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## G.T.E. Ballots To Determine Fate Of Extended Telephoning Area

The Public Utility Commission of Texas has ordered GTE to begin the balloting process to determine if subscribers in Groom want extended local calling to Pampa and Panhandie. The petitions seeking expanded toll-free calling signed by telephone customers in Groom were certified by the PUC as sufficient, and the Commission said all other requirements of PUC rules were met.
GTE must distribute ballots to all telephone subscribers in the Groom Exchange by April 6, and they have 15 days to vote. Ballots must be returned to the PUC in Austin, where
they will be tabulated. If
there is an affirmative vote by 70 percent of the customers, the PUC the customers, the PUC would consider the request. The Commission would then notify GTE that the ballot had passed and the company should submit within 30 days a cost study indicating the costs to provide the expansion of toll-free local calling the proposed initial fees for the proposed initial fees for the service, and the implementation schedule for the service.
Under law, GTE would impose a monthly charge of up to $\$ 3.50$ per line for residential telephone customers and \$7 per line for business customers to be
colled from all customers in the petitioning exchange. The Groom Exchange can challenge GTE's proposed rate before the PUC if city officials and their attorney believe the proposed charges cannot be justified. The monthly charges would only be in effect until the telephone company's next general rate case, when the cost of the service is expected to be included in the regular rates paid by al customers in the state.
Extended local service to provide larger local toll-free calling areas in rural and suburban areas was made possible with passage by the Texas Legislature of Senate Bill 632, which went into

## effect September 1, 1993. <br> Fire Fighter, Randy Johnson, Injured In Bowers City Area Blaze Accident <br> A Grorm volunteer <br> the city pumper, in case

fireman had minor injuries after a mishap during a major fire in Gray County that burned nearly 4,000 acres of land.

Randy Johnson was thrown from the front firefighting basket when a Gray County truck stopped suddenly and heavy smoke prevented the Groom driver, Jay Lamb, from seeing it stop. Johnson was reported to have sustained a minor concussion, and several pulled muscles in his back, hip and legs in the accident.

The fire began about 1.5 miles south of Bowers City and spread approximately six miles east toward Lefors in the river breaks and canyons. The cause of the blaze is believed to be downed powerlines from high winds or from a welder's torch.

Fire Chief Tony Treadwell stated that the blaze could have been very

## City, School

## Slates Still Not

Full At Presstime
At presstime only Bob Cornett and Hop Britten had filed for two of the three slots open on the City Council and Curtis Downs has filed for one of the two slots open on the School Board.

Don Lyles, current Vice President of the Schoo Board, and David Britten, an appointee that is filing See Election, pg 2
"It's a wonder that Lefors is still wonder that Lefors Seven standing, he said. departments responded but the blaze which began around 10:00 am took until 7:00 pm to put out.
"We were there around six hours," said Treadwell. "We took three leaving at home, as always, there was a fire locally. We always have other towns backing us up when we leave our own territory just in case there is an emergency here."
"The Groom Fire Department has a contract with Gray County and other

See Accident, pg. 3

## Community Calendar

GROOM LITTLE Dribbier's 3rd \& 4th grade tournament will be held on March 26 beginning with Groom vs Skellytown at $1: 00 \mathrm{pm}$. The tournament will end the season for the girls. girls. Help is needed keeping the clock and to referee, due to conflicts that will take many volunteers out of town. Please contac Michele Bohr at 663-1997 or Karen Fields at 248-7030 if you can help. Admission Adults $\$ 1.00$, Children 50 e Under 8 free Proceeds will go to Little Dribblers go to Little

4-H KIDS DESIGN Workshop will be March 26th at 10 am in the Community Center. Bring a sack lunch.
8TH GRADE PARENTS Meeting to plan the Jr High Athletic Party, March 29th at $5: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ at the D.Q.

DISTRICT Elementary U.I.L. Meet will be held March 24 \& 25 in Groom.

BAPTIST SENIOR Supper will be held April 12 at $7: 00 \mathrm{pm}$.

THE MIAMI TRACK
TIIERE WILL BE no school on April 1, Good Friday.

DISTRICT UIL meet will
re held on March 22-23.
GROOM AA MEETING meets at $8: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ every Tuesday at the Groom Branch Library.
meet will be held March 26

DISTRICT GOLF Tournament will be held on April 4.

EASTER EGG IIUNT at the City Park Saturday, March 26. Bunny arrives for photos at 9:30 am, hunt begins at 10 am . Pre-school through third grade.

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## The Groom Aetos

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## GROOM BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

March 24 - Russell David Conrad, Brenda Diane Fields.

March 25 - Mrs. Tom Britten, Roman Fremel, Joyce Hutsell, Buck Babcock, Jessica Friem:l. March 26 . Brice Ruthardt.
March 27 - Liveda Wood, Amanda Kelly.
March 28 - C inton Adam Babcock, Billy Dan Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Leven (A).
March 29 - Mrs. H.F. Britten.

March 30 - Ke neth Jackson, David Fields, Jennifer Lewis, Guy Lynn Blackwell.

