

NOV 02
LOVETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY
BOX 8
MCLEAN, TX 77057-9999

The McLean News



Bank of Commerce Building
Office No. 5, 201 N. Main St.

Published Weekly
Thursday, May 16, 2002

1-806-779-2141
1-888-849-6599

Reminder

CITY WIDE Garage Sale on Saturday, May 25.

ANNUAL Meeting of the Hillcrest Cemetery Association is on May 15 at 5:00 p.m. at the Lovett Memorial Library.

CRAFTERS are needed to participate in the June 15 Centennial Celebration. For more information contact Mindy Reeves.

ANNUAL HEALTH Fair will be on May 22 at the Clarendon College Campus in the Bear Field Activity Center.

YOU CAN STILL purchase a cookbook benefiting our museums at either museum. The cost is \$12.93.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

The month of May is a busy one for our school children. Here is a small calendar of some of the events coming up.

May 16-Sophomore and Jr. Trip.

May 17-Community Reader Day, Sports Banquet at the Devils Rope Museum at 7:00 p.m.

May 18-FFA Car Wash at the Country Corner from 9:00-3:00 p.m.

May 19-Cookout for the Seniors-Trinity Baptist Church.

May 22-Kindergarten-7th grade Awards at 9:30 a.m. at the new gym.

May 23-Kindergarten Graduation at 9:00 a.m. at the High School.

May 24-Wonderland Park tip for AR.

May 26-Baccilar at 8:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.

May 27-No school.

May 28-Semester test.

May 29-2nd Grades Presentation of Books at 2:45 p.m.

May 30-8th Grades Graduation 7:00 p.m. at the Methodist Church.

May 31-High School Graduation at 8:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church. Project Graduation Party.

McLean School Looks At \$200,000 Deficit For 2002-03

The McLean Independent School District Board of Education met for a special meeting at 7:00 p.m. on May 7, 2002. Board members present were John Holland, Toni Bohlar, Neal Odom, Mike Darsey, Joe Riley and Billie Ward. Others present were Superintendent, Bob Downs, Dick Crockett, Leslie Darsey, Secretary, Margaret Milam, Pam Crockett, Eric Smith, Andy Simpson, Brian Quisenberry, Ben and Mindy Reeves, and newly elected Board members Steve Bowlin and Ronnie Ferguson.

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 by John Holland. Brian Quisenberry gave the opening prayer.

A motion was passed to canvass the results of the May 4th School Board Election.

New Board members were issued the statement of elected office, and sworn in by oath from a notary, Margaret Milam. Billie Ward bid her fellow Board members a fond farewell, as her 3-year term ended. At this time the Board reorganized, with John Holland being nominated as President. Mr. Holland was voted in by

acclamation. Joe Riley was nominated and voted in as Vice-President by acclamation. Toni Bohlar was voted in by acclamation as the Secretary/Treasurer.

Mr. Downs gave the Superintendent's report on finance and the state funding projection for the next school year 2002-03. He began by saying there had been an error discovered on the August 2001 audit. A wrong code had been used by the auditor to account for the \$100,000.00 bank loan during the final month of operation for last year. The audit report reflected the loan to be long-term debt, when in fact it should have been recorded as a liability in the General Fund. This error overstated last year's fund balance by \$100,000.00. The auditor will correct the audit and reissue the report. Mr. Downs also informed the Board of a drastic reduction in state funding that would affect the operation of school for the coming year. For the 2001-02 year, the state will be providing approximately \$664,000.00, and this will be reduced to about \$154,000.00 for 2002-03, due to an increase in the taxable valuation of See School Board, pg. 10

Reunion Planned For "Uplift" Workers During Centennial Celebration

The Centennial Committee will recognize and entertain all former Marie Foundation employees at the Devil's Rope Museum meeting

room on Saturday, June 15, during other Centennial activities. Winnie Fay Vineyard of Shamrock is chairman of the factory reunion and may be reached at (806) 256-2379. Over 40 former out of town employees have been contacted and plan to

attend. We stress that local, (McLean) employees will not receive official letters but may find information in local flyers and the McLean News and are urged to attend and help us hosts for the gathering.

Registration will start at 8:00 a.m. at the museum with coffee and other beverages available all day. Visitors are urged to bring photos, scrap books, albums, and



FFA Members Earn Top Honors

Students attending the Greenbelt District Meeting on May 2 were Trent Cadra, Josh Seymour, Lucas Seymour, Sandi Anderson, Chloe Smith, Krista Smith, and Mitchell Stewart. Chloe Smith was named the Greenbelt Star Green Hand in Agriscience. Chloe also won second place in the Jr. Prepared Public Speaking. Sandi Anderson won first place in the Sr. Prepared Public Speaking. Both advanced to the Area Convention in Amarillo on May 10-11. Students attending the Area Convention were Trent Cadra, Mitchell Stewart, Chloe Smith, Sandi Anderson, Krista Smith, Lucas Seymour, Nicholas Odom, Kevin Smith, and Zach Sanderson. Sandi Anderson placed fifth in Sr. Prepared Public

Speaking and Chloe Smith placed second in Jr. Prepared Public Speaking at Area. Chloe Smith will advance to the State as the Area I Green Hand in Agriscience. The FFA Advisor, Bill Layman, accompanied these students on both trips. Chloe Smith will compete at the State Degree Check on June 13-14 at TSU in Stephenville, Texas. The FFA will be hosting a car wash on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Country Corner. The money made will be used to send the FFA to the State Convention.

McLean Centennial Committee News...

Memorial Day Weekend

May 25-27

Citywide Garage Sale

The Centennial Committee is sponsoring a Citywide Garage Sale on Saturday, May 25. We plan to do the publicity through a press release to the whole Amarillo area, and place maps at the post office and local businesses. You hold the sale at the location of your choice in McLean (or Alanreed gym) and keep your profits. It is time to Clean out your closets, call a friend or relative to help you, and call us before May 18 to get on the map!!!!

Tour and short service at three local cemeteries on Monday, May 27...

Eldridge Cemetery 8:45 a.m.

Alanreed Cemetery 9:15 a.m.

McLean Cemetery 10:30 a.m.

Followed by potluck lunch at noon at Devil's Rope museum. We will provide the meat, potato salad, paper goods and beverages and you potluck the rest.

For more information call Mindy Reeves at 779-3149

See Factory, pg. 8

FACTORY

museum meeting at noon for the luncheon catered by the Red River Steakhouse. Please watch for further information as celebration time arrives.

Former Mayor, George W. Terry was recently seen at the Veteran's Hospital in Amarillo. He said to tell everyone "Hello". He was just there for a check-up. He was looking well and said that he still misses McLean.

McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

- May 16 - Betty Littlefield, Avalee Crockett, Leigh Ann Flores, Charlie McClendon, Destiny Kirkland, Samantha Krueger.
- May 17 - Cal Holwick, Trenton Darsey.
- May 18 - Kathy Carter.
- May 19 - Maurine Foshee, Helen Simmons, Clay Gordy.
- May 20 - Arley D. Bentley, Zeld McClellan, Pauline Burnett, Lee Ann Feenstra, Dakota Watson, Kendall Newton.
- May 21 - Ora Billingsley.
- May 22 - Jamie Barker, Etiole Nicholes.

EDC Offers Grants

The McLean Economic Development Corporation 4-B met on May 9, 2002 at 6:00 p.m. at the Lovett Memorial Library. The EDC allocated \$1500 to three individuals/businesses for repairs/improvements of their properties. Interested individuals/businesses may

pick applications up at the City Hall during regular business hours. These funds are intended for the enhancing and beautification of buildings and grounds in the City of McLean. These funds are to be used for materials only. Together we can make McLean better!

Students Graduate

Annual commencement ceremonies were held for 65 Clarendon College students on Friday, May 3, in the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Auditorium.

The college faculty selected Cassandra Paff of Port Macquarie, Australia as the recipient of the Walter B. Knorpp Award. This annual award recognizes academic excellence at CC. Paff along with Annette Daniel of Roseau, Dominica were both selected to receive the Outstanding Student Award for the 2001-2002 year. This honor is based on leadership, skills and academic abilities, and is also awarded by the faculty.

Tate Seideman of Lubbock gave the Student Address.

Derek Stuebaker of McLean graduated at this ceremony.

Mrs. Glass Uses Innovative Ways To Help Students Learn

Mrs. Glass's First Grade class hosted their annual Author's Tea on Friday, May 10 at the Methodist Church in McLean. The tea provides the students an opportunity to show the community the writing skills they have developed over the past year. Each student writes and illustrates their own books. They have the choice of writing a non-fiction or fiction book.

This year was especially nice. Each child was dressed in their best and had in addition to their book, their own registration book. It was very well attended and the guests were treated to cookies and punch.

Author's Annual Tea Held By Student



Young authors proudly display their work at the Annual Author's Tea hosted by Mrs. Glass's First Grade Class.

When a thing is done, it's done. Don't look back. Look forward to your next objective.

—George C. Marshall

Walk for Life



The Pregnancy Support Center of Pampa would like to thank the community of McLean for hosting it's 2nd Annual Walk for Life. We were blessed to receive your outpouring of love and gifts for our center.

We are amazed at the unity that we see in this community every time that we come. Many girls lives are touched and changed through this center and we would like to thank you for being a part of it. We look forward to seeing all of you again next year.

DON'T HAVE ENOUGH TIME IN THE DAY?

Then do your banking at night!
Whether it is 3:00 am or 3:00 pm you are always right on time at Bank Of Commerce.



Use our secure online banking system by clicking on www.ebankcommerce.com any time, day or night!

Handle all of your banking needs, including opening new accounts, from the convenience of your home or office. No need to drive.... just click!

How much is your time worth? It's worth a lot to us here at **BANK OF COMMERCE.**

Obituary

CHRISTINE SHIPLEY
MCLEAN- Christine (Stockton) Shipley, 82, died Sunday, May 12, 2002.

Memorial services will be held on Saturday, May 18 at the Assembly of God Church at 10:00 a.m.

Mrs. Shipley was born April 6, 1920, 10 miles south of McLean to W.L. and Mattie Stockton. After the death of her parents, she worked at various places in Texas, caring for children and the elderly, before joining a sister and her family in Baltimore. She married Bill Shipley in Baltimore in 1965.

She was preceded in death by her husband; and a son, James William.

Survivors include a sister, Frankie Lois Stocker of Umbarger; 11 nephews; and three nieces.

The family suggest memorials be to the McLean Care Center, P.O. Box 780, McLean, Texas 79057.

