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Board Approves Hiring of Three New Teachers - Maxwell, Hall & Wuthrich

The McLean Independent School District Board of Education met for a Regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on April 18, 2006. Board members present were Billy Bybee, Chet Bohlar, Terri Adams, Joe Riley, and Toni Bohlar. Others present were Superintendent Jimmy Hannon, Dick Crockett, Rhonda Patterson, Leslie Darsey, Carey Richardson and Randy Eddleman.

Marshall Hanes and David Fuller were absent from the meeting.

All votes are unanimous unless otherwise stated.

Terri Adams called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and Chet Bohlar gave the opening prayer.

There were no visitor comments.

Motion by Billy Bybee, second by Chet Bohlar to approve the Regular

meeting minutes of March 21, 2006. Motion carried.

Motion by Chet Bohlar, second by Joe Riley to approve the March Financial Reports, and the approval to sign the corresponding checks. Motion carried.

Mr. Hannon gave an update on the asbestos plan. Mr. Rutherford had contacted the school to inform Mr. Hannon that the asbestos had been removed from the old band hall when he was Superintendent. Minutes recorded from the past were read and the removal of asbestos had been done in 1989. The Board was very glad to learn of this news. The updating of the Asbestos Plan will be done during the summer.

Mr. Hannon had contacted Gary Martin, Administrator for Claims Administrative Services

about some questions that had arose regarding the cost of student drug testing. Mr. Martin stated that there would be a fee of \$24.95 per student for the initial testing and that school year.

Mr. Hannon went over the Facilities Rental Agreement he was proposing in order for other organizations to use the gyms or other school facilities. He had been in contact with other schools and TASB legal services to inquire about such a policy. The new policy will be listed under GKD (Local) and is determined by Administrative regulation. The facilities will be open to any school-related activities, but non-profit organizations will be charged a rate determined by the Superintendent. This policy will be voted on at a later date and be

effective for the 2006-2007 school year.

Under Other Business Terri Adams congratulated the 5th grade on their Math TAKS test for 100% passing. Mr. Hannon informed the Board of the

TASB Spring workshop at WT on May 17th, for Board Members. He also had received a DVD from the Attorney General's office for each Board Member to watch about the Open Meetings act.

Motion by Joe Riley, second by Billy Bybee to approve the student transfers for Ryan Medlock, Ashley Medlock, and Ashle Kidd. Motion carried.

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Local 4-H Group Gearing Up For Annual Geranium Sale

by Linda Syfrett

It is that time of year again! 4-H will be selling geraniums May 4th, 5th, and 6th in the Puckett's parking lot.

With inflation of prices, especially gasoline, we have

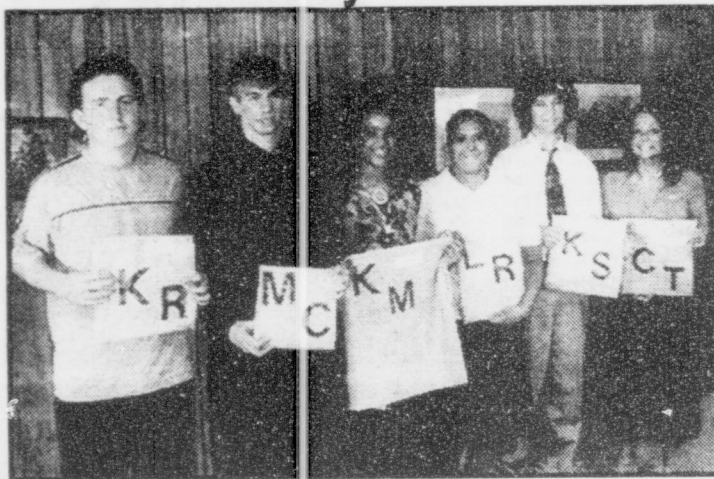
great news. Our geraniums have gone down in price!

Our 4 1/2 inch pots will be \$4.00 and our hanging baskets will be \$15.00. That is a decrease of \$1.00 on the pots and a whopping \$10.00 on the baskets. "What a Deal!"

The profits we make go directly back to the 4-H members, through awards, content entry fees and scholarships.

We thank you for your supports. Just look for the 4-H trailer.

2006 Seniors Honored With Traditional Tea Hosted By Pioneer Study Club



The Seniors of McLean High School were honored with the annual Senior Tea held by the Pioneer Study Club on Sunday, May 23, 2006.

This traditional event

was held at the McLean Church of Christ Annex.

The seven Seniors, Manden Conklin, Markisha Menefield, Keith Raines, Lindsey Ruiz, Kevin Smith, Carrie

Thompson and Connie Vega were given laundry bags with their initials on them as gifts by the club.

The seniors, along with their parents and friends enjoyed a guest speaker and refreshments.

Local Reminders

NO SCHOOL - May 5th, 12th, or 19th.

THE YOUNG AT Heart will no longer have game night on Thursday nights.

CONTACT BECKY Simmons at 806-681-5858 for help with livestock or to receive feed and supplies lost to the fires.

REGIONAL TRACK - April 28 & 29.

THE YOUNG AT Heart will no longer have game night on Thursday nights.

DINNER THEATER - May 1st.

IF YOU SENT FOOD to the fire station in pans or bowls, water coolers or ice chests to the fire station, please contact Linda McDonald to get them back.

PROM - May 5th.

MOTHER'S DAY - May 14th.

MAY 2 - Cheerleading Tryouts.

THE RED Hat ladies will meet at the Red River on Monday, May 1 at 11:30 a.m. for their monthly meeting. Everyone welcome, all that is required is a red hat and come join the fun.