GUY \& JEAN Blackvell's new address is 1617 North Nix, Amarillo, Texas 79107.

The News recently learned of the death of Harmon Hill Elliot, unce of Bob Cornett and brother to Doshia Cornett. Elliot was a Muleshoe resident.

## Announcement

White L.S.D. is hosting a Secretary of State Election School via satellite. 6:3028:30 pm, April 18 at the High School Library. Persons interested in working City, School, and Special Elections are invited.
50th Anniversary
Celebrated By
Former Residents
Gene and Maxine Collins of Amarillo, formerly of Groom, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception at St. Stephen United Methodist Church.

Collins married the former Maxine Byars on March 27, 1944. They have lived in Amarillo for 27 years.
Collins retired from Colorado Interstate Gas Co. in 1984 and retired from the U.S. Air Force as a major. Mrs. Collins is a homemaker. The couple belong to St. Stephen United Methodist Church.
Children of the couple are Kathy Bagwell and Pam Collins, both of Amarillo; and Debbie Grigsby of Pilot Point.
The couple have six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

## Groom Flying

Service
Craig Howard New High Clearance SPRA-COUPE, 56" Frame to Ground, Spray Heights to $\mathbf{9 2}^{\prime \prime}$ All Types of aerial applications


## Local Happenings

George and Janie Britten, son Tracy, Richard Gibson son Tracy, Richard
and sons, Aaron and Greg, Lenorah, attended the Lady Raiders - Lady Jays basketball game at the Coliseum in Lubbock Saturday afternoon.

GROOM SCHOOL LUNCH MENU
March 28 - Breakfast: Cereal, blueberry muffins, juice, milk. Lunch: Tiger baskets w/steak fingers, french fries, gravy, Texas french fries, gray,
toast, mixed fruit, milk.
March 29 - Breakfast Pancakes, peanut butter, juice, milk. Lunch: Soft tacos w/meat and grated cheese, shredded lettuce, chopped tomatoes, cut corn, flour tortillas, cheesecake, milk.

March 30 - Breakfast: Breakfast burritoes, hash browns, juice milk Lunck brows, Ju, Roast beef, mashe potatoes, roast gravy, green beans, hot rolls, vanilla pudding w/cookie, milk.
March 31 - Breakfast: Biscuits, bacon, gravy, juice, milk. Lunch : Cheeseburgers, pork \& beans, tator tots, lettuce, pickles, onions, tomatoes, brownies, milk.
April 1 - No School Good Friday.

Election
the unexpired term formally held by Gary Friernel both gave a resounding "No" that they would not seek reelection.
II have served for twelve years," stated Lyles, "In that time we have been able to do some things that I'm really proud of . . . but it's time to let someone else serve."
Britten gave the same reasons. "I feel it's time to give someone else the chance to serve the community.:-
In the City election, the three positions are currently held by Bill Homer, Hop Britten and Bob Cornett. Bill Homer was unavailable for comment.
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Methodist Women Plan Senior Breakfast
Tuesday, March 15, United Methodist Women met at the Church at 2:30 pm.

During the business session, plans were made for the annual breakfast honoring local high school seniors.
The program was brought by Mamie Ritter.
Other guests were: Oma Schaffer, Julie McGee, Essie Schaffer, Julie McGee, Essie
Cooper-Knowles, Sybil Harrell and the Rev. Mark Metzger.
Also, the report of the World Day of Prayer service hosted by the United Methodist congregation wa given as sixteen percent and a collection of $\$ 36.00$. Members of the Baptist, St. Mary's Catholic, and the United Methodist Churches took part in the program.

On The Sick List
Venita Hickey of Groom is a patient at Northwest Texas Hospital this week.
Jonathan Robinson of Groom is also a patient at North West Texas Hospital.
tUESDAY GRAIN PRICES at Local ELEVATORS

Wheat- $\$ 3.03$
Milo-\$4.38
Corn-54.99

APRIL 19 IS THE Spring Band Concert and Elementary Program.


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Groom, Texas


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LOTTO TRIVIA
Which Pick 6 Number Has Been Picked More Than Any Other?

This week's winner: Arnie Kuehler


## Ware - Lewis

## Announce Engagement

 Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ware of White Deer, announce the engagemen and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kristy Ann, to Steven Eric Lewis of Pampa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lewis of Panhandle.The bride-elect is a 1993 graduate of White Deer High School. She is currently attending Clarendon College. She is the granddaughter of Art and Ann Pebworth of Salem, West Virginia and Alvin Ware of Hinton, Oklahoma.
The prospective groom is a 1991 graduate of Panhandle High School and is a 1993 graduate of Amarillo Police Academy He is currently employed by Gray County Sheriff's Department as a deputy. He is the grandson of Mr


Wedding vows will be exchanged June 18, 1994, in
and Mrs. Alvin Lewis of
and Mrs. Alvin Lewis or Groom.