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 Children's Church 11:15
Sunday Evening 7:00
Wednesday Family Night 7:00 p.m.
Children, Youth & Adult Bible Study
2 Home Bible Studies

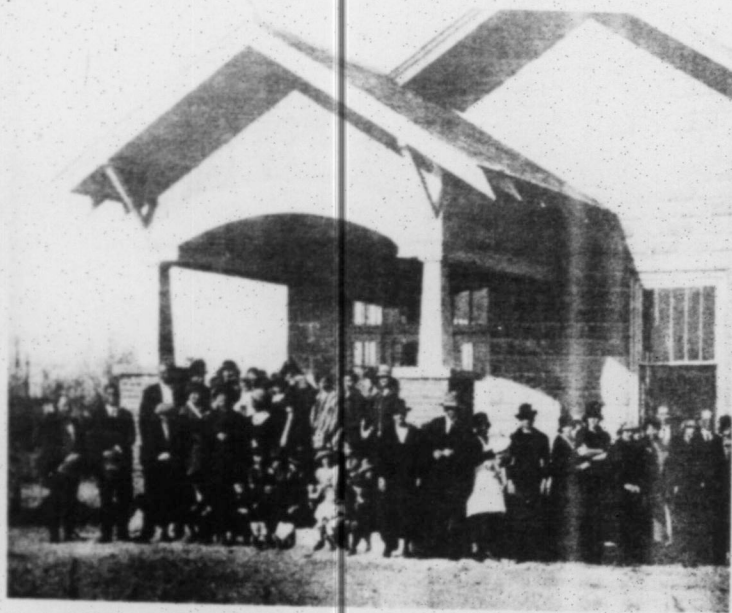
First Baptist Church 206 E. 1st
Brian Quisenberry, Pastor 779-2175
Sunday School 9:45; Worship 11 am & 7pm
(Youth) & Wed. Bible Study, Prayer Meeting 7 pm

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
Interim Pastor John Denton 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
Cowboy Preacher - Kitchell Collins
779-2456 or 779-2965
Sunday Evening Worship - 7:00 p.m.
Children's Church, Sunday - 7:00 p.m.



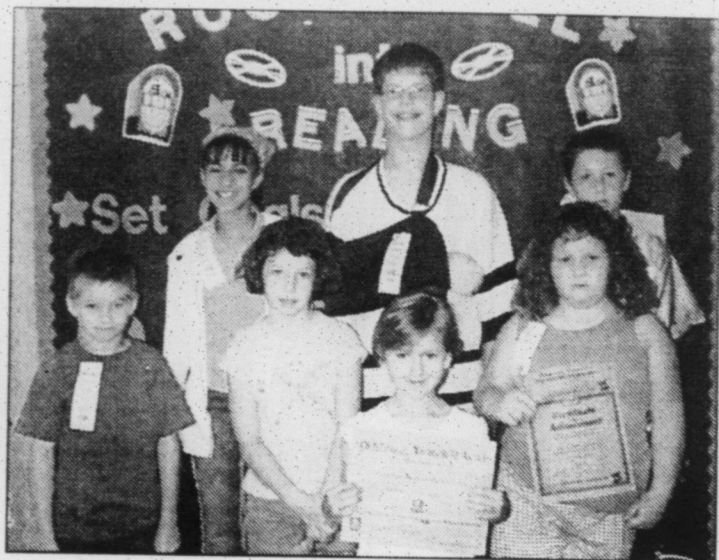
Old Church To Be Restored

The old church building was constructed by the Church of Christ. It was begun in 1908. A fire destroyed most of the building in 1924 and so a larger building was

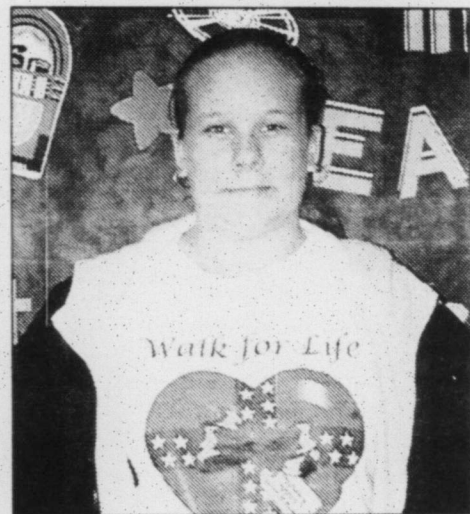
built on the same location. The Church of Christ sold the building in 1948 and it was eventually purchased by Mr. Myers in 1998.

As part of the campaign to beautify McLean, Leland Myers has begun painting the old church building on the westbound lane of old Route 66.

Students Of The Week Named



Students of the Week for May 6 - May 10: Kindergarten-Jacie Ketcherside; 1st Grade-Kendra Richardson; 2nd Grade-Rena Smith; 3rd Grade-Bradley Howard; 4th Grade-Stephen Williamson; 5th Grade-Arely Vega; 6th Grade-Logan Sparling; 7th Grade-Steven Vassey.



Krueger Family Wins Trip To The Ranch

Congratulations to the Krueger family for winning the trip to the Ranch. The drawing was held on Monday night, May 13 after the Family Reading Night. This was the last night for this school year.

Family Reading Night is an opportunity for students to work on their

Accelerated Reading. It was found this year that the students who participated in Family

Reading Night have greatly improved in their reading grades. Family Reading Night will begin again in the fall when the new school year begins.

Whoever is happy will make others happy, too. He who has courage and faith will never perish in misery.
—Anne Frank

Centennial Historical Notes

Alfred Rowe came to America in 1878 and settled in Donley County. By 1895 he owned over 200,000 acres and created the town site of McLean. The original land description states "Beginning at a pile of Buffalo bones----to a China Berry wood stake ----north to a wood stake----to a stone mound in shinnery of sand hills----thence back to the beginning."

Support & attend Centennial activities

Country Corner Texaco

Gas - Diesel - Deli
"The Friendly Place" McLean, Texas
Exit 142 --779-2391

Sunday Special:
Roast Beef

Baycol & Lipobay Users

Severe Muscle Loss & Weakness, Pain, Kidney & Liver Failure & Death

Baycol & Lipobay users should be aware of the following: Baycol and Lipobay are potent muscle relaxants and sedatives. They can cause drowsiness, dizziness, and weakness. They can also cause muscle loss and weakness, pain, kidney and liver failure, and death. If you are a user of Baycol or Lipobay, you should be aware of the following: Baycol and Lipobay are potent muscle relaxants and sedatives. They can cause drowsiness, dizziness, and weakness. They can also cause muscle loss and weakness, pain, kidney and liver failure, and death.

DAVID P. WILLIS BOARD CERTIFIED TOLL FREE 1-800-883-9858
713-654-4040

HARVEY ELMS PAUL ELMS

HARVEY'S PRECISION BODY SHOP

806-352-9662 3026 BLACKBURN
FAX 806-352-9663 AMARILLO, TEXAS 79109

USDA -RURAL DEVELOPMENT HUD

APARTMENTS FOR RENT

1-2-3 BEDROOMS
FINANCIAL ASSISTANTS AVAILABLE
CITY OF MCLEAN
HOUSING AUTHORITY
711 NORTH WHEELER
MCLEAN, TEXAS
(806) 779-2101
Monday - Thursday 7:15am - 8:45am

Letter To The Editor...

More of the same for McLean ISD!

"What do you do with a drunken sailor?" I had hoped that a partial solution to the McLean I.S.D. financial and other problems had been found and the problems laid to rest. The past meeting of the I.S.D. obviated that thinking. Last meeting member Neal Odom nominated President John Holland for another year term as board president. This additional year will give the board four years of less than adequate service and reprehensible leadership. Both Mr. Odom and Mr. Holland have excellent credentials but in concert with the former superintendent, they have presided over the dissolution of the financial and the removable accountable property programs of our district. They must bear the responsibility of frittering away the assets of the district to the point that the continuation of having a school in McLean is in jeopardy. The State of Texas promises less funding, not more. Our auditors, who when hires, promised not to disclose fraud, more an error of \$100,000.00 in their last audit. This means that much less to operate on this year, regardless of what account the error or whatever was made in. The financial problem must be attacked on two fronts. The wastrel

spending exemplifying this boards activities and which caused this problem must cease. Additional funds must be obtained. In approximate round percentages, the state provides about 40%, local taxes about 50% and the Federal Government, the remainder of funding for the school. Therefore our school taxes may have to be increased to provide continuing operating funds and to gradually build up a financial cushion similar to the one frittered away. Prudence dictates that one does not send good money after bad. An election to increase taxes would stand the same chance of a snowball in a hot place so long as the current senior elected membership of the Board is maintained. Meanwhile, the hired administrators and teachers just keep on going like that pink rabbit with the base drum, providing excellent instruction for the students, under difficult circumstances. If you have children in school, get involved-PTA, Board meetings and any way you can show support for our school-a year from now you may wish you had! Mr. Downs must be an energetic and brave individual. He was given a switch to discipline a bear. This is my final letter on this subject.

You have the facts. When things go down, just sit on your hands and whine. When we lose our school, someone else can describe it for you.

Bill Reeves

Once again, it is springtime in the Texas Panhandle, and plans are already being made for the Annual Panhandle Veterans Hall of Honor Banquet. This project was started in 1990, and was initiated to recognize and honor those outstanding Panhandle veterans who have distinguished themselves in the service of their country. Over the years, we have inducted individuals from Pampa, Amarillo, Canyon, Claude, and other area towns. These honored inductees have been recipients of such awards as the Silver Star, Distinguished Flying Cross and even three who received the Congressional Medal of Honor.

We can never completely show our appreciation to these individuals for their bravery, love of country and unselfish sacrifices, however in this small gesture, we hope to let the living and deceased know they are not forgotten and their sacrifices were not in vain. Unfortunately, some of those we honor have gone on to their final resting places, however, we feel confident where ever they are, they will hear their names called and know they have not been forgotten.

To nominate a deserving individual, we need a short narrative on their life, what branch of the service they served in, the awards they received and if possible a

copy of citations that accompanied the awards, plus any copies of newspaper clipping pertaining to the nominee. In the narrative, we are encouraging the writer to tell about the nominee's contributions to his or her community following his years of service in the military. This will give our selection committee a better idea as to the overall merit of the individual. We need to have all the nominations in no later than July 15th. After the selection committee has made their selection, the new inductees will be notified as to the time and place of the banquet which will be held in Pampa on August 16th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Pampa Veterans of Foreign Wars Post Home located at 105 S. Cuyler in Downtown Pampa. Please address all nominations to me in care of: Panhandle Veterans Hall of Honor, c/o John L. Triplehorn, FREEDOM MUSEUM USA, 600 N. Hobart, Pampa, Texas 79065. I will look forward to receiving all nominations, and it is truly an honor for me to be associated with such outstanding veterans.

