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Robert and Alice Kuehler Presented Award

Robert and Alice Kuehler were presented a special award Wednesday at the awards ceremony for their accomplishment of raising and graduating twelve children from Groom High School. Five of their children have been valedictorian or salutatorian. All of the girls have a minimum of a bachelor's degree from college and many have continued their education past that. Ron is working on his bachelor's and Nick will begin college in the fall.

The Kuehler's began

graduating kids in 1972 with daughter Mary, followed by Martha, in 1974, who was valedictorian; Rose Ann in '75; Ruth, in '77, who was salutatorian; Margaret in '78; Karen, in '80, who was valedictorian; Beth in '81; Dorothy in '82; Robbie, in '86, who was salutatorian; Loreta in '87; Ron in '89; and Nick (the baby of the family), in '92, who is valedictorian.

The Kuehler's have been named "Parent of the Year at West Texas State University twice.

1992-93 Groom School Calendar Approved

In their regular meeting, Groom School Board members voted Dennis Babcock president of the school board. Don Lyles was voted vice-president and Adela Kotara, Secretary.

The board approved a contract with the Region XVI Education Service Center for services that are available on a local level. Those services include: curriculum and staff development, \$4,362.; finance and student computer service, \$3,000.; Chapter I consultant service, \$2,100.; Chapter II, \$1,300.; Drug free school/community, \$1,664.; gifted and talented consultant service, \$1,047.; leadership training, \$300.; media, \$220.; compensatory

service consulting, \$2,600.; support services, counseling, \$6,900.; librarian, \$5,750.; health, \$5,175.; and Chapter II math/science, \$600.

The board agreed to pay 1/3 of the cost of the Groom Summer Youth Program with the district share to be \$1,279.37.

Employment was offered to Zeldon Jenkins for summer maintenance projects. Also employment will be offered to certain students on an as needed basis.

The board unanimously agreed to allow use of some school facilities by a film company should they be requested.

The following school calendar was approved: See School, pg. 3

Awards Presented For Academic Achievement During Assembly

Groom School hosted their annual award ceremony last Wednesday. Superintendent Sweatt, flanked by most of the high school teachers, commended the students on a great academic year. He added a special thanks to principal Babcock and the staff for their efforts.

Judy Babcock started off the special recognitions by presenting awards to students with perfect attendance. Groom school has an average attendance of 97.7%. Students with perfect attendance are: in Kindergarten - Blake Howard; 1st grade - Brett Britten, Jill Britten, Doug Fields, and Amanda Conrad; 2nd grade - Garrett Britten, Ross Brooks, and Stacy Martinez; 3rd grade - Nicklous Anthony, Skye Brown, Greg Miller, Edie Slaton and Macie Britten; 4th grade - Evan Crowell; 5th grade - Sarah Britten; 6th grade - Tami Ashford; and 7th grade - Courtney Burgin, Justin Ritter, and Bryon Slaton. High School students who had perfect attendance are Kevin Brown, Krista Burgin and Matt Fields.

Jay Lamb introduced Student Council President Brian Baker who presented the citizen of the month awards. Citizen of the month for the respective months are: September, Daryl Homer; October, Brian Baker; November, Matt Fields; December, Karen Babcock; January, Nick Kuehler; February, Kristy Case; March, Bruce Britten; April, Jolee Burger; and May, Melinda Burgin.

"G" Awards were presented by various teachers for excellence, enthusiasm and love of the subject matter in each particular subject area. Junior High Awards were given to Sean Crowell in Science; Trisha Treadwell in Math and English; Harold Cave in Band and Byron Slaton in History. High School Students who received "G" Awards are: Agriculture, Brody Brown; History, Bruce Britten; Spanish, Kenzi Burger; Home Economics, Darcee Lyles; English, Jolee Burger; Art, Lesa Sweatt; Business, Daryl Homer; Brian Baker received "G: Awards in Math, Science and Computers; Ty Lambert in Band.

Mr. Burk presented several awards for FFA and Ag students. Nick Kuehler, president of the local FFA Chapter assisted in the presentation. Burk gave a brief summary of the activities of the different judging teams. The Senior Creed Speaking Team placed 2nd in district and 9th in regional. The Greenhand team placed 1st in district and 3rd in area. Individuals were recognized for excellence in the following areas: wildlife, Kevin Brown; outdoor recreation, Charlot Miller; ag mechanics, John Weinheimer; swine production, Bronte and Bart Britten; and beef production, Chy Phillips.

Brody Brown was awarded the Greenhand Chapter Star and the Public Speaking Award. Jolee Burger was presented the

Chapter Star Award.

Class favorites were also announced. They are: Freshman, Bart Britten and Roni Fields; Sophomore, Chy Phillips and Krista Burgin; Junior, Randy Johnson and Karen Babcock; Senior, Brian Baker and Brandi Sustaire.

All school favorites are Brian Baker and Kristy Case.

In addition to these awards students were recognized for participation in UIL events. (The newspaper covered them in recent articles so we will not include them here except to say that we are very proud of all the UIL's, from the youngest elementary competitor to our state winner, Melinda Burgin. We know how hard they all have worked.)

Jolee Burger was recognized as a winner of

the 1991 NCTE Achievement Award in writing. Each nominee submits a copy of their best writing. The names of the students who win this award are recommended to colleges for scholarships.

Jolee was also named a commended scholar in the TASSP Academic Excellence Awards program. This honor is awarded by the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals, judged on the following criteria, SAT or ACT test scores, overall academic grade point average, pursuit of advanced diploma and other evidence of exceptional academic ability. Each student is also asked to write a 300-500 word essay to submit with the application.

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Bands Perform Spring Concert; Britten, Burgin Crowned King, Queen

The audience who attended the Spring Band Concert received a treat last week as the entertainment was delightful. They were treated first to a recital of the state qualifying piano pieces played by Stanley Homer and Stacy Fields. Stanley will not be allowed to compete on the state level because he is not old enough, although the selection he played was to the degree of difficulty and performed in a manner to qualify him for state. Stacy will compete in the state contest in June.

Band Director, Jerry Crowell, introduced the 5th grade band. He stated that he was very proud of this group. As beginners they had done exceptionally well. They played two numbers "Space Cadet March" and "Premier March".

"The 6th grade band have come a long way this year," stated Crowell. "They practically started from scratch!" They played "Step Up March", "March of the Irish Guard", and "Doctor Dixieland".

Mr. Crowell "couldn't say enough" about the high school band.

"After receiving IV's and V's last year, they came back and got I's and II's this year," said Crowell

about the recent UIL Contest.

Performing several numbers, the audience enjoyed "Alamo" by Carl King; "Song for Winds", "SeaSong Trilogy" and "Majestica". The band paused while Mr. Crowell announced the band King

and Queen...Bronte Britten and Krista Burgin. Bronte presented a lovely bouquet of flowers to Miss Burgin. The band presented Mr. Crowell a money tree. They finished the concert with a fun piece of music called "Bobby Sox Saturday Night".

Community Calendar

EIGHTH GRADE Graduation is Friday night at 5:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.

LIFEGUARD CLASSES begin Saturday, May 23 at 10:00 a.m. in the swimming pool. Contact Donna Burton if you plan to attend.

GRANDVIEW-HOPKINS annual Community Barbecue will be Thursday, May 28 at noon. Please bring a covered dish.

TRACK MEET for elementary students K-6 on Friday, May 22 beginning at 12:45.

GET YOUR ADDRESS Book from any member of the Alpha Mu Xi Sorority. \$5.00 each.

HIGH SCHOOL Graduation is Friday, May 29th at 8:00 p.m.

SEMESTER TESTS will begin Monday and continue through Thursday. Check with students for individual schedules.

NIGHTIN' GALS will meet, Tuesday, May 26th at 7:00 p.m. in the home of Alice Britten.

2ND ANNUAL Groom Day Baseball Tournament, June 26, 27, 28. Contact Danny Britten or David Britten 248-7386, 359-1998.

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ALPHA MU XI MEETS

Alpha Mu Xi Sorority met Friday, May 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the home of Debbie Anthony. Everyone enjoyed a meal served by Debbie and the other pledges, Cindy Babcock, Beverly Stephens, Belinda Britten and Jan Britten.

New officers for the coming year are: President - Judy Eatmon; Vice President - Barbara Homer; Recording Secretary - Beverly Stephens; Corresponding Secretary - Cindy Babcock; Treasurer - Debbie Anthony; and Reporter - Jan Britten. The ladies discussed their plans for Groom Day and then planned a very

"exciting" BYOB party for Saturday, May 23 at 9:30 a.m. (Bring your own BRUSH to paint the sealer on the boards for the bleachers at the baseball park!) Then everyone enjoyed revealing Secret Sisters and the gift exchange. The door prize was won by Beverly Stephens.