Haiduk \& Faro


Celeste Haiduk and Christine Lutz, Denver. Christopher Faro were Best man was Douglas united in marriage March Murray, Dallas. Groomsmen 12, 1994, $2: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ with were Alan Corbin, Peter Father Bill Brashears and Mills, Houston; Troy Father Ron Groshen of St. Friddle, Vidor; Steve Louis, Missouri officiating. Cadigan, Brian Hickey, The ceremony was held at Dallas; Braxton Perkins, St. Mary's Church, Amarillo. Red Oak; and Morgan The bride is the daughter Haiduk, Amarillo.
of Arlene and Harry Guests were seated by Haiduk of Amarillo. Michael and Jonathan Faro Parents of the groom are Altar servers were Heath Dr. Sebastian and Sharon Henderson and Amanda
Faro of Mission Hills, Peters.
Kansas. The bride graduated from Matron of honor was Texas Tech University in Brenda Smith, Amarillo. Lubbock with a Bachelor of Bridal attendants were Arts Degree in Spanish in Talese Haiduk, Amanda 1990. She is currently the Haiduk, Amarillo; AnnMarie Main Street Project Faro, Houston; Cecilia Manager for the City of Faro, Houston; Cecila Manager for the Schilling, The groom attended


ELECT JEANNIE CUNNINGHAM CARSON COUNTY TREASURER


I will visit as many of you as possible in the short time between now and April 12th. I am asking for your continued support and vote of confidence in the Democratic Run-Off Election for County Treasurer.

Your vote is important to continue the smooth running efficient, and courteous business in the Treasurer's Office. PLEASE VOTEI Sharke

Beaumont, Texas. He then attended Stephen F. Austin State University where he earned a Bachelors Degree in Social work in 1992 Currently, he is a case manager and stroke consultant at Memorial City Rehabilitation Rehabilitation Hospital in

## Accident

nearby fire departments to provide assistance when it is needed as we have the units available. They pay us quite well for the use of the equipment."
"We had White Deer and Panhandle backing us up at home."

No structures or livestock, luckily, were in the
fire's path


Page 4-THE GROOM NEW Thursday. March 24, 1994 Jr. High Daniel Treadwel were: second Treadwell placed second in the 100 meter dash; Alberto Vega placed fifth in the 400 meter dash; Toby Burgin placed fifth in the long jump. David Treadwell and Toby Burgin also tied for second place in the boy's high jurnp. Todd Gray placed fourth in the triple jump. Daniel Treadwell placed fourth in
the shot put. the shot put. Andy York placed second and Jamie Shuck placed fourth in the discus. The toys 1600 meter relay team placed second. Those placed members are: team Treadwell, Todd Gray Toly Treadwell, Todd Gray, Toby Burgin and Jimmy Chavedo. The Junior High girls team totals were as follows: Miami A team 115, Groom 103, Valley 98, Follett 88, Channing 59, Kelton 44, Adrian 38, Lefors 11, Miami B 8, Higgins 6.
First place wins for Groom were taken by Angie Conrad in the long jump and the triple jump. The 800 meter and 400 meter relay teams also came away with first place wins. The 400 meter relay team members were: Melissa Anthony, Martie Phillips, Sarah Britten, Angie Conrad and Mary Hutsell. The 800 meter relay team was


On your mark, get ready, Go! Alberto Vega is poised and ready for his dash to the finish line in the 400.

Melissa Anthony, Mary placed third in the 400 Hutsell, Martie Phillips and Angic Conrad.

Other place winners are as follows: Sarah Britten fifth; and Karen Conrad sixth in the 800 meter run.

April Burton placed second in the 100 meter hurdies.
Martie Phillips placed fourth and Angie Conrad placed fifth in the 100 meter dash. Karen Conrad
meter dash. Tiarra O'Dell won 200 meter intermediate hurdles. Sarah Britten placed fifth in the 200 meter dash. Martie Phillips placed sixth in triple jump. Tami Ashford placed sixth in the discus.

The 1600 meter relay placed third with team members Kay Lynn Britten, Tami Ashford, Mary Hutsell and Karen Conrad.



Just soaking up the sunshine! Chris Ollinger, Marcus Miller, Dean Fields and Josh Evenson wait patiently for their turn to run.

Theta Delta Chapter Met In Groom
Theta Delta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met on March 12th at the First Baptist Church in Groom with thirteen members in attendance.
Elizabeth Smith, president, conducted the business meeting in which officers for the next biennium were elected two persons were elected to membership, and plans for the state convention to be held in Amarillo in June were discussed.
The program entitled "Technology Everywhere" consisted of a video "Quest for Enlightenment" and the membership sharing the use of technology in their of tecnnology in their classrooms.
Hostesses for the meeting were Judy Babcock, Dixie Surratt, Mogie McCray, Nanette Padget, and Susan Burgin. Other members in attendance were Mary Curtis, Mary Ewing, Kay Mayo, Patsy Bonner, Genie Murray, Mary Robinson Jony Thomas, Exie Vantine, and Kim Ewing.

