tough ball game. Little things like turnovers, extra points, and mistakes will probably make the difference."

Friday night's game was just what the team had anticipated.

"They had a lot of success the first quarter with their running back," commented Coach Reid. "Our defense did an exception job of stopping them after making adjustments in the second quarter.

Groom's offense and defense played a very balanced game to prove once again that they are true champions who can rise to the occasion.

Groom gained 16 first downs to Miami's 10. The Tigers carried the ball 30 times for 250 yards and four T.D.'s, while the Warrior's rushed 28 times for 154 yards and two T.D.'s.

See Champs, pg. 6



Number 21 Dean Fields receives a short pass from #16 Quarterback Grant Weinheimer in Friday nights game for the Bi-District Championship against the Miami Warriors.

COMMUNITY CALENDER

Only 32 Days Till Christmas

Guild To Meet
The Palo Duro Handweaver's Guild monthly meeting is on December 7th at 7:30 p.m. in Amarillo. Anyone interested in weaving, spinning, dyeing or fiber arts is welcome. For meeting location or information call Becky Martin at 358-2765.

CHOW LINE is Tuesday at noon.

Mary's Restaurant will be open Thanksgiving. They will serve Thanksgiving dinner (turkey, dressing, etc) only.

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Groom School Menu
 November 27-December 1
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Tuesday Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Chili cheese dogs, tator tots, apples w/caramel sauce, milk.
Wednesday Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, hash brown potatoes, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Turkey & noodles, mixed vegetables, cheese zombies, pineapple, milk.
Thursday Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Enchiladas, refried beans, lettuce, tomatoes, Spanish rice, jello, milk.
Friday Breakfast: Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Pizza, salad, crackers, applesauce, milk.

Christian Mothers report having a very nice turn out for their annual dinner and bazaar. Ron and Laura Kuehler won the raffle for the Nativity Set.

Mary Sue Lyles and Pat Ashford spent the weekend in Branson, Missouri.

Groom Birthdays Anniversaries

November 24 - C.L. Wieberg, Kyler Blaine Barkley, Father Neal Dee, Mr. and Mrs. David Bruso (A).

November 25 - Christopher Ollinger, John Mark Baggerman, Donald Bland.

November 26 - Mari Treadwell, Mallory Homen, Becky Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Britten (A), Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Payton (A).

November 27 - Brad Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. John Stephens (A).

November 28 - Harold Cave, James Weinheimer, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Homer (A), Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Howard (A).

November 29 - Page Blackwell.

Contest

News and ballots will be available in City Hall for city residents to place their vote for their favorite home. Ballots may be mailed to City Hall, placed in the City's night drop or brought to City Hall no later than Monday, December 18 at noon.

3. The top 3 vote getters will be awarded the following prizes respectively: 1st - \$25; 2nd - \$15, and 3rd - \$10. The winner will be announced in the December 21st edition of The Groom News.



Santa Saw...

Well, Kids, it is that time of year when I begin to watch everyone carefully. Most of the little kids are improving their behavior each day and I am sure I will be putting most of them on the nice list.... however, some of the big kids (mostly the "over 40" set) may never get off the naughty list without some real effort!

Naughty.....
 Cobb Britten for hiding ladies purses in the Dairy Queen!

Fred Brown for having a twinkle in his eye when he should have pretended not to notice!

Norris Hoyt for turning another year older and not looking it!

Nice.....
 Sorority husband, Joe Homer for making home deliveries of Alpha Mu Xi's delicious holiday meal!

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Groom Elementary U.I.L. Contestants

Groom Elementary and Junior High students attended their district UIL Meet on Monday. At presstime results were not available. Entrants were as follows:

- ART**
 4TH Grade- Bailee Ruthardt, Brett Friemel, Trevor Friemel.
 5TH Grade- Matt Wilson, Chad Barkley, Brittany Weinheimer.
CREATIVE WRITING
 2nd Grade - Jacob Torres, Bethany Williamson, Maddie Wieberg; sub-Morgan Britten.
DICTIONARY SKILLS
 5th Grade - Matt Wilson, Chad Barkley, Tommy Head; sub-Taylor Drewery.
 6th Grade -Kecia Howard, Berklee Ruthardt, Thane Barkley; sub-Blaine Britten
 7th Grade - Malorie Homen, Katy Britten, Carter Wilson; sub - Gail Drewery
 8th Grade - Catherine Robertson, Magan Bivens, Ashley Jackson; sub-Jennifer Martinez.
LISTENING
 5th Grade - Matthew Wilson, Tommy Head, Michaela Roskens; sub - Bethany Williamson
 6th Grade - Joel Horn, Karla Howard, Kecia Howard; sub - Berklee Ruthardt.