McLean Birthdays & Anniversaries

April 27 - Clyde Richard Brown, Maxine Watson.
 April 28 - Cindy Lee, Andrew Bybee, Billy Smith, Gaylord and Missy Van Brocklin (A).
 April 29 - Toby Purcell, Ed and Deloris Bailey (A).
 April 30 - Amber Thomas Smith, Kathy Reynolds.
 May 1 - Cheyenne Kosechata, Bryan Shackleford.
 May 2 - Monta Jean Smitherman, Melba Harkins, Loyd Bowen, Butch Turpen.
 May 3 -



Basham Turns 50

Local resident, Donnie Basham was surprised by his wife on his birthday with a bouquet of "Over the Hill" balloons Monday for his birthday.

Donnie just happened to be at the Country Corner having lunch. He was also given some dead roses and a couple of Depends undergarments.

McLean School Menus

for the week of May 1-5
BREAKFAST
 Monday: Pop Tarts, Nutri Grain Bars, Fruit, Milk Juice
 Tuesday: Breakfast Burritos, Toast & Jelly, Milk Juice
 Wednesday: French Toast Sticks, Toast & Jelly, Fruit, Juice, Milk
 Thursday: Cinnamon Rolls, Toast & Jelly, Milk, Juice
 Friday: No School

LUNCH
 Monday: Burritos, Tator Tots, Salal, Cake, Milk
 Tuesday: Baked Potato with Chili and Cheese, Texas Toast, Fruit, Milk
 Wednesday: Steak Fingers, Mashed Potatoes, Green Peas, Gravy, Hot Rolls, Milk
 Thursday: Corn Dog, Chips, Fresh Veggies, Orange, Milk
 Friday: No School



Shaley Steel & Shawn Elliott To Wed June 10

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Steel of McLean are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Shaley Rose Steel to Shawn Robert

Elliott of Childress.

The Groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rick Elliott of Childress.

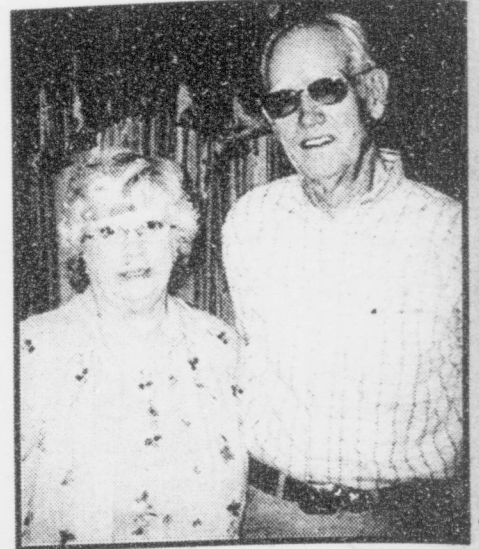
An afternoon ceremony has been planned for June 10, 2006 at 3:00 p.m. in the United Methodist Church in McLean.

Shaley graduated from McLean High School in 2003. She graduated from Clarendon College with her Associated Degree and is currently attending Tarleton State University in Stephenville pursuing a degree in Education. She

is currently employed by the Stephenville Cattle Company. Shaley is the granddaughter of Mrs. Mary Dwyer of McLean and the late John E. Dwyer, Mrs. Jackie Byars of Eufala, OK and the late Bud Steel.

Shawn graduated from Childress High School in 2003. He earned an Associates degree from Clarendon College in Ranch and Feedlot Operations. He is currently employed with the Stephenville Cattle Company. Shawn is the grandson of Mr. & Mrs. J.D. Elliott of Childress and the late Robert Detsch and the late Alma Detsch.

Mr. And Mrs. Joe Billingsley Celebrate 50th Anniversary With Reception On Sunday



Joe and Myrtle Billingsley celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, April 23, 2006. The anniversary was celebrated with a reception at the First Baptist Church in McLean, hosted by their children and grandchildren.

Myrtle and Joe were married on April 23, 1956 in Pampa, Texas.

They made their home in Pampa where Joe was employed by Cree Drilling. Cherrie, their first daughter was born in Pampa. Shortly thereafter, they purchased their first home in McLean and Joe went to work for Meads Fine Bread.

They transferred to Shamrock where their second daughter Susan was born. In 1966 they moved back to McLean. Joe

engaged in farming and owned and operated several gas stations.

Myrtle purchased the Tigers Den and ran it for several years with her mother, Pearl Mercer.

Joe successfully ran for Constable of Precinct 4 and also worked for many years as custodian for McLean High School. Myrtle also worked in the McLean school system for many years, first in the cafeteria and then as a teacher's aide.

Since retiring, they have stayed active with volunteer work and spending time with their friends and family.

They have four grandchildren, Deiter and Macy Brannon of Canyon, Texas, Malcolm Byer and Chloe Nutley of Elk City, Oklahoma.

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Students of the Week



For the week of April 17-21: Pre-K- Bradley Hannon, K-Zachary Azzazi, 1st - Kearston Tolleson, 2nd - Lexus Brown, 3rd - Julia Jones, 4th - Jacob Jones, 5th - Justin West, 6th - Nicholas Clover, 7th - Nicole McClendon and Jacob Azzazi, 8th - Sierra McDonald.

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Letter To The Editor

I recently held a drive for school supplies and the McLean Elem. and Jr. High participated. They collected a total of 174 boxes of crayons totaling 1,840 crayons. The classes that collected the most received a "Little Debbie" party. All the students received a "thank you" treat. You should of received a photo from the school. I do not have a digital camera, and the school said they would sent the picture. The classes collecting the most in their age divisions were Kindergarten, 5th, and 6th. There were three other schools participating, Shamrock collected pencils, Kelton-glue sticks, and Samnorwood-notebook paper.

