# $\xrightarrow[\substack{\text { Bank of Commerce Beididing } \\ \text { Office No. } 5,201 \text { N. M. Min St. }}]{\text { McLean Elects New Mayor, Council }}$ Members, \& School Board Members 

The election has come and gone with cheers of success and sighs of relief.
In the Mayor race, Bob Martin won over June Suggs with 141 voters. June received 88 votes. Bob will vacate a position on the city council. There will be in appointment to fill
that position results to be published at a later date. We Billingsley and Lavon Watson will fill the empty alderman seats with 145 votes and 106 Mctes respectively.
McLean will also be changing their Economic Development Corporation. Voters approved the termination of the
existing Type "A" EDC with a vote of 174 for and 48 against. The proposition to approve the Type "B" EDC also passed with a vote of 173 for and 38 against.
The residents of McLean also elected positiop people to fill Dositions on the Schnol See Election, pg 8


Caut of One-det Play (left to righu): Katrina Routon, Shane Extes, Randi Riley, Teddra Simmons, Brad Senyer, Reo Demnis, Mkbl Hefly, and Chase Barnes:

## Dinner Theater Treat For Audiences



## The Family Healthcare

 Clinic in McLean will be closing its doors this Friday, May 18th. Jerry will be there to help patients with their medical records during regular business hours through May 29th. After that you may access patient records through the Pampa Regional Medical Center.

Elementary Students Host Authors Tea For Special Guests

The first grade class of McLean Elementary hosted an Author's Tea Friday, May 4 at the McLean United Methodist Church. Each student had written and illustrated a story.
The guests would visit

## Regional Academic Met Attended

Five McLean High School students traveled to Levelland, Texas April 19-20 to compete at the Regional Academic Meet. Those competing were Veronica Fite, Randi Riley, Nikki Hefley, Bethany Rogers, and Sarai Sawyer. These girls competed in several of the toughest competitions. The ready writing contest is a twohour writing competition.
The spelling contest is the use of proofreading skills and spelling of usually very difficult words. The literary criticism contest covers numerous readings that have to be studied plus over half of the test is questions over literary information about terms, periods of writing, and nuthors. These girls represented McLean High very welf and should be congratulated on their achievements.
any student they wished cookies and punch and a and would listen to them fun time was had by all. read their story. The Mrs. Glass is quoted quest was then asked to as saying that the boys sign their guest book. and girls worked very The students were all hard on their writing this dressed up and looked year and have done a very professional and wonderful job. She is their stories were very proud of the first wonderful. The authors grade students. and quest were served

## REMINDERS

SPORTS BANOUET will be on May 14th at 7:00 p.m. at the Devil's Rope Museum. The students will be selling tickets.
JUDGEMENT House. presented by Trinity Baptist Church will be on Sat., May 12th at
3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
DON'T FORGET
Mother's Day on Sun. May 13th.

2ND ANNUAL
DAY OF PRAYER
TO BE HELD
The second annual Alanreed Baptist Day of Pray will be held on May 19th beginning at $\begin{array}{lll}\text { 10:00 } & \text { a.m. till? A } \\ \text { covered } \\ \text { dish luncheon }\end{array}$ will be held. Preachers, speakers, musicians from Texas, Oklahoma, and all through the area will be speaking.

GYUN DAY at the McLean Elementary is today from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

NO SCHOOL Friday May 11th.

COUNTRY CLUB Dance will be held on Saturday, May 12 th from 8:00 - 11: 30 p.m.

## KINDERGARTEN

 graduation will be on May 18th at 9:00 p.m.RECOGNITION OF the Senior students at a Bar BQ at the home of Troy and Jerry Corbin, sponsored in conjunction with the First Baptist Church will be on Wed. May 16th at 6:30 p.m.

COMET CLEANERS will do Free Pickup-Tues. and Free Delivery-Thurs at Elizabeth's in McLean. Call 779-2445 for Info.

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CARD OF THANKS
Thank you for the concerns, prayers, phone calls, cards, and visits while I was in the hospital.

Pat Barker


THANK YOU!!!
Thanks to all of the people who supported me in the city election! The last year has been a pleasure! Good Luck to the new Mayor and
Council! Council!

> Doyle Lee

McLean Birthdays Anniversaries May 10 - Bob Holwick. Larry Swanson, Robbie Sanderson.
May 11 - Steven Myers, David Tolleson. $\begin{array}{r}\text { May } \\ \text { Myers, } \\ \hline 12\end{array}$ Myers, Lyn

May 13-Sue Griffen.
May 14 Velma Henley, Amanda Hauck. Maybelle Brown, Dorthea Goodwyn.
May 15
Haynes, Bobbie David Ter Buckhaults, Brenda Jasper.
May 16 - Betty Littlefield, Avalee Crockett, Leigh Ann Flores, Charlie, McClendon, Destiny
Kirkland. Samantha Krueger.

