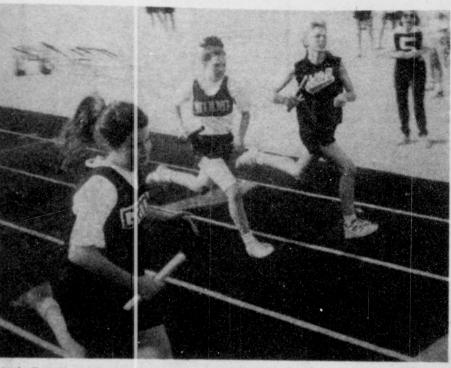
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Angie Conrad stretches to get that extra kick as she brings home the gold for Groom's Junior High 800 Meter Relay Team.



Tiarra O'Dell gets a little acvice from her dad, Coach Terry O'Dell at Saturday's track meet.

High School Boys 1st, Girls 2nd, Jr. High 2nd, In Groom Relays

Groom High School Results

The Annual Groom
Relays were held last week properties in near perfect weather with twelve schools attending.

Panhandle took home the first place honors, boys and girls, in the 11-man division. White Deer boys and Booker girls placed second and Booker boys and White Deer girls placed third.

Groom boys won the Sixman division handily with a lead of 53.75 points over second place Valley. The Tigers totaled 166.75 points.

Groom girls placed second. Miami won with 157 points while Groom netted only 108.

Groom Tiger's two first place wins came from the Ritter brothers, Seth and Justin. Seth placed first in the pole vault and Justin placed first in the 800.

Harold Cave placed second and Tom Lambert in the shot put.

Tom Lambert placed second and Chris Burger placed third in the discus.

Ty Lambert placed third in the pole vault.

Groom's 400 meter relay team of Jeremy Chavedo, Bryan Crowell, Seth Ritter and Bart Britten placed third.

See High School, pg. 5

Groom Junior High boys and girls both placed second in the Groom Track Meet held last weekend.

Jr. High Results

The boys team totals were Valley 135½, Groom 110, Follett 98, Miami 55, Channing 32, Higgins 22, McLean 20, Adrian 13, and Lefors 10.

First place winners for the boys were Todd Gray in the 800 meter run and the 400 meter relay team consisting of Daniel Treadwell, Todd Gray, Toby Burgin and Jimmy Chavedo. Toby Burgin placed first in the 200 meter dash.

See Jr. High, pg. 4

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 Panhandle. 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 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 service, and the implementation schedule for

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

collected 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 all 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.

Fire Fighter, Randy Johnson, Injured In Bowers City Area Blaze Accident

A Groom volunteer 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 School Board, and David Britten, an appointee that is filing See Election, pg 2 bad.

"It's a wonder that Lefors is still standing," he said. Seven different fire 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 units, leaving at home, as always, the city pumper, in case 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

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Community Calendar

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

THERE WILL BE no school on April 1, Good Friday.

DISTRICT UIL meet will be held on March 22-23.

GROOM AA MEETING meets at 8:00 pm every Tuesday at the Groom Branch Library. 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 pm at the D.Q.

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

BAPTIST SENIOR Supper will be held April 12 at 7:00 pm.

THE MIAMI TRACK meet will be held March 26.

DISTRICT GOLF Tournament will be held on April 4.

EASTER EGG HUNT 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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GROOM BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

March 24 - Russell David Conrad, Brenda Diane Fields.

March 25 - Mrs. Tom Britten, Roman Friemel, Joyce Hutsell, Buck Babcock, Jessica Friemel. March 26 - Brice

Ruthardt. March 27 - Laveda Wood, Amanda Kelly.

March 28 - Cinton Adam Babcock, Billy Dan Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Leven (A).

March 29 - Mrs. H.F.