John L. Triplehorn

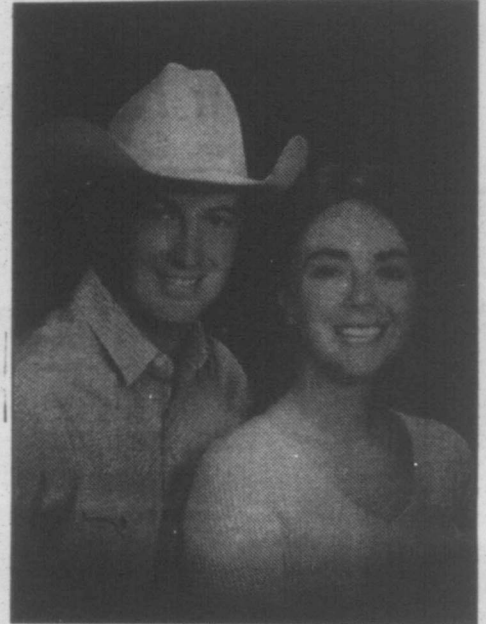
You Can Access Texas Libraries

Did you know you can access the Texas Public Library System from you home? It is called the TexShare Database and if you have a computer that is hooked up to the internet you can access many of the Texas Libraries resources from more than 60 commercial on-line research services. Librarian Ellen Malone says this is great for shut-ins and students. To access this material go to www.tsl.state.tx.us/texshare/pl/remote you will be asked to enter a user name which is RMN 1251 then the password TX79057. If you have any questions call Ellen at the Library.

SCHOOL BOARD

property that raised the figure up to over \$109 million worth of property value according to the State Comptroller and the Gray County Appraisal District. Mr. Downs stated the increase in property value is a result of the volatile price increase of oil and gas. According to his calculations McLean ISD will have a short fall of cash somewhere in the neighborhood of \$200,000.00 less than last year to operate on. It seems that the state is pushing local districts to have to raise taxes to the maximum just to continue to operate. Therefore, it

will be necessary for McLean ISD to make cuts in the budget. The Board went into Executive Session at 7:43 p.m. to discuss Personnel and possible reductions in staff. Return to open session came at 8:40 p.m. No action was taken at this time. Under other business the June Board meeting was scheduled for Thursday, June 20th at 7:00 p.m. The regular meeting for May will be on Monday, May 20th at 7:00 p.m. Board members were registered to attend a Spring Workshop at WTA&MU on May 15th. The meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.



McComas - Magee To Exchange Vows

Katy Leigh McComas 1999 and received her degree in animal science at College Station and Dusty Zac Magee of McLean plan to wed June 8, 2002, at Franklin Ranch in Gray County. The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Michael McComas of Pampa. She graduated from Pampa High School in 1999 and received her degree in animal science on May 11 at Texas A&M University in College Station. The prospective groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe L. Magee of McLean. He graduated from McLean High School in 1992 and is currently a rancher in the McLean area.

JAMES HEFLEY
"The Sound That Sells"
Licensed AUCTIONEER Bonded
COMPLETE AUCTION SERVICE
806-779-3134
BOX 42, MCLEAN, TX • FAX 779-2438

Bailey-Ware Funeral Home
1001 North Main - P.O. Box 290 McLean, Texas 79057
806-779-2424 or Fax 779-2475
"Serving McLean and Surrounding Communities"
Offering Pre-Arranged Funeral Plans & Monument Needs

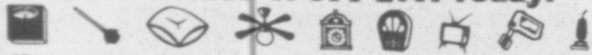
Koetting Construction
Mike Koetting
1-800-286-1023 or 335-1022
Remodeling-House Levelling
Brick & Stone Work
New Construction
FREE ESTIMATES - BONDED & INSURED
"When Quality Counts"

★ **GRAY COUNTY** ★
TITLE CO., INC.
★ **ABSTRACTS**
★ **TITLE INSURANCE**
★ **ESCROW CLOSINGS**
Edith Hill - Manager
PHONE - 665-8241
408 W. KINGSMILL, SUITE 171A
PAMPA

Just for all my out of town customers in and around Groom & McLean
1-800-842-3866
Keyes Pharmacy
928 N. Hobart, Pampa, Texas
Merlin Rose, R.Ph.
Service You Can Trust
◆ Complete Perscription Service
◆ Convenient Mailing service
◆ Competitive Prices
◆ Drive Up Window
Emergency 24 Hour
Phone # 669-3559

**Got Something To Buy, Sell or Trade?
CLASSIFIEDS GET RESULTS!**

Call 248-7333 or 779-2141 Today!



Rates: 25¢ per word with a \$5.00 minimum. "Cards of Thanks" are \$5.00 up to 25 words. Wedding Stories are printed FREE up to 300 words, over 300 words - 25¢ per word. No charge for pictures.

Deadlines & Payment - Deadline for classified ads- noon Tuesday. All other ads and news submissions must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Monday. Payment is due at the time you place the ad, unless you have an established account.

Errors - Check your ad for errors on the first publication. The News will not be liable for errors after the first publication. The Groom-McLean News does not vouch for the legitimacy of any ad, job or money making opportunity. We suggest that you thoroughly check out any offer before making a commitment or give out personal information.

HELP WANTED: Attendant for clients in McLean. 22 hours available. Must be 18 years old, will train. Contact Outreach Health Service at 1-800-800-0697, leave message for Shari, E.O.E.

WINDSHIELD CHIP and cracks repaired or windshield replaced. Call (806) 256-2276. Also, wheel-alignment at Wollards Garage, 1109 N. Wall, Shamrock. Call Jackie at (806) 256-2461.

THE GROOM News does printing of all kinds! Call Today at 248-7333.

JIM DAVIDSON
Century 21
Pampa Realty, Inc.
Business 669-0007
Home 669-1863

Political Calendar

The Groom-McLean News is authorized to present the names of the following candidates for office, subject to the Elections to be held on Nov. 5, 2002. A fee of \$35.00 has been paid by each candidate for listing in this column from now-till they are eliminated by the Primary election or the final election in November.

DEMOCRAT

For Carson County
Justice of the Peace
Precinct 1
Bill Hinson

For Carson County
Treasurer
**Jeannie
Cunningham**

For Carson County Clerk
& District Clerk
Celeste Bichsel

REPUBLICAN

For Carson County Judge
Lewis Powers

For Gray County Clerk
Susan Windom

For Gray County
Commissioner
James Hefley

For Gray County
Inspector Of Hides and
Animals
Bill Reeves

NEW & REPAIR
fence building, corral
builder and welder. I
live in Wheeler, but will
travel anywhere. 826-
2112, 662-8766 ask for
Luis Salas.

NURSES
UNLIMITED, INC.
needs attendants to assist
with personal care, meal
preparation and light
housekeeping. Part time
basis. Please call 1-888-
859-0631, M-F; 8A-5P,
E.O.E.

FOR SALE: 5 ton
Trane Air Conditioning
Unit. (good working
condition) Call 248-7032

FOR SALE: 1997 Olds
88Ls, 1 owner, good
condition, 73K miles, all
power, asking \$7200.
Call 248-7265.

BIG SCREEN TV
Sale. Tall on small
payments. Good Credit
required. 1-800-398-
3970.

LAUNDRY-Full time
help needed, call Palo
Duro Nursing Home,
226-5121.

TEMPORARY
Housekeeper Supervisor
needed for two months,
\$10.00 per hour, call
Palo Duro Nursing
Home, 226-5121.

LOOKING for Groom
High School Annuals to
add to my collection.
Needed are edition 1940-
1949. My toll free
number is 1-800-613-
1753-05, Bob Hale, Class
of 1952.

NEEDED LVN - 12
hour shifts, 6 p.m. to 6
a.m., \$13 per hour. Call
Palo Duro Nursing
Home, Claude, 226-5121,
ask for Diane or Karen.

CNA positions
available for 6 am to 2
pm shifts and 2 pm to 6
pm shifts. Call Palo
Duro Nursing Home,
226-5121.

In this world, most of us
are motivated by fear-
governments more,
perhaps, even than
individuals.

-Eleanor Roosevelt

**HOUSE OR
FOUNDATION
SETTLING?**
Cracks in brick or
walls? Doors won't close?
Call
Childers Brothers
Stabilizing &
Foundation Leveling
1-800-299-9563 or
806-352-9563
Amarillo, TX.

FOR SALE: 1996
Buick Century Sp, 4
door, white, A-1 shape,
real clean, v-6 motor,
nearly new tires, asking
\$1,600. Call 779-2254.

ALFALFA FOR SALE:
Place your order now-
cutting soon. Call 883-
7811 or 662-8555 for
more information.

Printing
Check with The Groom
News or The McLean
News for your printing
of envelopes, posters,
statements, rubber stamps,
business cards, etc. We
appreciate your business.
We will be competitive
with our prices! Call
248-7333 or 779-2141.

GOT NEWS?
248-7333

SUBSCRIBE NOW to **KINDERGARTEN**
through 4th grade will
the Groom-McLean News. Call 248-7333 or
779-2141. have a concert on May
14th at 6:00 p.m.

STOP N SHOP
TEXACO
Shop Your Hometown Convenience Store
Come by and see our NASCAR stuff! Key
chains, cars, gloves, hats, t-shirts,
license plates, and more. ALL Texas
Rt. 66 and America t-shirts ON SALE!
Natural Light 18 pk. \$9.89

4M
Water Well Service
Complete Sales & Service
Submersibles Windmills
License #5460
806-229-5023
Fast, Dependable Service
Joe Morrow, Owner P.O. Box 701
Claude, Tx 79019

TEXAS STATEWIDE CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING NETWORK
TexSCAN

TexSCAN Week of
May 12, 2002

ADOPTION

Note: It is illegal to be paid for anything beyond medical and legal expenses in Texas adoption.

A BABY TO LOVE. Hi! We're Laura and Pete. We'd love to give your baby a life of security (a full-time mom) as well as fun (we love parks and riding bicycles). We value education and planning for the future, but family is our real priority. Please call us anytime! Laura & Pete, 1-800-260-0051.

ADOPTION: CONSIDERING ADOPTION for your baby? Call and let us send you information on many couples anxious to adopt and shower your baby with love and laughter. Open/closed adoption. Help with legal/medical expenses. 1-800-675-3407.

AUCTIONS

REAL ESTATE AUCTION 6 PM, May 23rd. Excellent location for development. Rockwall, Texas South of I-30. Manning's Auction Co. 1-903-883-4586. TX Lic. 6648. www.manningauction.com

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

A+ CANDY ROUTE. \$4,375/mo (realistic) - 25 Super Vending Sites. No competition, 6hr/mo. \$8,750 cash required. Accent Marketing. 1-800-268-6601 (24 hours).