- MATHEMATICS**
 6th Grade - Thane Barkley, Kecia Howard, Karla Howard; sub - James Reid.
 7th Grade- Katy Britten, Kelby Noack, Carter Wilson.
 8th Grade- Catherine Robertson, Adam Britten, Jeff Rios.
MAPS, GRAPHS & CHARTS
 5th Grade - Matt Wilson, Chad Barkley, Taylor Drewery; sub-Tommy Head.
 6th Grade - Thane Barkley, Karla Howard, Blaine Britten; sub Kecia Howard.
 7th Grade- Katy Britten, Gail Drewery, Shari Britten; sub-Malorie Homen.
MUSIC MEMORY
 3rd Grade- Daniel Wilson, Tyler Case, and Dancille Rodriguez.
 4th Grade - Brittany Weinheimer, Bailee Ruthardt, Brett Friemel.
 5th Grade- Michaela Roskens, Taylor Drewery, Ashley Williamson.
 6th Grade - Berklee Ruthardt, James Reid, Whitney Evenson.
NUMBER SENSE
 4th Grade - Brittany Weinheimer, Bailee Ruthardt, Andrew Thompson.
 5th Grade - Matt

- Wilson, Chad Barkley, Ashley Williamson.
 6th Grade - Thane Barkley, James Reid Blaine Britten; sub-Kecia Howard.
ORAL READING
 2nd Grade- Morgan Britten, Maddie Wieberg, Bethany Williamson.
 3rd Grade - Daniel Wilson, Ashley Murray, Cady Wilson; sub- Tyler Case.
 4th Grade- Brittany Weinheimer, Bailee Ruthardt, Kelton Weller; sub- Brett Friemel.
 5th Grade- Whitney Evenson, Taylor Drewery, Michaela Roskens; sub- Ashley Williamson.
 6th Grade - Berklee Ruthardt, Kade Brown, James Reid.
 7th Grade - Katy Britten, Gail Drewery, Kelby Noack.
 8th Grade- Ashley Jackson, Adam Britten, Catherine Robertson, sub-Chance Barkley.
READY WRITING
 3rd Grade - Daniel Wilson, Britney Evenson, Tyler Case; sub - Kathryn Herndon.
 4th Grade - Brittany Weinheimer, Bailee Ruthardt, Brett Friemel; sub-Kelton Weller.
 5th Grade - Matt Wilson, Chad Barkley, Ashley Williamson.
 6th Grade - Kecia Howard, Karla Howard, James Reid; sub-Thane Barkley.
 7th Grade - Malorie Homen, Carter Wilson, Katy Britten; Gail Drewery.
 8th Grade - Magan Bivens, Adam Britten, Chance Barkley.
SPELLING
 3rd Grade- Tyler Case, Britney Evenson, Ashley Murray.
 4th Grade - Brittany Weinheimer, Bailee Ruthardt.
 5th Grade- Matt Wilson, Chad Barkley, Kecia Howard, Karla Howard.
 6th Grade- Katy Britten, Carter Wilson, Kelby Noack.
 7th Grade- Adam Britten, Chance Barkley, Ashley Jackson; sub-Magan Bivens.
STORYTELLING
 2nd Grade - Bethany Williamson, Maddie Wieberg, Morgan Britten; sub- Cecilia Unger.
 3rd Grade - Daniel Wilson, Cady Wilson, Ashley Murray; sub - Tyler Case.
IMPROMPTU SPEAKING
 7th Grade- Carter Wilson, Malorie Homen, Katy Britten; sub- Kelby Noack.
 8th Grade-Catherine Robertson, Ashley Jackson, Chance Barkley; sub- Adam Britten.
MODERN ORATORY
 7th Grade- Katy Britten, Gail Drewery, Kelby Noack.
 8th Grade - Ashley