Those attending were Donna Crump, Belinda Britten, Judy Eatmon, Barbara Homer, Nancy Patterson, Beverly Stephens, Tammy Bivens, Jo Ann Baker, Debbie Anthony, Laura Britten, Cindy Babcock, Marcia Davis, Linda Babcock, and Jan Britten.

GROOM BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

May 21 - Barney Davis, Johnny Brooks, Tom N. Britten, Ruth Payton.

May 22 - Shirley Jean Fields.

May 23 - Charles A. Britten, Ray C. Britten.

May 24 - Dale Brooks, Rev. Richard Neyer.

May 25 - Sharlene Lewis.

May 26 - R. J. Kempf.

May 27 - Mrs. A. W. Knorpp, Patti McLaughlin, Mr. and Mrs. E.N.(Bud) Babcock (A), Mr. and Mrs. Luther Painter (A), Mr. and Mrs. Rick Prather (A).

William and Floretta Neal of Amarillo and Bertha Knight, returned Friday evening from a trip to Fayetteville and Prairie Grove, Arkansas where they visited relatives. On Sunday they attended an annual "Cousin's Reunion" at Tahlequah, Okla. with cousins from Detroit, Mich., Oklahoma, Arkansas and Texas. They visited in Durant, Okla. for two days, then went to Dallas, where they visited in the home of the Neal's son, Leon and Joanita Neal. While there they visited in Waxahachie, with friends in Palestine, in Elkhart with Mr. James Coffman, a former pastor of Groom First Baptist Church and daughter Janet, and with Rev. and Mrs. Eddie Hogan at Crockett, Texas.

Glyn and Faye Pugh of Forysthe, Montana visited relatives and attended the Heald reunion May 3rd.

Sadie Estelle Hudson

Sadie Estelle Hudson, 93, of Amarillo died Friday, May 15, 1992.

Services were at 3 p.m. Monday in Robertson Chapel of Memories in Clarendon with the Rev. John W. Mourer, retired Methodist minister from Amarillo, officiating. Burial was in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon by Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Mrs. Hudson, born in Winston County, Miss., had been a resident of Goodnight before moving to Amarillo in 1958. She married Neely Franklin Hudson in 1925 at Clarendon. He died in 1987. Mrs. Hudson was a homemaker and a member of Pleasant Valley United Methodist Church in Amarillo. She also was preceded in death by her daughter, Margie Hudson, in 1926.

Survivors include a son, A.D. Hudson of Amarillo; a sister, Bertie Helton of Groom; a brother, Roy Stewart of White Deer; three grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Citizens Cemetery or to a favorite charity.

Marie Rogers

Marie Rogers, 92, died Wednesday, May 13, 1992.

Services were in First Baptist Church of Groom with Don Larkin officiating. Burial was in Groom Cemetery by Schooler-Gordon-Blackburn Shaw Memorial Chapel of Amarillo.

Mrs. Rogers had lived in Groom from 1919 until 1988, when she moved to Irving. She married Charlie L. Rogers in 1919 at Lincoln, Neb. He died in 1963. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Groom. She was a cook for 40 years.

Survivors include a son, Charles L. Rogers of Surfside Beach, S.C.; a daughter, Estelene Heathington of Irving; two sisters, Margaret Weller of Rantoul Ill. and Caroline Becker of Plainville, Kan.; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Marie Rogers wishes to thank all the kind folks of Groom for their deeds and consideration in the loss of our Mother.

It was nice to see old friends and acquaintances. Thank you, Charlie Rogers, Estelene Heathington and grandchildren

Local Happenings

GROOM COUNTRY NEIGHBORS OUTING

Members and guests of the Groom Country Neighbors toured the Old Mobeetie Jail Museum in Mobeetie Thursday, May 14.

After lunch in a local cafe, the group visited the graves of some notorious outlaws in the cemetery as Emolea London, former resident of the area, told the tale of their hanging by a lynch mob.

Those participating in the days' activities were: Alice Kuehler, Wynona Koetting, Theresa Wills, Sybil Harrell and Emolea London, members and their guests, Stella Patterson, Lucille Merrick and Betty Black.

The next meeting will be in September with Mamie Ritter as hostess.

Allen Hagburg, a lay speaker from First United Methodist Church in Borger, supplied the pulpit of the local United Methodist Church Sunday morning. Mrs. Hagburg sang several numbers.

GROOM SCHOOL MENU

May 25 - Breakfast: Cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Burritos, w/chili and cheese, corn, picante sauce, tortilla pieces, apple cobbler, milk.

May 26 - Breakfast: Pancakes, almond butter, syrup, juice, milk. Lunch: Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls, jello, milk.


May 27 - Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, hash browns, juice, milk. Lunch: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, cheese and pickle appetizers, salad, pizza bread, applesauce, milk.

May 28 - Breakfast: Biscuits, bacon, gravy, juice, milk. Lunch: Pita pocket sandwiches, w/shaved ham and grated cheese, pork & beans, pickle spears, shredded lettuce, brownies, milk.

OOPS.....

In a recent birth announcement for Ramsye Jaims Thornton, daughter of Brent and Amber, R.B. Thornton, great-grandfather and Sybilla Koetting, great-grandmother were inadvertently left off. Sorry for the mix up.


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1992 School Calendar

Aug. 21 - Teacher-in-service; Aug. 24 - First day of School; Aug. 31, holiday; Nov. 26 & 27, holiday; Dec. 21 - Jan 1, holiday; Jan. 14 - teacher-work-day; Feb. 19-23, holiday; Apr. 9, holiday; April 12, holiday; School will end on May 27th.

Mr. Sweatt was authorized to purchase a maintenance vehicle not to exceed \$7,500.00.

In final action the Academic Excellence Indicator Performance Objectives were accepted.



Hayworth - West Wed

Krystal Hayworth and Russel Wade West were married Friday evening at The Wedding Chapel. The Rev. Bryson Binion officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B.J. Hayworth of Clarendon. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Robert West of Groom.

The bride received an

associate of arts degree in general business from Clarendon Junior College in Clarendon. She received a bachelor of business administration degree in general business from West Texas State University. She works for Avis in Amarillo.

The groom received an associate of science degree in pre-pharmacy from Clarendon Junior College. He received a bachelor of science degree in chemistry and biology from WT. He works for ISII in Amarillo.

After a honeymoon cruise they will live in Amarillo.

Awards

awarded the University Interscholastic League Scholar Award.

The purpose of the award is to honor those students whose academic and extracurricular achievements have been exemplary, and whose self discipline in preparation and integrity in competition are a model to others.

Nick Kuehler, Jolee Burger and Bruce Britten were awarded the 1991-92 Presidential Academic Fitness Award.

"Winners of the Presidential Academic Fitness award exemplify a commitment to learning... role models for the next

generation of students...plain hard work, coupled with a positive attitude, can lead to academic achievement and to personal pride in a job well done," stated President George Bush in his letter to Groom winners.

Nick, Jolee, and Bruce were recognized as the top three high ranking individuals of their class.

Mr. and Mrs. Kuehler were recognized as special parents for their accomplishment of graduating their 12th child from Groom High School. (See more about this in a separate story in this week's edition of the Groom News).

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Carson County Sheriff's Report

During the week of May 11, 1992 Carson County Sheriff's Department deputies investigated one incident of dog bite in Groom in which the dog was found to have current shots and tags, but was quarantined for observation.

Deputies investigated a suspicious person parked near the east gate of Pantex and, in a separate incident, deputies investigated an apparent attempt to derail a train on the railroad tracks between Pantex and U.S. Highway 60. Witnesses

observed one male and one female parked near the tracks and walking around the area. Deputies and Pantex Security Inspectors found materials placed on both sets of tracks which were apparently intended to cause a derailment or

disruption of the railroad service. The Santa Fe Railroad Police are also investigating the matter.

Deputies were involved in several motorist assists on U.S. 60 and I-40 and various reports of suspicious person throughout the

county were investigated. Deputies are currently looking into a report of child abuse or neglect in the Fritch area.

An Amarillo man was arrested for Public Intoxication near Conway after deputies received a

report of a suspicious vehicle in the area. The Carson County Jail is currently housing three subjects for burglary, one for violation of parole, one for traffic charges and one for service of time on a DWI conviction.



Groom High School



Class of 1992

Nicklaus Laurence Kuehler



A "positive attitude" is what helps Nick Kuehler get by...will generate hard work, patience, and maturity needed to succeed through high school and later life. With a positive attitude you will conquer and rise above your previous limitations."

Nick is the 1992 Valedictorian with a GPA of 96.2 and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kuehler. Nick plans on majoring in Agricultural Engineering at WTSU. A member of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, he has been active in CYO, serving as president for two years.

He played football for 4 years and basketball for 3 years. He was named all

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Jolee McKenna Burger



Jolee McKenna Burger, daughter of Ken and Holly Burger, is salutatorian of her class with a GPA of 95.7. She plans to attend Texas A & M to pursue a degree in English and/or Psychology. She is a member of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Pampa.