ATTN: INTERNATIONAL WELLNESS Company expanding. Be your own boss. Will train. \$25-\$65 per hour potential. Part-time or full-time. 1-888-495-9678. www.cuzurworthit.com

DRIVERS WANTED

DRIVER-ASAP! 21 OTR Drivers. Up to 38 cpm + \$40 tarp for OTR. O/O's - up to 90 cpm. Nine months OTR required. Call Melton Truck Lines, 1-800-635-8669, today.

DRIVER - COVENANT TRANSPORT. Now offering per diem pay for experienced teams, solos and trainers. O/O-Solos/Teams 83 cents. No CDL. No Problem. We school with financing available for those who qualify. Authorized by the TN Higher Education Commission. Call 1-888-MORE PAY (1-888-667-3729).

DRIVER TRAINEES NEEDED! Great pay and benefits. No experience needed. Accelerated CDL training. Tuition reimbursement and special financing programs. Longhorn, 1-888-822-8209. www.cdnnow.com

DRIVERS - ARE YOU ready to run? Friday paydays. Miles' In-Cab E-Mail. 2-Day Orientation. Health Insurance, 401K. OTR. Class "A" CDL. required. Continental Trucking, 1-800-727-4374.

NOTICE: While most advertisers are reputable, we cannot guarantee products or services advertised. We urge readers to use caution and when in doubt, contact the Texas Attorney General at 1-800-621-0508 or the Federal Trade Commission at 1-877-FTC-HELP. The FTC web site is www.ftc.gov/bizop

Call this newspaper to advertise statewide and regionally or call 512-477-6755

DRIVERS-EXPERIENCED/INEXPERIENCED. CDL training w/meals, lodging, transportation provided. Tuition reimbursement. OTR, regional dedicated freight. Lease purchase. No credit, no problem. Trainer opportunities. Swift Transportation Co., Inc. 1-800-231-5209.

DRIVERS: NORTH AMERICAN VAN LINES is expanding their Flatbed Fleet. No prior Flatbed experience necessary. Tractor and Trailer lease and purchase programs available. Minimum of 1 year tractor trailer driving experience required. Call 1-800-348-2147, Dept. TXS.

DRIVERS & O/O: EXPERIENCED Flatbed. Great earnings. Paid twice weekly. No forced dispatch, 100% O/O. Equipment available. Fleets Welcome. Lease Purchase available. CRST/MALONE. 1-800-366-6361.

DRIVERS, O/O's - RUN with a company with options. Flatbeds or heavy haul. Benefits, outstanding pay. 3 years CDL. "A" OTR experience. Express Way, Inc. 1-800-835-9471.

DRIVERS - USA TRUCKS, in business for 18 years and offering up to 43 cents/mile. 90% no touch freight. Great benefits and hometime. 1-800-237-4642.

GO WITH A WINNER! CFI now hiring Company, Owner Operator, Single and Teams. Ask about our 2-week Spouse Training Program in automatic transmission truck. Call 1-800-CFI-DRIVE. Website: www.cfidrive.com

NOW HIRING! FLATBED Drivers. Good pay, excellent benefits with retirement. Pete Conventions. Air Ride Flats. Specialized Hauling, 1-800-831-0870.

FINANCIAL SERVICES

ACCIDENT VICTIM? WE advance cash against any type of future settlement. No application forms/questionnaires. Palmetto Settlement Funding, LLC. 1-800-488-9143.

BE DEBT FREE - years sooner. Low payments. Reduce interest. Stop late fees. Stop collectors. Family Credit Counseling. Non-profit Christian Agency. Recorded message. 1-800-457-6176. Free quote. www.familycredit.org

SCASH55 - IMMEDIATE CASH for structured settlements, annuities, real estate notes, private mortgage notes, accident cases, and insurance payouts. J.G. Wentworth, 1-800-794-7310.

CREDIT CARD DEBT? Stop collection calls. Cut finance charges. Cut payments up to 50%. Debt consolidation. Fast approval. No credit check. Avoid Bankruptcy National Consolidators, 1-800-270-9894.

GET OUT OF debt free! Stop collection calls. reduce payments up to 50%, lower interest. Non-profit, licensed, bonded. Call toll-free, 1-800-897-4219. www.amerix.com

STOP FORECLOSURE! BEHIND on your mortgage? Don't file bankruptcy. We can help save your home. Guaranteed service 1-800-915-9704, ext. 209. U.S. Mortgage Assistance

FOR SALE

FREE SCRUNCHY WITH purchase. Texas Flag, USA, Confederate Swimwear, Microfiber, colors, prints, neons, separates. Bustiers, corsets, bodystockings, silk lingerie. Renaissance, Halloween costumes. All pristine. www.avalonUSA.com

WOLFF TANNING BEDS - Affordable, Convenient. Tan at home. Payments from \$25/month. Free color catalog. Call today, 1-800-842-1305. www.np.estan.com

HEALTH

DIABETIC SUPPLIES at no cost if you have Medicare/Insurance. New meters, Test Strips, Insulin, if you qualify. (No HMO's). 1-800-815-1577.

MEDICARE PATIENTS USING Inhalers. Albuterol - Atrovent - Combivent - Servent - Azmacort - Flovent and others. Having difficulty? Breathe easy again. Medicare covered liquid therapy may be available if you qualify. Med-A-Save, 1-800-224-1919, ext. TX2002.

HELP WANTED

AVON - ENTREPRENEUR WANTED! Must be willing to work whenever you want, be your own boss, and enjoy unlimited earnings. Let's talk. 1-888-942-4053.

REAL ESTATE

HIGH FENCE RANCH Liquidation - \$29,900. Direct deeded access to game preserve. Trophy Whitetail, exotics, fishing. Great recreational opportunity. Financing available. Texas Land and Ranches. 1-888-565-7592.

LAND BARGAIN! UNIQUE high fenced recreational ranch. Located in scenic hill country. Hunting, fishing, hiking, horseback riding, and 600+ acres set aside for your enjoyment. EZ terms. Acreage from \$29,900. 1-866-516-4868.

RUIDOSO AREA 140 acres - \$39,900. Meadows, trees, snow-capped mountain views. Surveyed, nearby electric and maintained all-weather roads. Excellent financing. Call today. SW Properties of NM, Inc. 1-505-835-1008. Toll-free 1-866-350-5263.

75 ACRES ON the Rio Grande River Gorge near Langtry \$495/acre or 160 acres brush land near Dryden \$150/acre. Low down, owner terms, Ranch Enterprises, 1-210-697-0168.

RESORTS/VACATIONS

7 NIGHTS / 8 DAYS Air and Land Package. "Sunny Days & Romantic Evenings" starting at \$1032 at Divi Carina Bay Beach Resort & Casino, US Virgin Islands. 1-877-779-9700, visit www.divicarina.com

WEEKEND CRAZ-DAY Sale

Sirloin Tip Steak **1.99**
Preferred Trim
Boneless Beef 1 lb.

Sliced Bacon
Peyton's Reg. or
Deli Sliced Thick Slices
12.5 oz. pkg.

99¢

Wheat Bread
TenderCrust
Split Top
24 oz. loaf

89¢

C & H Sugar
Pure Granulated
4 lb. bag

1.29

Iceberg Lettuce
Premium Crisp

2\$1
for

Blue Bonnet
Reg. quarters,
Reg./Lowfat Tub
16 oz.

59¢

Pork & Beans
Van Camp's
15 oz. can

2.89¢
for

Sweet Rolls
Mrs. Freshley's
Cinnamon or Liberty
6 pack

1.19

Fritos* or Chee-tos*
Assorted
10 oz. bag \$2.29

3\$5
for

Dairy Case

Kraft Cheese
Colby, Colby-jack or Mild
Cheddar Longhorn Hallmoon
10 oz. pkg

2.29

KRAFT ASSORTED GRATED
Parmesan 8 oz. **3.79**

KRAFT PHILADELPHIA ASS'D SOFT
Cream Cheese 8 oz. tub **1.69**

INDIVIDUAL REG. OR THE BIG!
Borden Singles 12 oz. pkg. **1.89**

Frozen Foods

Ice Cream
Breyers Assorted
1/2 Gal.

3.99

MRS. SMITH'S ASSORTED
Cobblers 32 oz. pkg. **3.29**

SWANSON ASSORTED
Pot Pies 7 oz. **3\$2**

ASST. Candy Bars
Kit Kat, Milky Way,
Hersheys, Mars, Skittles,
Rolo, Skor, M&M (Plain)

3/\$1.00

Cooking Oil
Wesson
Kosher Blend
48 oz. 3pt.

2\$3
for

Wheat Bran Flakes
Kellogg's
Complete
17.3 oz. box

3.49

Vienna Sausage
Lobby's Reg.
or Chicken
5 oz. can

5\$2
for

COKES
3 Liters **2/\$3.00**
18 pack cans **\$4.99**

Oranges
Lunch Box Size
10/\$1.00

Stove Top
Oven Class Dinners
2/\$4.00

RED BARON PIZZA
2/\$6.00

Mediterranean Dinnerware
Time is running out!
Only two weeks left to purchase

WEEK 11 CASUAL HAND PAINTED Mediterranean DINNERWARE

*HANDPAINTED *DISHWASHER AND MICROWAVE SAFE WITH ITALIAN DESIGN GLASSWARE FROM LIBBY®

Week	Featured Item	Regular Price	Special Price
1 & 8	Soup/Pasta Bowl	\$3.99	\$1.99
2 & 9	12" Plate	\$4.99	\$2.99
3 & 10	Jumbo Mug	\$4.99	\$2.99
4	10" Salad/Serving Bowl	\$11.99	\$6.99
5	2 Qt Deep Serving Bowl	\$11.99	\$6.99
6	12" Deep Serving Bowl	\$16.99	\$10.99
7	13" Deep Serving Bowl	\$16.99	\$10.99

Always on Sale

18" Oval Platter \$19.99
7 1/2" Plate \$2.99
17 oz. Beverage Glass \$2.99
Stemmed Goblet \$2.99

\$2.00 OFF

WEEK 11
13-INCH DEEP SERVING BOWL

REGULAR \$16.99 **\$14.99** WITH COUPON

WEEK 11 CASUAL HAND PAINTED Mediterranean DINNERWARE

*HANDPAINTED *DISHWASHER AND MICROWAVE SAFE WITH ITALIAN DESIGN GLASSWARE FROM LIBBY®

Week	Featured Item	Regular Price	Special Price
1 & 8	Soup/Pasta Bowl	\$3.99	\$1.99
2 & 9	12" Plate	\$4.99	\$2.99
3 & 10	Jumbo Mug	\$4.99	\$2.99
4	10" Salad/Serving Bowl	\$11.99	\$6.99
5	2 Qt Deep Serving Bowl	\$11.99	\$6.99
6	12" Deep Serving Bowl	\$16.99	\$10.99
7	13" Deep Serving Bowl	\$16.99	\$10.99

Always on Sale

18" Oval Platter \$19.99
7 1/2" Plate \$2.99
17 oz. Beverage Glass \$2.99
Stemmed Goblet \$2.99

\$2.00 OFF

WEEK 11
3 QT. DEEP SERVING BOWL

REGULAR \$16.99 **\$14.99** WITH COUPON

Venture FOOD STORES

GROOM S & H GROCERY
PRICES EFFECTIVE
May 16 - May 21
Not all items available at all stores
We reserve the right to limit quantities
Not responsible for pictorial or typographic errors.
We accept WIC, Credit Cards & Lone Star Cards

AT AFFILIATED FOODS INC.