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

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

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



Announcement

White I.S.D. is hosting a Secretary of State Election School via satellite. 6:30-28:30 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.

married the Collins former Maxine Byars on March 27, 1944. They have lived in Amarillo for 27

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

Local Happenings

George and Janie Britten, son Tracy, Richard Gibson 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 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. Lunch: Roast beef, mashed 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.

"I 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

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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Tuesday, March United Methodist Women met at the Church at 2:30

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 Cooper-Knowles, Sybil Harrell and the Rev. Mark

Also, the report of the World Day of Prayer service hosted by the United Methodist congregation was given as sixteen percent and 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.

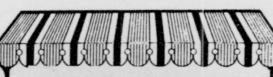
Jonathan Robinson of Groom is also a patient at North West Texas Hospital.

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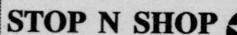
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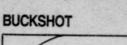
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and Mr. and Mrs. James currently works in Dallas as Inc. Wolf of Arlington are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching wedding of their children Erin Kate Eschle, and James Kyle Wolf.

Services are planned for June 4 at 6:00 pm at the White Chapel United Methodist Church at Southlake, Texas.

Erin Kate, graduated from Groom High School in She earned a 1988. Bachelor's Degree in Speech Communication from the University of Texas, in Austin, in 1991. At UT, she was a member of Delta Gamma Sorority and was also involved with Campus Crusade for Christ. She currently works for MCI Business Communications in Dallas, Texas as a Territory Sales Representative.

James Kyle graduated from Sam Houston High School in Arlington, Texas. He graduated from Baylor University with both his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Computer Science in 1984 and 1990 respectively. While at the University he taught aerobics and was also the

Mr. and Mrs. John President of the Computer a Systems Engineer for Eschle of Lubbock, Texas Science Honor Society. He Evolutionary Technologies,

Ware - Lewis **Announce** Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ware of White Deer, announce the engagement 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.



and Mrs. Alvin Lewis of Claude and Lucille Case of

Wedding vows will be exchanged June 18, 1994, in Panhandle, Texas.

Haiduk & Faro Are United In Marriage



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.

Christopher Faro were 12, 1994, 2:00 pm with

The bride is the daughter Haiduk, Amarillo. of Arlene and Harry Parents of the groom are Faro of Mission Hills, Peters. Kansas

Faro, Houston; Cecilia Turrin, Houston; Rhonda

Schilling, Lubbock; and

Haiduk and Christine Lutz, Denver.

Best man was Douglas united in marriage March Murray, Dallas. Groomsmen 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

Guests were seated by Haiduk of Amarillo. Michael and Jonathan Faro. Altar servers were Heath Dr. Sebastian and Sharon Henderson and Amanda

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 Manager for the City of Duncanville, Texas.

The groom attended University in Lamar

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 Hospital in Houston, Texas.

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."

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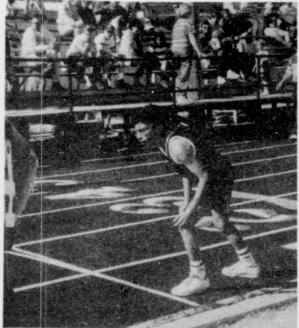
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Jr. High

Other winners Daniel 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 jump. Todd Gray placed fourth in the triple jump. Daniel Treadwell placed fourth in the shot put. Andy York placed second and Jamie Shuck placed fourth in the discus. The boys 1600 meter relay team placed second. Those team members are: Daniel 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 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 Hutsell, Martie Phillips and Angie 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 hurdles.