I started this drive at the request of my son-in-law, Maj. Ty Bonner. Before he deployed I ask him what he would like for me to send. He came back in a few days and said, "school supplies". I told him I meant him, and got the same answer. With the heart of the great soldier he is, he ask for nothing for himself.

I never expected the support and enthusiasm. If possible please include a BIG thank you to all the students, teachers, and administration of the McLean school.

Thank You,

Lee Ann Macina

Mr. Hannon reviewed the policy changes after consultation with Rachel Burrow from TASB Policy Services. He went over several of the necessary changes and recommended that the Board approve the policy changes. Toni Bohlar made the motion, with a second by Joe Riley to approve the changes in policy as discussed. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Riley, second by Toni Bohlar to regretfully accept the resignations of Gene Gee,

Laurie Greene, and Christy Cox. Motion carried.

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:32, and returned to open session at 9:07 for the purpose of hiring personnel. Mr. Hannon recommended hiring the following teachers:

Terry Maxwell with a One-Year Probationary Contract to teach Math. Patti Hall with a One-Year Probationary Contract to teach Spanish and Special Ed in the High School. Cheyenne Wuthrich with a

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One-Year Probationary Contract to teach Art in the High School for half a day. This recommendation was approved with a motion by

Toni Bohlar, and seconded by Chet Bohlar. Motion carried.

Mr. Hannon had met with the Site-Base committee regarding a proposed teacher salary increase. There were mixed emotions from the committee. Mr. Hannon stated that teacher pay raises

would be discussed by the legislature during this special session and it was his recommendation to table this item until then. Motion by Chet Bohlar, second by Toni Bohlar to table the salary schedule for certified personnel; with four voting "FOR" and Joe Riley abstaining.

Motion by Chet Bohlar, second by Billy Bybee to adjourn at 9:18 p.m. Motion carried.

May Is Motorcycle Safety Month In Texas

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The women of the Pioneer Study Club gather around the table that they prepared for the seniors during the Senior Tea

Greenbelt Electric Cooperative, Inc. 67th Annual Membership Meeting

Registration
Business Session
Election of Three Directors
Drawing for Attendance Prizes
Refreshments

Friday, April 28, 2006
Bura Handley
Community Center
Wellington, Texas

1:30 p.m. - Registration
2:00 p.m. - Call to Order

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Young At Heart Accepts Resignation Of President Marjorie Fish, Cancels Thursday Night Games

The Young at Heart members had their regular luncheon Tuesday, April 4, with 18 people in attendance.

President Marjorie Fish wished a Happy Birthday to Bob Martin. There were several special prayer requests made including our valued secretary, Mindy Reeves. She is in the Covenant Hospital in Lubbock, after having undergone surgery. She is in critical condition.

Rev. Z. A. Myers led the prayer and blessed the food.

Laura Garrison, from Accolade Home Care was on hand to take vital statistics.

President Marjorie Fish announced her resignation from her position. There was a Board of Directors meeting afterwards. It was voted on and passed to discontinue Thursday night games.

The next regular luncheon meeting will be April 18, at 11:45 a.m. The drawing for the raffled quilt will be at that time. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Phyllis Jackson, with Athlan Mortgage, will be the guest speaker. She will be discussing pro's and con's of reversed mortgages.

The Young at Heart met again on April 18.

Mary Dwyer called the meeting to order.

The guest speakers from Athlan Mortgage were Phyllis Jackson and Tracy Sommers. They spoke on Reverse Mortgage.

Thanks to McLean Home Health for doing blood pressure checks. Tammy Johnston and Aimee Burrull. Crissy Simpson won the Quilt

Mary Dwyer said she will take over as President for 3 months, and maybe we can find a permanent President.

The McLean Emergency Medical Service is operating under a staffing variance that will expire on October 5, 2006.

The Lovett Library Plans Summer Reading Program

by Linda Syfrett
Don't let your brain go dormant over the summer. Improve your reading skills! Earn Accelerated Reading points. Join us at the Lovett Memorial Library for the

summer reading program. You can earn really neat prizes and a grand prize for the top reader. Sally will have information in May on how you can join the fun. Hope to see you there.



Erin Vassey, Sami Staton, Zach Seymour and Casey Graham look through the interesting items available.



Clay Crockett and Dakota Greenwood found an entertaining book at the book fair.

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Pastor Jim Rayne 779-2548
Sunday Bible School 10:00 a.m.
Worship 10:40 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed. Bible Class 7:30

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

First Baptist Church 206 E. 1st
Pastor Kelly Raymond 779-2175
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:50 & 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m.

United Methodist Church 2nd & Gray
Pastor Theodor Haynes 779-2040 & 779-2337
Sunday 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:50 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Sunday Sr. High Youth Alpha Chi 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Choir 7:00 p.m.

Heald United Methodist Church
Kellerville Road
Sunday 9:15 a.m.

Trinity Church Railroad Street
Pastor Larry Perkins 779-3207
Sunday worship 10:45 a.m.
Life Groups-Sunday-5:00 p.m.
Solid Rock Youth & Sunshine Children's Ministry
Wednesday 8:00
Adult Bible Study-Wednesday-7:00 p.m.

Cowboy Church & The Arena of Life 119 E. 3rd
Ronnie Ferguson, Pastor - 779-2135
Sunday morning 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday evening 7:30 p.m.