Chicken Breasts
Boneless Skinless
Previously Frozen

1.99 lb.

Pork Chops
Preferred Trim
Boneless
Sirloin Cut

1.99 lb.

Chuck Roast
Preferred Trim
Boneless
Beef

1.69 lb.

Chuck Steak
Preferred Trim
Boneless
Beef

1.89 lb.

Chuck Eye Steak
Preferred Trim
Boneless
Beef

2.99 lb.

JENNIE-O BONELESS (1-2 LB. AVG.) Turkey Ham **1.39** LB

PREFERRED TRIM BONELESS BEEF Sirloin Tip Roast **1.99** LB

BONELESS BEEF FOR Stir Fry **2.79** LB

SHURFINE 18 COUNT Corn Dogs **1.49** 1 LB PKG

HILLSHIRE FARM FAMILY PACK Smoked Sausage **1.89** 1 LB PKG

SCHOONER STICKS OR PORTIONS Breaded Fish **1.79** LB

PEYTON'S MEAT Franks **69¢** 12 OZ

PEYTON'S MEAT Bologna **99¢** 12 OZ

PEYTON'S REG. OR POLISH Smoked Sausage **1.39** 1/2 OZ

Hot House Tomatoes
Red Ripe

99¢ lb.

Kiwi Fruit
Tropical

5\$1 for

ENZA NEW ZEALAND Bisc Pearls **1.29** LB

GARDEN FRESH Broccoli Crowns **99¢** LB

GARDEN FRESH Egg Plant **99¢** LB

NEW CROP CALIFORNIA Grapefruit **4\$1** FOR

NEW CROP VIDUA C.ions **69¢** LB

NEW CROP CALIF. LARGE GREEN Bell Peppers **2\$1** FOR

LARGE RED Bell Peppers **79¢** EA

TROPICAL Coconuts **99¢** EA

NEW CROP LONG White Potatoes **59¢** LB

GARDEN FRESH PEELLED 1 LB PKG Mini Carrots **99¢**

NEW CROP CALIFORNIA Squash **99¢** LB

YELLOW OR ZUCCHINI Cherry Tomatoes **1.99** EA

FRESH PINT Habanero Peppers **10\$1** FOR

RED GLOBE Grapes **99¢** LB

Health & Beauty

Maxi Pads **2.99**

Dep Gel **2.19**

Antacid Tablets **1.99**

Shave Cream **99¢**

Mentadent **2.99**

SHURFINE NACHO OR RESTAURANT STYLE Tortilla Chips **2 for 3.00** 16 OZ. BAG

ASSORTED 100 OZ. LIQUID OR 84 OZ. POWDER Fab Ultra **3.99** YOUR CHOICE

ROSARITA ASSORTED Refried Beans **79¢** 15.5-16 OZ. CANS

ASSORTED FLAVORS Crystal Light **2 for 5.00** 4 PACK 16 OZ. BTLS.

CHEF BOYARDEE ASSORTED Meat Pastas **99¢** 14.7-15.5 OZ. CAN

WHISKAS ASSORTED Cat Food **3 for 1.00** 5.5 OZ. CANS

The Groom News

50¢

Volume 75 Number 50

The Groom-McLean News 79039

Thursday, May 16, 2002

Community Calendar

GROOM I.S.D. School Board will hold a special meeting on Thursday, May 16 at 8:00 p.m. The only items on the agenda are the Open Forum and consideration of the Girl's Coaching position.

ATHLETIC Banquet will be held on May 17th at 6:00 p.m. Tacos Garcia will be catering the event.

INTERESTED in playing T-Ball? Kids pre-K thru 1st grade. Call Tina Painter at 248-7057.

TODAY, May 16, Groom Major League will play Clarendon at 6:00 p.m. in Groom.

GROOM MAJOR League will play Clarendon in Clarendon at 8:00 p.m. on May 20th.

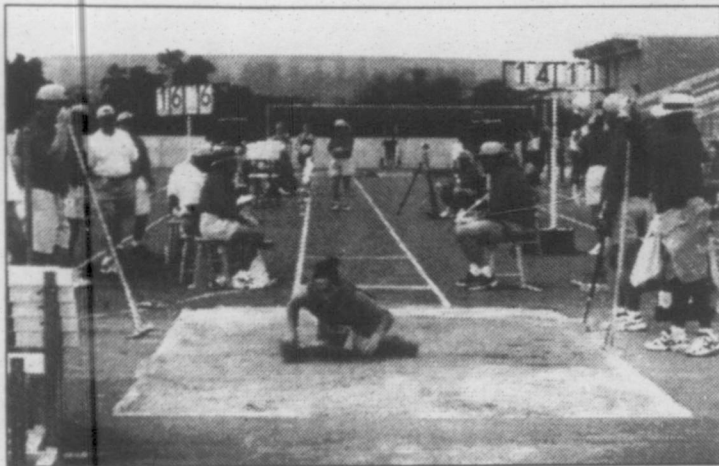
THE CREW OF the Great American Clean-up is doing a wonderful job around Groom. Their clean-up efforts are showing magnificent improvements. Watch the paper for further details and if anyone would like to join this group of pride for their civic responsibility, David Brown and others would appreciate it.



DON'T MISS NEXT WEEKS GRADUATION EDITION!

Tuesday Prices At Attebury Grain Co.

Wheat.....\$2.48
Milo.....\$3.28
Corn.....\$3.76
Soybeans...\$3.86
Sunflowers...\$7.75
No precipitation reported this week



Court Honors DPS Trooper McGill

On the 13th day of May, 2002, 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, Presiding; Commissioners, Mike Britten, Pr. #1, Kenneth

Ware, Pr. #2, Jerry Strawn, Pr. #3, and Kevin Howell, Pr. #4.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A motion was passed to pay all claims.

Commissioners recognized Department of Public Safety Trooper Roland McGill for 25

years of service. Judge Powers also presented McGill with a Quarter-Century Certificate from the DPS. Attending the presentation were DPS See County, pg. 6

Clifton Britten Re-Elected As School Board President, Tony Britten Will Serve As Vice President

The Board of Trustees of the Groom Independent School District met in a regular monthly session on May 7, 2002 at 8:00 p.m. in its usual meeting place in the school administrative office with the following members present: Clifton Britten, Tim Case, Ron Kuehler, Kelvin Ollinger, Barry Fields, Mike Friemel and Tony Britten. Joyce Hutsell, Business Manager, and Kevin Noack, Superintendent were also present. Numerous guests were present.

A motion was passed to approve the minutes of the April 12th meeting.

The board canvassed the election results, they are as follows: Kelvin Ollinger 99 votes, Tim Case 79 votes, and Sabrina Leven 35 votes. A motion was passed to accept the election results.

Mrs. Hutsell proceeded to swear in Mr. Ollinger

and Mr. Case. Reorganization of the board-Mr. Fields and Mr. Cliff Britten were nominated for President. Mr. Britten was elected six votes to one. Mr. Tony Britten was nominated for vice president, elected by acclamation. Mr. Case and Mr. Kuehler were nominated for Secretary. Mr. Case was elected six votes to one.

A motion was passed to approve the student transfers for 2002-2003.

Mrs. Hutsell presented a list of checks for the board to look at.

Mrs. Hutsell presented a budget summary.

A motion was passed to amend the budget as presented and enter into the minutes as an attachment.

The board went into executive session as per 551.074 at 8:32 p.m. The board came out of closed session at 9:40 p.m.

Krisanne Davis Places At State 1A Track Meet

Krisanne Davis traveled to the Class 1A State Track Meet last week and competed in the Long Jump. Davis is a senior and this was her first year to compete in the State Meet.

Davis placed 5th with a jump of 16' 9 1/2". This was Davis' best jump of the year, but her all time record was 17' 4 1/2". She jumped that distance last year. The winning jump was made by Codi Monsy of Bronte with a jump of 17' 5 3/4". Second place went to Syda Veitenheimer of Windthorst, jumping 17' 3 1/4". Joy Jones of Bremund jumped 17' 1

1/4" for third. Cassidy Yates of Centerville was fourth with 16' 9 3/4".

Other competitors of interest from our general area placed as follows:

High Jump: Lacy Wilson of Shamrock, 3rd place with a jump of 5' 8".

400 Meter Relay-Shamrock, 2nd place.

100 Meter Race-Kita Ledbetter, Shamrock, 2nd place, 12.63.

800 Meter Relay-Shamrock, (Kita Ledbetter, Lacy Wilson, Vanita Wright, and Brittany Caldwell) 1:45.69-2nd place.

Shamrock girls won the meet with 50 points.



"This is for your own good!" says Cady Wilson, but from the look on her face the vaccination is worrying Cady a lot more than Sylvester!

87 Animals Vaccinated At Annual Drive

Eighty-seven dogs and cats were vaccinated at Groom's Annual Rabies Drive last week. Dr. Home reported the numbers down from last years vaccination. If you

missed the promotion, please, get your animal vaccinated as soon as possible. Several rabid animals have been discovered in adjoining counties. Don't take any

chances with the health of your pet and the health of your family!

Many vets will be offering rabies shots at reduced rates through the month of May.

The Groom News

USPS 230-380
 Second-class Postage Paid at Groom, Tx.
 Carson County, Texas, under the Act of Congress of -
 March 3, 1879.
 Published weekly except Christmas Week
 Publisher-Phillip J. Miller
 Groom Editor-Donna Burton
 McLean Editor-Ella Mae Reyna

Postmaster: please send address changes to:
 Box 460, Groom, Tx 79039-0460

SUBSCRIPTION RATES:
 Annual Rate Carson County \$20.00
 Annual Rate elsewhere in the United States \$22.00
 Phone 806-248-7333

Visiting in home of and Darcee Thompson,
 Don and Mary Sue Lyles, Julie Lyles, and Diane
 on Mother's Day was Pat and Lawrence Bussard.
 and Dan Ashford, James
 and Aimee Bussard, Paul

Local Happenings

Verda Lee Littlefield just returned from Jerry Littlefield's at Waelden, TX where she visited for a week. While there Bill and Babe Bradley from Ingleside came for a visit. Then she traveled to Leroy and Susan Littlefield's in Rosenberg on May 5 for a birthday supper for Jerry. Greg and Stacy from Houston came to visit. On Mother's Day she flew home. Lloyd Edward from McLean picked her up.