Phillips placed Martie fourth and Angie Conrad

placed third in the 400 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



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

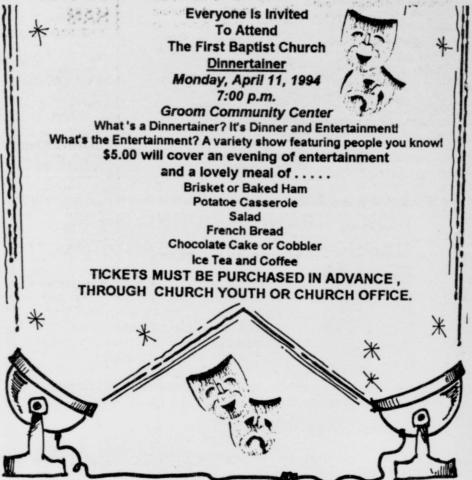
Panhellenic Coke Party To Be Held

High school senior girls wanting information on rush procedures for college sororities are invited to attend a Panhellenic Coke Party on Sunday, March 27th at 2:00 pm in the home of Linda Johnson, 2516 Chestnut Street in

Pampa. The senior girls are encouraged to bring their mothers to the party where sorority alumnae will be available to answer questions about rush, recommendations, parties and wardrobe.







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

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 team which included them, the Conrad sisters had them all.

Sandie Conrad placed first in the high jump, long jump and the 200 meter run. Rebecca Conrad placed first in the 800 Groom's 800 meter relay team also placed first. That team consisted of Sandie 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 relay took 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 placed fifth in the triple jump.

Stacy Fields place fourth in the 800 meter run.

Angie Reed place fourth in the 100 meter hurdles.



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 May 7, 1994. The purpose 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 district, 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 P.G.W.C.D. on February 23. This hearing was persons already in the district to express their 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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Misty Homen Named To All-State Team

Groom's Misty Homen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Allen Homen, was recently named to the All-State, 2nd team. Misty, a 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.

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Carson County Sheriff's Report

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 B theft; 1) parole violation; 1) probation violation; sexual assault; 1) DWIf/DWLS/Poss. of Meth. u/28 grams; 1) involuntary manslaughter.

Carson County

Sheriff's office responded to the KOA camp ground in Gray County on a shooting of a person who later was reported to have attempted 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

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

courthouse in Panhandle where one was released to his parents, while the other remains in custody.

The Sheriff's 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 Sheriff's Department, and the Borger

Highway Patrol assisted as did a unit from Carson County Sheriff's Department. The three youths were transported to the courthouse in Panhandle. Two of the youths were released to their parents, while the third was released into the custody of the Pampa Juvenile authorities.

The Sheriff's Department is continuing investigation of vandalism of mailboxes, and roadsigns throughout the county. Patrols have been increased to provide more coverage and quicker response time.

Residents of the county are reminded the 24 hour "Hotline", Crime Tip is available at either 248-7346 or 537-3511. All calls will be kept confidential.

(A Checkered Career Often Ends In Plain Stripes).

College Funding Workshop

Dr. Jerry Mason, Professor of Texas Tech University held a seminar on Monday night on "How to Fund Your Child's Education." The seminar was provided by the Texas Extension Agricultural Service in the Activities Center in Claude.

Dr. Mason said. "Whether one goes to Texas Tech or Harvard, the education is the same." He believes education number one, with education can give you the world."

Dr. Mason suggested ideas such as students living on campus, that dorm life was the best place to live. College visitations and visiting with the faculty can help one decide if that school is for them. Internships, Mason says he would like to see schools recommend more. This is one way of developing your network .

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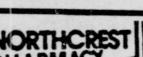
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McLean's Toby Northcutt and Grown's Wes Hall catch their breath after placing first and second respectively in the 400 meter dash.

McLean Tracksters Compete In Groom



Just enjoying the sun! Steve Parkinson waits for his race

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

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

Shawn Sanderson placed se xond in the grueling 3200 meter 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.

McLean Beauties Compete In Shamrock

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

This year the weather was warm and the sunshine was bright. The activities of the day attracted about 5,000

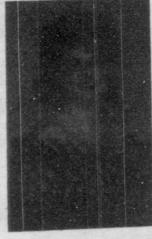
McLean beauties from the beauty pageant on February 17th, at McLean High School, did very well at Shamrock. McLean's Queen Angel Harris was first runner up in the Shamrock Pageant. Angel is a junior at McLean High School Brooks Cameron from Claude won "Miss Irish Rose" for 1994.