## Greer Receives Scholarship



Pamela Greer received a scholarship from the Pampa Center Foundation of $\$ 500$ for this Spring semester. She had also received a $\$ 500$ scholarship the past fall semester from the PCF. To be eligible for a PCF scholarship, a student must enroll in 12 or more semester hours and maintain a $\quad 2.5$ grade average a semester prior to application. The scholarships are financed through The Amarillo Area Foundation.
Pamela Greer was one of several students to be recognized by the faculty and administration for her accomplishments. Pamela was inducted into the Phi Theta Kappa on April 29 2001. Phi Theta Kappa is an international junior college honorary scholastic society. To be eligible for membership. students must achieve and maintain a 3.0 grade
point average for all courses taken. A faculty committee recommends students for membership on the basis of character, citizenship, and scholarship.

## ELECTION

Board. They are as follows: Mike Darsey with 200 votes, Toni Bohlar with 149 votes, and Joe Riley with 145 votes.

Congratulations to the winners and a big thanks to all who cared enough about McLean to run for public office.

## "Egyptian Allure" Junior-Senior Prom Held

McLean High School held their Junior-Senior Prom Friday May 4. The festivities were kicked off with a
banquet, and a formal banquet, and a formal
dance followed. The dance followed. The
theme this year was Egyptian Allure. There were black and gold streamers and accents accompanied by a lighted pyramid and other egyptian symbols. There was plenty of music and dancing. A fun time was had by all. Thanks to all of you who helped with the decorations, food, and chaperoning.

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## THANKS

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## Dear Citizens,

Thank you so much for the efforts and support given me in the recent city election.
I will work very hard with the mayor and other council members for the best interests of Mclean! Sincerely. LaVon Watson

## Obituaries

RUBY MAE ANDERS MCLEAN-Ruby Mae Anders, 77, died on Monday, May 7, 2001. Graveside services were held at 3:00 p.m. Wednesday at Hillcrest Cemetery. Glen Walton, minister, and Chris Ragle officiated.
Mrs. Anders was a member of the Church of Christ. She had lived in Shamrock for 60 years. Survivors include two daughters, Barbara Bradley of McLean and Jeanne Caho of St Louis; two sons, Lenny Smith
of Shamrock and Johnny Anders of Amarillo; a brother, Henry Steen of Truth and Consequences, NM; two sisters, Edna Woods of Amarillo and Nadine Fry of Ada, OK; 14 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.
The family suggest memorials be to Christ, Shamrock, TX 79079; or Crown of Texas Hospice, 1000 S . Jefferson St., Amarillo, TX 79101.

RITA GAYLE WELDON
PANHANDLE-Rita Gayle Weldon, age 59, died on Wednesday, May 2, 2001.
Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, May 5, 2001 at the Alanreed Cemetery in Alanreed, Texas. The Rev. Jim Bible officiated.
She was born on February 13, 1941. She is a native of Pampa, Texas She was a computer analyst.
She was preceded in death by her mother Adelaide Weldon and daughter Michelle Goddard.
She is survived by her father, Olin J. Weldon of Alanreed; two sisters, Peggy Hestilow of Borger and Beth Flowers of Panhandle: two grandchildren, Emily Goddard and Timothy Goddard both Oklahoma City, OK.
The family : suggest
memorials be made to Lupus Foundation, 3131 N. McArthur Blvd \#106B, Oklahoma City, OK 73122.

THOMAS E TROSTLE MCLEAN - Thomas E. Trostle, 87, died Tuesday, May 1, 2001.
Services were held on Thursday; May 3 in the United Methodist Church Unith the Rev. Thacker with the Rev. Thacker
Haynes, officiating Interment will be at a later date.
Mr . Trostle was born Feb. 8, 1914, in Shamrock. He married Inez Hamby in Memphis on May 17, 1947. He had worked for Fort Worth Tower Co., from which he retired.
Mr. Trostle was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Army with the 60th Signal Aviation Heavy Construction Battalion.

He was a member of the McLean United Methodist Church. He was preceded in death by a son, Quinn Easley.
Survivors include his wife; a son, Lonnie Easley of Skellytown; a brother, Robert B. Trostle of Shamrock; a sister Mary Ruth Snodgrass of Claude: threo grandchildren; eight greatgrandchildren; and nine great-great-grandchildren:
The family suggests memorials be to a favorite charity.