Verda Lee had a grand vacation and a wonderful Mother's Day.

WHICH WAY IS THE TORNADO?

O.K. call me "Wrong Way Burton" from now on! If a tornado strikes and you are following my directions in last weeks paper to find the band hall at the school you will probably wind up in the parking lot! Unless my dyslexia kicks in again these are the correct directions:

- 1) Walk in front doors
- 2) Turn right at main hall, traveling east.
- 3) Turn left at first hallway, heading north.
- 4) Band Hall is through the double doors and down the stairwell on the left side of the hallway.

Groom Birthdays & Anniversaries

- May 16 - Ed Burk, Dorothy McMullen.
- May 17 - Halee Ann Kotara, Nick Ashford.
- May 18 - Mr. and Mrs. Richard Crump (A), Mr. and Mrs. Troy Treadwell (A).
- May 19 - John Bohr, Grant Weinheimer, Dusty Crump.
- May 20 - Carrie Sue Davis, Hali Bohr.
- May 21 - Barney Davis, Johnny W. Brooks, Tom N. Britten, Joannie Kling.
- May 22 - Shirley Jean Fields, Diane Bruso, Richard Barkley.

Monsignor Kevin Hand is celebrating his 50th golden jubilee of ordination into the priesthood this weekend in White Deer.

Monsignor Hand is the oldest of eleven children born to John and Mary Ann Hand. He attended elementary and high school at Drogheda C.B.S., National University in Dublin, Ireland. He also attended St. Patrick's Seminary, Thurles, and St. John Seminary in Little Rock, Arkansas where he was ordained in 1952.

He was appointed associate pastor of St. Mary's Church in Amarillo where he served until 1960.

Subsequent appointments included parishes at Shamrock, Vega, Dumas, Dalhart, as well as Groom and now White Deer.



It's A Boy!

Michael Wayne Ford, Jr. celebrated his birthday on April 22, 2002 at 7:57 a.m. He came into the world weighing 7 pounds and 1 ounce, was 19.5 inches long, and bears a remarkable resemblance to his dad. The proud parents are Michael and Stacey Ford of Groom.

Great grandparents are Ted and Jo Ann Ford of Perryton and Joe and Nancy Hoyle of Perryton. Great grandparents are Beulah Hill and the late Slim Hill of Boise City, OK, and Janie Hoyle of Borger.

Michael was welcomed home by his big sister, Maegan McKinzie.

Carson Co. Sheriff's Report

There were 12 persons booked into the Carson County Jail during the week of May 6 through May 12, 2002. Currently there are 15 persons incarcerated in this jail and additional 10 prisoners being held in other jurisdictions. Persons listed are charged with criminal activity, but are not necessarily convicted.

Arrest made this week include:

John Wertz, age 17 Fritch, TX-Warrant-Hutchinson County.

Kyle English, age 25 of Youngstown, OH-Possession of Marijuana more than 50 lb., but less than 2000 lb.

Cyril Turek III, age 21 of Youngstown, OH-Possession of marijuana more than 50 lb., but less than 2000 lb.

Scott Maxwell, age 27 of Panhandle, TX-Assault-Family Violence and Interference with Emergency Communication.

Danny Ayala, age 21 of Lake of the Hills, IL-Money laundering.

David Viner, age 38 of Fritch, TX-Possession/transportation of chemicals with intent to manufacture controlled substance.

Tony Wall, age 33 of Stinnett, TX-Possession/transportation of chemicals with intent to manufacture controlled substance.

Ronnie Garipey, age 43 of Borger, TX-Possession/transportation of chemicals with intent to manufacture controlled substance.

John Hamilton, age 25 of San Diego, CA-Possession of Marijuana more than 50 lb., but less than 2000 lb.

Ann Brunson, age 52 of Borger, TX-Driving while intoxicated-1st.

Jose Limas, age 30 of Panhandle, TX-Driving while intoxicated-1st.

David Kiser, age 32 of Amarillo, TX-Traffic Warrants-DPS.

Groom Swimming Pool Opens

May 28-Aug 17
 \$2.00 per person
 No one under 9 admitted without adult
 Contact Skye Brown or Brin Burgin for private party information.

COW POKES® By Ace Reid

<http://www.cowpokes.com>

© ACE REID 4/14/02

"It was bound to come to this if they didn't back off that 'lean meat' business."

State National Bank of Groom has seen GOOD and LEAN times, but we have ALWAYS INVESTED IN GROOM.

THE STATE NATIONAL BANK

Member FDIC Groom, Texas 248-7531

HANSFORD IMPLEMENT COMPANY

JOHN DEERE

Spearman, Pampa, Perryton, Dumas

Parts, Sales and Service
 For All John Deere Products
 Highway 60 East in Pampa

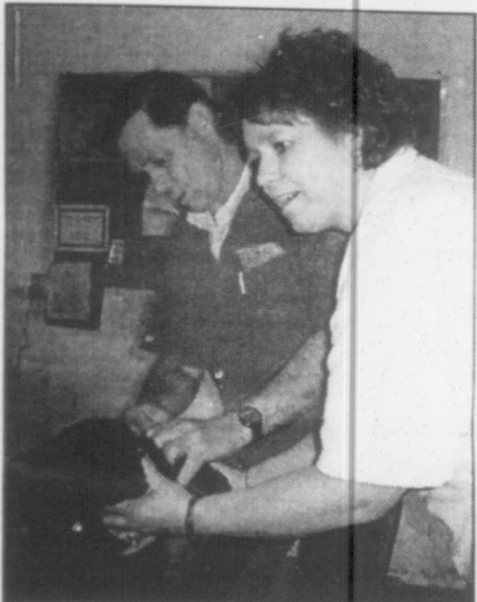
For Delivery In Groom Contact
 Donnie Conrad
 at 665-1888 Work
 664-1317 - Cell

May Is Cleanup Month

The dumpster behind City Hall will be open from 8:30 to 4:30 daily except Sunday. The only things we can't accept are tires, oil, batteries, chemical containers, or any appliance that contains Freon. The burn pile is for wood only! We will discontinue the burn pile if rubbish & metal continue to be placed at this location.



Chance Barkley pulls an unhappy cat from a carrier for it's annual rabies vaccination.



Janell Sustaire answers questions about her very well mannered weinie dog while Dr. Horne takes care of business.

Groom Yearbook Garners Top Awards

The 2002 Yearbook Individual Achievement Awards is as follows:

Theme Selection and Development--2nd place, selected members of the staff for "Oh, the Places We'll Go" yearbook.

General Interest Spread--1st place, Brooke Britten and Macie Britten (spread on food).

Student Life Spread--1st, Krisanne Davis (spread on mud volleyball).

Sports Spread--1st, Candace Bohr and Skye Brown (spread on boys' basketball).

Academic Spread--2nd, Michele Stephens, Laurissa Noack, and Marci Babcock (spread on one-act play).

Class Selection Spread--1st, Candace Bohr (spread on kindergarten).

Clubs/Organization Spread--1st, Courtney Sustaire (spread on student council).

Theme Copy--1st, Brooke Britten, Macie Britten, Candace Bohr, and Laurissa Noack (includes copy on opening, closing, and all division pages).

Open Category--2nd, Brooke Britten and Macie Britten (talent show).

Student Life Feature--1st Brooke Britten (story on food); 3rd, Macie Britten (story on summer).

Academic Feature--1st and 2nd, Courtney Sustaire (stories on band and UIL).

Sports Feature--3rd, Krisanne David (tennis story).

Club/Organization Feature--1st, Laurissa Noack (FFA story); 2nd, Michele Stephens (one-act play story).

Sports Action Photo--2nd, Michele Stephens (track photo of Clay Britten); Honorable Mention, Brooke Britten (track photo of Amanda Conrad).

Sports Feature Photo--3rd, Michele Stephens (football picture of Coach Rainer and Kelby Noack).



What is black, red, brown, white, and fuzzy...has 4 wheels, 1 horn, 15 legs, gets about 20 barks and 15 miles to the gallon? Give up? Why it's a pick up load for dogs all in need of vaccinations! Karla Koetting helps Dr. Horne keep them sorted out as he immunizes them for rabies. (I did not make a mistake...one of the dogs only has 3 legs!)



"We're not in Groom anymore, Toto!" A scenic view of the State Track Meet offers a skyline of the State Capital. Quite a difference from the view from our stadium of 1-40 and the run off pond!

Academic Photo--1st, Michele Stephens (Jessica Bates looking at a test tube).

Non-Academic Photo--3rd, Macie Britten (Kyler Barkley jumping a sprinkler); Honorable Mention, Courtney Sustaire (Caren Howard braiding Jessica Bates' hair).

The yearbook staff could enter two in each category. They won something in each category. The Groom yearbook staff won more first places than they had ever won before.



Carrie Sue Davis, a sophomore at the University of Texas at Arlington recently competed in the South Land Conference at Arlington and placed 4th overall in the Heptathlon. She accumulated 4,050 points in the event. The Heptathlon consists of 7 events, Long Jump, High Jump, Shot Put, Javelin, 100 Meter Hurdles, 200 Meter Run, and the 800 Meter Run. Carrie Sue is the daughter of Gary and Marcia Davis.

Marshall Sherwood

Attorney At Law
Practicing Civil Law in Groom
Office Hours 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Wednesday's Only
248-7220 No Appointment Necessary
Stop by and see me! Business or just visiting. I do estate planning, living trusts, wills, probate, real estate, partnerships and all law except divorces.



SUNRISE AGRI SERVICES

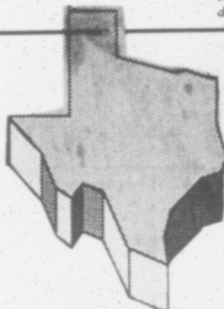
Dan & Cindy Zumstein

7762 Ranch Road 2300
Groom, Texas 79039

Bus. / Res. 806-665-5030
Cell. 806-886-8686

Custom Ground Application
Chemical Sales
Fertilizer / Seed / Cottonseed Cake
"Free Advice" (For Whatever That's Worth!!)

Call For This Years Pricing On Both
BRANDED & GENERIC ROUNDUP!!



