

# The Groom News

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## Davis, Lyles File For School, City Jobs

Three more candidates announced their intentions to seek office in the May 1st election.

Signing up for the City

Council was incumbent, Jerry Thornton, Thornton has served on the council for many years and would be bringing much experience

back to the council if elected.

Mary Sue Lyles is a new face on the political scene.

"I think a woman's point

of view would give the city. A more balanced council." She said in an interview Tuesday. Some of her qualifications include many

years of service on the Quivira Girl Scout Council Board, the France Committee at the First Baptist Church and she currently serves on the Zoning Commission Board for the city.

With these two applications in we now have a full slate, although the candidates will be uncontested. That still leaves



Mary Sue Lyles



Jerry Thornton

a vacancy for the mayor's position.

The School Board also has a new candidate. Gary Davis announced that he would be seeking a seat on the School Board.



Gary Davis

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## Kori Brown Brings Home Blue Ribbon

The 1993 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo would not be one Groom FFA and 4-H members want to remember long if anyone is judging success by the awards their animals received last weekend. But if success is judged by the

experience the youngsters received by the trip to Houston itself, the responsibility each undertook while there for themselves as well as for their animals in such a huge and unfamiliar and sometimes confusing

surrounding, the 1993 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo was a huge success for the group of nine attending from Groom with their steers and heifers.

Thursday started out fast and furious for the group after Wednesday was spent

weighing in their steers and preparing for Thursdays' show. As each of the participants had their turns walking their animals into the large, blue decorated show ring of Astroarena it would be April Burton who would be the first to experience that final "walk to the truck." Followed next was Chy Phillips, Julie Richardson, then brother Joe Ray Richardson and finally Matt Miller.

The walk to the truck "known by all there was the final and most dreaded trip each would have to take for participating in such a project as this. The trip would allow each participant to say goodbye to a very special "friend". The past year these "friends" were treated as though they would always be with their young owners, as they were washed, combed, blow dried, exercised and fed at least twice a day. And when it seemed there was nobody else around to listen to the everyday problems of these young people's world, there would always be those two long, huge ears eagerly awaiting for some private conversation.

Thursday ended with nobody from Groom making the sale to be held on Saturday. The difference in making the sale or not for the participants would be the price each would receive for their steer, ranging from 80 cents market price to approximately \$1.35 per pounds at the auction sale.

But Saturday arrived and Groom's luck would change when Kori Brown's heifer would jump from second place to first place at the last minute in her class and then take Grand Champion in the heifer division. As the judge made his final pick, Kori's comrades were in the stands cheering proudly as Kori Brown from Groom was announced.

Also showing heifers from Fred Brown's stock successfully on Saturday afternoon was Ty Lambert who also placed first with his Angus heifer and Melody Burton winning

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Pictured above is Kori Brown with her Grand Champion Angus Heifer and her proud dad, Lonny. Also pictured is the Houston Rodeo Queen.



Pictured left to right; Most of the gang at last week's Houston Livestock Show and rodeo. As they took a time out to get their pictures mad. Opie Hileman, Panhandle; Julie Richardson, Matt Miller, Melody Burton, April Burton, Chris Hileman, Panhandle; Joe Rae Richardson, Joe Richardson and Chy Phillips.

## Community Calendar

KFDA TV'S Dave Oliver will present a weather workshop on April 12 at the Community Center at 7:00 p.m., sponsored by the Groom Fire Department.

BELINDA BRITTEN is collecting donations for a 4-H garage sale to be held later this month. Call 248-7007 if you have a donation.

THE GROOM Invitational Track Meet will be held on March 19 March 20.

THE MA, PA & US Banquet will be held on March 18th at 7:00 p.m.

CLASS PICTURES will be made on March 12.

St. Patrick's Day is March 17, 1993.

TUESDAY GRAIN PRICES AT LOCAL ELEVATORS

Wheat-\$3.11  
Milo-\$3.43  
Corn-\$4.13

Ladies League will meet next Tuesday, March 17, at 7:00 p.m. at Becky Britten's.

United Methodist Youth Pancake Supper to be held Wednesday, March 17, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Class Group Pictures will be made March 12 at G.I.S.D.

Carson County Spelling Bee March 15 at Panhandle.

Senior Breakfast at the First Baptist Church of Groom on March 22.

Clarendon FFA Meet held at Clarendon on March 26 - 27.

After Graduation Party is organizing for this year's event. Any parents interested are asked to meet Thursday, March 11 at 5:00 p.m. at the Dairy Queen. Call Shirley Fields or Patti McLaughlin if you need additional information.

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Rip and Joy Snyder visited Mary Crutcher in Lefors Sunday and Nita McKee in Alanreed. Nita sends a hello to her friends in Groom.

Ethel Neal visited Lea and Dora Neal in Clarendon Sunday evening, she surprised them with a lovely evening meal. The Neal's have been sick for the past few weeks.

### Babcock Named Good Citizen

Karen Babcock of Groom was recently selected by the Daughters of the American Revolution as a Good Citizen.

Each DAR Good Citizen wrote a 500 word essay on their American heritage and their responsibility to preserve it.

Karen, the daughter of Linda and Kenny Babcock, adds this to her lengthy list

of high school accomplishments, such as Student Council president and Lion's Club Sweetheart. She is planning to major in business management, and will attend W.T. next year.