Jolee qualified for state in keyboarding, editorial, piano solo and readywriting as a UIL participant. She was a member of the JETS team that won 2nd in state two years in a row as well as yearbook editor as a senior.

Athletics is an important part of Jolee's life as well as her other activities. Captain of the basketball team this year she qualified as an all district player and qualified

See Burger, pg. 7

Dean & Donna Burger Ralph & Joyce Hutsell

Brandi Michelle Sustaire

Brandi Sustaire plans to attend South Plains Nursing School in Levelland. The daughter of Randy and Janelle Sustaire she is secretary/treasurer of CYO, at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

Brandi has been a member of FHA for four years. She was reporter for three years, 1st vice-president one year and received the Girl of the Year Award. She represented her sophomore class as a member of the student council.

She was recently voted Senior Class Favorite. She was a member of the pep squad for four years. Brandi served as secretary/treasurer of her junior class, and has

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Matthew Brian Baker

"My advice to students entering high school is to do your own thing! All brilliant ideas, theories, and thoughts have come from people whom were regarded as "different" or "strange". No matter how small or dumb you feel, your place becomes more and more clear throughout your high school years."

Matthew Brian Baker, the son of Jesse and Jo Ann Baker attended Lefors ISD and Grandview-Hopkins ISD before coming to Groom in the 7th grade. He plans to attend Texas Tech University with an ultimate goal of becoming a radiologist.

Brian is a member of CYO and the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

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Stop N Shop

Richard Bruce Britten



Bruce, the son of Sharon and Gary Britten feels that his family has had the greatest influence on his life.

"They have pushed me to be the best that I can be...my family has shown me that hard work and effort will be rewarded."

A CYO member for four years, Bruce has been secretary and vice president. He is also a member of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

Playing four years of football Bruce has chalked up a considerable number of honors. He was captain one year, honorable mention all district quarterback one year, 2nd team all district quarterback one year, all

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Daniel Allen Terbush



"I'll remember the special relationship that exists between the members of our class. We always stayed close and pulled each other through even the worst of times." said Daniel Terbush. He is the son of Bill and Bonnie Peters and plans to attend college in the future. This Baptist Youth has been a member of FFA for three years, and is employed by Groom ISD. Fishing, volleyball and camping are his favorite leisure activities.

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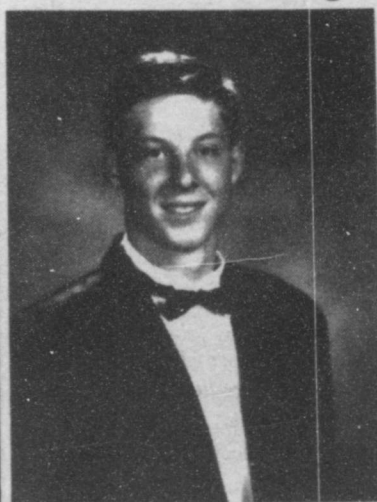
South Plains College is on the horizon for Lesa Sweatt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sweatt. She plans to transfer to Texas Tech after two years to study fashion merchandising. As a member of the United Methodist Youth, she serves as secretary for that organization.

Influence plays an important part of the growth and development of young people. Lesa stated, "My dad has been the greatest influence on me throughout my junior high and high school years. He has always been there beside me to support me in everything I do and to give me encouragement. I hope that in my future years I can be the same kind of respectable person that he is."

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Pav's Service

Daryl Homer



A very wise Daryl Homer said, "Students entering high school need to make friends and enjoy it while it lasts. High school years are the easiest you are going to face for the rest of your life, and you might as well have fun while you can."

The son of Joe and Barbara Homer, he plans to attend Amarillo College and later transfer to Texas Tech. This athletic young Catholic was All District for 3 years in football and Honorable Mention 1 year and All District one year in basketball. He was also in track and band 1 year.

Daryl was in FFA 4 years and a student council representative 1 year.

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Groom Grocery

Daniel Kirk Webb

Water skiing and golf are the favorite pastimes of the son of Don and Josephine Webb. Kirk plans to attend Oklahoma Christian University.

He played running back and defensive end in football for the Tigers and wing and post in his four year basketball career.

Kirk has been a member of FFA for four years serving as sentinel three of those years. He also participated in UIL prose for two years.

"When I look back on my high school years, I will remember my friends most of all. We did a lot of things we probably shouldn't have but at least we had fun doing them!"



Groom Church of Christ

Kristy Dawn Case

Kristy Dawn Case, the daughter of Don and Karen Case plans to attend WTSU and major in General Business. A member of the United Methodist Church of Groom, she has been a member of the United Methodist Youth for several years.

Kristy was drum major in the band for two years. She has been in FHA for 4 years serving as historian for one year. She represented her class in the student council for one year.

Homecoming queen, all school favorite and tiger spirit are some of the honors her fellow students have bestowed on her. She also was elected by the Daughters of The American Revolution, represented Groom

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Best Wishes From The Groom News



Back - Lonnie White, Bobby Holloway, Bobby Stephens, Wendy Brooks, Kristy Case, Jenni Wortham, Jeremy Brown, Martin Diaz, Nick Kuehler, Jolee Burger, Daniel Terbush, Rusty Alltop. Front - Lesa Sweatt, Kathy Alltop, Bruce Britten, Karen (last name unknown), Brandi Sustaire, Daryl Homer, Kirk Webb, Jimmy Dale Kingston.

The Board of Trustees and Administrative Staff cordially invite you to attend the closing exercises of
GROOM HIGH SCHOOL
Commencement

Friday, May 29, 1992 8:00 P.M.

- Processional Leslie Crowell
- Invocation Father Richard Neyer
- Special Music Melanie Britten
- Presentation Service Pins Dennis Babcock
- Presentation Of Awards Judy Babcock
- Salutatory Address Jolee Burger
- Slide Presentation Jolee Burger
- Presentation of Class Gift Brian Baker
- Valedictory Address Nick Kuehler
- Presentation of Candidates Kenneth Sweatt
- Presentation of Diplomas
..... President, Board Of Trustees
and Administration
- School Song Audience
- Benediction Rev. Mark Metzger
- Recessional Leslie Crowell

Lesa DeAnn Sweatt

Lesa has played basketball throughout her high school career. She was named all district four years and will be playing an all star game in Wichita Falls this summer. In track she was a regional qualifier and a 6-man state qualifier in the 400 meter relay and the mile relay. She was awarded the MVP in tennis and qualified for regional doubles for two years.

A member of FHA for 4 years, she served as historian for one year. She represented her class for one year on the student council.

Lesa was elected homecoming queen candidate for four years, cheerleader three years and Miss Valentine one year. She is the Lion's Club Sweetheart and represents them in other pageants.

She was a regional qualifier in poetry for three years.

In her spare time she enjoys playing basketball, swimming, and playing tennis. She also works at the Groom Swimming Pool as a lifeguard.

Matthew Brian Baker

Playing quarterback, running back and safety, he was all district two years in football during his four years of high school football. In his four year basketball career, Brian was all district two years and runner up one year. He is a member of the 6-man all state academic basketball and football team. In track he participated in many running events. He placed 1st in district in the 110 meter hurdles. In tennis he held the 1st place district title in boys doubles.

Leadership comes naturally to Brian. He served as student council president for two years, was a member of band one year, a member of FFA 2 years. He was selected as all school favorite two years, class favorite, one year, FHA Dough Boy one year, and FHA Beau one year.

In scholastic competition he has been very active. In informative speaking he placed 2nd in district, in Physics he placed 2nd in district, in headline writing he placed 4th in district. A member of the JETS Team for two years, he placed 1st in physics and 2nd in chemistry as well as being a team member

on the 2nd in state team.

When Brian has free time he likes collecting marbles and listening to radio ... Real Loud!

Kristy Dawn Case

in the Carson County Pageant and is the recipient of the Masonic Lodge Scholarship.

Kristy participated in UIL events; keyboarding and prose. Her big love, however, is sports and the special memories they invoke. "I'll remember the preparation before the games and the excitement of going on to the court," she stated.

Playing four years of basketball, she was named all district three years, honorable mention one year, captain one year, six-man all star team, all state team one year and recently was named the Fighting Tigerette. She also excelled in track. She was a regional qualifier in the shot put two years and the discus one year and the 400 meter relay one year. Kristy was a state qualifier in shot put. In tennis she qualified for regional two years.

Jolee McKenna Burger

throw for two consecutive years. Jolee is an accomplished leader. She served as president of her class for two years, band president one year, FHA president, class favorite, all school favorite, band queen, FFA sweetheart and girl of the year. She likes to play the piano and write in her spare time.

She would most like to "be like Bobby Hawthorne (journalist) because he has such an incredible sense of humor."