Kelsey Ramariz makes a list of the books she would like to have from the Book Fair.

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Democratic Candidates
Jackie West

County Treasurer
Republican Candidate
Denise Salzbrener

Democratic Candidates
Dea Schroeder

Tax Assessor-Collector
Republican Candidates
Jackie Lewis

Justice of the Peace
Precinct 1
Democratic Candidates
Bill Hinson

Gray County
Gray County Clerk
Republican Candidates
Susan Winborne

Justice of the Peace,
Precinct 2
Republican Candidates
Mary Ann Carpenter

Co. Commissioners
Precinct 4
James Hefley

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CNA'S NEEDED 6-2 & 2-10, Contact Billy Ray Johnson at the McLean Nursing Home. Call 779-2469.

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A public hearing will be held Thursday, May 18, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. at the Groom Community Center. This meeting is to inform the community of the Groom Volunteer Ambulance Service request from Texas Department of Health for a variance to allow 1 certified EMT and one uncertified volunteer to staff an ambulance.

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Carson County Gin Makes Donation For Area Fire Relief

Organizations and businesses across the area are continuing to step up to the plate to help out our local fire departments and emergency service organizations. Recent wild fires have caused a severe drain on resources of equipment, fuel, and

manpower. Many area businesses, clubs and organizations have made cash gifts and help appreciation dinners for our local firefighters.

Randy Kennedy of Carson County Gin was on hand recently to present a \$900 check to the Groom

Fire Department.

"We really appreciated the effort these volunteers put forth when they are needed. They did a heroic job and we (The Carson County Gin) want to help them with this donation," he said.

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Carson County Commissioners Modify Burn Ban

Carson County Commissioners Court modifies burn ban to allow certain controlled burns providing these guidelines are followed.

Area to be burned would be free of combustible material for a minimum of 150 feet around the burn area. Burning is prohibited

with wind speed in excess of 20 mph.

Notify the sheriff's office of Carson County prior to the intent to burn. Make arrangements with

the local fire department to have a fire unit on the scene during the burn, using their judgment as to when the burn is complete or not a threat.

The requesting party which is asking permission to burn will be responsible

to the fire department to pay the required fees for service.

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From The Superintendent's Desk...

Parents Should Be Watchful Of Dangerous Game Fad

There is a dangerous new game going around where students try and make each other pass out. It has several names, Pass-Out Game, Fainting Game,

Dreaming Game, or the Black Hole Game. There are several ways to do this stupid game. You can choke yourself or someone else until they pass out or use a belt or rope or any other thing to restrict your

oxygen until you pass out. Sometimes they do just the opposite, they will suck air in and out until they hyperventilate and pass out. Which ever way they do it, IT IS EXTREMELY DANGEROUS!!!

If you hear anything about this dangerous game then please have a talk with your kids about how stupid and dangerous this

See Fad, pg 2



PROGRESS KNOWS NO BOUNDRIES! First it was touch tone phones... then the internet... now we have a barcode scanner at the Groom S & H Grocery! Sybil Brown is a real career clerk having used just about every kind of technology from crank cash registers to the latest in computers. Store owner Sharlene Lewis stays up on the latest to make shopping in Groom a pleasure for long time customers like Darlene Jones.

Community Calendar

GHS'S ANNUAL Medieval Festival will be held on May 18.

GROOM MINOR League Baseball will play on April 25th at 7 p.m. Be sure to attend to show your support! Jr. High Cheerleaders have a delicious concession stand menu planned.

Rt. 66 Outdoor Entertainment Association will be holding a meeting at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 2, 2006 at the arena. Everyone is welcomed!

MAY IS Clean-Up Month in the City of Groom. The big Dumpster will be open during regular business hours and there is no charge!

ACCELERATED READING participants who earned 75 points or more will get a trip to Wonderland Park on Amarillo on May 11.

GROOM HIGH School's Prom will be on May 6th.

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GROOM SCHOOL book fair will be held May 1-5th. Contact the school for more details.

AWANA'S CLUB will hold their final meeting of the year on April 30! Bring your cars & be ready to have fun!

THE 2006 Groom High School Athletic Banquet will be held on May 2.

GROOM'S CITY- WIDE Garage Sale is set for May 6. Call the Groom News to get on the list & run your classified.

CITY ELECTION will be on May 13, 2006.

ANNUAL RABIES Clinic will be on May 4 from 1:00 to 6:00 pm.

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LOCAL HAPPENING

Groom Birthdays and Anniversaries

April 27 - Madison Friemel, Glynn D Harrell, Jeremy Jason Lewis.
 April 28 -Brittney Martin, William Myles Friemel.
 April 29 - Michelle Rene Stephens, Willis Gray.
 April 30 - Dennis Babcock, Stanley Homer, April Burton.
 May 1 - Pat Pool
 May 2 -
 May 3 - Venita Hickey, Betty Raye Brown Kotara, Morgan Britten, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Shuck (A).

FAD

game is. I read an article that stated that at least 50 children have died playing this game.

I caught some children trying this up here at the school and assured them that if I ever heard or caught them doing this again, there would be very serious consequences for their actions. I told high school students that they would be expelled, if I caught them involved in this stupid game. But that it is here where we can keep an eye on the kids. Please be aware that they may be trying this off campus around your home.

Here are some signs to look for: Usual markings on the neck, complaints of headaches, blood shot eyes, gasping for breath, a look of being drugged or just out of it. Also check the room for ropes, ties, bags etc. Too many children have died playing this stupid game, let's make sure one of the number isn't from Groom.

s/ Terry Stevens
 Superintendent
 Groom ISD

FIRE

The Groom Volunteer Fire Department spent literally hundreds of man hours during the last month fighting fires in our area and the surrounding counties. For every hour they spend, there are also costs involved in fuel and wear and tear on equipment.