In her essay, she praises her grandfather who earned the Purple Heart in WWII and the many other soldiers willing to risk their lives to preserve the American heritage and its freedoms.

## Local Happenings

Recently Lloyd Edward Littlefield of McLean visited his parents, Verna Lee Littlefield.

### RUTH BUBLIS ELECTED

**TEACHER OF THE YEAR**  
Ruth Bubliss was elected Teacher of the Year recently at AV Cato Elementary of the Castleberry I.S.D. in Fort Worth. She is in her third year at AV Cato, teaching 5th grade.

Ruth is the daughter of the Robert Kuehlers.

### PAM ASHFORD CELEBRATES 40 YEARS

Pam Ashford was honored with a 40th birthday party held at the Country Barn last week.

Their table was decorated by a lovely centerpiece of black balloons and prune juice. Friends and family enjoyed a cake decorated with double tombstones, as her husband, Jerry, is also "Over the hill" this year.

Attending the festivities were Dan and Pat Ashford, W.H. and Evelyn Ollinger, Larry and Karen Brown, Mary Sue and Don Lyles, Kelvin and Debbie Ollinger, Danny and Kathy Ashford, Dwayne Ollinger and Mike and Dianne Ollinger, Fred and Anita Irby, and Jan Ledwig.

### GROOM BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

March 11 - Mrs. Martin Hermesmeyer, Mr. and Mrs. R.G. Weller (A).

March 12 - Stacy Lynn Bertrand, Mrs. Gregory G. Lamb, Mrs. Larry D. Brown, Toby Ray Burgin, Krisanne Davis.

March 13 - Julia McGee, Molly Erin Bertrand.

March 14 - Leo Britten, Blake Barnett, W.C. (Bill) Britten, Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Mansel (A), Mr. and Mrs. A. Terrill Britten (A).

March 16 - Lonny Brown, Henry S. Koetting.

March 17 - Daniel McLaughlin, Don Case, Mrs. Jerry L. Thornton, Mrs. Michael F. Britten, Mr. and Mrs. Foster F. Burgin (A), Kim Evenson.

### ROBERT MILLER NAMED ON HONOR ROLL

Robert Miller was named to the Texas State Technical College Amarillo President's Honor Roll with a 4.0 grade point average for the winter quarter.

### CARSON COUNTY SHARP SHOOTERS SCHEDULE

#### Thursdays:

4:00 p.m. Luke Paviovsky, Dewayne Gray, Dusty Crump, Cody Bivens,

5:00 p.m. Josh Evenson, Blake Barnett, Justin Homen, Marc Miller

#### Fridays:

4:00 p.m. Todd Gray, Caleb Pool, Jason Prather, Dara Whatley

5:30 p.m. C.J. Whatley, Michael Stephens, Michele Stephens

If you can not attend the assigned time, please call Charlotte Whatley at 248-7963, so some one else can take your place on the line.

### GROOM SCHOOL MENU

March 15 - Breakfast: Cereal, blueberry muffin, juice and milk. Lunch: Spaghetti w/meat sauce cheese and pickle appetizers, salad, pizza bread and applesauce and milk.

March 16 - Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, juice and milk. Lunch: Steak fingers, french fries, gravy, fresh pear wedges w/fruit, dip, Texas toast, and milk.

March 17 - Breakfast: Burritos, hash browns, juice, and milk. Lunch: Barbe-que on bun, tator tots, sliced pickles, onion, hamburger buns, apple cobbler and milk.

March 18 - Breakfast: Biscuits, bacon, gravy, juice, and milk. Lunch: Turkey and noodles, mixed vegetables, Cheese Zombies, carrot sticks, chocolate chip cookies, and milk.

March 19 - Breakfast: Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice and milk. Chalupas w/refried beans and grated cheese, salad, corn, Sopapillas w/honey, cheesecake and milk.

## Services Held For Kelly Gray

Kelly Gray, 74, died Saturday, March 6, 1993, in Lubbock, Texas.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Wheeler Mortuary Starlight Chapel.

Mr. Kelly, born in White Deer, had been a resident of Portales since 1962. He graduated from Groom, Texas. High School, and Texas A&M University in 1948. He was a veteran, serving for four years in the Pacific during World War II. In 1948, he began working for Farmers Home Administration, where he served for 16 years as

county supervisor. He retired in 1983 as district director for FHA in Roswell. He married Mary Ruth Curl in 1941 in Amarillo. She died in 1991.

Survivors include three sons, Steve Gray of DeSoto, Texas, Mark Gray of Portales and Mike Gray of Hobbs; two daughters, Kelly Herbert of Portales and Kathy Combs of Portales; a brother, Jack Gray of Longview, Wash.; a stepister, Velma Lee Pool of Amarillo; and 11 grandchildren.

## Our Thanks

*My family and I have been overwhelmed by the love and caring you have shown us during this time. The food, flowers, calls, visits, cards, memorials and prayers have all made this so much easier to bear. We feel your remembrance is an honor to Connie. We all love Groom and we appreciate your every kindness.*

*Connie, Randy, Angie and Misty Bertrand  
Darlene Reed  
Kaylene, Rick and Katie Medina  
Kelly, Amy and Buck Reed*

### United Methodist Youth

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## Group Has Busy Few Days In Houston



Susan Brown gives Kori's heifer a little "woman to woman" pep talk before the big show. It must have done some good! Kori and the heifer won Grand Champion Heifer.