Daryl Homer

Excelling in UIL he placed 1st at district and 5th at regional in accounting. In computers he placed 4th in district. Also on the second place state JETS team, he placed 1st in computers in this competition.

In his spare time he works for his dad, Joe on the family farm.

Nicklaus Laurence Kuehler

district honorable mention this year in basketball. He participated in track 1 year.

Nick served as vice president of the band 1 year and was elected band king one year. He

was president of FFA for 2 years, FHA doughboy and class favorite one year.

In UIL events he has excelled at science, competing 4 years. He was a regional qualifier 3 years, placing 1st in biology two years. Nick was also on the Jets team for 2 years placing 2nd in State both times.

For pleasure, he enjoys golfing and goofing. He also works for his father on the family farm.

Brandi Michelle Sustaire

been on the yearbook staff for three years serving as editor her senior year. "When I look back at my high school years, I remember the closeness of our class. We all got along great. We worked well together which made it fun. With only ten people we had to work well together. I think it brought us closer together," states Brandi.

Richard Bruce Britten

district linebacker two years and the 6-man all state academic team. In basketball he was honorable mention all district one year, 2nd team all district one year, captain one year and 6 man all state academic team one year.

He was voted MVP in track and was a regional qualifier in the 800 meter, as well as the 1600 meter relay. He was also voted MVP in tennis. He played doubles and won 3rd in district for three years. Bruce was recently awarded the Fighting Tiger Award.

He received the John Phillip Sousa Award in band.

In FFA he was a member of the land judging team, as well as, sentinel and secretary. Bruce served on the student council as a class representative for three years and as secretary as one year.

Voted class favorite in 1991, he was also active in UIL events. He qualified for regional in current event two years and won district in science for three years. As a member of the JETS Team one year, the team placed 2nd in state.

In his spare time he likes to hunt, fish and play golf. He plans to go to WTSU.

Happenings Brent Thornton recently graduated from Southwestern Oklahoma State at Weatherford, Oklahoma.

Local Happenings

The Panhandle-Plains Section of the American Chemical Society recognized outstanding Panhandle educators and their students during their annual spring awards banquet Saturday at the Lake Tanglewood Restaurant/Clubhouse.

The organization promotes chemistry and chemical education in the nation and the world.

Clifton Britten, Groom, was recognized as an outstanding freshman from Amarillo College.

The Senior class members and sponsors were honored with a Mexican luncheon at the Church of Christ fellowship hall on May 11th.

The Mexican theme was carried out in decorations. Also colored balloons bearing the inscription "Class of '92" were displayed.

Mexican "pile-up" with all the trimmings, beans, chips

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and brownies were served to the follow seniors: Brian Baker, Bruce Britten, Jolee Burger, Kristy Case, Daryl Homer, Nick Kuehler, Brandi Sustaire, Lesa Sweatt, Daniel Terbush and Kirk Webb.

Sponsors attending were Miss Debbie Addy, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Lance, Mrs. Judy Babcock, Mr. Kenneth Sweatt, and also, Kent and Donna Watson.



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(Ephesians 6:10-17) is as important for successful Christian living as using the right sports equipment is for excelling in sports. There will be plenty of good times for all kids.

Grades K-5 can plan now to be a part of this year's Very Exciting Bible School May 31, June 1,2,3. For more information call First Baptist Church 248-7941.

LIBRARY NEWS

"Jewels" by Danielle Steel is currently being circulated by the Groom Library.

The Library Friends purchased the book from funds raised at the used book sales.

Patrons may get their names on the "request book list" by calling 248-7353 or by dropping by Monday through Friday 1:30 to 5:30 p.m.

The two previous Danielle Steel books were "No Greater Love" and "Heartbeat" currently circulating in Groom.

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Junked Vehicle Owners To Get Letter From City

The City Council of McLean met in regular session Thursday, May 7, 1992 in the City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Haynes at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Wayne Bybee, Harold Smith, Martha Jo Bailey, Joe Billingsley and Sam Haynes. Also present were Aldermen elect Mary Dwyer and Sid Lands.

Others present: Fred Smith, Allen Mixon, Stella Lee, Jane Herndon, and

Rick Harris.

The meeting was opened with an invocation by the Mayor.

Minutes of the April meeting were read and approved.

Motion by Bailey, second by Bybee to send letters, concerning violation of junk car ordinance #160, as soon as possible. Vote Unanimous.

Motion by Bybee, second by Billingsley, all present voting in favor of the motion, to allow 30 days to

remove junk vehicles instead of 10 days as stated in Ordinance #160. Vote Unanimous.

Discussion was held concerning the number of blind corners in City. Council asked Superintendent Smith to contact Deputy Lynn Holland and work with the Deputy on clearing up the blind corners.

The Council proceeded to canvass results of the 1992 election and upon motion by Smith, second by

Billingsley, all present voting in favor of the motion the following resolution was adopted:

"There came to be considered the returns of an election held on the 2nd day of May 1992, for the purpose of electing the hereinafter named officials, and it appearing from said returns, duly and legally made, that there were cast at said election 170 valid and legal votes; that each of the candidates in said election received the following votes: For Alderman: Mary Dwyer 134; Wayne Bybee 131; Sidney Lands 111; Virginia Rawlins 101.

That said election was duly called; that notices of said election was given in accordance with law; and that said election was held in accordance with law; and that Mary Dwyer, Wayne Bybee and Sidney Lands were duly elected aldermen and that the foregoing parties are hereby declared duly elected to said respective offices, subject to the taking of their oaths and filling bond as provided by Laws of the State of Texas."

Oath of Office was administered to Mary Dwyer, Wayne Bybee and Sidney Lands as alderman.

Action concerning the American Disability Act was tabled until June meeting.

Mrs. Jane Herndon appeared before council to explain liability insurance renewal cost. Motion by Bybee, second by Lands to accept insurance as presented. All present voting in favor of motion.

Motion by Smith, Second by Billingsley, to set City wide Clean-up Week for June 8th thru 12th, 1992. Vote Unanimous.

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Board Elects New Officers Accepts Resignations

McLean School Board elected officers last week. President is James Hefley, Vice President is Jake Hess, and Secretary is Billie Ward.

Board training sessions were discussed.

Resignations were accepted from Jerry Don Cook, Linda Cook, Kurt Moser and Jan Moser.

Student transfers were approved.

Several repairs about the school were discussed. Childer's Brothers will level

See School Board, pg. 13

Reception Tonight Honoring Owners Of McLean Cattle Co

The City of McLean along with area residents and business people will gather tonight to welcome new members of the business community to

McLean. The Get Acquainted Reception will be held at the McLean's Lion's Club Building at 6:00 p.m. tonight, May 21.

The City Council sponsored event will welcome new owners and

manager of the McLean Cattle Company as well as a new staff member of B&B Turbine.

Jay O'Brien, Teel, Mark and Tom Bivins, all of Amarillo; Joe Hathoot, Allen Webb. L.H. Webb and family; Margaret Wright and Jack Watson of the Canadian Feedyard group will be guests of honor, as well as Gary Jackson, the latest addition to the staff at B&B Turbine.



Grade School Has Day Out . . .

Friday, May 8th, there were many happy faces at grade school. This is a time of year when the grade school gets to participate in all kinds of sports. From pre-school through 6th grade. If you missed this activity you missed a lot of smiling faces and fun by all.

Due to fertilizing the football field and track which usually are used, they moved to the playground

and park. The street on the west side of the grade school was blocked off by a bus at each end for the childrens safety.

Family and friends came with picnic lunches and some brought quilts to sit on. The weather was beautiful.

The morning activity was held on the playground and after lunch they moved to the park.

Reminders

THE ELEMENTARY School Kindergarten graduation will be held May 21st at 9:30 a.m. in the High School Auditorium.

McLEAN HIGH School Awards Assembly will be held May 21st at 12:50 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. School will dismiss at 1:30 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL Graduation will be held Friday night, May 22nd at 8:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church in McLean.

