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Summer Fun Classes Slated For McLean

The City of Pampa and Pampa Fine Arts Association will share in two evenings of registration times for all of their summer classes, which are set for June and July.

On Thursday, May 27, and again on Thursday, June 3, registration for both organizations will be from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., at the east entrance of Pampa Middle School (the entrance facing Charles Street).

Pampa Middle School is located at 23rd and Charles Streets, just east of Perryton Parkway, or Highway 70. It is across Highway 70 from St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church.

Registration for Pampa Fine Arts classes will also be available through their office (806/665-0343). Their mailing address is P.O. Box 818, Pampa, TX 79066.

Follow your newspaper for class and teacher information, and registration forms.

Pampa Fine Arts Association is sponsoring classes on three different campuses this year. Dates and locations are:

June 21-25 in Pampa, at the Pampa Middle School - 10:00 to noon;
June 28-July 2 in Miami, at the Miami School - 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.;

July 5-9 in McLean, at the McLean Elementary School - 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.;

Day classes are open to students who have completed 1st grade through 12th grade.

There will also be a selection of evening classes for high school students through adults at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Pampa, June 21-25. Time is 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Cost for each student is \$20, with some classes having a small additional charge for supplies. Family discounts for more than one student are available, as are See Classes, pg. 12

Top Students Named At McLean



Rachel Galley



Vanessa Glass

The McLean Junior High and High School have announced their top students for the '98-'99 school year.

In high school, Rachel Galley earned top honors with a 94.293 grade point average and was named the Valedictorian of the senior class. Rachel is the daughter of Eugene and Brenda Galley.

Vanessa Glass earned the Salutatorian honors with a grade point average of 91.914. Vanessa is the daughter of Lynch and Arlene Glass.

Earning Valedictorian honors in Junior High is Katrina Routon. Katrina is the daughter of Donna and Russell Routon. Salutatorian honors were earned by Shaley Steel. Shaley is the daughter of Dale and Rose Steel.

The top five list is continued with Jennifer Smith - 3rd, Jeffrey Lee 4th and Tami March - 5th.



Shaley Steel



Katrina Routon



Worth The Wait Program Held

A program entitled "Worth the Wait" was presented to the eighth grade class on May 18. In complete cooperation with parents of the students and the teaching staff of McLean the program teaches the importance of abstinence. Stacey Ladd, RN is the director for the See Program, pg. 17

McLean Reminders...

McLEAN Graduation exercises will be held on May 28.

ACCELERATED Readers who have met their goal will travel to Amarillo to spend the day at Wonderland Park on May 21.

THE SPRING Music Program is tonight at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.

JR. HIGH Graduation will be May 27 at 7:00 pm in the United Methodist Church.

HIGH SCHOOL Baccalaureate will be on May 23 at 8:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church and Graduation will be May 28 at 8:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.

THE ELEMENTARY and Jr. High awards assembly will be on May 26 at 9 am in the high school auditorium.

THE NEW GYM will celebrate its opening on May 25th with a ribbon cutting ceremony and a pep rally at 5:30 pm and two exhibition basketball games at 6:30 pm.

THE SPORTS Banquet will be Friday, May 21 at the Devil's Rope Museum, 7:00 pm.

GOLF SCRAMBLE, 18 holes, Sat., May 22, 10 am. Fellowship of Christian Athletes, see ad page 12.

KINDERGARTEN graduation is today at 9:00 a.m. in the High School Auditorium.

THE McLEAN Care Center's garage sale will be Saturday, May 22.

EACH TUESDAY in May there will be a Rabies Vaccination Clinic at the McLean Veterinary Clinic.

School Board Discusses Gym Landscaping

The McLean Independent School District Board of Education met for a regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on May 11, 1999.

Board members present were Bob Glass, Mike Darsey, T.D. Simmons, Billie Ward, and Don Dorsey. Neal Odom and John Holland were absent from the meeting. Others present were John Griffin, Superintendent, Leslie Darsey, Secretary, Margaret Milam, Food Service Director, Toni Bohlar, Coach Paula Waters, Dick Crockett, Elementary Principal, Sally Bohlar and Terri Adams.

All votes were unanimous unless otherwise stated. The meeting was called

to order at 7:10 p.m. by Vice-President, Don Dorsey. Opening prayer was led by Billie Ward. Minutes of the regular meeting of April 19, 1999, and the special meeting held May 4, 1999 were approved.

There were no comments from visitors. Toni Bohlar asked the Board about the possibility of having visitor comments moved to the end of each meeting in order to discuss the agenda items. The general consensus of the Board was to keep visitor comments at the start of each meeting, but would allow time after adjourning for any discussion from visitors. Ms. Bohlar also requested that she receive a copy

of the Updates from TASE to the Policy & Procedures Manual, in order to better understand what new changes came about.

The gym discussion covered the water leak problems, and the follow-up from CIB to fix them. Coach Waters informed the Board about

some ideas of landscaping for the new gym, as well as, prices to purchase sod grass. Waters was to check another possible source to compare prices, but the Board agreed that Bermuda would be the best choice at .17 cents per square foot. The motion passed to purchase Bermuda-sod at the best price available with Mr. Griffin being

the acting authority.

The McLean ISD District Improvement Plan as submitted by the site-based committee was accepted.

It was decided to brace the backside tread-runner of the bleachers before installing the new seats.

Item E-Landscaping, and Item F-Report on Property & Casualty Insurance were discussion only.