"It's a dirty job but someone has to do it." Mr. Burk takes on the endless task of keeping the area cleaned.

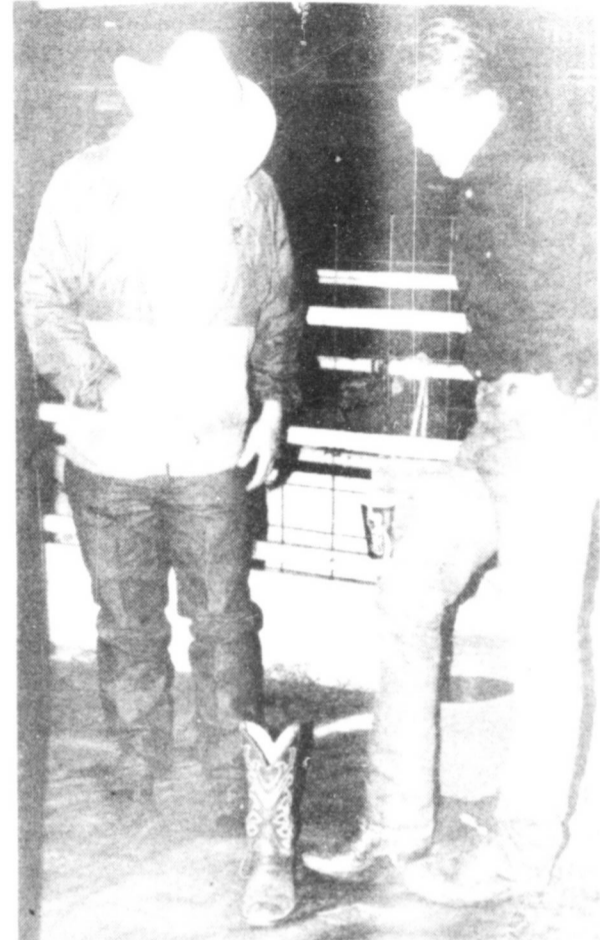
third with her heifer. Steers shown on Thursday were a black Chianina by April Burton, a Chianina by Chy Phillips, a Shorthorn by Matt Miller, a Charolais by Julie Richardson and a Simmental by Joe Ray Richardson.

Melody and April Burton were among 28 participants in the calf scramble Saturday in the Astrodome chasing 14 calves. The Burton sisters teamed up to capture and successfully pull a calf into the ring to win

\$1,000.

The Grand Champion steer of the 1993 Houston Livestock Show was Justin Gleghorn of Dimmitt with his 1217-pound Limosin steer. Colby Christie of Hereford won Reserve Champion. The grand champion sold for \$350,000 at the auction with \$50,000 going to Gleghorn and the remainder going toward scholarships.

The price broke the 1991 records of \$221,000.00.



"If the boot fits..." Buck Burk and Ty Lambert swap boots so Ty can show his heifer. "Walk a mile in my shoes" takes on a new meaning for both of them.

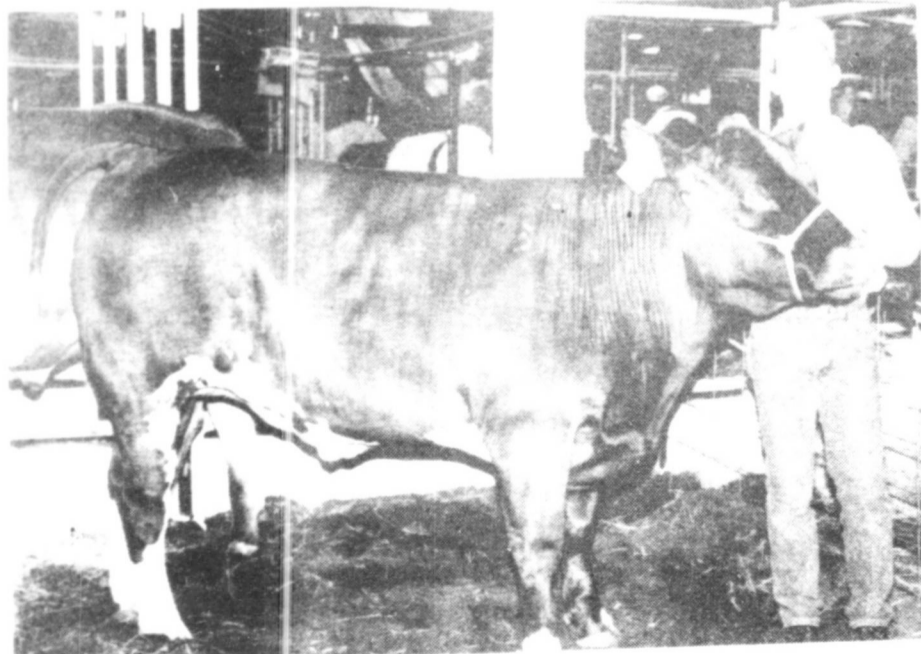
### A Big Thanks

To Charles Burk and Jim Burton for helping us with our steers and heifers last week in Houston.

Matt	Joe Ray	Chy
Melody	Julie	Kori
April	Jacee	Ty



"It's good for you!" says Joe Rae Richardson. Julie Richardson's steer gives her a little kiss!



"What a haircut!" Matt Miller poses with "Red" after he is sheared at the Houston Stock Show.