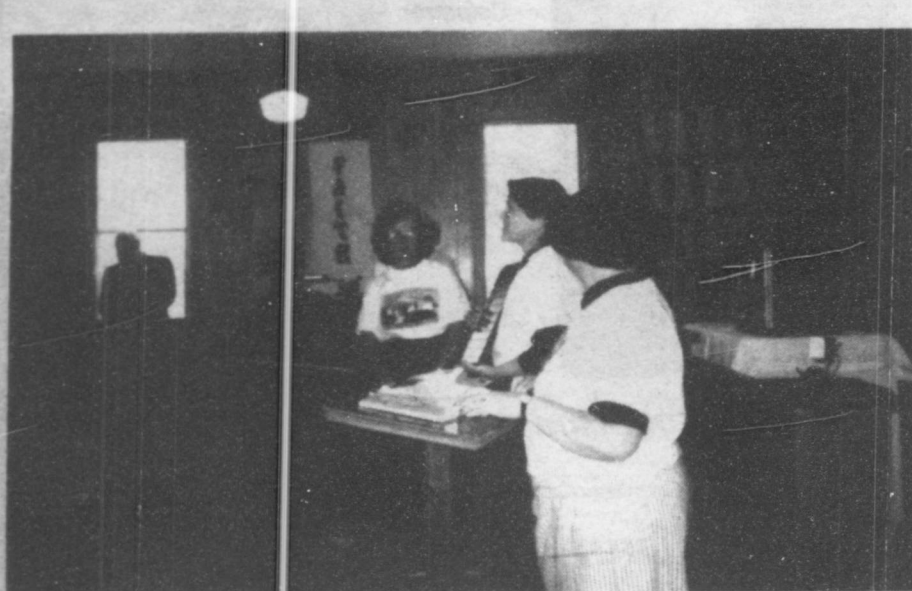
8TH GRADE Graduation will be held at the United Methodist Church in McLean at 8:00 p.m. on May 21st.

McLEAN CITY Council will host a reception tonight welcoming the new owners of McLean Cattle Company at the Lion's Club Building at 6:00 p.m., May 21.

VFW & AUXILIARY Members will meet at the cemetery Sat. May 23 at 7:00 a.m. to put out flags and poppies. All members are urged to be there.

VFW AUXILIARY invites all local veterans and their wives to a spaghetti supper Sat., May 30th at 6:30 p.m. at the post home. This is our way of honoring the men who defended our country during times of stress and conflict.

NEW HOURS for the Devil's Rope Museum are: Tuesday-Saturday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, Sunday 1:00 to 4:00 pm.



HEALD COMMUNITY CELEBRATES 89TH ANNIVERSARY

Heald United Methodist and Community celebrated their 89th anniversary Sunday, May 3, 1992 with a covered dish luncheon followed by dedication of Heald Fellowship Hall by Rev. Jill Wiley and a program of singing, with Philip Jones as pianist, plus a skit presented by Stanley and LaNora Ryan of Magic City, depicting Clem and Maudean going fishing on a Sunday morning.

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McLean High School

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The Class of 1992

Misty Dawn Riley



Misty Riley is the 1992 McLean High School Valedictorian with a grade point average of 94.332. She is the 18 year old daughter of Bill and Shelia Riley and attends the United Methodist Church.

Misty is a member of the National Honor Society, Who's Who Among American High School Students, and Who's Who in Sports. She has been awarded the Daughters of the American Revolution good citizen award and Best All Around by the faculty. Misty has participated in volleyball, basketball, golf, FFA, FHA, One-Act-Play, and Drill Team.

See Riley, pg. 16

Country Corner

Marilyn Michelle Young

Missy Young, daughter of Anna and Mike Young, plans "to go to college and be successful!"

The Baptist youth has been a member of the band for 2 years, involved in journalism for 3 years and a member of the student council 2 years. Missy has been editor of the newspaper and the yearbook, secretary of the Senior Class and was voted "Miss M.H.S.", "Most Popular" and school mascot, all in 1992. She competed in the U.I.L. events of Oratory Writing, in which she placed 6th; and Prose Reading.

*Named in "Who's Who Among
See Young, pg. 16*



Magee Ranch

Ethan Clay McCracken

This employee of the Hambright cabinet shop plans to pursue a career in Electronics. Ethan Clay McCracken, the son of Roger and Janet McCracken, plans to attend the Phoenix Institute of Technology. A member of the First Baptist Church, Ethan has been in band for 2 years, FFA for 3 years and Student Council 1 year.

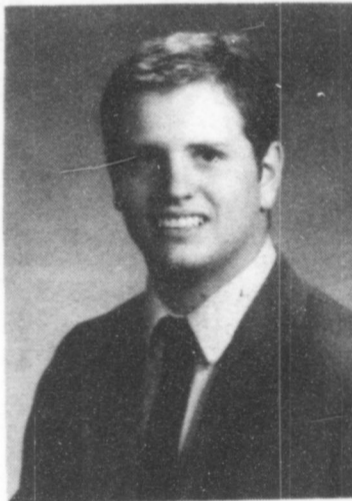
As a freshman, he served as secretary and as a junior, president. He was named Most Courteous in '89, '90, and '91. As a participant in UIL, he was

See McCracken, pg. 16



Jasper Roofing

Brandon Colpetzer



Son of Venice Wright, Brandon Colpetzer is planning to become a firefighter. He is now helping with firefighting and is studying for his EMT license.

Brandon works for Lowel Hill at the present time.

He attends the First Baptist Church.

Robinson Meat Company

Caesar Looney



One of McLean's top athletes, Caesar Looney has truly excelled in sports. As all district, all state defensive end and center, he finished the four years of his football career. He also played two years of basketball as a post.

Track was also a favorite sport as he participated in the shot, 100 meter relay, and the 100 meter dash.

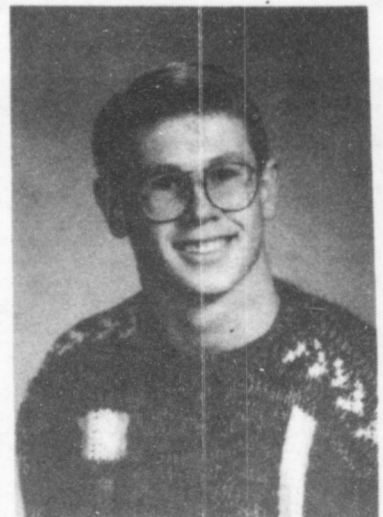
The grandson of Pauline Wolford, Caesar enjoys music, girls and friends in his spare time. His advice to someone entering high school is "get to work".

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Daniel Harris

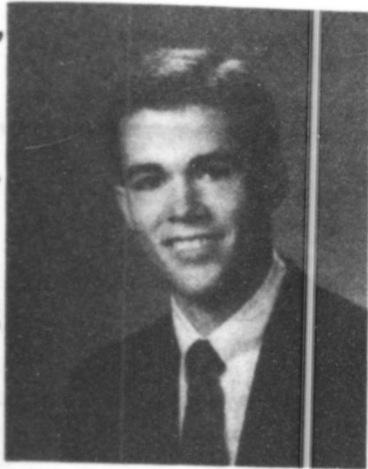
Daniel, son of Frank and Rhonda Sparling, has had a very busy high school career. He played Tiger Football, Basketball, Tennis and ran Track for four years. He was selected 1st team all-district linebacker for 2 years, 2nd team all state linebacker, 2 years, 1st team all-district running back 1 year and was selected to the all star game at Midwestern University, and was on the Globe News Super Team in football. In basketball Daniel was 1st team all-district as guard for 1 year and was selected to the all star game this summer at Wichita

See Harris, pg. 16



Taylor Food Mart

David Truitt Johnson



David Johnson is the son of Sam and Jan Haynes and after graduation plans to attend college.

David is a member of the United Methodist Church of McLean and belongs to the "Walk To Emmaus".

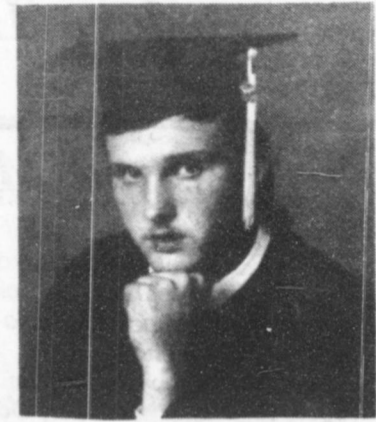
He has attended school in Pampa and will graduate from McLean High School.

He has played basketball for four years and was selected to the all tournament team in Hayes, Kansas for two years; all district, 2 years; Globe News Super Team, 1 year; honorable mention all

See Johnson, pg. 16

Lamb-Ferguson Flower Shop

Granville Lee Sanders



Son of Don and Evelyn Sanders, Tuffy has been very active in sports for McLean High School during his high school years. As a Sophomore Tuffy was all district punter, all Panhandle punter, 4th in state punter, 1st in state kicker in football for the McLean Tigers. In his junior year Tuffy was all district first team punter and kicker, all Panhandle first team punter and kicker, first team all state kicker. He was Super Team punter and kicker as a senior and all star alternate, all state first team kicker, all Panhandle first team punter and kicker, first team

See Sanders, pg. 12

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Lee Erin Elizabeth Marie Stubbs

Lee Erin Stubbs will graduate with her classmates from McLean High School and plans to go on to college.

She is a member of the Church of Christ and is the daughter of Robert and Rebecca Stubbs.

Lee Erin participated in the Tiger Pride Band for two years. She was a member of FHA for one year and FFA for one year.

She works with her Dad and is looking forward to new things in the future.