## Everyone Is Invited To Attend

The First Baptist Church
Dinnertainer
Monday, April 11, 1994 7:00 p.m.
Groom Community Center


What 's a Dinnertainer? It's Dinner and Entertainment
What's the Entertainment? A variety show featuring people you know! $\$ 5.00$ will cover an evening of entertainment
and a lovely meal of .
Brisket or Baked Ham
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Salad
French Bread
Chocolate Cake or Cobbler
Ice Tea and Coffee
TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE, THROUGH CHURCH YOUTH OR CHURCH OFFICE.


High school senior girls Pampa. The senior girls are wanting information on rush encouraged to bring their procedures for college mothers to the party where sororities are invited to sorority alumnae will be attend a Panhellenic Coke available to answer Party on Sunday, March questions about rush, 27th at $2: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ in the recommendations, parties home of Linda Johnson, 2516 Chestnut Street in


## High School

Collin Downs placed third and Bart Britten placed sixth in the 800 meter run. Bryan Crowell and Bo Burgin placed second and third respectively in the 100 meter hurdles.
Wes Hall placed second and Justin Ritter placed sixth in the 400.
In the 300 meter hurdles Bo Burgin placed second and Matt Miller placed fifth. In the 100 meter dash Jeremy Chavedo placed fifth and Harold Cave placed sixth.

In the 200 meter dash Jeremy Chavedo place fifth. Bronte Britten placed fourth in the 1600 meter run.
In the high jump 4 Groom boys all tied for sixth place. They are Collin Downs, Bryan Crowell, Nick Ashford, and Terry Eatmon. Bryan Crowell placed fourth, Justin Ritter placed fifth, and Seth Ritter placed sixth in the triple jump.

In the 1600 meter (mile) relay Groom placed second. Wes Hall, Bryan Crowell, Seth Ritter and Bart Britten made up the team.
The Groom girls had several first place wins. Aside from the 800 relay Aside from the 800 relay
team which included them, team which included them,
the Conrad sisters had them the C
all.

Sandie Conrad placed first in the high jump, long jump and the 200 meter run. Rebecca Conrad placed., first in oshe 890 . Groom's 800 meter relay team also placed first. That team consisted of Sandic Conrad, Rebecca Conrad Stephanie Ollinger, and Krista Burgin.
Kay Case placed third in the discus.
Stacy Fields placed second and Darcee Lyles placed third in the shot put. Groom's 400 meter pelay Groom's 400 meter relay look third place. Sandie Conrad, Courtney Burgin, Stephanie Ollinger and Krista Burgin made up the team.
Stephanie Ollinger placed third in the 200 meter run. Stephanie Ollinger phaced fifth in the triple jump.
Stacy Fields place fourth in the 800 meter run
Angie Reed place fourth in the 100 meter hurdles.


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## Panhandle

Ground Water Conservation District Votes On Annexation Of Roberts County

The Board of Directors of the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District \#3 met Wednesday, March 16, 1994. At this meeting the Board called for a special election on for a special election on
May 7, 1994. The purpose May 7, 1994. . The purpose
of the election is the of the election is the
annexation of the remainder of Roberts County into this district. Approximately one fourth of Roberts County is already in the water conservation district.

A petition signed by more than seventy landowners in Roberts County requested annexation of the remainder of the county into the disfrict," was presented to the board at their January meeting.

The board accepted the petitions and held two hearings on the proposed annexation. The first hearing was held in the hearing was held in 23. This hearing was for This hearing was for
persons already in the persons already in the
district to express their district to express their
feelings about the proposed feelings about the proposed annexation. The second hearing held in the Miami High School Auditorium was to allow persons in Roberts County to express their opinions about joining the district.

The election is open only to persons in Roberts County not already in the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District.

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The Groom News

Misty Homen Named To All-State Team

Groom's Misty Homen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Allen Homen, was recently named to the AllState, 2nd team. Misty junior, averages 17 points per game. She also has an
average of 10 rebounds, 5 assists and 1 steal in any given game. She was also named to the All-District Team and the All- Regional Team.

THE GROOM NEWS' PICTURE BOX IS FULL
Come get pictures of your children, events, etc. We have lots of football, basketball Groom Day, Christmas and many others.


Page 6-THE GROOM NEWS Thursday, March 24, 1994

By R.M. Davis, Sergeant March 17, 1994
There are currently eight persons in custody at the Carson County Jail Their charges range from: 1) unauthorized use of a motor vehicle; 1) misdemeanor/class 13 theft; 1) parole violation; 1) probation violation; 1) sexual assault; 1) DWI f/DWLS/Poss. of Meth. u/28 grams; 1) involuntary manslaughter.
The Carson

Sheriffs office responded to motorists. the KOA camp ground in Gray County on a shooting of a person who later was reported to have attempted suicide. The Groom ambulance responded to the scene as well as Gray County officials. The Groom ambulance crew called for Medivac to fly the man out.
Our office also responded to numerous calls on the interstate for motorist assist, and was instrumental in bringing together separated