Congratulations Krisanne! On A Fantastic Season

Groom Athletic Booster Club

GISD Sports Schedules For 2002-2003 Released

2002 GROOM FOOTBALL JUNIOR HIGH SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
SEPT. 12	BIBLE HERITAGE	GROOM	5:00
SEPT. 19	SILVERTON	SILVERTON	5:00
SEPT. 26	LEFORS	GROOM	5:00
OCT. 03	MIAMI	GROOM	5:00
OCT. 10	SAMNORWOOD	SAMNORWOOD	5:00
OCT. 17	FOLLETT	MIAMI	5:00
OCT. 22	FT. ELLIOTT	FT. ELLIOTT	5:00
OCT. 31	HIGGINS	GROOM	5:00
NOV. 05	McLEAN	McLEAN	5:00

2002 GROOM VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
AUG. 17	OPEN		
AUG. 23	HEDLEY (SCRIM)	GROOM	6:00
AUG. 30	SAMNORWOOD (SCRIM)	SAMNORWOOD	6:00
SEPT. 06	HAPPY	GROOM	7:30
SEPT. 13	BIBLE HERITAGE	AMARILLO	7:30
SEPT. 20	CHILICOTHE	GROOM	7:30
SEPT. 27	LEFORS*	LEFORS	7:30
OCT. 04	MIAMI*	MIAMI	7:30
OCT. 11	SAMNORWOOD*#	GROOM	7:30
OCT. 18	FOLLETT*	FOLLETT	7:30
OCT. 24	FT. ELLIOTT*	GROOM	7:30
NOV. 01	HIGGINS*	HIGGINS	7:30
NOV. 07	McLEAN*	GROOM	7:30

* DISTRICT GAME
HOMECOMING

Superintendent Kevin Noack was pleased to release the 2002-2003 Sports schedules for Groom I.S.D. recently. He reports that there will be 10 varsity football games (the same as last year); 9 junior high football games (two more than last year); 26 varsity basketball games (the same as last year); and 17 junior high basketball games (6 more than last year.)

Any questions regarding the schedule should be addressed to Mr. Noack at the Groom School. The schedule is subject to change.

Groom High School Basketball Schedule 2002-2003

Date	Opponent	Location	Teams	Time
Nov. 12	Vega	There	VG	8:00
Nov. 15	White Deer	There	VG,VB	8:30
Nov. 19	Fgball	Here	VG,VB	5:00
Nov. 21-23	Lefors' Tournament	There	VG,VB	TBA
Nov. 26	Wheeler	Here	VG,VB	8:30
Dec. 3	Happy	There	VG,VB	8:30
Dec. 5-7	Vega Tournament	There	VG,VB	TBA
Dec. 10	Miami	Here	VG,VB	8:30
Dec. 13	Claude	Here	VG,VB	8:30
Dec. 17	Lefors	There	VG,VB	8:30
Dec. 20	Channing	Here	VG,VB	8:30
Dec. 30	Miami	There	VG,VB	8:30
Jan. 3	Silverton	There	VG,VB	8:30
Jan. 7	Hedley	Here	VG,VB	8:30
Jan. 10	Samnorwood	There	VG,VB	8:30
Jan. 13	Valley	There	VG,VB	8:30
Jan. 17	McLean	Here	VG,VB	8:30
Jan. 21	Silverton	Here	VG,VB	8:30
Jan. 24	Hedley	There	VG,VB	8:30
Jan. 28	Samnorwood	Here	VG,VB	8:30
Jan. 31	Valley	Here	VG,VB	8:30
Feb. 4	McLean	There	VG,VB	8:30

Groom Junior High Basketball Schedule 2002-2003

Date	Opponent	Location	Teams	Time
Nov. 11	Lefors	There	G,B	8:00
Nov. 18	McLean	Here	G,B	8:00
Nov. 25	Miami	There	G,B	8:00
Dec. 2	Hedley	Here	G,B	8:00
Dec. 9	Lefors	Here	G,B	8:00
Dec. 16	Samnorwood	Here	G,B	8:00
Jan. 9	Miami	Here	G,B	8:00
Jan. 11	McLean Tournament	There	G,B	TBA
Jan. 13	McLean	There	G,B	8:00
Jan. 20	Silverton	There	G,B	8:00
Jan. 23,25	Miami Tournament	There	G,B	TBA
Jan. 27	Hedley	There	G,B	8:00
Feb. 3	Silverton	Here	G,B	8:00

Don't Forget to buy a raffle ticket!
From any Senior Mom to help the
Groom After Graduation Party!

Three Chances to Win!
\$20 gift certificates to Red River Steak House,
Outlaws Steakhouse and Dyer's Barbeque!
Only \$1

Drawing to be held on May 24, 2002

Proud To Be Serving
The Groom Community

SCHOOLER
FUNERAL HOME

4100 S. Georgia • Amarillo, Texas
352-2727

Ted Hutto's **Quality Sales**

MAKE YOUR NEXT CAR A *Quality* Car
1300 N. Hobart
Pampa, Texas 79065
669-0433 Home 665-0375

R & L Fuel

GROOM, TX. 248-7586
OIL CHANGE SPECIAL

We now carry AC and Motorcraft auto and farm parts and supplies; AC, Motorcraft and Baldwin filters; Troco and Texaco oils and grease; and AC Delco and Interstate batteries.

Come by and see us.

DeFever Monument Company

Monuments - Markers - Vases
1600 Duncan
Pampa, TX 79065
806-665-4884
Lance DeFever



CULBERSON-STOWERS COLLISION REPAIR FACILITY

- Free Computerized Estimates
- Free Pickup & Delivery
- Rent Car Service Available
- Certified Technicians
- Custom Painting
- Lifetime Warranty On Body Repairs And Diamond Paint

- Paintless Dent Repair
- State of the Art Equipment
- Repair All Makes and Models
- Kansas Jack Fram & Unibody Alignment
- Insurance Claims Welcome



Culberson - Stowers, Inc.
SINCE 1927
PAMPA, TEXAS

GENUINE
Parts

Nothing's better than an original

Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM
805 N. Hobart • 665-1665 • 1-800-879-1665

I-CAR

ARNet

Internet Service

3505 Olson, Suite 103
Amarillo, TX 79109
Telephone: (806) 355-3539
Facsimile: (806) 355-2705

Farmer's Equipment

Mowers 4'-20'
Grain Carts

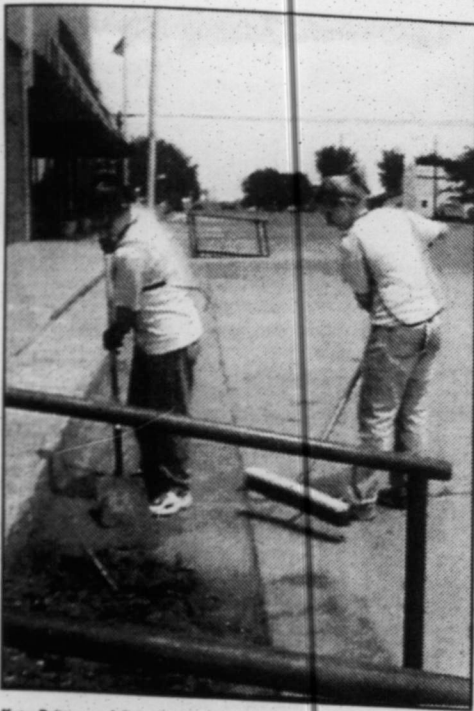
806-665-8046
16.6 Miles South &
13/4 Miles E. of Pampa

Brumley Insurance Agency



Johnny Brumley - Agent
Kim Brumley-Ritter - Agent
Nancy Brumley - Agent

Office (806) 248-7550
Home (806) 248-7315
Groom, Texas



Katy Britten and Brin Burgin sweep up dried mud from the last rain shower off Groom's main streets during the clean-up efforts last week during the Great American Clean-Up.

RULES FOR THE 2001-2002 GHS DRUG & ALCOHOL FREE AFTER GRADUATION PARTY

1. THIS IS A LOCK-IN EVENT. STUDENTS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO LEAVE UNLESS HIS/HER PARENT PERSONALLY PICKS THEM UP.
2. Each student may invite one guest. The guest must be high school age (current 2001-2002 high school student)
3. Underclassmen and guests must meet and sign in by 10:30 pm. Seniors must meet and sign in by 11:00 pm.
4. Students will be released from the party around 2:30 am after the gifts are distributed.
5. Gifts will be given to GHS STUDENTS ONLY.
6. ANY STUDENT WHO LEAVES EARLY WILL NOT RECEIVE A GIFT.
7. Sign-up sheets are posted in the school hall. please sign up if you and your guest plan to attend. Sign up sheets will be up until May 21.
8. THIS IS A DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE PARTY. ANYONE WHO IS UNDER THE INFLUENCE WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND.

Any parent who wishes to help is welcome.
Contact Donna Barnett @ 248-7058 or Toni Pavlovsky @ 248-7565 for details, questions, or concerns.

This party is sponsored by the Drug & Alcohol Free Party Committee, the Texas Dept. of Transportation, numerous local and area businesses. (a list will be printed in the Groom News at a later date). Donations are still being accepted and are greatly appreciated. They may be sent to After Graduation Fund, c/o Donna Barnett Rt. 1 Box 11 Groom Tx 79039

For your peace of mind,
we offer you ...

HEALTH BENEFITS
For Your Entire Family

only **\$74** Per Month
(No discount)

* FLAT RATE * GUARANTEED ACCEPTANCE!
* NO L.I. EMPLOYER OR NET-30 INCREASE!
* MEDICAL BENEFITS ONLY
* Doctor * Dentist * Vision * RX & More!

Call-1-888-369-1739

This is a discount rate program and not all services are available in TX.

Local Man Mourns Brother and Uncle

The News was saddened to learn that Jess Baker lost his brother and his uncle within hours of each other this week. His brother, Albert Leon Baker (Tom), 64 of Heidenheimer, Texas had been ill for a short time. His uncle, Howard Baker,

85 of Hartley, passed away in Austin. Services were held for Tom Baker on Tuesday near Temple, Texas. Howard Baker services were held on Wednesday in Dalhart. Our sympathy to the Baker family in this difficult time.