- Jackson, Catherine Robertson, Jeffery Rios.
NUMBER SENSE
 7th Grade- Katy Britten, Carter Wilson, Malorie Homen.
SCIENCE
 7th Grade- Katy Britten, Cater Wilson, Kelby Noack.
 8th Grade - Adam Britten, Jeffery Rios, Chance Barkley.
- Bennett Elected**
 Neal Bennett of Panhandle was elected by landowners to represent Zone 4 of the McClellan Creek Soil and Water Conservation District #156. Neal farms and ranches in several areas of Carson County. He and his wife, Gail have three grown daughters. Zone 4 of the district is the southwest portion of Carson County. The District appreciates Bill Murray who has served this area for the past 12 years. Bill chose not to run for another term.
- The purpose of the McClellan Creek SWCD is to promote sound soil and water conservation programs on agricultural lands within the district. In addition, the district serves as a voice for farmers, ranchers, and local community entities on conservation matters.
- The board of directors coordinate the conservation efforts of various local, state and federal agencies and other organizations and has authority to enter into working agreements with these governmental agencies and private concerns to carry out its purposes.
- The five members serving on the district board of directors are responsible for district policies and procedures for carrying out the district program within the framework of the Texas soil conservation district law.
- In Texas there are 216 soil and water conservation districts. Each is a legal

subdivision of state government organized by local agricultural landowners with the assistance of the Texas Soil and Water Conservation Board.

Unlike most other legal subdivisions of state government, SWCDs do not have the powers of taxation or eminent domain. All conservation programs managed by the district are of a voluntary nature to the landowner or operator or other potential users of the SWCD's programs.

The McClellan Creek SWCD includes all the land in Carson County, which is 592,000 acres. In 2000, the District sponsored Soil Stewardship Week by distributing materials to all churches in the county. The annual Soil Stewardship Banquet was held in honor of all pastors in the county and the conservation poster winners from Panhandle, Groom, Skellytown and White Deer.

The Conservation District is again sponsoring a poster contest, Soil Stewardship, and a conservation tree program.

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Carson Co. Sheriff's Report

Sheriff Gary Robertson reported that there were three persons booked into the Carson County Jail during the week of November 13 through November 19, 2000. Currently there are nine persons incarcerated in the jail and twelve additional prisoners being held in other jurisdictions. The Sheriff's Department hopes that each of you have a safe and peaceful

financial status of the school and seek input through public forums.

Ramifications of program cuts in each of the areas proposed. "I am afraid that one of these cuts will not do it," stated Board Member Clif Britten. "At some point we will have to balance the budget and doing away with only one program won't get the job done."

The board asked the superintendent to prepare financial data on amounts saved and or spent in conjunction with doing away with programs or positions. (i.e. If the principal's job is eliminated, some of the savings might be offset by the need to hire a secretary. etc.).

In the principal's report, Mr. Noack discussed discipline actions and upcoming school events.

The business managers report was presented by Joyce Hutsell and approved. The meeting was adjourned.

The next regular meeting will be on December 12. The public is encouraged to attend to let the Board know your wishes in the issues facing our school.

Thanksgiving holiday.

Arrests for the week include:

- Charles A. Ford (Pampa), 44, Traffic Warrants, Panhandle PD.
- Dana A. Johnson (Oklahoma City, Ok.), 29, Possession of Controlled Substance.
- Kevin McGregor (Panhandle), 23, Outstanding Warrants, Panhandle PD.

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Basketball Begins For Ettes



Candace Bohr blocks out under the basket.

Basketball season is up and running with High School girls and Junior High teams participating. High School boys teams will get underway after football season is over. Groom Junior Varsity

girls opened the action against Clarendon on November 14. Kristin Johansen was high point with 13 points. Cassie Ashford contributed 11 points to Grooms benefit. Caren

Howard scored 4 and Lorri Britten added 2 and Britteny Martin put in 2. The final score was Groom 32, Clarendon 28. On Friday the teams played Trinity Fellowship here in Groom.

Cassie Ashford led the scoring with 11 points. Britteny Martin added another 7 points. Lorri Britten scored 6 and Kristin Johansen put in 2. The final score was 26-17.

The Varsity girls lost their opening match against Clarendon 39-49. Candace Bohr led the scoring with 15 points. Amanda Conrad added another 10. Krisanne Davis put in 5, Staci Britten 4, Nichole Barnett netted 3 and Jill Britten had 2 points.

The girls played Trinity Fellowship School on Friday night. Candace Bohr led the scoring with 20 points. Krisanne Davis added 16. Brin Burgin, Amanda Conrad and Staci Britten each put in 6 for the Ettes. Lauren Crowell added another 2 points to complete the 56-40 win for Groom.

The Ettes will face Claude, here, as we go to press on Tuesday this week and on November 28th they will play Wheeler, here beginning at 4:00 p.m.



Brin Burgin, point guard, waits for her wing to get in position for a pass.