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BAN

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Don't Forget To Get Your City-Wide Garage Sale Ad Placed

It is spring! Time to clean out those closets, attics and garages to get rid of those unneeded items that are just taking up space! Unclutter your life by having a Garage Sale on May 6th! A list of homes

\$5.00 (paid in advance) and get your address included in the press releases and sale list, up to 15 words. (More words at an additional price). Businesses and organizations are invited to participate at the same low price.

will be provided and press releases will sent out to surrounding towns. List your sale address with The Groom News for only

Deadline to turn in your garage sale and list of items will be May 1 at 5:00 p.m.

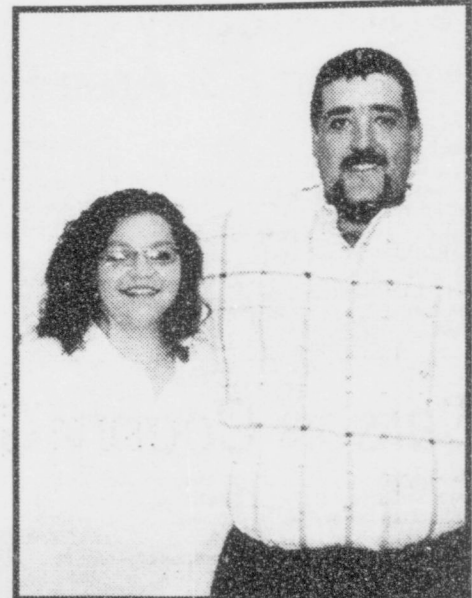
Ross Brooks - Kim Smith Exchange Vows

Dale and Carolyn Brooks are happy to announce the marriage of their son, Ross to Kim Smith. Kim is the daughter of Jo Lynn & James Golden of Amarillo.

They were married on April 7th at the Justice of the Peace Jim Tipton's office in Amarillo.

They all enjoyed a nice get together for supper at the Outback Steakhouse later that evening to celebrate.

The couple both work for A & B Towing in Amarillo.



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They also exhibited pigs in Houston. Chris showed his Hampshire entry and placed 5th in class. Malorie's entry was a cross and placed 7th.

Both exhibit for White Deer FFA. They are the children of John and Tonya Homen of White Deer and Randy and Brenda Broome of Groom.



THE GROOM News wants and needs your news! Call us today! 248-7333.

Texas Comptroller's Office Releases Carson County Sales Tax Revenues for 3rd Quarter

Carson County's sales tax and use tax analysis for all industries have been released for the 3rd quarter. The reporting outlets are down by seven reporting outlets of 124 in 2005 and 131 reporting in 2004.

Therefore; Carson County's gross sales for 2005's 3rd quarter was \$15,048,039.00. There was a 10.5% increase from \$13,624,214.00 in 2004's

3rd quarter.

The analysis by county for the retail trade division of how much money was spent locally and the sales tax stayed in Carson County showed 46 reporting outlets in 2005 as compared to 59 outlets reporting in 2004's 3rd quarter. There was an increase of 21.6% increase to \$7,938,210.00 as compared to \$6,534.00 collected in 2004's 3rd quarter.

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Groom School Menus

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

Wednesday - Breakfast burritos, hash brown potatoes, juice and milk.

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

Friday - Do-Nuts, cinnamon rolls, juice & milk.
LUNCH

Monday - Tacos, Corn, lettuce & tomatoes, fruit cocktail, milk and ice cream

Tuesday - Steak Fingers or fish sticks, french fries, pineapple, Texas Toast, milk.

Wednesday - Corn Dogs, macaroni & Cheese,

tater tots, pickle spears, applesauce & milk.

Thursday - Fried Chicken, green peas or carrots, mashed potatoes, hot rolls, milk and cake.

Friday - Sandwiches, vegetables, beans, peaches & pickle spears and milk.

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Treasurer & Staff Attend Training

Jeannie Cunningham, County Treasurer and Dea Schroeder, Deputy Treasurer, joined over 250 county treasurers and deputy treasurers for the 34th Annual County Treasurers' Continuing Education Seminar at the Hilton College Station Hotel and Conference Center on March 28-30, 2006.

The annual continuing education seminar in College Station is sponsored by the V. G.

Young Institute of County Government, which is part of the Texas Cooperative Extension. The Institute works to meet the educational need of county officials and the public by anticipating, identifying, and addressing the challenges and

opportunities faced by Texas county government.

Included in the workshops on portfolio management, issuing debt, computer security, fines

and fees, personnel policies, Open Meetings Act, and Open Records Act.

"Dea and I received the training to fulfill the educational requirements of the Treasurer's office. Each year this seminar trains us in the latest legislative updates, changes in fines and fees reporting, compliance with various Acts required by law, and updates in the County and District Retirement System. We attended the seminar to better serve you the tax payer and to be good stewards of your tax dollars," said Jeannie Cunningham.

"Texas is one of a small number of states that requires elected county officials to earn continuing education credits," explained Richard O.

Avery, Director of the Institute. "The Institute provides education to county commissioners, county judges, treasurers,

tax assessor-collectors, justices of the peace and county and district clerks through programs across the State."

Those attending the March seminar received continuing education credit from the Office of Continuing/Distance Education at Texas A & M University.

Boys Place 2nd in District Track Meet, Girls Place 8th

It has been a fast and furious track season for Groom Jr. High and High School athletes. Competitions were held

every day for the district and area levels of competition. Groom athletes did very well.