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The Groom Elementary students K-6 put on a play Thursday night. It was over Betsy Ross and the first American flag. Afterwards parents got a chance to visit the class rooms. The book fair was also after the play.  
By Marcus Miller

**STATE TREASURER  
RELEASES NAMES**

The Texas State Treasury released the names of the owners of unclaimed funds. These people or their heirs may call this toll free number for more information: 1-800-654-3463.

**Groom**

Frank Howlett  
Mark Koetting  
Audie R. Ruthardt

**JAMES HOYT  
PASSES AWAY**

James Garfield Hoyt, a former Groom resident, passed away on March 8, after a sudden illness. Born on July 17, 1920, was raised in the Groom area and graduated from Groom High School in 1939. He lived in Auberry, California after retiring from 30 years of service in the Air Force.

James Hoyt is survived by his wife Charlene, six daughters and three sons, and three brothers, Herbert of California, Norris of Groom, and Leonard of Amarillo.

Services will be held on Friday at 12:00 noon in the Lyles Funeral Home Chapel in Fresno, Calif.

**WORKSHOP COMING  
TO GROOM**

A severe weather workshop featuring Dave Oliver from the weather station, KFDA TV Channel 10, will be held at the Community Center in Groom on April 12 at 7:00 p.m.

The workshop is sponsored by the Groom Fire Department.

**GROOM SENIOR C.Y.O  
GO ON SKI TRIP**

The Groom senior CYO group took a ski trip to Red River, N.M. Those attending were Bo Burgin, Bronte Britten, Rebecca Conrad, Marie Conrad, Sandi Conrad, Craig Baker, Melanie Friemel, Melissa Treadwell, Trisha Treadwell, and Blake Barnett. Sponsors for this group were Kathleen Koetting and Miss Barnett.

Paul and Scott McLaughlin also spent the weekend at Red River. When they returned they both were sunburned.  
By Marcus Miller

**THIMBLETTE NEEDLE  
CLUB**

The Thimblette Needle Club met for their long-awaited "dinner out" at the Golden Spread Grill Thursday evening.

The St. Patrick Day theme was carried out in the decorations the table, laid with white cloths, had a centerpiece of white flowers and greenery. A green garland of tiny shamrocks ran the length of the table and leperchauns on green toadstools were on either end. Green and white napkins inscribed with "Happy St. Patrick's Day" completed the attractive table.

A delicious dinner of salad, soup, chicken strips, gravy, baked potato, toast, angel food cake and lime sherbet was served to the group.

Members attending were Betty Hudson, Ruby Melton, Emalea London, Truman Goodlett, Mary Lee Friemel, Helen Witt, Doshia Cornett, Wynona Koetting, Vivian Lacy, Mary Knorpp, LaVesta Barnett, Nettie Fields, Ruth James, Bernice Brown, Cleo Nix and Mamie Poole.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Richardson, Garner and "Jake". With a little help from Bryan, "Jake" presented a very entertaining program.

The evening was voted a big success by everyone.



**As The Interstate Turns....**

**By Joe Longway**

On Tuesday, March 2nd two Arkansas youth were placed in the Carson County Jail. The first youth was arrested for giving a false name attempting to hide the fact he had an arrest record. The second youth was arrested for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Both plead guilty to their charges before Justice Of the Peace Phyllis Tyler. Both were placed given a sentence of \$223.00 fine or 5 days in jail.

On Thursday, March 4th

a Phoenix, Arizona man was arrested for Possession Of Cocaine less than 28 grams on I-40 ten miles West of Groom. The man stated to keep him awake during a trip to Wisconsin. It may now cost him 2 to 20 years of his life in a Texas prison.

On Friday, March 5th, Trooper II Chris Ray traveled to Vega to pick up a prisoner wanted on outstanding DPS warrants out of Judge Tylers court. The man was placed in the Carson County Jail.

Rip and Joy visited Rev Copeland in Palo Duro Nursing Home in Claude Saturday.



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# Carson County Sheriff's Report

Nine persons were booked into the Carson County Jail over the past week. Three were arrested for violations of the Family Violence Code, two for DWI, two for Public Intoxication, one for Minor In Possession of Alcohol and one for Theft by Check.

Four persons remain in custody in the jail. One for Indecency with a Child, one for DPS Warrants, one for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and one for Felony Possession (3 lbs) of Marijuana.

This is the time of year when telephone solicitors began making their calls to generate funds for a number of organizations. Some callers indicate that they represent state or national law enforcement organizations. If you have questions regarding the validity of such calls, please contact our office and give us the name of the caller (if known), the organization they are supposed to represent and what the caller is soliciting (donations, information, subscriptions). We will investigate the matter and advise you if this organization appears to be

operating in a legal manner. The Carson County Sheriff's Department has had an extremely high number of investigations in the past few months dealing with matters of sexual abuse and contact with children and domestic violence. It is our policy under the Family Violence Act to deal with the matter when we are initially called to the scene of a domestic dispute.

When we are sent to a domestic dispute we do not have the capacity to act as marriage counselors or as mediators. If a deputy observes any indication of assault (including pain on the part of the victim) the offending party will be responsible for the altercation, both parties will be arrested and incarcerated. When children

are in the home, the Department of Human Services may be called to care for the children in the absence of one or both parents if there are no other relatives available to care for the children.