## Carson County Sheriff's Report

Groom \& Corner North

We are continuing investigations of complaints of youths purchasing alcohol throughout the county in some convenience stores. The Texas Highway Patrol, Troopers C. Ray and Joe Longway assisted the Carson County unit with a stolen van at Lark.
Two youths from Norman, Oklahoma were in possession of the van at the time. Both young men were transported to the

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Groom, Texas
courthouse in Panhandle Highway Patrol assisted as where one was released to did a unit from Carson his parents, while the other County Sheriff's remains in custody.
The Sheriffs Department responded to Skellytown in regards to a report of five runaways from that town.
While in the process of obtaining information on the runaways from the parents a radio broadcast was put out on a stolen pickup from just north of Panhandle. The owners of the pickup, upon returning home from out of town, saw their pickup going north on Hwy. 207 toward Borger. A short time later Sheriff Brand stopped the pickup near the Four Sixes Ranch. The pickup was occupied by three juveniles, which were three of the five runaways reported from Skellytown. Units from Hutchinson County Sheriffs Department, and the Borger



McLean's Toby Northcutt and Groom's Wes Hall catch their breath after placing first and second respectively in the 400 meter dash

## McLean Tracksters Compete In Groom

McLean athletes ended tt eir spring break with two b a autiful days at the Groom Relays. Usual March w sather was not at all missed during the annual event. Some tracksters gave performances that matched the weather.

Toby Northcutt had an ot tstanding day. He brought home first places in the 400 meter dash, the high jump, and the triple jump. Northcutt also putled in a second place in the 200 moter dash and a fifth place in the long jump.

Shawn Sanderson placed se xond in the grueling 3200 miter run.

Randal Greer placed sixth in the shot put. McLean boys placed fifth in the overall team scoring with 51 points Groom was first with 136.75. Valley 83.00 ; Miami 71.00 Panhandle B, 53.00.

In the high school girls meet Kristina Carter placed sixth place in the discus. McLean's Lady Tigers placed tenth in the meet. In the junior high meet Steve Parkinson placed third in the 800 meter run and second in the 200 meter dash. Erik Vega placed fifth in the 1200 meter run. The junior high boys placed seventh with 20 points.

Iust enjoying the sun! Steve Parkinson waits for his race to begin.

## McLean Beauties Compete In Shamrock

St. Patrick's 48th Annual Celebration in Shamrock Texas drew quite a crowd from area towns, more especially from McLean.

This year the weather was varm and the sunshine was bright. The activities of the day uittracted about 5,000 people.
Mclean beauties from the beauty pageant on February 17th, at McLean High School, did very well at Shamrock. McLean's Queen Angel Harris was first runner up in the Shamrock Pageant. Angel a junior at McLean High School Brooks Cameron from Claude won "Miss Irish Rose" for 1994.
Second runner up was Amanda Wood of


We lington. Third runner up was Kala Cook of Childress.

Erin McCracken, senior of McLean High School,

won "Miss Congeniality" at the Miss Irish Rose Pageant. She also won "Mageant. Conneniality" at the See Miss Irish Rose, pg. 10

## Girls Win Honors In Trampoline And Tumbling Competition

Gymne Fipin Farm Gymastics School of Shamrock, hosted a Division 1 meet January 29. The gym won the first place team trophy in trampoline. Mclean students participating were Sara Hall, receiving fourth in tumbling receiving fourt in second in trampoline. Also Lorin Hall finished first in tumbling and first on trampoline.
Sara traveled to Plainview on March 5 and finished fourth in tumbling and second in trampoline. This is Sara's first year to compete.
Eight members from the Farm competed in the Advanced Division II contest in Levelland on February 5 against twenty five different teams. Competing from McLean were Shaley Stalls and Lorin Hall. Shaley received eighth in tumbling a bronze meda in trampoline, a bronze medal in double min trampoline and a bronze medal in synchronized trampoline. Lorin earned a gold medal in tumbling, a gold medal in trampoline and a siver medal in double mini trampoline. They will travel back to Levelland April 9 and then compete in Amarillo for Division 1 regionals on June 11. This is Shaley's sixth year to compete and Lorin's second.
Numerous competitors from the Shamrock gym are cousins, nieces, nephews and grandchildren of McLean residents. There are also many students who take gymnastics from McLean but do not wish to compete.

McLean Little Dribblers Basketball Schedule
The Little Dribblers Association is sponsoring their annual tournament. Games begin at 9 am on March 26. The last game will begin at 8 pm . On Sunday, March 27 the Sunday, begin at $1: 00 \mathrm{pm}$. games begil the the 6 . This will be the 6th grade tournament. Due to so
many teams, we will be many teams, we will be
having a 4th and 5 th grade tournament in a couple of weeks.