Services Held For Former Resident

HERMESMEYER
Ernest George Hermesmeyer, 68, longtime resident of Glendale passed away May 7, 2002. A vigil service was held at 7:00 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Monday, May 13, 2002 at 10:00 a.m., at the Holy Family Catholic Church in Glendale. Burial services were held in Coffeyville, Kansas at Calvary Cemetery. Ernest was born and raised in Groom, Texas. He graduated from Texas

Tech, Lubbock Texas. After moving to Glendale in 1973 he became very active in the parish at Holy Family Catholic Church, and their grade school. He was also active with the Los Angeles Arch Diocese's Church, and their grade school. He was also active with the Los Angeles Arch Diocese's marriage encounter and the evening for engaged program. He was a self taught computer whiz. Ernest was always very friendly and loved to quote Will Rogers, I never met a man I didn't like. He is survived by his loving wife, Patricia; sons, William, John and Daniel Hermesmeyer; daughter, Temic Lehman (David); brothers, Charles Eugene "Gene" (Judith), Martin, Robert "Bob", Gerald Hermesmeyer (Dani); sister, Marilyn Thompson; and his grandchildren, Aaron Paul, Zachary, Aaron Patrick, Tanner, and Joseph. The family suggest memorials be made to the Glendale Memorial Hospital and Health Centers, Cardiac Fitness Center, 1420 S. Central Ave., Glendale, CA 91204, 818-502-2303.

ATTEBURY GRAIN INC.



Serving you at the
following locations:
Groom - 248-7544
Lark - 248-7591
Grandview - 669-3961
The Corners 248-7011

1-800-299-7544

*"We don't think there is a
better place to haul your grain!"*

GREAT AMERICAN CLEAN-UP RESULTS MAY 11, 2002

- 46 Volunteers
- 76 Bags of Trash/Litter Picked Up
- 720 Estimated pounds of trash/litter bagged
- 11 Trailer loads of tree branches & other trash
- 25 Yards of dirt relocated & spread
- 299 People hours worked
- 18 Estimated miles of streets and alleys cleaned
- 2 Flower beds maintained
- 4 miles of roads trimmed with weed eater
- 10 Wheel barrow loads of dirt removed from Main St
- 26 Fire Hydrants painted
- All downtown business windows washed (& others)
- Downtown Sidewalks and Curbs Swept
- Several ant beds treated
- Gazedo Area moved and trimmed including alley side

Thanks to all of the Volunteers and to
State National Bank, Stop N Shop,
Dairy Queen, and The Groom News
KEEP GROOM BEAUTIFUL

DEANS PHARMACY

2217 PERRYTON PARKWAY 669-6896

Hours

9:00 - 6:30 Mon - Friday
9:00 - 1:00 Saturday

Welcome Welfare Recipients
Special Discounts To Senior Citizens
On all Prescriptions
669-9710



"LOOKING FORWARD TO SERVING OUR GROOM-MCLEAN CUSTOMERS"

*The Hobby Shop
Of Pampa*

217 N. Cuyler
669-6161

Your Headquarters for Art Supplies,
Custom and Ready Made Frames

Hobbs

Heating and Air Conditioning




Your Hometown Dealer
FREE ESTIMATES

Gordon Hobbs
TRCLR01495C

537-3498
MOBIL 930-5433

it's Barbecue time! **Ya'll Come!**



ANNUAL GRANDVIEW HOPKINS School Barbecue
Thursday, May 23, Noon
 Bring a covered dish

Cerebral Palsy **NO FEE FOR FIRST VISIT**

Cerebral palsy may be caused by professional neglect during prenatal care or childbirth. Its causes may include premature birth, birth trauma, and neonatal asphyxia (lack of oxygen). Call us for professional insight.

Ryan A. Krebs, MD, JD
 Doctor-Lawyer in full time Law Practice

Richard A. Dodd, L.C.
 Timothy R. Cappolino, P.C.
 Board Certified Personal Injury Trial Law & Civil Trial Law. Texas Board of Legal Specialization. *General Law*

1-800-460-0606
www.birthtraumalaw.com

FEN-PHEN Pondimin & Redux
LAWSUIT FILING DEADLINES RUNNING SOON!

HEART PALPITATIONS, RACING HEART, SWELLING IN FEET & ANKLES, SHORTNESS OF BREATH, FATIGUE

If you took these diet drugs for 2 months or longer AND you are having any of these symptoms, then call for a FREE CONFIDENTIAL CONSULTATION. If eligible, a FREE ECHOCARDIOGRAPHIC TEST (non-invasive) will be set up for you and your test results will be kept confidential.

WILLIS LAW FIRM **BOARD CERTIFIED**
 DAVID P. WILLIS **PERSONAL INJURY**
 Attorney at Law **TRIAL LAWYER**
 Houston, Texas **Texas Board of Legal Specialization**

Call 1-800-883-9858 or 713-654-4040

Grand Opening!

ONE DAY ONLY - 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Saturday, May 18, 2002

Join us for **FREE HAMBURGERS & DRINKS** from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Drawings every hour all day long from: Wrangler, Justin, Key, Cactus Ropes, Panhandle Slim, Body Specs Sunglasses, Cinch, Classic Ropes, Reinsman, MidWest Glove, and Montana Silver.

Buy 1 Get 1 Free on selected Dog Food and Horse Feed

Storewide Sale — 15% OFF*

Short Sleeve Cinch Shirts **SALE \$35.69** (regular \$41.99)

Long Sleeve Cinch Shirts **SALE \$38.24** (regular \$44.99)

Wrangler 13MWZ Jeans **SALE \$16.99 - \$18.69** (regular \$19.99 - \$21.99)

Original Fit Cinch Jeans **SALE \$28.04** (regular \$32.99)

Justin Work Boots **SALE \$93.49** (regular \$109.99)

Montana Silver **15% OFF**

Ladies' Casual Clothing by Lee, Circle T, Wrangler, & Cruel Girl **15% OFF**

*Sale Excludes Seed and Quikrete

CORNELL'S COUNTRY STORE
 Hwy. 287 East • Clarendon, TX 79226
806-874-6773

Purina Dealer

Purina Feed • Pet Supplies • Lawn & Garden Supplies • Farm & Ranch Supplies
 Animal Health • Tack • Wildlife Management Center

COUNTY

troopers, county employees and McGill's wife, Dianna. McGill began service with DPS in 1977 out of Groom, moving to Panhandle in 1978.

Pat Gerard, a representative from Diamond Shamrock Pipe Line Corporation, met with the court to seek the recognition of pipelines located in the northeast part of the County in Precinct #4. Gerard stated that one of the pipelines was built in 1969 and the other in 1992, but neither had a record showing the easements. A motion was passed to acknowledge the presence of the lines.

Judge Powers presented a certificate to County Clerk Sonya Shieldknight for continuing education hours received from Texas A&M University. Shieldknight obtained the hours in College Station last January by participating in the 30th Annual County and District Clerks Education Seminar.

The court discussed liability insurance for law enforcement. Texas Association of Counties presented a bid of \$9,317 and St. Paul Insurance company submitted a bid

of \$14,135. A motion was passed to renew the contract with TAC.

Bids for contracting lawn care for county buildings were opened. Tommy Hammer was awarded the bid of \$4485 for the 25 week period. County Attorney Scott Sherwood will draft a contract for the work. Sherwood will also develop a contract for labor for the DPS and Justice of Peace buildings in Groom. A motion was passed to hire workers at a fee of \$100 per month, per building to clean the two buildings.

The court approved the hiring of summer help in the clerk's office for data entry. Clerk Shieldknight asked the court to allow that office to use records management money to fund the part time employee at a salary of \$6.00 per hour. A motion was passed to allow the request.

Sheriff Gary Robertson asked commissioners to approve the hiring of Richard Preston Armstrong as dispatcher at a 21B level, effective June 1, 2002. A motion was passed to allow the hiring. Robertson stated that his department is still needing to hire a full time deputy.

The court approved bids for sale of properties in Skellytown and near Fritch. Butch Henderson bid \$200 on Lots 22, 23, and 24, Blk 4, Skellytown and \$500 on Lots 3, 4, and 5, Blk 42, Skellytown. Gary Trammel bid \$200 on Trk 2 and part of Trk 19, Sec 1, Blk 3, AB&M. A motion was passed to sale the property and place it back on the tax rolls.

Tax Assessor-Collector Barbara Cosper reported that 97.29% of the taxes have been collected as of April 30, 2002.

Court adjourned until Tuesday, May 28, 2002.

House Approves Additional \$25 Million

The House of Representatives voted early today for a plan pushed by U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry (TX-13) to provide the Pantex Plant with an additional \$25 million above what the Bush Administration requested for 2003.

The plan was approved as part of the National Defense Authorization Act for the coming year, which passed the House by a vote of 359-58 just before 2:00 a.m. this morning.

According to Thornberry, the additional funds are intended to help the Plant carry out the larger role it is expected to play as a result of the Nuclear Posture Review, which calls for the U.S. to reduce its nuclear arsenal to between 1,700 and 2,200 weapons over the next decade. Much of this work would be done at Pantex.

"Pantex has always played a critical role in our national security," Thornberry stated. "That role is only going to increase as a result of the Nuclear Posture Review. Under this review, the Plant's mission is going to become even more important, as more and more of our nuclear weapons are going to be taken off of alert status."

and more and more weapons are going to have to be maintained."

"Keeping our weapons safe and reliable is a big part of Pantex's job. It's a job the Plant has excelled at in the past, and a job it will excel at in the future. It is important that Congress give Pantex the tools and resources it needs to fulfill this mission and get the job done. This money will help do just that."

Thornberry is a member of the Armed Services Committee, which has jurisdiction over the nuclear weapons complex and the Nation's military. In addition to the funds for the Pantex Plant, he noted that the 2003 National Defense Authorization Act also includes \$1.8 billion for the V-22 Osprey program. This includes \$1 billion for 11 aircraft, \$497 million to correct technical problems and conduct rigorous flight tests, and \$420 million for additional research and development associated with the program.

The 2003 National Defense Authorization Act must now be voted on in the Senate. A date for consideration has not yet been set.

WACKY BOWLING LEAGUE

Date: June 3rd - 25th
Time: TBA

- * For 1st-8th Grade
- * 4 Divisions, 6 teams in each
- * 4 on a team, must have at least 1 boy or 1 girl on team
- * \$10.00 per person
- * For members, non members and out of town guests
- * Trophies (1st-3rd places) and participation awards will be given to all participants
- * Sign up by May 30th

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SIGN UP, CALL CHY AT 806-447-0110


Wellington Activity Center
 505 Corsicana, Wellington, TX 79095
Phone: 806-4470110 or 806-447-0219

DIABETICS

Tired of jumping through hoops to get your diabetic supplies?

Have your diabetic supplies delivered to your door for little or no cost! Medicare and private insurance welcome (sorry, HMO's not accepted).

Call Priority Medical Supply, LLC
 "Your complete satisfaction is our Priority"
Toll Free: 1-866-660-1718



It's Coming!
2002 Graduation Edition!



It's down hill all the way to...

Chamberlain MOTOR COMPANY

Come see our full selection of cars and trucks.

US 287 East • Clarendon • 874-3527 • 800-692-4088