We can also be of assistance to persons having

family problems before the problem escalates into violence. If you have been a victim of previous sexual or physical abuse or if you have been abusive with your family or have an alcohol or chemical dependency problem that you can't control on your own, call

# By Loren Brand

our office and we will put you in contact with people who are trained to give you the assistance you need. We won't even ask your name. If you need help, call the Carson County Sheriff's Department at 537-3511. Don't wait until the damage is done.

Our department is continuing to investigate the theft of various county road signs and we have recovered several that were discarded by the thieves. Deputies are questioning suspects regarding several rural burglaries and we have received information which

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we hope will lead to arrests in these cases.

## Local Happening

Helen Wade recently visited her sister and family, Maxine and James Anglin at Childress recently.

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**Schulte, Bohr**

## Announce Wedding Plans

Mr. and Mrs. Leeke Asker of Nazareth announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Michele Schulte, to Rodney Bohr of Groom.

The couple plan to wed May 8, 1993 at St. Thomas Apostle Church in Amarillo.

The bride elect graduated from high school in Nazareth in 1980, was a

1981 Graduate of Plains Memorial School of Nursing and is presently in the ADN program at Amarillo College. She is a field Staff Supervisor with Kimberly Quality Care in Amarillo.

The prospective groom was a 1988 graduate of Texas Tech University with a B.S. in Ag Finance and is presently Service Manager with Farmer Equipment in Pampa.

### Candidates

"My interest is seeing that our school stays in Groom. I am also interested in trying to work on the school financing from the state to try to keep our money in the district.

That increases the number of candidates for

the two School Board openings to three. They are incumbent Tony Treadwell, Forrest McLaughlin, and now Gary Davis.

There is still time for interest residents to sign up. The deadline is March 17th.

## White, Mulkey Announce Engagement



Mr. and Mrs. Reginald J. White of Dallas are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Melissa Ann to Matthew Harrell Mulkey. Matthew is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Mulkey of Panhandle and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Glynn D. Harrell of Groom.

The ceremonies will take place at Prestonwood Baptist Church in Dallas on May 29, 1993.

The bride to be received a Bachelor of Business

administrate, on degree in Real Estate/Fiance from Texas Tech University. Melissa is currently employed as a real estate/financial analyst by Real Estate Recovery, Inc. in Irving, Texas.

Also a Texas Tech graduate, Matthew received a Bachelors of Business Administration Degree in Fiance. He is currently the Customer Service Supervisor for the Ford Motor Credit Company in Lubbock.

## St. Patrick's Day!



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## Candidates File For City, School

McLean officials announced today that several people have signed up for the May 1 election. We hope to have more on the individual candidates next week.

For the three School Board vacancies the following have announced their intentions to seek those positions. Donna Montgomery, Joe Ray Riley,

Eugene Galley, Lynch Glass, Jake Hess III, and Lana Gayle Stump.

Only two candidates have signed up in the City race. They are: for mayor-Sam Haynes, and for City Council Andy Eck.

The last day to file for either the School Board or City Council is March 17th at the close of business.

## Reminder

The Masonic Lodge will have their regular meeting March 11, 1993 at 7:30 p.m.

The next "Neighborhood Watch" meeting will be held at the Masonic Lodge Building, April 6th at 7:00 p.m. Please plan to attend. Volunteers are needed to patrol, call 779-2230.

City Council Meeting will be held March 11, at 7:00 p.m.

The Masonic Lodge #889 in McLean will hold a workshop for the 98th district on March 13, 1993 at 10:00 a.m. A chili dinner will be served.

Masonic Lodge "Teachers Appreciation Dinner" will be held March 22, guest speaker will be Sheriff Randy Stubblefield.

First Baptist Church of McLean will hold a revival on March 14-17 at 7:00 p.m. Evangelist Glen Clark will hold the services with Masonic Director Jeff Pottilo.

Lion's Club will meet March 15 at 6:30 p.m. at the Lion's club building.

## Neighborhood Watch Gets Results

On Saturday, March 6th the "Neighborhood Watch" meeting was held at the Lion's Club Building at 12:00 p.m. Sheriff Randy Stubblefield and Dept. Steve Smith came for the meeting.

There were 15 present. They were prepared to engrave valuables for people but very little has been done-If you need help to engrave your valuables or you may use the engraver to do your own work. They are available by calling 779-2230.

The patrol has already seen results from it's efforts. Early Monday morning the patrol found two youths in the City Park. The pair had overturned several trash barrels and was about to set off firecrackers. They were warned about the penalties for vandalism and were sent home.

The next meeting is April 6th at 7:00 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge Building. Please plan to attend.

## Suspicious Activities?

Call:  
Deputy Lynn Holland 779-3203  
Constable Joe Billingsley 779-2388  
Neighborhood Watch 779-2230  
Operation Identification 779-2230

## Methodist Youth Travel To Eagles Nest

On Monday morning, sun brightly shining in McLean, we found the Methodist Youth and Sponsors packing the van's and cars to leave for their skiing trip at Eagles Nest. A bunch of

very excited people and we hope they have a very good trip.

It was hard to believe they were going Skiing because it was so warm and nice and everyone in shirt sleeves.

This youth group have worked very hard to earn the money to go.

Youth that went Andy Glass, Tommy Pennington, Jeremy Thomas, Jennifer Pennington, Mindy Mager,

Amber Thomas, and Angel Harris.

Sponsors were Don, Tammy and Courtini Whitsell, Bill, Tina and Katrina Thomas. They plan to be home Thursday evening.

## Southwestern Bell Updates System

Many New Services Become Available....