B & B Electric

Christopher Chance Littlefield



Chris Littlefield is the son of Dennis and Linda Meador. A lifelong student of McLean Schools, he plans to attend South Plains College after graduation.

This Baptist youth works as a horse trainer. He has been in FFA for four years, serving as reporter for two of those years. Chris has won awards for his FFA projects.

Alberta's Beauty Shop

James Tanner Hess



Tanner Hess plans to attend South Plains College for a year then transfer to Texas Tech in Lubbock. Tanner, a Methodist, is the son of Ida Wilson and Jake Hess.

Tanner has played football, basketball, tennis and has been in track for four years. He was first team all-district his Junior and Senior years in football. He was elected most improved football player and won the Fighting Heart Award his Junior year. He played wing on the Tigers basketball team. In track Tanner was a regional qualifier in the 100 hurdles and the mile relay his junior year. As a senior

See Hess, pg. 16

C & H Supply

Heidi Lynn Syfrett

Heidi Syfrett plans to go to McMurry after graduation and is going into pre-medical school. She says Dr. Robert Galutia has had the greatest influence on her life because he's the kind of doctor she would like to be.

Heidi is the daughter of Jack and Linda Syfrett and attends the McLean United Methodist Church where she is a member of the UMYF.

Heidi enjoyed track in high school and participated for two years. She ran the 100 and the 200 meter events. She was a Tiger Band member for one year and a member of FHA for one year.

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Taylor Food Mart



Katherine Alaine Wyatt

Voted Harvest Queen in 1992 Kathy Wyatt has future plans to work with photography. She may possibly go to college in Glenwood Springs, Colorado. She attended school at Chamann Junior High and Clayton New Mexico Elementary before finishing at McLean High School.

Her parents are Butch and Elaine Wyatt. She attends the First Baptist Church.

Kathy was voted Most courteous in 1991 and 1992 at McLean High School. She was a member of the Drill Team and

See Wyatt, pg. 16

McLean Care Center



Brandy Kay Melton

Brandy Melton, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. O.C. Shelton, plans to attend Frank Phillips College for a year, then transfer to West Texas State University to complete her education.

Brandy played basketball for the Lady Tigers for 4 years at the post position. She was voted most valuable player and All-District her Junior year. She played tennis for one year and was a member of the FHA for a year. She was a member of the Student Council of McLean High School for two year.

She was voted Most Witty as a

See Melton, pg. 16

Puckett's Grocery



The only limit to our realization of tomorrow will be our doubts of today. Let us move forward with strong and active faith. . . .

Crystal Michelle Roberts

Crystal Roberts will graduate with the other members of her class from McLean High School and also attended Leuzinger High School.

She is the daughter of Catherine Roberts and says her sister, Doodle, has had a great influence on her life because "she was always there for me when I needed someone."

Her advice to students entering high school is "don't skip class."

Crystal's best memories of high school are of her friends Becky and Kari. When asked who she would most like to

See Roberts, pg. 16

Hess Ranch



Destry Zac Magee

Destry Magee, son of Joe and Kay Magee plans to attend South Plains College after graduation.

Destry says he will remember his four years of football the most in the future. He played running back and linebacker on the Tiger Team and was awarded the all district end and linebacker. He was All Panhandle offensive end.

Destry played basketball as point guard for two years. He was a regional qualifier in the sprint relay, the 400 meter dash and the mile relay in track. He was a trackster for four years.

See Magee, pg. 16

Simpson Agency



Jason Shane Thomas

Jason Thomas plans to become a registered nurse in the future. He was voted Most Witty in '91 and Most Handsome in '92 of McLean High School.

Jason attend school in Pampa at Woodrow Wilson Elementary for part of his education.

He is the son of Bill and Tina Thomas and a member of the United Methodist Church of McLean.

Jason was quarterback and left end for the McLean Tiger Football team and played for the Tigers for four years.

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Bank Of Commerce



Juliana Ruth Crockett

Juliana Crockett has always attended McLean School and will graduate with her classmates. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Crockett. Juliana plans to attend San Marcus and get a degree in child physical therapy.

She is a member of the MYF and attends the United Methodist Church where she has won attendance awards.

Her best memories of McLean High School will be her friends and all the things they did together. She loves shopping and being with her friends. She

See Crockett, pg. 16

Kirk Automotive



Charlie Marie

Shurley Elected President of Route 66

At the Texas State Convention of Route 66 Association on May 9th, the following officers were elected for the year 1992-1993: Charlie Marie Shurley, president; Dick Bode, vice president; Jane Herndon, secretary.

If anyone has a suggestion they would like to offer call any of the above officers.

Mr. and Mrs. Fairbanks of Toronto, Canada were traveling old Route 66 and just happened to make the convention. He is affiliated with a radio station in Toronto and was calling in line reports every two days about his experiences on 66. He was so impressed with our museum and McLean it would have been very interesting to hear his report.

Saturday, May 23rd we are expecting a large group to visit the Devil's Rope Museum. We invite all to come and welcome this group.

Alanreed

The James Armbristers and Nora Dragoo visited the Virgil Larue's in Lovelady last week.

R.L. Leeder made a trip to Pampa this week.

Ruby Dorsey and Jay were in Amarillo last week where Jay was hospitalized.

The R.D. McLains visited the Marshall Hanes east of McLean on Mother's Day.

Virginia Dalton and Lena Carter were in Amarillo on Saturday where they visited the Jim Bruces' and the W.W. Barkers. Mrs. Barker was just home from Northwest Texas Hospital after undergoing major surgery last week.

Mrs. Dalton and Willie Mae Carter of Bentonville, Ark. left Sunday for Rotan where sister-in-law Neva Carter was to undergo major surgery on Monday.

Visiting the R.L. Leeders and at First Baptist Church was daughter Sharon and family from Clarendon.

Visiting Lena Carter on Sunday was Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Corbin and a friend from Pampa.

The R.D. McLains and Tammy Hanes were in Pampa on Saturday.

Shawn Bruce of Pampa spent the weekend here with grandparents the Robert Bruces.

Bill and Denva Tidwell were in Childress over the weekend.

TWENTIETH CENTURY STUDY CLUB MEETS

The Twentieth Century Study Club met May 14th in the home of Clifflie Heasley for their final meeting of the year. Avalee Crockett was co-hostess.

The meeting was opened by the President Lena Carter and the club collect was repeated led by Avalee. Minutes were read by Rose Hall and approved. Plans for the field trip was discussed and site selected. It was a motion that the club dues be raised so we could cover our Christmas expenses. Passed. Rough draft of next year's book was read and approved. Roll call was "An Impressive Bird I've Seen" and was answered by Laverne Brooks, Lena Carter, Avalee Crockett, Laura Edleman, Rose Hall, Clifflie Heasley, Safrona Pettit, Ada Simmons and Clifflie's sister Nell. Clifflie gave a short

program on birds, and refreshments of crackers, chips and dips, nuts, candy, angel food cake, ice cream, coffee, and spiced apple juice was served by the hostess. All will meet at the Lena Carter home the 4th of June to start their field day.

Absent was Mary Groves and Loree Barker.

Granville Lee Sanders

defensive end, second team running back and all district first team punter and kicker.

In basketball Tuffy played four years and was all district his senior year.

Tuffy was voted Most Handsome the freshman and sophomore year. He was the president of the sophomore class and also the student council representative of his sophomore class.

His future plans are to go to Minnesota and work with his brother this summer and return and enroll in Southwest Oklahoma State University in the fall.

Favorite hobbies are hunting and fishing.

The Senior Class

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gym floor for \$3,624. Air Con representative discussed options for replacing the boiler in the high school. This item was tabled for further study.

The new principal Charles Callum was appointed textbook custodian.

Summer camp was approved for drum major and twirlers.

Contracts were approved with region 16 service center.

Purchase of a "Brush Hog" was discussed and tabled at this time.

A new policy was invoked that states, students who have not passed the math portion of the TAAS Test will be required to take the "Problem Solving Strategies" Course.

After executive session the following bus drivers

were hired: Frank Sparring, Joe Billingsley, Rhonda Sparring, Doyle Lee, Ernest Foshee and John Griffin will be alternate.

New principal Charles Callum will be allowed to employ his own secretary. The school will soon advertise to fill custodial positions.

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Motion by Bybee, second by Billingsley, to purchase John Deere Riding Lawn Tractor at a cost of \$3750.00. **Vote Unanimous.**

No estimates were received for building ramps for disabled. This item

tabled for June meeting. Applications for summer jobs were reviewed. Council will wait to hear from PRPC on the Summer Youth Program before hiring anyone. Motion by Billingsley, second by Dwyer to pay the current bills, **Vote Unanimous.**

PIONEER STUDY CLUB HAS MEETING

The Pioneer Study Club met Thursday, May 7th at Lovett Memorial Library.