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## Letter To The Editor.. <br> Waffle Iron Cornbread Part Of Family Heritage

Dear Editor:
Our mother was always very innovative and still is! In the hot summer time instead of "lighting the oven" to make combread to to make combread to go with
fresh garden vegetables, fresh garden vegetables,
she would make it in the she would make it in the waffle iron. Crispy smothered with butter beans, or served with stew, it was special with now, years special, and now, years later--No matter what the season, a family favorite is still "Mother's Waffle Iron Cornbread!- The only difference now is that with 7 grandchildren and

5 great grandchildren she triples the recipe! MOTHER'S WAFFLE IRON CORNBREAD 1 c flour, 1 c . meal, 3.4 t. salt, 2 T. sugar, 4 t baking powder, 1 c . milk. 1 egg 2 T . melted fat. Bea egg together with milk. Add dry ingredients, mixing well. Stir in melted fat. Cook in pre-heated, lightly greastd waffle iron just as you would regular waffios.
(This memory makes me Enite! Thanks for opportunity to share it!) Cindy Walton

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## McLean's First Annual

The Pregnancy Support Center of Pampa would like to thank everyone who participated in the Walk for Life. It was a huge success. We have been amazed at what a community can do when everyone pulls together. We appreciate your support. We would like to recpgnize Emma Jean McDonald and Rhonda Sparling for collecting the most donations, and a specia thanks to Luann Mantooth for all the work she put into organizing this Walk. Hope to see you next year.


Mclean Elementary Jr. High Smidents of the Week Aprit 30 - May 4:Kindergarten Rocco Rodriguez: Ist Grade Jace McLain; 2nd Grade Timothy Jeffries; 3nd Grade Caleb Crawford; th Grade Suzanne Howand; Sth Grade Lucas Webb; 6ih Grade Brandon Phillips; 7ih Grade Nicholas Odom; 8ih Grade Nick Jones


Students Bring Mom To Breakfast

## More Science Fair Results

Amber Staton won Grand Champion for the third and fourth grade division of McLean ISD Science Fair and went on to win Grand Champion for the whole elementary. Her project was on the needs of plants.
Travis Fish won Grand Champion for the fifth and sixth grade division and won Reserve Grand Champion for the whole elementary. His project determined which antacid worked the fastest.

MCLEAN IS GEARING UP FOR 91ST CELEBRATION McLean is gearing up for it's 91st Annual Round-up and Roden to 16. Billy Billingsley with the help of Stock with the help of Stock suppliers Wayne and Kenneth Gleghorn, will head up the organization of the Rodeo, that was thought for a while to be doomed, due to lack of organizers.
"We still need a lot of help," said Billingsley. We plan to have a parade on Saturday at 10:30 a.m., but we still need people to help coordinate this to help coordinate this event. Books will open on the Monday prior to the rodeo and those interested in entering events should wateh for the announcement of who to contact. The event will be TRCA approved.

All general inquiries should be directed to Billy Billingsley at 1 . 806-779-8918.

## LAST FAMILY

 READING NIGHT The last Family Reading Night for the school year was held May 7th. A drawing was held and Becca Reyna and her family won a day of picnicking, fishing, and paddle boating provided by boating provided by Freida Hollations to Becca Congratulations to Beccaand her family. and her family.
Summe'f Family Reading Nights will begin the first week of June and will be on Monday nights from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Students must have a parent or responsible adult present to attend. Be sure and share the pleasure of reading with your child.


AMBER STATON
grandmothers, and aunts were present for the breakfast. Isn't it nice that our parents can be involved in the lives of our students and that our our students and that our
school welcomes their

> McLean ISD hosted "Bring Mom to Breakfast" Day May 8th. The students and mothers enjoyed a breakfast of sausage, eggs, toast, and fruit. Many mothers,



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## Pioneer Study Club Learns To Laugh

The Pioneer Study Club met Thursday, May 3 rd in the home of Name Webb. After touring the beautiful pige and rock home of the Webb's, everyone enjoyod delicious refreshments of raspberry tea, salsa relish dip and chips, cookie, and spice cake served by Mindy Reeves.
Members present wete Babe Brown, Jenty Corbin, Mary Dwyer. Margaret Grogan, Mickey Jackson, Wanda Lamb. Ruth Magee, Zelde McClelland,
Morgan, Beverly
Odony, Lynn Reeves, Mindy Reeves, Ella Mae Reyna, Ruth Trew, Nama Webb. and Mary Emma Woods and guest JoAnn Gray, Gray County Extension Agent.
Boverly
Odo on introduced guest speaken. JoAnn Gray from the extension office. JoAnt delighted everyone with her program of laughter The experience laughter can increase physical, mental and photional well-being emotional well-being, The benefits of laughtef can be documented when
we consider how laughtet
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Proverbs 17:22-A cheerful heart is a good medicine, but a downcast spinit dries up the bones. Next club meeting will be Thursday, May 17th at Lovett Memorial Library. Each member will bring an outdoor plant for the library. Pioneer Study Club has been given several trees for the library grounds. Wanda Lamb and Zelda McClellan, nominating committee, presented the following for new officers: president, Ruth Trew; vice president, Mickey Jackson; secretary-