Please come out and
See Little Dribblers, pg 8


Gymnastics began over 1,500 years ago with the Greeks and Romans, who used it as a means of keeping mentally and physically fit. Modern gymnastics began as a sport in Europe, reserved for men only. Females were assumed to not have the strength or agility. invaded the USA between 1850 and 1900 and is now a sport and leisure activity for anyone wishing to partake Gymnastics helps build sel esteem, strengthens muscles

See Flipin Farm, pg. 9


## Reminders

VFw MONDAY March
$28,7 \mathrm{pm}$. John Holland THERE WILL BE A will give a talk on the special School Board training and duties of his K- Meeting at the McLean 9. Public invited. Business office, March 24, 7 Refreshments.
THE McLEAN Livestock has not been anyone to sign Boosters appreciation dinner up for the trustee's election. will be held March 31st at March 23 is the deadline. 7:00 pm at the Gerald Tate Agriculture Barn.
TIIE McLEAN FIRST Annual Easter Egg Huni will be held April 2 at $3: 00$ pm at the park.

INTEREST HAS BEEN expressed to re-organize the McLean Chamber of Commerce. A meeting will be held on Tuesday, March $29,5: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ at the Bank of Commerce Hospitality Room. Any interested business person, group or private citizen is strongly urged to attend.

PROJECT Graduation will sponsor a dinner at the school cafeteria on Palm Sunday, March 27th. 11:30 am until ??

THE MINISTERIAL Alliance will have a special offering March 27th at all Community Churches.

McLEAN PUBLIC Schools will dismiss schoo March 31st at $1: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ for the Easter Holiday. Classes will resume April 5th at the regular time.

## Briefs

McLEAN BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES
March 25 －Samantha Jo Brown，Brian Fuller．
March 26 －Vera Back Heidi Lynn Syfrett．
March 27 －Davey
Ridgway．
March 28 Louise Watson，Shanna Littlefield， Jo Ellen Kniffer．
March 29 －Raymond Guyton，Linda McDonald， Martha Smith，Mr．and Mrs． Bud Steele（A）．
March 30 －Jodie Thomas．

Billy Joe and Betty Skipper went to see abou Betty＇s mother in Jonesville Louisiana while Betty was on spring break．

Lacy Thomas spent last week with Jodie Thomas and Granny Kinard．She was a big help with the was a big help with the
paper and helped get the paper and helped get the
papers in the office organized．

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## Spring Break Visitors

While on spring break last week Margeret Milham spent part of her time with her grandchildren and children at Altus， Oklahoma．

Sue and John Griffin had kept their two granddaughters for a couple of weeks and ook them home while the were on spring break．They live in Paris Texas．

Jerry and Arna Miller had their two gra ndchildren last week．They were very busy helping to spring housecleaning anc yard and garden work．

Bill and Katy Graham enjoyed a happy spring break with visiting children and grandchildren．Mary Gabel of Canyon and Gina and Sarah were here Wednesday．Mary teaches sixth grade in Canyon． Gina is a speech therapist for River Road School District and Sarah has been accepted to the School of Nursing at W．T．A\＆M University．
Visiting from Monte Vista，Colorado were Kathy and Mark Henslee，Will and Rachel．Mark is Pastor of the Presbyterian Church and Kathy is a School Nurse and works part time in Home Heaith．

Little Dribblers
support the teams．All proceeds will go to the Little Dribbler Association． 6th Grade Tournament Schedule： 9 am－girls， Samnorwood vs．Ft．Elliott 10 am－boys，Samnorwood vs．Ft．Elliott． 11 am －girls， Hedley vs Allison． 12 pm boys，Hedley vs Wheeler 6th． 1 pm －girls，McLean vs Wheeler． 2 pm－boys， McLean vs Wheeler 5th．

CARD OF THANKS The past few months have proven to me that having friends，neighbors and relatives like you is a wonderful blessing．I want to say thank you to all who to say thank you to all who sent cards and letters and
helped look after my things helped look after my things
while I was away．A special while I was away．A special thank you goes to my wonderful family；Archie， my brother and his wife， Virginia for all of your help during my illness and recuperation．To my children，Kathy，Kenneth George，Jim George Coleen，Charlie and Irene， bless you for taking such good care of me and having me in your homes．
Also，I cannot forget the two boys who came to my rescue and the wonderful ambulance crew who delivered such tender care． Happy To Be Home
Mozelle Miller


Murray Presents Program

To Pioneer Study Club The McLean－Alanreed of the Pioneer Study Club＇s March 17th meeting．Loyce Murray presented a ver Murray presented a very interesting program on the lives of women in Victorian America．There was a great disparity between the outward appearance and the inward truths of early pioneer living．Mrs．Murray used several sources for her information including the ＂Little House＂books by Laura Ingalls Wilder．
In keeping with the spirit of St．Patrick＇s Day，Mary Lou Glass served refreshments of cookies frosted in soft spring colors， vegetables and dip，candy， chips，pickles，and soft drinks

Old business included discussion on material for the favors for the upcoming Senior Tea．Also discussed were ideas on the beautification of McLean．
Other members in attendance were Fayette Bell Barton，Mary Dwyer， Bonnie Nell Fabian，Wanda Lamb，Ruth Magee，Beverly Odom，Martha Parker，Lynn Reeves，Charlie Marie Shurley，Jenny Stubbs， Nama Webb，Mary Emma Woods，and one guest，Jean Kuhlman．