The Junior High District Meet was held on April 10 at Lefors. Both girls and Boys teams won 2nd place as a team in the competition.

The Boys earned a total of 141 points. The girls earned a total of 140 points. Individual results are as follows:

Boys:
High Jump—Michael Kelly 3rd, Jacob Torres, 5th
Long Jump—Jacob Torres 3rd
Shot Put—Eric Torres 1st, Jes Roskens 6th
Discus—Tyler Case 1st, Eric Torres 5th
2 4 0 0 meter run—Michael Kelly 1st

4x100 relay—(Jacob Torres, Eric Torres, Michael Kelly, Tyler Babcock) 1st
800 meter run—Jacob Torres 2nd, Myles Friemel 4th

100 meter dash—Tyler Babcock—1st, Eric Torres 3rd
4x200 relay—(Jacob Torres, Myles Friemel, Billy Corley, Eric Torres) 3rd
400 meter dash—Billy Corley 2nd
200 meter dash—Tyler Babcock 1st

4x400 relay—(Jes Roskens, Michael Kelly, Myles Friemel, Billy Corley) 2nd
Girls:
Shot Put—Ashley Murray 1st
Discus—Ashley Murray 4th
High Jump—Rachael Hopkins 3rd, Maddie Wieberg 4th

Long Jump—Korri Britten 3rd, Virginia Froese 6th
4x100 relay—(Korri Britten, Rachael Hopkins, Ashley Murray, Maddie Wieberg) 1st
800 meter run—Tiffany Kling 2nd, Alannah King 4th
100 meter dash—Korri Britten 1st, Virginia Froese 4th
4x200 relay—(Rachael Hopkins, Ashley Murray, Korri Britten, Maddie Wieberg) 1st
4 0 0 meter dash—Rachael Hopkins 1st, Alannah King 5th
2 0 0 meter dash—Maddie Wieberg 2nd, Virginia Froese 6th
1 2 0 0 meter run—Tiffany Kling 1st
4x400 relay—Ashley Murray, Virginia Froese, Alannah King, Tiffany Kling) 3rd

Triple Jump, 6th High Jump
Stephen Ingle—3rd 200 meter dash
Anthony Luna—4th 800 meter run, 5th 400 meter run
Brandon Jenkins—5th Shot Put
Others participating:
Javier Caro, Kendall Weller, Brett Friemel, Trevor Friemel, Kelton Weller, Trent Britten, Josh Kelly

The high school District Track Meet was held on April 7 at Panhandle High School. The Boys finished 2nd out of the 12 team with a 107 points. The girls finished 8th out of 11 teams with 18 points.

The results are as follows:
High Jump: TJ Moraniec, Tie for 7th Place
Triple Jump: Thane Barkley 7th Place.
Discus: Chad Barkley 8th Place.
Shot Put: Chad Barkley 5th Place
4x100 relay: Stephen Ingle, Blaine Britten, Thane Barkley, Chad Barkley 6th Place
800 meter run: Michaela Roskens 7th Place
800 meter run: Anthony Luna 7th Place
4x200 relay: Stephen Ingle, Blaine Britten, Thane Barkley, Chad Barkley 5th Place
300 meter hurdles: Blaine Britten 5th Place
200 meter dash: Stephen Ingle: 8th Place
4x400 relay: Andrew Thompson, Blake Galyean, Thane Barkley, Brandon Jenkins 7th Place

Boys:
4x100 relay (Stephen Ingle, Blaine Britten, Thane Barkley, Chad Barkley) 1st Place
4x200 relay (Stephen Ingle, Blaine Britten, Thane Barkley, Chad Barkley) 2nd Place
4x400 relay (Andrew Thompson, Thane Barkley, Blake Galyean, Brandon Jenkins) 3rd Place
TJ Moraniec—1st High Jump
Chad Barkley—1st Shot Put
Blaine Britten—1st 300 Hurdles
Thane Barkley—2nd

Girls:
Michaela Roskens—5th 400 meter dash, 2nd 800 meter dash
Kacie Galyean—3rd 300 hurdles, 5th triple jump
Others participating:
Sharri Britten

Many Groom Athletes qualified for the Area track meet, which was held at Panhandle High School on April 12, 2006.

The results are as follows:
High Jump: TJ Moraniec, Tie for 7th Place
Triple Jump: Thane Barkley 7th Place.
Discus: Chad Barkley 8th Place.
Shot Put: Chad Barkley 5th Place
4x100 relay: Stephen Ingle, Blaine Britten, Thane Barkley, Chad Barkley 6th Place
800 meter run: Michaela Roskens 7th Place
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TJ Moraniec—1st High Jump
Chad Barkley—1st Shot Put
Blaine Britten—1st 300 Hurdles
Thane Barkley—2nd

Girls:
Michaela Roskens—5th 400 meter dash, 2nd 800 meter dash
Kacie Galyean—3rd 300 hurdles, 5th triple jump
Others participating:
Sharri Britten

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PUBLIC OPINION POLL
The Groom News is taking an unscientific poll...
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E-Mail your opinion to thegroomnews@am.net

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AWANA Grand Prix
Sunday April 30, 2006
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Beginning at 6:00pm
(car weigh-ins start at 5:30pm - must be less than 5 oz.)
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Hot Dogs, Chips, and Drinks will be served by the FBC Youth
Donations accepted.
Notice to Parents of AWANA club kids: Major Book Awards will be given in the Sunday morning service, please make plans to attend.