Second runner up was Amanda Wood of



up was Kala Cook of the Miss Irish Rose Chi dress.

of McLean High School, See Miss Irish Rose, pg. 10



We lington. Third runner won "Miss Congeniality" at Pageant. She also won Frin McCracken, senior "Miss Congeniality" at the

Girls Win Honors In Trampoline **And Tumbling Competition**

The Flipin Farm Gymnastics School of Shamrock, hosted a Division I meet January 29. The gym won the first place team trophy in trampoline. McLean students participating were Sara Hall, receiving fourth in tumbling and 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 medal in trampoline, a bronze medal in double mini trampoline and a bronze medal in synchronized trampoline. Lorin earned a gold medal in tumbling, a gold medal in trampoline and a silver medal in double mini trampoline. They will travel back to Levelland April 9 and then compete in Amarillo for Division II 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 games begin at 1:00 pm.

This will be the 6th grade tournament. Due to so many teams, we will be having a 4th and 5th grade tournament in a couple of

See Little Dribblers, pg 8 urged to attend.



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-Females were only. assumed to not have the strength or agility. It invaded the USA between 1850 and 1900 and is now a sport and leisure activity for anyone wishing to partake. Gymnastics helps build self esteem, strengthens muscles

See Flipin Farm, pg. 9





Reminders

VFW MONDAY March 28, 7 pm. John Holland give a talk on the special School

will be held March 31st at March 23 is the deadline. 7:00 pm at the Gerald Tate Agriculture Barn.

THE McLEAN FIRST Annual Easter Egg Hunt 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 pm at the Bank of Commerce Hospitality Room. Any interested business person, group or Please come out and private citizen is strongly

THERE WILL BE A training and duties of his K- Meeting at the McLean Public invited. Business office, March 24, 7 pm. At press time there THE McLEAN Livestock has not been anyone to sign Boosters appreciation dinner up for the trustee's election.

> 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 school March 31st at 1:30 pm for the Easter Holiday. Classes will resume April 5th at the regular time.

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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 Kniffen.

March 29 - Raymond Guyton, Linda McDonald. Martha Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Steele (A).

March 30 - Jodie

Briefs

Billy Joe and Betty Skipper went to see about 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 paper and helped get the papers in the office organized.

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Spring Break Visitors

While on spring break last week Margaret 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 look them home while they were on spring break. They live in Paris Texas.

Jerry and Arna Miller had their two grandchildren last week. They were very busy helping co spring housecleaning and yard and

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 Health.

Little Dribblers

support the teams. 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 sent cards and letters and helped look after my things 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 To my recuperation. 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.

Нарру То Ве Ноте Mozelle Miller

Murray Presents Program To Pioneer Study Club

The McLean-Alanreed Area Museum was the site of the Pioneer Study Club's March 17th meeting. Loyce 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 group. Evelyn Shaw, Mary Dwyer, and Loyce Sherrod served the Mom's baked potatoes with several delicious toppings, and chocolate and angel food

The United Methodist Women were kind enough to again sponsor the nursery which was held at the Assembly of God Church. Others in attendance were: Kristie Crockett, Susan Williamson, Cindy Lee, Sally Seymour, Nama Webb, Adella Jackson, Rose Steel, Lacey Steel, and Shaley

The next meeting will be April 11 at the Assembly of God Church from 11:00 am

McLean Care Center News

Sunday Bro. Thacker Haynes, pastor of the Methodist Church was here to hold a worship service.

Residents playing bingo Monday afternoon were Coleman, Polly Jessie Burnett, Dick Wheeler, Mamie Hathaway, Lorena Bailey, Clyde Trusty, Hopkins, Eula Thelma Morrow, Teresa Richardson, Adelle Walker, Kittie Hessey, Annie Eudey, Leon Burch, and Lucille Cullison. Our volunteer helpers were Loree Barker, Cliffie Heasley, Avalee Crockett, and Sylvia McClellan. Bananas were furnished by the Lions Club.