## Mom＇s Circle Meets

Mom＇s Circle met on March 14 at the United Methodist Church．Davie Gipson continued the lesson on Lap Quilting．There was no scheduled speaker so the Mom＇s were able to spend the entire time working on their individual lap quilt The United Methodist Women provided lunch for the Mary Dwyer，Evelyn Shaw Mary Dwyer，and Loyce Sherrod served the Mom＇s baked potatoes with several delicious toppings，and chocolate and angel food cake．
The United Methodist Women were kind enough to again sponsor the nursery which was held at the which was held at the Assembly of God Church．
Others in attendance were Others in attendance were： Kristie Crockett，Susan Williamson，Cindy Lee，Sally Seymour，Nama Webb， Adella Jackson，Rose Steel， Lacey Steel，and Shale Steel．
The next meeting will be April 11 at the Assembly of God Church from 11：00 am to $1: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ ．

## McLean Care Center News

Sunday Bro．Thacker Class from the Methodist Haynes，pastor of the Church was here to give the Methodist Church was here residents an ice cream to hold a worship service．social．Loyce Murray Residents playing bingo played many songs from the Monday afternoon were 40 ＇s．Ladies serving were Jessie Coleman，Polly Babe Brown，Jean Burnett，Dick Wheeler，Kuhlman，Loree Barker， Mamie Hathaway，Lorena Mary Frazier，and Inez Bailey，Clyde Trusty，Trostle．
Thelma Hopkins，Eula Thursday was our St Morrow，Teresa Richardson，Patrick＇s party．Our Adelle Walker，Kittie shamrock decorated cake Hessey，Annie Eudey，Leon was furnished by Evelyn Burch，and Lucille Cullison．Pennington and the ange Our volunteer helpers were food cake which was also Loree Barker，Cliffie green was furnished by Heasley，Avalee Crockett，Betty Lowe．Members of and Sylvia McClellan．the Methodist Church sang Bananas were furnished by several Irish songs for the Lions Club
Tuesday a Resident Council meeting was held by president Eula Morrow． Those in attendance were Virgie Everett，Dick Wheeler，Leon Burch Tommy Newton，Jewell Warner Lorena Bailey Warner，Lorena Bailey，Lula Sheegog，Lucille Cullison，
Thelma Hopkins，Kittie Thelma Hopkins，Kittie Hessiey，Annie Eudey， Adelle Walker，Mamie Hathaway，Polly Burnett， and Christine Shipley．In he afternoon Craig Morris， Dick Wheeler，Leon Burch， and Teresa Richardson played dominoes．
Wednesday the ladies had manicures．ladies had afternoon ladies from the Winsome Sunday School

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Magee Named To All-State


Mindy Magee was recently named to the Six Man All-State Basketball team.

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She averaged $76.4 \%$ of her field goals.

She was picked to play in the Golden Spread All Star Game and the 6-Man Coaches Association All Star Game.

COME AND SUPPORT the Little Dribblers tournament on March 26 beginning at 9 am and March 27 beginning at pm.

New City Water March 18
The new City water well came on line Friday, March 18th. The approved drinking water began to flow after a valve blew in the new two mile long line, delaying the completion by two days according to City Superintendent, Fred Smith Superintendent, Fred Smith. The new well is located one


## Obituary

 and a half miles north of McLean and ties into the City in the northeast corner of town near Morse and McCarty Streets.Residents should see less deposits and of course, approved levels of nitrates content.

## Flipin Farm

and coordination and is just plain fun.
The gym recently participated in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. They are also planning a lock-in sleep over for any child, even if they are not students of the gym. Students are now holding a raffle to buy a hot-bed trampoline for the gym. On April 15 a $\$ 100$ gift certificate and two $\$ 50$ gift certificates from Jack's gift certificates from Jack's Discount Center will be drawn. Students are selling
chances for $\$ 1$ each. chances for $\$ 1$ each.
Many of the area competitors formerly drove to Amarillo or Pampa and it is wonderful to have a gym in Shamrock. Your support of these kids and the gym is greatly appreciated.

## J.C. Willis

Dumas - J.C. Willis, 63 died Thursday, March 17, 1994.

Services were Saturday in First Assembly of God Church with the Rev. Jerry Trammell, pastor, officiating. Graveside services were in Alanreed Cemetery at Alanreed. Arrangements were by Morrison Funeral Directors.
Mr. Willis was born in Gray county and had been a Dumas resident since 1950, moving from McLean. He was an Army veteran of the Korean War and a retire shift ar and a retured Southwestern Public Service Co. He mablic Service Co. He married Bobbie Castleberry in 1950 at Clayton, New Mexico. Mr. Willis was a member of First Assembly of God Church.

Survivors include his wife;
daughter, Delora Jarrett

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of Amarillo; a son, Greg Willis of Dumas; his mother, Eula Willis of Dumas; two sisters, Dorothy Conatser of Delta Colorado, and Thelma Holman of Amarillo; brother, Tommy Willis of McLean; and four grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the American Heart Association.