Southwestern Bell Telephone customers in McLean and Alanreed will gain access to the most advanced telecommunications network available when Southwestern Bell converts its central office in these two towns to a new digital switching system on March 26th said Gary Stevens, Area Manager.

The new switching system will serve 799 McLean and Alanreed telephone customers in the 779 exchange.

McLean and Alanreed will receive the latest in telephone digital switching as part of an agreement announced in November,

1991 by the Texas Public Utility Commission and Southwestern Bell Telephone.

Southwestern Bell is installing the switch as part of an accelerated program

designed to help boost the Texas economy and provide customer benefits worth more than \$1.2 billion through 1994.

"The negotiated settlement was a product of months of intense discussion among the PUC staff, Southwestern Bell and 23 separate intervening groups," said Stevens. "The agreement provided an incentive to build a telecommunications network that should attract new businesses and jobs to Texas without increasing telecommunications costs to the Texas ratepayers."

"With this conversation, McLean and Alanreed customers will be served by a switching system that is second to none," Stevens said.

Stevens explained that digital technology enhances a community's ability to retain and attract new business as well as improved

telecommunications services.

"Digital switching enables Southwestern Bell to improve voice transmission quality and to make available a number of new customer services," Stevens said.

New services made possible by digital switching include One-Plus Easy Access to long-distance carriers and Custom Calling features such as Call Forwarding, Call Waiting, Speed Calling and Three-Way Calling.

Stevens said another benefit of digital technology, aside from being the most advance system available, is its cost-effectiveness in terms of space requirements and maintenance. Computers in the system allow it to perform millions of switching functions each second. The system can

diagnose itself, and, in many cases, correct a problem

before customers are affected.

Once the cutover is completed, McLean and Alanreed customers will have access to their primary long-distance telephone company of choice.

After the cutover it will be necessary to dial all seven digits of the telephone number for local calls.

### 900 Call Blocking Optional

If you now have 900 call blocking and wish to have it after the new system is cutover you need to call your business office at 1-800-464-7928 before March 26, 1993 to order a touchtone line. If you do not have a touchtone line on March 27, 1993 you will not be able to continue using your touchtone telephones for outgoing calls.

# King and Queen Named

### "A" Honor Roll

Second Grade: Lauren Acker, Tandi Quisenberry  
Third Grade: Pete Helton, Clay Ritter  
Fourth Grade: Stephanie Blankenship  
Fifth Grade: Allison Baxter

### "A-B" Honor Roll

Second Grade: Sara Blankenship, Cody Babcock  
Third Grade: Chandler Bowers  
Fourth Grade: Marci Babcock, Lori Stephens  
Sixth Grade: Bryant Smith

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Reading: Paul Baxter  
Mathematics: Chance Bowers, Michael Dominguez, Calvin Schaffer, Kandice Roby  
Spelling: Collin Bowers  
Language Arts: Jake Hopkins

Mary Lou Glass of McLean and Sandie Kramer, Skellytown left for Dallas area on Friday after school to visit with her family and will return on Wednesday with granddaughter Lindsey Davidson. This is spring break.

### McLEAN BRIEFS

Lavern Carter has been visiting her daughter, Mary Ann Carpenter and friends in McLean last week.



Valentine King and Queen-Every year the McLean Nursing Center observes Valentine Day with a King and Queen of Hearts. The King and Queen are selected by the residents. This year the King was Dick Wheeler, and the Queen was Lorena Bailey evening.

### McLEAN BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

- March 11 - Barbara Richards, Valerie Bradley, Angie Purcell, Wilbur Wilson.
- March 12 - Almeda Blankenship, Elmer Ware, Leigha Messer.
- March 13 - Maudine Rutherford.
- March 14 - Rita Crockett, Lynn Swanson.
- March 15 - Grace Glenn, Gaylia Long.
- March 16 - Lloyd Hunt.
- March 17 - Cindy Glass, Christopher Flores.

### Happy St. Patty's Day



### FISH SALES PROGRAM

The Gray County Soil & Water Conservation District is presently sponsoring a Spring Fish Sale. Several species of fish for fish pond stocking are available including Channel Catfish, Bass, Crappie, Hybrid Bream and Blue Gill. In addition, the District will also be selling Frogs, Fathead Minnows and Crawfish. These fish are offered through the District at a nominal price. The fish will be delivered the middle of May, and orders will be bagged and aerated at that time. The deadline for ordering fish is April 28.

For more information on the program or to obtain an order form, please come by the Gray Co. SWCD Office located at the Gray County Courthouse Annex on Highway 60 East, or call 665-1751.