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First Baptist Church 206 E. 1st Brian Quisenberry, Pastor 779-2175 Sunday School 94 . Worship $11 \mathrm{am} \& 7 \mathrm{pm}$ (Youth) \& Wed. Bible Study. Prayer Meeting 7 pm

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Pastor Thacker Hayrles 779-2049 \& 779-2337 Sunday School 9.45 an Worship $10.50 \mathrm{am} \& 6 \mathrm{pm}$ Sun. Sr. High Youth Alpha Chi 5 pm Wed Choir 700 pm

Heald United Methodist Church Kelle cille Road Sunday 9.15

Trinity Baptist Church 603 Commerce James Manfooth 779-3207 Sunday School 945 am Worship 11 am Sunday Evening Worship 7 pm
reporter, Jerry Corbin: treasurer, Nama Webb; and historian, Pat Stubbs. The motion was passed that these be accepted.
Mary Emma Woods and Ruth Magee asked to be honorary members starting in the fall of 2001 , after more than 60 years of than 60 years of active
membership in the membership in the ioneer Study Club.
Invitations to Author's Tea were read, along with thank you notes from seniors and McLean ISD.

## Care Center To Hold Mother's Day Party

Sunday activities began Andus. We will miss
for the residents with Sunday School with the Methodist Friendship Class. In the afternoon they attended Church services with the Reverend James Mantooth and congregation of the Trinity Baptist Church officiating.
Activities
are and were nail care and bingo Monday. Crafts and Dominoes on Tuesday. Wednesday morning wass
Reminiscence Circle. In Reminiscence Circle. In
the afternoon we played he afternoon we played
bingo. Thursday was beauty shop and dominoes. Friday was nail care time and dominoes.
We regret the loss of two of our residents, Polly Burnett and Ruby

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## Thank You

I would like to thank the voters in the McleahAlanreed area for their support in the recent School Board Election. Joe Riley ${ }^{*}$

Youngsters of Little League can survive under coaching a lot better than overcoaching.

## Area Museum Hosts 64 Visitors in April

By Dorthey McKee
Had 64 visitors for the month of April, from 14 different aptes and four from Switzerland and a from Switzerland and
couple from Canada.
Had Robert A. McLea
Had Robert A. McLean
in here from Ft. Worth-a
great grandson of WP.
McLean, that was a Judge, Lawyer, Pr. Commissioner, that the town was named after.
They were a cou
They were a couple from Wisconsin that said The McLean Alanreed Area Museum had a clothes pin, that the Smithsonian didn't have.

Enjoyed having the Daisy Girl Scout Troop 524. They were nice and polite bunch of girls. They were Kendra Richardson, Candace Shackelford, Cassondra Ingle, and Miranda McMordie. The Girl Scout leaders were Shawn Bybee and Judith Ingles and her son was with her. Roxie McMordie and her son was with the group.
We have one window display finished. Come by and see. Lavern Back and Ruth Magee did an excellent job.

Dear Mrs. Suggs,
As Editor of The Groom-McLean News. 9 hope you will accent my sincerest apology for somehow missing putting your profile in the paper. It's of little consolation now, but please know that it was a simple mistake and one that we deeply regret: If it makes you feel any better. 9 was told by more than one person. that you ran an excellent campaign and reached many people with your door to door carvassing $\checkmark$ am so sorry and embarrassed that this happened 7 hope you know that Mrs. Ouisenberry did her job by getting the information to me, but I somehow failed to get it in.
9 wish we had more time and a bigger staff to
double check more things that go in the paper. Again 5 am so sorry this happened and ask your forgiveness.

Donna Burton, Managing Editor
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## Voters Elect Kuehler, Friemel, Britten, Homer, Welch \& McLaughlin

Voter went to the polls last weekend with a fair ternout for local elections. 231 people voted in the Groom ISD school board election. Candidate Ron Kuehler received the most votes with 163. Mike Friemel tallied 114 and incumbent Cliff Britten, 112. These three men will be swom to office on Tuesday, May 8. Three other ballot. Jigger Britten had 98 votes, Carla Koetting 89 , and Lonny Brown 66.