Grand Jury Hands Down Indictments

INDICTMENTS

Carson County Grand Jury met on April 20, 2006 and handed down the following indictments for the 100th District Judicial Court:

Cause # 3562 - Ruben Orozco Garcia, 24, was indicted on a 2nd degree felony for Money Laundering and is accused of transporting the proceeds of criminal activity, to wit: proceeds of drug trafficking; more than \$20,000 but less than \$100,000 on Sept. 21, 2004.

Cause #3563 - Matthew Gilpatrick, 32, was indicted on a 2nd degree felony for Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon after he allegedly threatened a man with imminent bodily injury by ramming the vehicle occupied by the victim with a vehicle driven by Gilpatrick in a manner that was intended to cause serious bodily harm or death on Feb. 15, 2006.

Cause #3565 - Jason R. McDaniel was indicted on a 3rd degree felony for possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance namely methamphetamine in the amount of one gram or more but less than four grams on September 11, 2005.

Cause # 3566 - Audel Moreno was indicted on a 1st degree felony charge of Possession of a Controlled Substance (cocaine) with intent to deliver, 400 grams or more on Sept. 6, 2005.

Cause #3567 - Ana Elvia Perez Rubio was indicted for Possession of a Controlled Substance, namely Cocaine in the amount of 400 grams or more on September 6, 2005.

Cause #3568 - Ian Schwertfeger was indicted

on a 2nd degree felony charge of Possession of a Controlled Substance, namely Tetrahydrocannabinol in the amount of more than 4 grams but less than 400 grams on June 25, 2005.

Cause # 3571 - Faith Elizabeth Rodick, 25, was indicted on a 2nd degree felony charge of Money Laundering for transporting more than \$20,000 but less than \$100,000, the proceeds of criminal activity, drug trafficking, on Nov. 10, 2005.

Cause # 3569 - Jonathan Trevor Bonner, 17, was indicted for the April 16, 2006 offense of Burglary of a Building, a State Jail Felony.

Cause # 3570 - Jason Lee Gardiner, 21, was indicted on a State Jail Felony for Burglary of a Building on April 16, 2005.

Cause # 3572 - Joseph Viera Gonsalves Jr. was indicted on a 2nd degree felony charge of Possession of Marijuana, more than 50 pounds but less than 2,000, on July 23, 2005.

Cause # 3573 - Stephen Jerry Bourdette was indicted on a 2nd degree felony charge of possession

of marijuana in the amount of more than 50 pounds but less than 2,000 on July 23, 2005.

Cause # 3574 - Timothy Allen Haiduk was indicted on a 3rd degree felony for DWI - 3rd offense on January 18, 2006.

Cause # 3575 & 3576 - Javier Martinez Ortega was indicted on a 1st degree felony for Possession of a Controlled Substance, Cocaine, in the amount of 400 grams or more, on Dec. 10, 2005. He was also indicted on a 2nd degree felony for possession of more than 50 but less than

2,000 pounds of marijuana.

Cause # 3577 & # 3578 - Jose Francisco Rojas Ceja was indicted on a 1st degree felony charge of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, in the amount of 400 grams of cocaine or more on Dec. 10, 2006. He also was indicted on a 2nd degree felony charge of possession of marijuana in the amount of 50 pounds or more but less than 2,000 pounds.

Cause # 3579 & 3580 - Juan Manuel Rosas Gonzales - was indicted on a 2nd degree felony for Possession of Marijuana in the amount of 2,000 pounds or less than 50 pounds on Dec. 10, 2005 and possession of 400 grams or more of cocaine.

Cause # 3581 - Timothy David Fox was indicted for Possession of Marijuana on a 2nd degree felony of more than 50 pounds but less than 2,000.

Cause #3582 Ramon Chavira Ruiz was indicted on a 3rd degree felony charge of Money Laundering, having possession of proceeds from criminal activity more than \$3,000 but less than \$20,000 on Dec. 29, 2005.

Cause #3583- Daisy A. Culler was indicted on a 3rd degree felony for Possession of Methamphetamine in the amount of 1gram but less than 4 grams.

Groom Ambulance Service Votes To Ask City To Take Them Over

The Groom volunteer Ambulance Service Inc. met Monday, April 24, 2006 at the Groom Community Center. Those present were Tony Treadwell, Gary Babcock, Dustin Babcock, Travis Britten, John Bohr, Jason Peters, Chris Welch, Kerry Jenkins, Corkey Hickey, Sharon Prather, Rick Prather, Jason Prather, Buck Babcock, Terry Stevens, Jim Goheen, Dede Smith and Charlotte Whatley.

The meeting was called to order by Director Rick Prather. The first item on the agenda was an update on the staffing plan of the Groom ambulance. Rich shared with those present that he attended the Carson County Commissioners Meeting on April 24 and reported that Groom Ambulance and supporters are diligently trying to come up with matching funds for the \$20,000. The county has offered to employ a full time EMT to staff the ambulance during the day. Rick stated he offered to use funds in the

equipment fund and in the checking account to match funds available. The commissioners stated they would check into the legalities of this proposal.

Mike Sefker, of Claude EMS and Co-teacher with Charlotte Whatley was presented to report on the upcoming EMT Class to start on June 1. Those wishing to take the class are urged to contact Charlotte at 248-7963. Hep B vaccines must be started soon for those who are planning to attend.

An updated roster was completed including Groom Firemen who wish to be drivers.

Officers were elected to serve for the next 2 years. They are President Kerry

Jenkins, Vice President Jason Prather, Secretary/Treasurer Sharon Prather, Board Members are Jason Peters, and Buck Babcock, Training officer - Charlotte Whatley and Director Rick Prather.