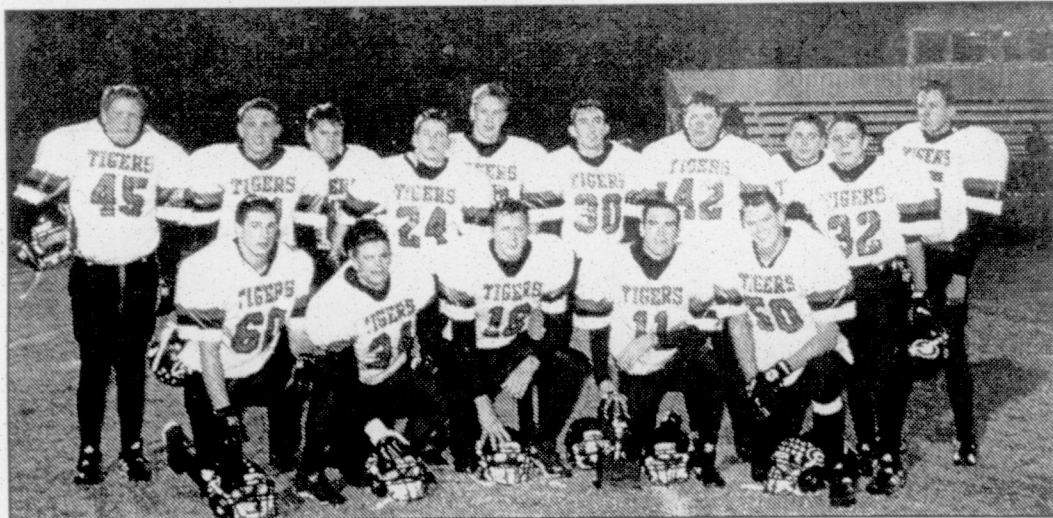


Nichole Barnett goes up for a rebound.

Superintendent's Corner

By John Wilson
Our students continue to excel in all areas of school life. The football team has been a source of great entertainment and pride for all of us. I would also like to invite people to view our Academic Excellence Indicator System Report. It is available at the school offices and at the City Library. The report details quite a lot of information about the school district. You should note that several of our classes had a 100% passing rate on the TAAS test. We also have a very high attendance rate of 97.7%. In addition, we accomplished an Exemplary rating with 98.7% of our students tested. The state average for students tested is 90.2%. Congratulations to our students and teachers for their hard work.
Many people have brought us opinions, questions and commentary on the possible program cuts for next year. I appreciate input and questions when they are brought to us in a proper manner. It is important that members of the public become well informed before opinions are formed. I urge you to see me or a board member for information that will help you give us positive input.
One topic that seems to be a continuing source of confusion is the bond money, which was raised last year. Last year the school board went to the voters for permission to sell \$600,000 in bonds. The district pays off the bond through a separate Interest and Sinking tax. This year that tax was twelve cents per hundred dollar valuation. This money has been used to upgrade electrical systems, install heating and air conditioning, renovate the science lab, and prepare a room for videoconference facilities. (The actual videoconference equipment will hopefully be paid for through a grant). This \$600,000 was raised for facilities renovation. It cannot, by law, be used for school operations. The board and administration were able to accomplish some badly needed facilities improvements without any negative effect on fund balance or operating money.
Thank you for your concern and support of Groom Schools. This will continue to be a great place to educate children.

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City of Groom Approves G.E.D.C. Guide Lines

The City of Groom met last week during their regular monthly meeting. Present were: Mayor Joe Homer, Aldermen Ellis Stapp, W.H. Ollinger, Kenneth Weller, and Mary Brooks. Absent was Alderman Don Case. Also attending the meeting were George Clapper, Kathleen Barkley, Nathan Wieberg, Forrest McLaughlin, Rick Prather, Mary Sue Lyles, Hop Britten, Joe Ray Richardson and Sandra Britten.

Forrest McLaughlin requested to use the old Clinic building for storage for \$20 per month. The motion was unanimously approved.

A proposal to change the way that the winners of the Christmas lighting contest are selected was discussed and approved. (A list of rules is in a separate story in this edition of The Groom News).

The State National Bank was selected as the bank depository for the 2000-01 year.

New water vending machine rates were discussed and compared to other area city rates. A rate of 25 for 150 gallons of water was unanimously approved.

The idea of having a City Marshall was once again discussed. The council agreed to look into the matter further.

Members of the Groom Economic Development Corporation opened a discussion with the board concerning the purchase of lots in various areas of town to encourage people to move to Groom. The Board unanimously approved the guidelines for the proposal.

GEDC Guidelines

1) Prospective grantees shall complete an application to the Groom Economic Development

Corporation, furnishing all information and copies of all documentation required. Documents needed shall include, but not be limited to, titles to existing mobile structures or buildings to be moved, value, and proof of financing, and type of financing, for any proposed project on the land under consideration.