Bonnie Nell Fabian introduced our guest speaker, Betty Lamb. Mrs. Lamb brought a sample of her beautiful doll collection. She also gave a step by step explanation of the process of making dolls and explained the complicated procedures of putting them together and dressing them so each doll takes on their individual personality.

June Close was hostess and served sandwiches, nuts, meringue tarts and punch from a beautiful table covered by an antique lace cloth. Individual tables were set with crystal for each guest.

Special guests were Irma Hester of Burkburnett, Texas, a former club member, Fern Boyd, Joan Andrews, and Betty Lamb.

OBITUARY


Hazel Effie Smith

Hazel Effie Smith, 73, died Thursday, May 14, 1992. Graveside services were Saturday in Hillcrest

Cemetery with the Rev. Buell Wells, retired Baptist pastor, officiating. Arrangements are by Lamb-Ferguson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Smith was born in Clay County and was an Amarillo resident for many years. She recently moved to McLean. She was a member of First Baptist Church and the Order of the Eastern Star in Shamrock.

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Oda Reed is in the hospital in Wheeler, we wish him a speedy recovery.

The residents attended Sunday school in the

morning, their leaders were Maebelle Nash, Troy and Jerry Corbin, Inez Trostle and Ella Mae Massey who sang and played the piano for them. In the afternoon Sister Jill Wiley, pastor of the Methodist church was

here to conduct services.

Residents playing bingo Monday afternoon were Bob Massey, Annie Eudey, Ellen Jordan, Dick and Mattie Wheeler, Leon

Burch, Thelma Hopkins, Eula Morrow, Bertha Smith, Nora Moore, Teresa Richardson, Clyde Trusty and Lorena Bailey.

Bananas were furnished by the Lions club.

Tuesday afternoon Lena Carter and Brenda Maclain were here to assist the residents in dominos, those playing were Teresa Richardson, Eula Morrow, Leon Burch, Dick Wheeler

and Imogene King.

Wednesday morning a resident council meeting was conducted by president Eula Morrow, Secretary Doris Reborn took the minutes. Residents attending were Clyde Trusty, Lucille Cullison, Bob Massey, Polly Burnett, Ellen Jordan, Leon Burch, Dick and Mattie Wheeler, Adelle Walker, Teresa Richardson, Lula Sheegog, Annie Eudey and

Lorena Bailey. In the afternoon the residents enjoyed an ice-cream social given by members of the Methodist Wesley Sunday school class. Ladies serving were Isabella Cousins and Fern Boyd. Ruth Magee was here to play the piano for them.

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We encourage everyone to come to the Lions Club Building at 6:00 p.m., tonight, May 21 for McLean's reception in meeting and welcoming these fine people to McLean.

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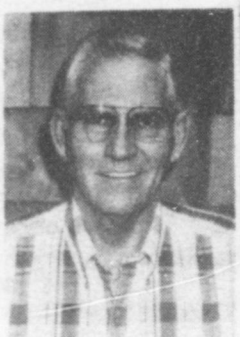
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- the value placed on your property
- any exemptions that may apply to you
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- the local governments which should be taxing your property
- any action taken by the appraisal district that adversely affected you.

Informal Review

If you wish to have an informal review of your property with our staff, please contact our office at 537-3569 or come by 102 Main St., Panhandle, Texas 79068.

Review by the Appraisal Review Board
If you can't resolve your problem informally with the appraisal district staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board (ARB).

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the appraisal district to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You'll receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. The hearing will be informal. You and the appraisal district representative will be asked to present evidence about your case. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office at 102 Main St., Panhandle, Texas 79068.

Note: You shouldn't try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they haven't talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

District Court

After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal to district court. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 45 days of the date you receive the ARB's order. If the appraisal district has appraised your property at \$1,000,000 or more, you must file a notice of appeal with the chief appraiser within 15 days of the date you receive the ARB's order.

More information

You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at Carson County Appraisal District, 102 Main Street, Panhandle. You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district of from the State Comptroller's Property Tax Division at 4301 Westbank Drive, Building B, Suite 100, Austin, Texas 78746-6565.

Deadline for Filing Protests with the ARB*

Usual Deadline

On or before May 31 (or 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later).

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

Late protests are due the day before the appraisal review board approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more information.

Special Deadlines

For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

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If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually February 1). The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

* The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or holiday.

Seniors Con't

Marilyn Michelle Young

American High School Students and a member of the National Honor Society, her favorite past time is shopping.

When asked what she would remember most about her high school years, she stated "I think I will remember how new teachers were treated when they arrived and how there was a bad problem with favoritism and pettiness."

James Tanner Hess

he was a regional qualifier in the mile relay. He has played doubles in tennis for all his high school career.

Tanner was in the band one year and a member of

FFA for 4 years where he held the office of Sentinel. He served as a member of the Student Council for two years.

Tanner enjoys working for his Dad and says that Jesus has had the greatest influence on his life.

Asked what he will remember most of his high school years he said he would remember football the most.

Heidi Lynn Syfrett

She served as the treasurer for the National Honor Society and was a member for two years.

Heidi joined the McLean Drill Team for two years. She was voted Most Likely to Succeed in 1992.

"Be in as much as you

can, but work hard on school work, too," says Heidi to her friends. She will remember the football seasons as a highlight of her high school years.

Heidi works at the Texas Restaurant and loves spending time with family and friends and says her Mom is who she would most like to be like because she "never gives up, no matter what."

Katherine Elaine Wyatt

was in FHA for one year. She was in journalism for three years.

Her most unforgettable event in high school was the Senior Trip to Red River with all her friends. She likes to write letters and being with her friends and family.

Crystal Michelle Roberts

be like she said "nobody, I'm happy with myself." She enjoys spending time with her friend Mike.

Crystal was a member of the band one year and the Travel Club for one year. She was chosen Homecoming Queen and voted Most Witty for the 91-92 school year. She enjoyed being a member of the Flag Squad and the Drill Team. She is a member of the First Baptist Church choir.

Destry Zac Magee

Destry was a member of the FFA for four years and was the treasurer.

He was voted Most Popular of McLean High School.

Destry goes to the United Methodist Church.

He works with his Dad and is looking forward to the future in college.

Jason Shane Thomas

He also was an outstanding member of the Tiger Basketball team for four years. He played shooting guard and post and was voted first team all district his Junior and Senior years. Jason played tennis for four years in the doubles matches and won second in District and went to Regional. He placed first in District Singles and also went to Regional. Jason was a member of the Tiger Band for four years and made a 1 in solo ensemble all four years. He was a member of FFA for four

Jason enjoys fishing, skiing, playing basketball and being with Becki after he finishes his work at the McLean Care Center.

When asked who has had the greatest influence on your life and why? his answer is "I would have to say that my parents have had the greatest influence on my life. When I was younger I came from a family where my dad would get drunk and had a problem of beating my mom nearly every night I can remember. Then, what was my aunt and uncle, who is now my Mom and Dad, came along and adopted me and have taken me under their wings and have really done a great job raising me and showing me that someone can care about you and can show you that you are special. I can't thank them enough for all that they have given and done for me but I will say this, when I have kids to raise I hope I can be half of the parent that they were to me.

Thank you, Jason Thomas."

Misty Dawn Riley

She participated in UIL Typing, Accounting and Current Events. Misty was voted Most Beautiful of McLean High School, FFA Sweetheart, Harvest Queen and was the 1992 Miss McLean. She was also the Lions Club Sweetheart.

Misty's plans for the future include attending college at West Texas State University and later going on to Texas A&M University to major in pre-law or accounting.

She has special memories of how everyone in school had an influence on her life.

She enjoys horseback riding in her leisure moments.

Brandy Kay Melton

Junior and was the Miss McLean High School Senior year. Brandy is the president of the 1992 Senior Class.

She has participated in the UIL Event of Accounting for one year.

Brandy played volleyball for two years and was selected All-District both

years. She was a member of the National Honor Society for one year.

Being a fun loving teenager she likes listening to music, being with her friends and family and playing sports.

Daniel Harris

Falls, Midwestern University. In track he was a regional qualifier in pole vault 1 year, in the sprint relay for 2 years and in the mile relay for 3 years. He was District singles champion and was a regional qualifier for 2 years in tennis. He was also District Doubles Champion and a regional qualifier in tennis for 1 year.

Daniel was President of Student Council and a member for three years. He was elected Most Popular of McLean High School his Junior year and Mr. McLean High School runner-up his Senior year. He was also Most Spirited in 1992.

He works for Larry Franklin of Pampa and for his Dad. In his leisure time he likes water and snow skiing.

"Two people have greatly influenced my life," says Daniel. "They are my mother and my grandmother. They taught me right and wrong and to be *courteous to people and of course Jesus Christ.*"

Ethan Clay McCracken

acknowledged as "High Individual" in current events. A member of the Roadrunner Car Club his favorite leisure activities are drag racing and fishing.