A motion was made by Terry Stevens and

seconded by Charlotte Whatley to ask "that the City of Groom take over the Groom Ambulance Service" and hire a full time EMT to staff the ambulance from 5:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily at an hourly rate of \$8.50 plus insurance and 1 week paid vacation after one year of service. The motion was passed unanimously. Rick Prather reported that a copy of our financial statement would be available for the city of review. Currently the budget totals \$13,000.

Discussion was held hoping that the City would let the ambulance operate like the GEDC with a state of officers and a budget.

The next Groom Volunteer Ambulance meeting will be held on Monday, May 1, at 8:00 p.m. On the agenda will be a training session on airways, a second proposal for the City and an EMT Class update.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

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How many have you had cause to forgive you?

Carson County Receives Donations For Fire Relief

The Carson County Commissioners Court met on April 24 with the following members present: Judge Lewis Powers; Commissioners Mike Britten, Kenneth Ware, Jerry Strawn, and Kevin Howell.

Minutes of the April 10, 2006 meeting were and approved. All claims were approved and paid.

Clint Walker spoke to the court about the First Annual Panhandle par-A Dice Car Show on June 17, 2006, which will be sponsored by the Panhandle Chamber of Commerce. He reported there will be booths, a burn out contest, a cruise down Main Street and a Street Dance to the Music of "Insufficient Funds." Mr. Walker also reported on the economic impact of such an event. He asked the Court to allow the

Chamber to block off Main Street in front of the Courthouse and to use the lawn. Commissioner Howell made the motion to allow the request and it was approved.

The Court discussed modifying the currently burn ban to allow specific requests to burn with some added requirements. (These requirements are included in a story in this issue)

Jeannie Cunningham, Treasurer, presented the court with her February and march reports.

The Court appointed Jeannie Cunningham to receive and disburse payments from the Comptroller for Reimbursement of juror payments.

The Court received a \$1,000.00 donation from Perdue, Brandon, Collins, Brand, Fielder, Collins and Mott for damages during the recent fires. They also

received a \$2,000.00 donation from Turkey Track Ranch. Commissioner Howell made a motion to split the donations between Carson County's four fire departments. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Court adjourned until May 8, 2006.

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Local & Area Obituaries



WILLIAM "BILL" NEAL

William "Bill" Neal, 91, of Amarillo died Sunday, March 26, 2006.

Services were held in Amarillo with Michael Carter, pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Groom Cemetery.

William was born Jan. 14, 1915, in Durant, Okla. He married Bessie Floretta on April 14, 1934, in Clarendon. He worked as a security guard. He also worked for Plains Creamery and Mead Bakery. He was a member of the North Amarillo Lions Club for years and a member of NRA. He was a member of the Hillcrest Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by three sons, William Leon Neal, James Everett Neal and Orville Gene Neal; two brothers,

Leslie Neal and A.D. Neal; and a sister, Nellie Ford.

Survivors include his wife, Bessie Floretta Neal of Amarillo; a daughter, Geraldine Seamster of Kansas City, Mo.; a sister, Bertha Knight of Claude; 18 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.



JAMES RAYMON WOOD

James Raymon Wood, 87, of Amarillo died Sunday, April 16, 2006.

Services were held in Amarillo with Rev. Robert E. Field, retired Baptist minister conducting the services. Military rites will be by DAV Chapter No. 26. Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mr. Wood was born

Jan. 28, 1919, in Howe. He was raised on a farm near Lark. He graduated from Groom High School. Mr. Wood attended Clarendon College and West Texas College.

He served in the Navy during World War II as a captain on a sub chaser. After returning to Amarillo, he began working for Texaco. In

1949, he left Texaco to run a ranch for his brother-in-law in southeast Colorado. He returned to Amarillo in 1952 and rejoined the Texaco Corp. While at Texaco, he returned to college and received a BS in mathematics from West Texas State University.

He worked as a chemist at the Amarillo refinery until 1963 and then helped with the opening of Texaco Refineries in Guatemala and Honduras. After returning to the states, Mr. Wood worked in environmental areas until his retirement in 1974.

He married Jeanne Elizabeth Whitaker in February 1942. After his retirement from Texaco, they moved to Mountain Home, Idaho, where they owned and operated an electrical company. Following Jeanne's death in 1982, Raymon returned to Amarillo. He resided at the Continental.

Mr. Wood loved music and played the guitar for the Lakeside Ramblers and the Half Price Band. He was a member of the Western Swing Music Association.

Survivors include two sons, Lloyd Wood and wife Barbara and Jim Wood and wife Fern, all of Amarillo; a brother, Bobby Wood and wife Mary of Clarendon; five grandchildren; and

seven great-grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be to Faith City Mission, 401 S.E. Second Ave. Amarillo, TX 79101 or a favorite charity.



Pauline Williams Frederiksen

93, died Jan. 16, 2006 in Fort Smith Arkansas. She was born July 3, 1912 in Durant Okla, the daughter of Lena Bishop and Oscar Lee Williams. She was a homemaker, a member of Bluff Avenue Baptist Church, and the widow of Marvin Frederiksen, whom she married on Nov. 22,

1932 in Groom. She graduated from Groom High School in 1932.

Services were held on Jan. 19 at Bluff Avenue Baptist Church with interment at Forest Park Cemetery next to her husband.

She is survived by a daughter, Luellen Coughlin of Bradenton, Fla; three sons, William Lee of Pueblo CO, Ronald Gene of Van Buren, AK, and Norman Loyd of Fort Smith, AR.; several

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