Groom school board will be re-organized on Tuesday night, electing a new president, vice

## president, and secretary.

## Activities To Highlight <br> "May - Clean Up Month"

May is clean up month in the City of Groom. Residents will have access to the large item dumpster behind City Hall Monday through Friday from 8:30 - 4:30 daily.
The *Keep Groom Beautiful" program will be having a clean up day on May 12. They still can use volunteers to help if anyone is interested in doing a wonderful community service project. (This type of community service really looks good on those scholarship applications!) Please contact David Brown if you would like to help so that they will have an sccurate count and supplies.
The groups will meet at City Hall at 8:00 a.m. lunch will be provided For more information to volunteer or if you are a senior citizen and need
help femoving heavy items from your property give Lanna or David Brown a call at 248 7926 . If you are not able to help physically, but would like to do something to further their efforts, the group would happily accept donations for supplies and other miscellapeous expenses.
Also after you have cleaned out and sorted out those garages, storage buildings, and attics, get ready. for a City-Wide Garage Sale to be held on Saturday, June 2. Press feleases will be
sent out to area news media and classified ads will be available in this publication at a reduced price.
Grogm is a shining star in the crown of Texas, please help keep her looking like one by doing your part to clean up, and fix up!


#### Abstract

170 the City election to vote for mayor and 2 city councilmen. Joe Homer was reelect as mayor with 122 votes. In a very close alderman race with Chris Welch carning 88 votes and Forrest McLaughlin 87. The two winners will take their oath of office on Tuesday night. Incumbent Kenneth Weller received 77 votes and Rick Prather 69. The News would like to thank the candidates for their response to our request for profiles and for being willing to give the people of Groom and the area a choice in the democratic process.


Today is an important day for your safety and that of your pet. Today is the annual Rabies Vacination drive at the Groom Fire Hall from 2:30 to 7:00 p.m. Dr. Horne of the Gray county Vet Clinic will be

## Board Approves 2 Year Contract For Noack At \$63,000


#### Abstract

Groom School Board met in special session last week to finalize the hiring of Kevin Noack for the newly combined Superintendent

\section*{Principal's position.}

After a brief closed After a brief closed session, the board returned to the open meeting. A unanimous vote offered Kevin Noack at two year contract at a salary of $\$ 63,000$ per year; $\$ 300$ per month housing allowance and .30 per mile for school business related travel.


The change in the positions will save the district approximately $\$ 43,988$ per year. Although it is expected that some additional pay will be given to employees who will be taking on new
responsibilities in order to
make the new system work
"I plan on staying very involved with the students," said Noack in a later interview.
have good people around me that are knowledgeable and will help make the transition as smooth as possible."
as smooth as possible. effective June 1 .
effective June 1 .
In other business, the board met will Mr. Travis Trussell concerning the property at 3rd and Kirkman. He discussed a minimum price with the board on the property in question. The board will let bids on the 15 feet of property that Trussell needs to be in compliance with City Codes. The Board will request a minimum bid of $\$ 1,000$. A resolution was passed to offer the land for bids.

## is the annual Rabies Groom Fire Hall the 2:30 to 7:00 p-m Dr Horne of the Gray County Vet Clinic will be on hand to give local dogs and cats their dogs and vaccinations to

protect them from many
life threatening diseases life threatening diseases including rabies.

Rabies had been found in three animals this spring in the area. It is extremely important to have domestic animals vaccinated. This viral
disease is mainly spread in this area by raccoons and skunks. Even dogs and cats who rarely leave their own yards need to be vaccinated.
It is also important not to leave an invitation out See vaccination, pg 6

## COMMUNITY CALENDER

RETIREMENT Reception for Leatrice Nelson and Juanita Brown will be held from $2: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $4: 00$ from.

GROOM ISD Sports Banquet will be held on May 17th at 6:30 in the Groom School Cafeteria.

FRIDAY, MAY 11 is Child Care Provider Appreciation Day. In the Groom area Stacey's Child Care is licensed by the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services. Take time to let Stacy Ford know how much we appreciate her services.

GROOM'S CITY Wide Garage Sale will be on June 2.
PRESCHOOL STORY hour will now be held every Friday at 10:30 a.m.

GERMAINIA LOCAL Chapter 378 will have a special called meeting on may 15, 2001 at $7 ; 00$ p.m. for the purpose of electing a local chapter secretary. The meeting will be held at Brumley Insurance Agency located at 93 Broadway, Groom, Texas.
MOTHER'S DAY is on Sunday, May 13th. CHOWLINE IS meeting every Tuesday at noon in the Community Center.

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## Local Happenings

## Groom Birthdays

Anniversaries
May 10 - Susan Brown, Christopher Chaney, Robert Newton. May 11 - W.H Ollinger, Dwight Thompson.
May
May 12 - Mrs. Johnny Brooks. May 13 - Corkey Hickey, Mark Koetting, Mr and Mrs. John W. Thomas (A). May 14 - Nick and Renee Weinheimer (A). May 15 - Neysa Friemel, John and Terri Wilson (A), Rick \& Pam Davis (A).
May 16 - Ed Burk.
JR HIGH TENNIS Junior High Tennis teams recently competed for District. Magan Bivens won the girls singles competition. Malorie Homen placed 3rd.
Katy Britten and Ashley Jackson placed 4th in girls doubles. Gail Yelverton and Sharri Britten also competed in the contest.