Tuesday a Resident Council meeting was held by president Eula Morrow. Those in attendance were Virgie Everett. Dick Wheeler, Leon Burch, Newton, Jewell Warner, Lorena Bailey, Lula Sheegog, Lucille Cullison, Thelma Hopkins, Kittie Hessey, Annie Eudey, Walker, Mamie Adelle Hathaway, Polly Burnett, and Christine Shipley. In the afternoon Craig Morris, Dick Wheeler, Leon Burch, Teresa Richardson played dominoes.

Wednesday the ladies had manicures. In the afternoon ladies from the Winsome Sunday School

Class from the Methodist Church was here to give the residents an ice cream social. Loyce Murray played many songs from the 40's. Ladies serving were Babe Brown, Jean Kuhlman, Loree Barker, Mary Frazier, and Inez Trostle.

Thursday was our St. Patrick's party. Our shamrock decorated cake was furnished by Evelyn Pennington and the angel food cake which was also green was furnished by Betty Lowe. Members of the Methodist Church sang several Irish songs for everyone. Our singers were Sam and Linda Haynes, Kathy Carter, Jackson, Thacker Haynes and Johnnie Haynes accompanied on the piano by Joyce Haynes. volunteer servers were Betty Lowe, Inez Trostle, and Jennifer Pennington. Fun was had by all.

Friday morning the residents met in the Sun Room for a game of bingo. Those playing were Polly Burnett, Jessie Coleman, Virgie Everett, Lucille Cullison, Dick Wheeler, Annie Eudey, Leon Burch, Teresa Richardson, Eula Morrow, Adelle Walker and Tommy Newton.

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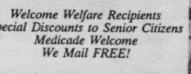
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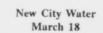
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The new City water well came on line Friday, March The approved 18th. drinking water began to flow after a valve blew in the new two mile long line, delaying the completion by two days according to City Superintendent, Fred Smith. The new well is located one 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 Discount Center will be drawn. Students are selling chances for \$1 each.

Many of the 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.



Shawn Sanderson sprints to the end of the grueling 3200

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

The 5'7" senior averaged 25.1 points per game in addition to eight rebounds, twelve assists, and five

She averaged 76.4% of her field goals.

Obituary

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J.C. Willis

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

Services were Saturday in First Assembly of God Church with the Rev. Jerry Trammell, pastor, officiating. Graveside services were in Cemetery at Alanreed 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 Korean War and a retired shift foreman for Southwestern Public 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; a daughter, Delora Jarrett

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

requests The family memorials be to the American Heart Association.

Making a trip to Lubbock was an Army veteran of the on Friday evening was Jodie Thomas, McLean; Lacy, Kathy, and Buddy Thomas from Stratford, Texas. Visiting Kent, 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.

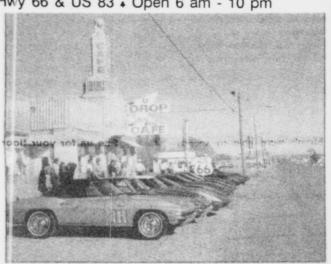
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The bride is the daughter James and Sherry Watson of McLean. Parents of the groom are Joe and Cheri Davis of Turkey, Texas.

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. groom is presently serving in the U.S. Navy, stationed in Japan.

669-6896

Jim T. Pepper Home 669-9710

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, N.C. for a cold-weather 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 Groom 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

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 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, 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 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 trying 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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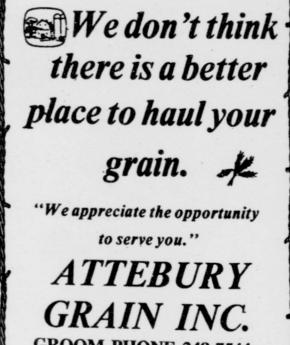
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