Making a trip to Lubbock on Friday evening was Jodie Thomas, McLean; Lacy, Kathy, and Buddy Thomas from Stratford, Texas. Visiting Kent, Donna, Ashley and Hunter Payne in Lubbock. Joining the family was Jerry, Debbie, April, Megan and Zachory Beaty from Idalou, Texas. The men had a big golf game on Saturday evening and the ladies got to go shopping.

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## Dedra Watson And Nathan Davis United In Marriage, February 20



Rev. Thacker Haynes officiated the service.
The bride is the daughter of James and Sherry Watson of McIerry Parents of the groom are Joe and Cheri Davis of Turkey, Texas
The maid of honor was Danna Watson of Lubbock. Bridal attendant was Joetta Bailey of McLean. Ring bearer was Evan McMordie of McLean.
Clay Merrell of Levelland, served as best man. Jason Smith, of Levelland and Chad Calvert, of Turkey were groomsmen. Candlelighter was Rodney Moore of Wolfforth. Ushers for the ceremony were Rodney Moore of Wolfforth and Tanner Ketchersid of Lubbock.
The bride is a hairdresser at Alberta's in McLean. The groom is presently serving in the U.S. Navy,
stationed in Japan.
Dedra Watson and at the United Methodis Nathan Davis were married Church in Mclean. The Sunday, February 20, 1994

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Marine Sergeant Phillips Deployed To Alaska
Marie Sgt. Stacy D. Phillips, whose wife, Latonya, is the daughter of George M. and Sue Burrow of McLean, Texas, recently deployed with 1st Battalion, 2nd Marines, 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, Division, Camp Lejeune,
N.C. for a cold-weather N.C. for a cold-weather
exercise in Alaska. exercise in Alaska.
The battalion departed for the Mountain Warfare Training Center, Bridgeport, California, and then flew to Fort Wainwright, Alaska. There, the battalion served as the ground combat element of the 2nd Marine Regiment and was a portion of the total force of the U.S. Army's 6th Infantry Division for the exercise.
He joined the Marines in October 1985.

## ALANREED NEWS

By Lena Carter
Nora Dragoo accompanied her niece Judy, of Amarillo, to Lovelady to the Virgil Larues to help them celebrate "Grandma's" birthday.
Jeremy Tidwell of Groogn spent part of the school break here with his grandparents, the Bill Tidwells.
The Ray Howard Millers and grandson were here at the orchard during the weekend.
Mr . and Mrs. Fred Goldston of Lubbock and Lucy Goldston of Memphis visited here Thursday of last week.

The Roy Dragoo's of Colorado visited relatives here this week.
Visiting here with her parents and picking up her children who have been visiting was Verna Carver of Lamesa.
The Robert Bruces were in Pampa on Friday. The Twentieth Century Study Club met March 17th in the home of Safrona Pettit with Relia Ayres as co-hostess. The meeting was opened by President Cliffie Heasley and the Club Collect was said in unison, led by Loree Barker. Minutes were read by Laura Edleman and approved as read. Old business was a reminder from Laverne Brooks on the subjects for the year book for next year. Also the subject of the field trip in June was discussed. Roll call was show and tell and dealt with artifacts of archeology. Each member brought and showed rocks etc. Answering the roll call was Relia Ayres, Laverne Brooks, Loree Barker, Lena Carter, Avalee Crockett Laura Edleman, Mary Groves, Cliffie Heasley, and Safrona Pettit. The program on archeology was given by Relia Ayres. Refreshments of chips, dips, Refreshments of chips, dips, fruit, jello salad, sandwiches nuts, celery, carrots, angel food cake, lime sherbet, coffee and spiced apple juice was served by the hostesses. The next meeting will be with Loree Barker

Arsonists Burn
School Bonfire Brush Arsonists lit the brush pile on the school athletic grounds Saturday evening. The brush pile, used for the Tiger Homecoming night bonfire burned down, but bonire McLean's Fire not until McLean's Fire Department supervised the worst of the blaze. Winds were blowing unusually light from the south that evening and the brush was cut back resulting in no losses or secondary flare ups.
A Neighborhood Watcher reported the incident to the sheriff after calling the Fire Department. She reported seeing three teenage boys in the area just before the brush was engulfed in twenty foot flames.

## Miss Irish Rose

Miss McLean contest.
Everyone is very proud of these two young ladies from McLean. Erin McCracken will graduate this year but Angel Harris will have another year to represent McLean.

Guard Reunion Planned
The "Reunion '94" Committee is currently rying to locate all the National Guard members who have served at the Pampa Armory, Shamrock and Borger Detachments of this Armory, to inform them of the First Annual Reunion commemorating 46 years of service to the community and nation.
There are over 1100 names on the list, with many current address and additional names missing. If you know of or were yourself a member of this group, please have them contact Betty Rainey at the following address or phone number so that we can get their registration and activity list to them. The early registration date has been extended to the 20th of April due to the difficulties in locating so many

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