Chance Barkley placed 4th in boys singles. Frank Leven was also in the competition.
In boys doubles Carter Wilson and Adam Britten placed 4th. Brandon

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COW POKES ${ }^{\circ}$
By Ace Reid

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Jenkins and Jeffery Rio were also competitors.

## SCHOOL MENU

 MAY 14-18Monday Breakfast: Cold cereal, muffins, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, brownies, milk.
Tuesday Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk. Lunch: Steak fingers, french fries, apricots, texas toast, milk.
Wednesday Breakfast: Breakfast burritoes, sausage, juice, milk. Lunch: Mexican pile on, corn, fruit cocktail, graham crackers, milk.
Thursday Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, milk. Lunch: Chili cheese dogs, tator tots, pickle spears, pears, milk.
Friday Breakfast: Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk. Lunch: Stuffed baked potatoes, shaved ham, cut broccoli with cheese sauce, hot sliced bread, sherbet, milk.

WATCH FOR GROOM DAY will students walking or riding be held this year on their bicycles to and August 4th. from school.
You Are Invited
To a Retirement Reception
Atonoring
Seatrice Melson EJ Guanita Brown
Wednsday, May, 16
2:30-4:00 p.m.

Vaccination Clinic
Thursday, May 10, 2001 Groom Fire Hall 2:30-7:00 pm

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Stapp Brothers Complete Graduate School

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\text { Chris Stapp is San Anfonio on May } 26,
$$ receiving a master of 2001 ．Shannon will hold Business Administration a degree as Doctor of degree on May 11， 2001 Dental Surgery．In from Regent University addition，Shannon has a in Virginia Beach，Bachelor of Science

Virginia．Chris and his degree from West Texas wife，Renter live in A\＆M．Shannon and his Amarillo and he works at wife，Shelby，currently the Celanese Plant in reside of San Antonio， Pampa．Chris also holds but will move to a Bachelor of Science Amarilld this summer degree in Environmental Shannor will be joining Engineering from Dr．Divid Duncan in Columbia Southern Amarilld to practice University and an dentistry． Associate of Science Chris and Shannon are degree in Hazardous the sons of Dale and Jo Waste Technology from Stapp of Groom．Their Amarillo College．grandparents are Ellis and Shannon Stapp is Roxie Stapp of Groom graduating from the and Robert and Geneva University of Texas Digby of Amarillo． Health Science Center in

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Saturday，May 19th at 7.30 pm
TAPS＇from Woodburn Oregon will present songs and stories of the Civil War

Tickets：$\$ 8.00$ adults $\$ 3.00$ children Call 226－5409 for reservations
Come See Our Selections In The Gift Shop：
（Left Above）Bob and Carolyn West Bob was recognized with a appreciation plaque for his years of service as the Easter Bunnry．Left Below）Sharlene Lewis received Alpha Mu
Xi＇s People Helping People Award at the Founder＇s Day Xi＇s People Helping People Award at the Founder＇s．Day
Banquet 2001 （Above）Barbara Homer is pictured accepting Banquet 2001．（Above）Barbara Homer is pictured accepting a gift for helping the Jucty Eabmon family after their home was destroyed be a fire．Barbara was also honored as Alpha
Mu Xi Sororiny＇s Woman of the Year．

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 Stacey＇s （回回 Child Carewill be accepting children for Registered Home Day Care for the summer DropIn＇s Accepted Call 248－7314

Shop Your Hometown Convenience Store
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Remember to fill up with Quality Texaco Fuel

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Twelve Scouts Brave The Wilderness

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handy Thomas Moraniec lended his expertise at th shooting and archery

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- any action taken by the district or apprasal revi adversely affected sou

Informal Review
For an informal revicu of th contact the Carson County Main or call X06-537-3569

Review by the Appraisal revi If you can't resolve your pro county appratsal district ( CA A casc heard by the appraisal ret

The ARB is an independent b problems with appraisals of of It has the power to order the e changes to selve problems for an ARB hearing (called a deadlenc, the ARB will set your recewe wntten notice of the hearing if necessan: you m. eveming Saturday or Surida mias ask to review the evic uphold thear determunation copy of the cvidence vou pla will be informal You or a do in petson to present exidenc coudence for the ARB to it (AD reprisintative will pt
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Review by the District Court
After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mat. If you re not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal to district court If. vou choose to go to court; wou must stan the process by ARB's order

## Tax Payment

It you appeal and your case is pending you must pas the lesser of the amount of taxes due on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute or the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which the appeal is taken.

Mere Information
You can get more information by contacting the Carson County Appraisal District at 102 S Main, PO Box 970 , Panhandle, TX, 79068 , or by calling 806-537-3569. You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district.