David Truitt Johnson state, 1 year; International Team to South America; and the Golden Spread all-star game. David also won the 3 point contest in the all star game.

He enjoys fishing and hunting and is self employed.

His best memories of high school are of his two years of playing in the state basketball tournament.

The person he would most like to be like is Jesus and he feels that Jesus has had the greatest influence on his life because he is the perfect person.

His advice to young students coming into high school is "keep your grades reasonably high."

Juliana Ruth Crockett

Juliana would advise students entering high school "to grasp every bit of education that they possibly can and go for their goals."

She says her dad has had the greatest influence on her life.

Anniversary

Rev. James Merrell and wife, Edna, from Abilene were present. Rev. Merrell was pastor of Heald-McLean in the late 1970's.

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Robert and Alice Kuehler Presented Award

Robert and Alice Kuehler were presented a special award Wednesday at the awards ceremony for their accomplishment of raising and graduating twelve children from Groom High School. Five of their children have been valedictorian or salutatorian. All of the girls have a minimum of a bachelor's degree from college and many have continued their education past that. Ron is working on his bachelor's and Nick will begin college in the fall.

The Kuehler's began

graduating kids in 1972 with daughter Mary, followed by Martha, in 1974, who was valedictorian; Rose Ann in '75; Ruth, in '77, who was salutatorian; Margaret in '78; Karen, in '80, who was valedictorian; Beth in '81; Dorothy in '82; Robbie, in '86, who was salutatorian; Loretta in '87; Ron in '89; and Nick (the baby of the family), in '92, who is valedictorian.

The Kuehler's have been named "Parent of the Year" at West Texas State University twice.

1992-93 Groom School Calendar Approved

In their regular meeting, Groom School Board members voted Dennis Babcock president of the school board. Don Lyles was voted vice-president and Adela Kotara, Secretary.

The board approved a contract with the Region XVI Education Service Center for services that are available on a local level. Those services include: curriculum and staff development, \$4,362.; finance and student computer service, \$3,000.; Chapter I consultant service, \$2,100.; Chapter II, \$1,300.; Drug free school/community, \$1,664.; gifted and talented consultant service, \$1,047.; leadership training, \$300.; media, \$220.; compensatory

service consulting, \$2,600.; support services, counseling, \$6,900.; librarian, \$5,750.; health, \$5,175.; and Chapter II math/science, \$600.

The board agreed to pay 1/3 of the cost of the Groom Summer Youth Program with the district share to be \$1,279.37.

Employment was offered to Zeldon Jenkins for summer maintenance projects. Also employment will be offered to certain students on an as needed basis.

The board unanimously agreed to allow use of some school facilities by a film company should they be requested.

The following school calendar was approved:

See School, pg. 3

Awards Presented For Academic Achievement During Assembly

Groom School hosted their annual award ceremony last Wednesday. Superintendent Sweatt, flanked by most of the high school teachers, commended the students on a great academic year. He added a special thanks to principal Babcock and the staff for their efforts.

Judy Babcock started off the special recognitions by presenting awards to students with perfect attendance. Groom school has an average attendance of 97.7%. Students with perfect attendance are: in Kindergarten - Blake Howard; 1st grade - Brett Britten, Jill Britten, Doug Fields, and Amanda Conrad; 2nd grade - Garrett Britten, Ross Brooks, and Stacy Martinez; 3rd grade - Nicklous Anthony, Skye Brown, Greg Miller, Paul Slaton and Macie Britten;

4th grade - Evan Crowell; 5th grade - Sarah Britten; 6th grade - Tami Ashford; and 7th grade - Courtney Burgin, Justin Ritter, and Bryon Slaton. High School students who had perfect attendance are Kevin Brown, Krista Burgin and Matt Fields.

Jay Lamb introduced Student Council President Brian Baker who presented the citizen of the month awards. Citizen of the month for the respective months are: September, Daryl Homer; October, Brian Baker; November, Matt Fields; December, Karen Babcock; January, Nick Kuehler; February, Kristy Case; March, Bruce Britten; April, Jolee Burger; and May, Melinda Burgin.

"G" Awards were presented by various teachers for excellence, enthusiasm and love of the subject matter in each particular subject area. Junior High Awards were given to Sean Crowell in Science; Trisha Treadwell in Math and English; Harold Cave in Band and Byron Slaton in History. High School Students who received "G" Awards are: Agriculture, Brody Brown; History, Bruce Britten, Spanish, Kenzi Burger; Home Economics, Darcee Lyles; English, Jolee Burger; Art, Lesa Sweatt; Business, Daryl Homer; Brian Baker received "G" Awards in Math, Science and Computers; Ty Lambert in Band.

Mr. Burk presented several awards for FFA and Ag students. Nick Kuehler, president of the local FFA Chapter assisted in the presentation. Burk gave a brief summary of the activities of the different judging teams. The Senior Creed Speaking Team placed 2nd in district and 9th in regional. The Greenhand team placed 1st in district and 3rd in area. Individuals were recognized for excellence in the following areas: wildlife, Kevin Brown; outdoor recreation, Charlot Miller; ag mechanics, John Weinheimer; swine production, Bronte and Bart Britten; and beef production, Chy Phillips.

Brody Brown was awarded the Greenhand Chapter Star and the Public Speaking Award. Tommy Jenkins was presented the

Chapter Star Award.

Class favorites were also announced. They are: Freshman, Bart Britten and Roni Fields; Scphomore, Chy Phillips and Krista Burgin; Junior, Randy Johnson and Karen Babcock; Senior, Brian Baker and Brandi Sustaire.

All school favorites are Brian Baker and Kristy Case.

In addition to these awards students were recognized for participation in UIL events. (The newspaper covered them in recent articles so we will not include them here except to say that we are very proud of all the UIL's, from the youngest elementary competitor to our state winner, Melinda Burgin. We know how hard they all have worked.)

Jolee Burger was recognized as a winner of

the 1991 NCTE Achievement Award in writing. Each nominee submits a copy of their best writing. The names of the students who win this award are recommended to colleges for scholarships.

Jolee was also named a commended scholar in the TASSP Academic Excellence Awards program. This honor is awarded by the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals, judged on the following criteria, SAT or ACT test scores, overall academic grade point average, pursuit of advanced diploma and other evidence of exceptional academic ability. Each student is also asked to write a 300-500 word essay to submit with the application.

See Awards, pg. 3

Bands Perform Spring Concert; Britten, Burgin Crowned King, Queen

The audience who attended the Spring Band Concert received a treat last week as the entertainment was delightful. They were treated first to a recital of the state qualifying piano pieces played by Stanley Homer and Stacy Fields. Stanley will not be allowed to compete on the state level because he is not old enough, although the selection he played was to the degree of difficulty and performed in a manner to qualify him for state. Stacy will compete in the state contest in June.

Band Director, Jerry Crowell, introduced the 5th grade band. He stated that he was very proud of this group. As beginners they had done exceptionally well. They played two numbers "Space Cadet March" and "Premier March".

"The 6th grade band have come a long way this year," stated Crowell. "They practically started from scratch!" They played "Step Up March", "March of the Irish Guard", and "Doctor Dixieland".

Mr. Crowell "couldn't say enough" about the high school band.

"After receiving IV's and V's last year, they came back and got I's and II's this year," said Crowell

about the recent UIL Contest.

Performing several numbers, the audience enjoyed "Alamo" by Carl King; "Song for Winds", SeaSong Trilogy" and "Majestica". The band paused while Mr. Crowell announced the band King

and Queen...Bronte Britten and Krista Burgin. Bronte presented a lovely bouquet of flowers to Miss Burgin. The band presented Mr. Crowell a money tree. They finished the concert with a fun piece of music called "Bobby Sox Saturday Night".

Community Calendar

EIGHTH GRADE Graduation is Friday night at 5:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.

LIFEGUARD CLASSES begin Saturday, May 23 at 10:00 a.m. in the swimming pool. Contact Donna Burton if you plan to attend.

GRANDVIEW-HOPKINS annual Community Barbecue will be Thursday, May 28 at noon. Please bring a covered dish.

TRACK MEET for elementary students K-6 on Friday, May 22 beginning at 12:45.

GET YOUR ADDRESS Book from any member of the Alpha Mu Xi Sorority. \$5.00 each.

HIGH SCHOOL Graduation is Friday, May 29th at 8:00 p.m.

SEMESTER TESTS will begin Monday and continue through Thursday. Check with students for individual schedules.

NIGHTIN' GALS will meet, Tuesday, May 26th at 7:00 p.m. in the home of Alice Britten.

2ND ANNUAL Groom Day Baseball Tournament, June 26, 27, 28. Contact Danny Britten or David Britten 248-7386, 359-1998.

TUESDAY GRAIN PRICES AT LOCAL ELEVATORS

Wheat-\$3.09
Milo-\$4.34
Corn-\$4.68