2) Grantee and a representative, or representatives, of the Groom Economic Development Corporation shall consider parcels of land available for Grantee's project; and the Corporation will assist in the locating and negotiating for purchase of parcels of land appropriate for Grantee's project, if necessary.

3) Value of land for Grantee's project shall be considered at appraised market value, whether it be a determination by the Carson County Appraisal District or by an independent real estate appraiser, or some combination of appraisals agreed upon between Groom Economic Development Corporation and Grantee.

4) Grantee shall certify by signature that proposed project be completed on the parcel of land under consideration in a condition to be agreed upon by representatives of the City of Groom, the Groom Economic Development Corporation, and the Grantee; and further, that the project be completed in a

satisfactory manner within a time limit of one year from the date of the agreement between the Grantee and the Economic Development Corporation regarding the property.

5) The Economic Development Corporation and the Grantee shall agree on the proposed use of the land, whether residential or commercial, and shall agree on any changes to the original grant agreement. In the event the Grantee should not use the parcel of

land in the manner agreed upon between the Groom Economic Development Corporation and the Grantee for a five year period, the full amount of the grant shall become due and payable to the Economic Development Corporation.

6) Should Grantee use, maintain, occupy, or cause to be occupied the parcel of land in question for a term of five years, the stipulation requiring a repayment or refund of the grant shall be removed.

7) The maximum amount of the grant or value of the grant shall be \$2,500.00 each application.

8) Grantee shall not owe any debt to the City of Groom, be it taxes, bills for water and services, leash law fines, or any other amount owing.

The city budget was amended to allow for the land purchase with a \$10,000 ceiling for the project.

Minutes of the October 10th and October 30th meetings were read and approved. The financial report was heard and bills were approved for payment before the meeting adjourned.

Champs

Groom completed 10 of 18 passes for 226 yards gained and 2 touchdowns. Miami connected on 8 of 12 passes for 135 yards and 1 touchdown.

Both teams had 3 fumbles and each recovered 2 and lost 2.

Miami's Moreno scored on a 65 yard run in the first quarter to put Groom in the unfamiliar territory of starting the game behind, 0-6.

Todd Gray stepped up to run in a 60 yard touchdown to tie up the score before the first buzzer sounded.

Moreno ran in a 9 yard T.D. for Miami and pulled ahead again, but for their last time of the game.

Clay Ritter caught a 9-yard pass from Grant Weinheimer to score a touchdown. Ritter kicked a successful extra point to bring the score to 14-12 with Groom beginning their domination of the rest of the game.

Dewayne Gray completed a 13 yard run for a touchdown to retire the half with Clay Ritter kicking a successful P.A.T. to bring the score to 22-12.

Dewayne got second half action off to a good start with a 4 yard run for a touchdown. He came back in the fourth quarter with a 1 yard run to score, bringing the tally to 34-12.

Grant Weinheimer connected with Clay Ritter on a 25 yard pass for a touchdown.

Derek Howard of Miami ran in an exciting 80 yard kick off return to get Miami's fans on their feet midway through the fourth. Moreno scored again for Miami on a 21 yard pass from James for a final touchdown for the Warriors.

Individual Tiger stats are as follows:

Cody Bivens led the Tigers rushing game with 102 yards on 10 carries.

Dewayne Gray rushed nine times for 93 yards and four touchdowns. He received two passes for 52 yards.

Defensively he had 2 quarterback sacks and 11 unassisted tackles.

Garrett Britten carried the ball 9 times for 58 yards. He gained 14 yards receiving and earned another 21 yards on a kick-off return. He had 3 unassisted tackles.

Doug Fields accumulated 2 yards rushing and sacked Miami's quarterback. He had 5 unassisted tackles.

Grant Weinheimer passed 18 times, completing 10 for 226 yards and two touchdowns.

Clay Ritter received for 102 yards on 5 passes and scored 2 touchdowns. He recovered a fumble and had 10 unassisted tackles. He kicked 2 extra points for the Tigers.

Hugh Weinheimer received for 58 yards on 2 receptions. He earned 3 yards on 2 kick-off returns.

Trey Britten excelled defensively with a quarterback sack and 7 tackles.

Clay Britten also sacked the quarterback and earned 9 unassisted tackles.

Luke Pavlovsky did a great job defensively with 1 unassisted tackle.

Don't forget to come to the Tigers pep rally Friday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. and attend the game in Silverton at 7:30 p.m. against Lazbuddie.

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Thank you,
Sheriff Gary Robertson

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