DEADLINE FOR FILING PROTESTS WITH THE ARB
Usual Deadline
On or beforc May 31 (or 30 dass after a notuce of appraised value was mailed to you, whechever is later?

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadlane for good cause. Good cause is some reason bevond your control, like à medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have cause

Late protests are due the day before the apprasal review board. approves records for the vear Contact your apprasal distnct for more information

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 "Thank You" to Kevin his traller We would also like to thank chartered organization The iState National Bank many hours of planning to accomplish a trip like this. The encouragement made this possible to this fine group of young your support of Bor
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Walker-Lambert To Wed

Mr and Mrs. Guy University in May with a Walker of Aspermont are Bachelor's of Science pleased to announce the Degree in Agribusiness. engagement of their The prospective daughter, Amanda Kay to bridegroom : graduated Gregory Tyson Lambert, from Groem High School son of Mr and Mrs and Amarillo College Greg Lambert of Groom. with an Associate Degree The bride-elect in Instrumentation He is graduated from employed- by American Aspermont High School Aspernon College with Clarendon College with an associate of Science Degree and will graduate


TIH/ANIKS
Congratulations to the winning candidates in
the school board and city elections
My sincerest thanks to all who supported me
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Edith Wade Passes Away After Short IIIness

TOM BALL, TX Edith Evelyp Wade passed away on May 4th at $10: 30$ p.m. at the Tom Ball Regional Hospital at 10:30 p.m. She was born on June 26, 1912 at Holline, N.M.
Mrs. Wade spent most of her life in Groom. She opened the first beauty shop in Groom and operated it for many years. She married Gene Wade on Nov. 171934. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Groom. Most of her life was spent running her business and carring for her family.

Survivors include her
daughter, Colvin Tuggle of Spring. TX and a son, Bob Wade of St. Petersblurg Florida; five grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.
Graveside services will be held in the Groom Cemetery on May 19 at 3:00 p.m. The family requests that any floral tributes be sent to the First
Be sent to the
Baptist
Church. Memorials should be to the penders favorite Words Of Wisdom Those who are slowest in making a promise often are the most faithful in keeping

Groom Yearbook Earns Bronze At State Competition

| Last year's yearbook, | Mentions. |
| :---: | :---: |
| he Tiger, won the | Ten of the awards |
| Bronze Star at the | went to Jodi Home, who |
| Interscholastic League | graduated last year. She |
| Press Conference last | had 5 first, 2 seconds, 1 |
| week in Austin. | third, and 2 Honorable |
| The theme of the yearbook was "August | Mentions. First places |
| and Everything After,* | were in General Interest |
| and it was organized | Spread, Open Category, |
| chronologically, | Sports Action Photo, |
| departure from the usual | Sports Feature Photo, and |
| format. | Academic Photo. She |
| The yearbook also | won second in Academic |
| Distinguished Merit | Photo and Student Life |
| rating, the highest that | Feature. Notice that she |
| the ILPC gives. | placed both first and |
| Allison Eatmon was | second in Academic |
| e editor of that book. | Photo because the staff is |
| In addition, the staff | allowed to enter two |
| so won 22 individual | ch category |
| awards-13 first place | She had third in Sports |
| medals, 4 second place | Action Photo and |
| medals, 2 third-place | Honorable Mention |
| medals, and 3 Honorable | Sports Feature Photo and |

Sports Feature Story.
Other first-place winners were Allison Eatmon, Brooke Britten, and Macie Britten in Theme Selection and Development, Allison in Acelemic Spread and Academic Spread and
Clubs/Organization Clubs/Organization
Feature Story, Candace Feature Story, Candace Bohr in Class Section Spread, Jessica Kepley in Clubs/Organization Spread, Josiah Scott in Sports Feature Story Brooke Britten in NonAcademic Photo, and the entire staff in Theme entire
Copy.
Other second places were Josiah in Sports Spread and Brooke in Non-Academic Photo. Macie Britten won third in Stedent Life Spread.

Allison was Honorable Mention in Academic Feature Story. Nazareth Feature Story. Nazareth
had 17 awards, Sudan, had 17 awards, Sudan,
15; Follett, 13; and 15; Follett, 13;
Masonic Home, 11.
Fort Worth Masonic Home and Trenton were the only other two schools who received the Distinguished Merit rating.


Carson County Sheriff's
Report
By Sheriff Gary Robertson

There were 10 persons booked into the Carson County Jail during the week of May 3 through May 6, 2001. Currently there are 12 person incarcerated in the jail and 14 additions prisoners being held in other jurisdictions. Since our recent encounter with the a hail, there have
been several roofing companies appearing. It is suggested that you only do business with a company you have dealt with in the past, have the company check out thoroughly, and have a contract that you can live with. Most reputable companies will do the job with needing "up front ${ }^{*}$ money.
Arrests made this
Weeki Smith 19, Perryton, Tx - Burglary of a Habitation.
Timothy Muanax, 19, Canyon, -Burglary of a habitation.