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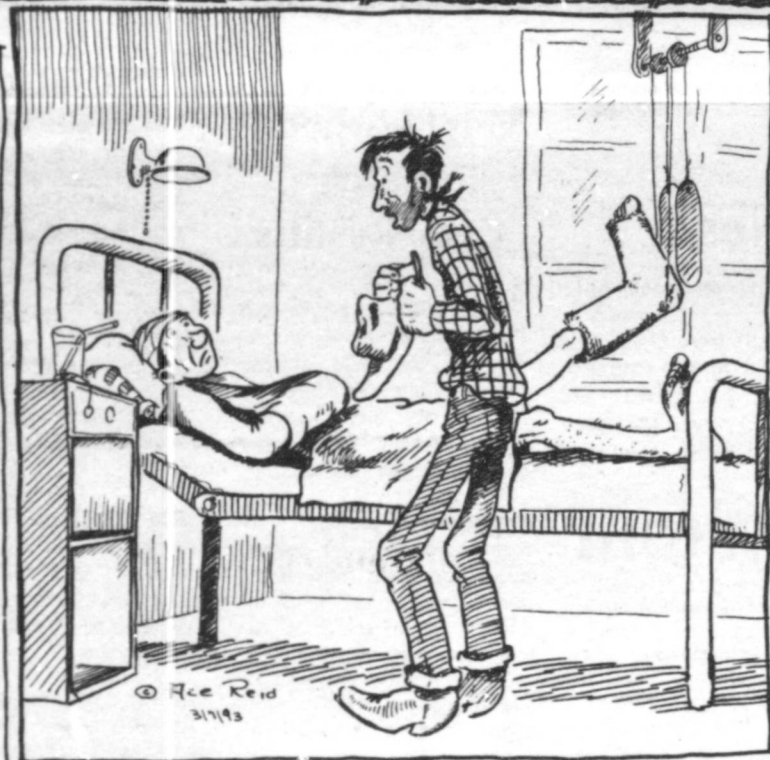
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We are glad Thelma Hopins is back from the hospital.

Monday morning Adelle Walker made bookmarkers in crafts. Imogene King, Leon Burch, Leona Bailey and Annie Eudy made great swatters. These and other crafts are for sale in the activity room. That afternoon Adelle Walker, Eula Morrow, Lorena Bailey, Leon Burch, Mattie Wheeler, Annie Eudy, Dick Wheeler, Kitty Hessey and Clyde Trusty played Bingo. They were all winners. The Lions Club furnished

bananas for the winners. Ava Lee Crockett was here to help.

Several ladies had a manicure Tuesday morning. In the afternoon Adelle Walker, Leon Burch, Teresa Richardson, Eula Morrow, Dick Wheeler, Imogene King and Lorena Bailey enjoyed playing dominoes.

Delectable doughnuts from Country Corners were enjoyed by the residents during their Council meeting. They also enjoyed talking about the first Easter egg hunt they remembered.

The Girl Scout troop of McLean will observe Girl Scout Week March 6 through 13.

Girl Scout Week is celebrated annually and commemorates the beginning of the Girl Scout Movement in the United States. On March 12, 1912, Juliette Gordon Low met with 18 girls in Savannah, Georgia, and formed the first Girl Scout troop. The first nationwide Girl Scout Week was celebrated in 1919 in conjunction with the birthday of founder Juliette Low on October 31. In 1954, the event was officially

changed to the week of March 12.

During this week, Girl Scouts participate in a variety of activities and events. Troops frequently conduct ceremonies and meetings tracing the history of Girl Scouting or demonstrating what Girl Scouts are doing today. Some troops have Girl Scout birthday parties. And my conduct community service projects in honor of the birthday.

Today, there are more than three million members in the United States, making the Girl Scouts the largest voluntary organization for girls in the world.

Girl Scouting continues to find new ways to help girls and young women develop a sense of values and make meaningful contributions to society. The all-girl experience of Girl Scouting presents girls with a world where they can take the leadership position. It provides an environment where a girl will encounter during her formative years where the special needs and interests of girls come first.

Juliette Low began the organization to allow young

girls to experience the challenges, the adventures, and the special educational opportunities that were not provided by other societal institutions of her day.

Historically, Girl Scouting is defined as an organization for girls. Its mission is to serve the needs and interest of girls as stated in the Constitution itself, made explicit in the Girl Scout Congressional Charter, and serves the ideal goal for all organizational planning.

The mission is as meaningful in 1993 as it was 80 years ago.

DEPUTY HOLLAND REPORTS

Deputy Lynn Holland reports that he made two arrests on warrants out of Randall County. Two McLean youths, Michael Campbell 17, and William Justin Chapman 19, were booked on charges of criminal mischief. Holland transported them to the Gray County Correctional Facility where they were booked and released on bond.

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BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS

OF PROPOSED

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

SPECIAL ELECTION

MAY 1, 1993

PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT

Section 1 of Senate Joint Resolution 7 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the legislature to redistribute among other school districts ad valorem taxes levied and collected by a school district. The amendment would also allow the legislature to create county education districts with the taxable property of existing school districts in one or more counties combined. County education districts may levy, collect, and distribute ad valorem taxes as authorized by general law. The legislature would be allowed to set the rate of the ad valorem tax to be imposed in a school district or county education district or it may authorize the board of trustees of each school district or county education district to set the rate, provided that the rate of county education district ad valorem taxes may not exceed \$1.00 per \$100 valuation of taxable property, unless a higher rate is approved by the voters of the district. The amendment also provides that the amount of ad valorem taxes redistributed among school districts by the legislature and effectively redistributed within a county through county education districts may not exceed 2.75 percent of the sum of the state revenue appropriated for public schools and the revenue from local ad valorem taxes levied and collected for public schools. The term "state revenue" does not include revenue from ad valorem taxes, revenue for the provision of free textbooks, or contributions to a retirement system. Finally, the amendment provides that it does not affect the distribution of the available school fund under article VII, section 5, of the Texas Constitution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment allowing limited redistribution of ad valorem taxes for schools, authorizing the legislature or local districts to set

a minimum tax rate in county education districts, and placing a cap on the ad valorem tax levied by county education districts."