Cody Anglin, 19, Amarillo, Revocation of Probation.
Sarah O'Brian, 18, Canyon, - Burglary of a Habitation.
Kristen Carson, 18, Canyon - Burglary of a Habitation.
Bernadette Craine, 27, Amarillo - DPS Warrants - Traffic - DPS Warranto

John Mathis, 22, Amarillo - Revocation of Probation - Potter Co. Cecil Pinder, 23, Amarillo - Aggravated Theft - Patter Co
John Caraway, 20, Dumas - Driving While Intoxicated - 1st.
Gene Rogers, 39, Skellytown - Driving

## THANKS

My sincerest thanks to all whe supported me during the recent City of Groom Alderman race. I really appreciate your confidence in me.

Rick Prather

## Card of Thanks

Thank you to all who voted for me in the City Election. I will work hard for the advancement of our fair city and represent all the people of Groom to the best of my ability.

Forrest McLaughlin

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## Nobody Did!

As a child every time began to get smarter. I turned around, someone Suddenly the things she in the family was telling me how much like my mother I was. physical comparison, physical comparison,
which I could never see until recent years but most of the time it was when 1 was being stubborn or getting into trouble. I thought the comparison was
unfounded. Mom was just a mom. She didn't do interesting things. She just stayed home cooking, cleaning, and sewing. I planned to change the world somehow, She was so
disapproving of most of disapproving of most of
my adventures that I my adventures that
know she could never be like me or me her.

When I had been especially defiant, would take great pleasure in hearing someone tell was. She would look very uncomfortable as if my rebellions were a direct result of her gene pool.
As I grew up and out of the rebellious stage, the darndest thing began to happen. My mother
and finished in time for Christmas. Unfortunately efter they were washed for the first time, there were lots unfortunate seams that raveled and loose stitches that were vial to it's construction. Occasionally one of the girls would report (usually in front of a crowd) that they had found another straight pin that had somehow been stitched up inside.
Cooking was another thing that I never mastered. Mom's
cornbread dressing was legendary. Every holiday I would watch her make it. My job was to taste it and tell her what it needed. According to her, it was never quite as good as what grandma good as what grandma used to make. In later years as her health
deteriorated, I took over deteriorated, I took over
making all the other making all the other
stuff, but no matter how stuff, but no matter how sick she was she always dressing.
I could never put any kind of meal on the table without messing up something. One year at Faster I cooked the ham Easter, I cooked the ham with the inside wrapper on. A child who will remain nameless (Aimee Lyles) told her mother after eating supper at my house, that my gravy looked like cement. (And
it did.) I covered my failings with grin and grimace and comforted myself by saying "You're not at all like your mother."
Last Thanksgiving, after Mom was gone, I finally had to make the dressing all by myself. There were quite a few tears shed that were not caused from chopping caused from chopping onions. Every so often would ask her out loud to guide me... "Does this look like enough? ....
With a heavy heart, I finally put that meal on the table. Everyone said it was good and I will admit that no one got sick or anything.
sick or anything.
Later, my little brother, who now towers over me, put his hands on my shoulders and did something that he is not accustomed to doing. He looked me in the eye gave me a hug and said, The dressing was just like Mom's'
Stunned, I realized what a compliment it was to be "just like Mom. * Whether it was her cooking ability or her tenacity, to be compared to someone I truly admired was the greatest compliment I may eve get. I hope that my family continues to think
that I am just like my Mom.
Happy Mother's Day, Mom. I miss you and your dressing.


VACCINATION
for these pesky creatures, who may decide that city living is for them. Make sure that outbuildings and crawl space vents are secured and that there is not a place in which animals can get under them. This time of year, skunks and coons are usually looking for a place to have their young. If you find that you already have thing to do is leave them alone until the young are old enough to leave the nest with them. Watch nest with them. Watch
for the family to leave at
dusk and then bar their entrance back into the den. Never leave pet food out at night and make sure that trash containers and dumpsters are closed up as tight as possible.

Children should be warned against playing with or handling strange animals of any kind. Be sure to wash hands with soap and hot water after any contact with pets. Contact City Hall at 248-7929 or the local animal control officer, Donna Burton at 248 7453, if you see a suspicious skunk or raccoon during daylight hours. These nocturnal animals who venture out in the day without good reason should be approached with caution. It is more important than ever to confine your animals to your property. The City of Groom has a stringent leash laws for stringent leash laws for your protection and the protection of your pets. Violations will be taken very seriously with the emergence of this disease in our area. Any animal ticketed or picked up must provide proof the animal has had it's shots. Please take these Parnings seriously these your well being and that of your pet.