PROPOSITION NO. 2 ON THE BALLOT

Section 2 of Senate Joint Resolution 7 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that, except for state educational mandates imposed in compliance with the Texas Constitution or federal law, or unless enacted by a vote of at least two-thirds of the members elected to each house of the legislature, a school district may not be required to comply with an obligation requiring expenditure of school district funds unless the obligation is fully funded. The amendment also requires the legislature to provide by law a procedure for determining whether an obligation is fully funded. In the absence of such a procedure, and at the request of a school district's board of trustees, the comptroller of public accounts shall determine whether or not an obligation is fully funded. This amendment applies only to state educational mandates enacted after December 31, 1993.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment exempting a school district from the obligation to comply with unfunded state educational mandates."

PROPOSITION NO. 3 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 4 proposes an amendment to article VII, section 5(b), of the constitution, which currently authorizes the legislature to provide for using the permanent school fund to guarantee bonds issued by school districts and certain education-related revenue bonds issued by the state. The amendment would repeal the provision authorizing

the use of the permanent school fund to guarantee state revenue bonds, but would permit the legislature to provide by law for the issuance of general obligation bonds or revenue bonds of the state for the purpose of making loans to, or purchasing bonds of, school districts for the purpose of acquisition, construction, or improvement of instructional facilities, including all furnishings. The amendment also provides that the state, pursuant to general law, may forgive the payment of principal and interest on all or part of a loan made to a school district under the amendment to partially finance an instructional facility. The cap of \$750 million on the amount of bonds that could be issued under article VII, section 5(b), as amended, would be retained. The amendment would repeal the current provision of the constitution permitting the legislature to authorize bonds in excess of \$750 million by two-thirds record vote of both houses of the legislature. While any of the general obligation bonds issued under the amendment or any of the interest on those bonds is outstanding and unpaid, there would be appropriated out of the first money coming into the state treasury in each fiscal year, not otherwise appropriated by the constitution, the amount sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the bonds that matured or became due that fiscal year.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of \$750 million in state general obligation or revenue bonds to assist school districts in partially financing facilities, authorizing the state to forgive payments of loans made to a school district for partially financing facilities, and repealing the authorization for \$750 million in state revenue bonds guaranteed by the permanent school fund."

*Este es el informe explicativo sobre la enmienda propuesta a la constitución que aparecerá en la boleta el día 1 de mayo de 1993. Si usted no ha recibido una copia del informe en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llamar al 1/800/252/8683 o por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Texas 78711.*

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The oils are large, in keeping with the grandeur of the subject matter. Two of the compositions are diptychs, where the scene could not be encompassed on a single canvas.

The show also provides

an insight into the Slesick creative process. Four of the large oils are accompanied by smaller pastel models of the same scene. And with three of the models are the photographs which first provided the ideas for the paintings.

**ALBERT E. ROBY SERVICES HELD**

Albert E. Roby, 95, a former resident of Alanreed, died Thursday, March 4, 1993. Services were held at 10 a.m. Monday in Davis-Morris Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Leon Aduddell and the Rev. Bill Honson officiating. Graveside services were at 5:30 p.m. in Hillcrest Cemetery at McLean.

Mr. Roby lived in Brownwood for the past 19 years. He married Beatrice Brown in 1930 at Sayre, Okla. She preceded him in death in 1984. He was an ordained deacon in the Baptist church and served several years at the Coggin Avenue Baptist Church. He was a member of the Operating Engineer Local Union No. 3 since 1949 and was a past member of the Brown County's Sheriff's Posse.

**Briefs**

Margaret Milam is on spring break from school and had her family at her house over the week-end for a visit.

daughter Holley who plays on the Dimmitt High School basketball team. By the way, they won State if you haven't heard.

Kay and Mindy Mager left Wednesday for the State Basketball games in Austin. They were accompanied by her mother Bess Bradley from Dimmitt. Kay's twin brother Ray Bradley and wife have a

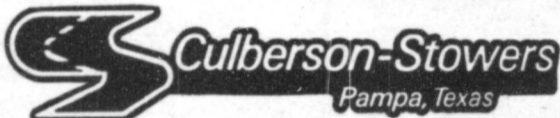
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COUPON EXPIRES MARCH 17, 1993 <b>FREE RICE KRISPIES</b> WITH THE PURCHASE OF ONE 10-12 OZ. BKG. OF RICE AT REGULAR PRICE. \$1.99	HUNTS FANCY TOMATO SAUCE 8 OZ. CANS 4 FOR <b>99¢</b>	REG./LITE COFFEEMATE 6 OZ. JAR <b>\$1.29</b>	ADC/P/R AROMA BTL. FOLGERS 13 OZ. JAR <b>\$1.99</b>	SPRING CLEANING SPECIALS	COUPON EXPIRES MARCH 17, 1993 <b>KELLOGG'S CORN FLAKES 2 \$3</b> WITH THIS COUPON. \$1.99
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REG./DECAFF. FREEZE DRY TASTERS CHOICE 7 OZ. JAR <b>\$4.99</b>	OCEAN SPRAY ASSTD. CRANBERRY DRINKS & JUICES... 48 OZ. <b>\$1.99</b>	REG./W-BLEACH 70-95 OZ. 24-30 USE <b>\$4.99</b>	BATHROOM COMET SPRAY... 17 OZ. BTL. <b>\$2.09</b>
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## HEAVY GRAIN FED BEEF Round Steak

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