Student transfers for the 1999-2000 school year were approved with the following students: Cesily Cadra, Tanner Cadra, Trent Cadra, Ashley Byron, Russell Anglin, George Patterson, Brody Carter, Brian Fuller, Jennifer Greer, Pamela Greer, Bradley

See Board, pg. 12

Sports Banquet Planned

May 21 at 7:00 pm will be the Tiger Sports Banquet. The event will be held at the Devil's Rope Museum and will be catered by the Red River Steakhouse. Tickets may be purchased from Charlotte Hefley by calling 779-3134 or Marshal Hanes at 779-8980.

MCLEAN BASKETBALL CAMP

JUNE 14-18, 8:30-NOON

BOYS & GIRLS 1ST-8TH GRADE

\$50.00 per camper

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Coaches Sheri Haynes & Paula Waters

call Joyce at 779-2087

Deadline - June 1

Fellowship of Christian Athletes 1st Annual Golf Scramble

Sat. May 22 • 10 am

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McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

May 20 - Arley D. Bentley, Zeld McClellan, Pauline Burnett, Lee Ann Feenstra.

May 21 - Ora Billingsley.

May 22 - Jamie Barker.

May 23 - Ricky Littlefield, Effie Lou Everett.

May 24 - Bob Hardin, Erin Martin, Don White.

May 25 - Daphne Littlefield, Earnest Foshee.

May 26 - May Frazier, J.T. Haynes, Billy Williams, Saber Bohlar.

Classes

some scholarship funds.

Donations from individuals, businesses, or civic groups to help defray expenses, as well as to assist with the scholarship program, are welcome.

For more information, contact the Pampa Fine Arts office (665-0343), or Loralee Cooley, general coordinator (665-7321). Each community also has a coordinator. Kay Crouch is working with Pampa (665-4624); Karen Bonnell heads up Miami's program (Miami I.S.D. 868-3971, or 665-4360); and Sally Bohlar is with McLean (McLean Feedyard 779-2405, or 779-2605).

Bike-A-Thon Successful Event In McLean

The annual Bike-A-Thon for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital was held Saturday, May 15.

Riders included Justin Wehrenberg, Mark Smith, Stephanie Henson, Jordan Herring, Madison Ditmore-Headley, Anna Shackelford, Dustin Kirkland, Caitlin Mantooth, Dustin Lee, Kristin Odom, Lacey Wallis, Caleb Crawford, Zachary Odom, Jack Webb, and Jay Wallis for a total of 190 miles!

Helpers included Lucas Webb, Tanner Wilhelm, Kevin Smith and Jeffery Lee. A special thank you to Judy Lee and Linda Smith for keeping record of the laps around the park. Refreshments for the riders were generously donated by Puckett's. Red River

Steakhouse also contributed to this great event by donating a \$5 gift certificate for the participant who rode the farthest. The recipient of the gift was Mark Smith who rode an amazing 32 1/2 miles! All

Board

Howard, Suzanne Howard, Bradley Sawyer, Sarai Sawyer, and Lucas Webb.

Adoption of the 1999-2000 school calendar was tabled until more teacher input has been received.

A rough-draft tentative schedule for next year's High School classes was briefly discussed.

Summer repairs were discussed concerning improvements to the facility. More than likely, four students will be employed through the summer by JTPA.

participants will receive a certificate from St. Jude Children's Research Hospital as thanks for contributing to the continued research of catastrophic childhood diseases. Thank you to all that participated in making the bike-a-thon a fun and successful event.

Obituary

Cecile B. Plumlee DIMMITT - Cecile B. Plumlee, 83, died Tuesday, May 11, 1999.

Services were in Fourth and Bedford Street Church of Christ with Dean Wiseman and Harry Riggs officiating. Burial was in Castro Memorial Gardens by Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home.

Mrs. Plumlee was born in Lexington, Oklahoma, and was raised in McLean. She lived in Weatherford before moving to Dimmitt in 1991. She was a homemaker and a member of Fourth and Bedford Street Church of Christ.

She married Clarence Plumlee in 1940 at McLean. He died in 1988. She also was preceded in death by a son, Euless Lynn Plumlee, in 1991.

Survivors include four sisters, Alma Nelson, Sadie Lane and Edna Lou Hood, all of Dimmitt, and Nora Clawson of Lubbock.

City Of McLean Notice Spring Clean Up Week May 24th - 28th

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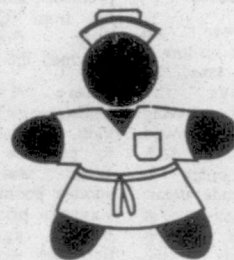
Family Healthcare Clinic Of McLean

211 N. Main Street (806) 779-2030

Dr. Laxman Bhatia is the Medical Director

New Clinic Hours:

Jerry Wilson, P.A.
Mon.-Fri.
1:30 to 5:00 p.m.



Carol Carroll, L.V.N.
Mon.-Fri.
8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Seniors '99

The Senior Class of
McLean High School
Announces its
Commencement Exercises

Friday, May twenty-eighth
Nineteen hundred ninety-nine
eight o'clock
First Baptist Church

Baccalaureate, Sunday, May 23
8:00 p.m. First Baptist Church

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McLean Church Directory

Assembly Of God 4th & Main
779-2902 * 779-2221
Sunday School all ages 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Night & Youth Services 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Adult Bible Study &
Wonderful wed. Night for Kids 7:00 p.m.

Church Of Christ 4th & Clarendon
779-2548
Sunday Bible School 10:00 a.m.
Worship 10:40 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Class 7:30

United Methodist Church 2nd & Gray
Pastor: Thacker Haynes 779-2049 779-2337
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:50a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Sun Sr. High Youth Alpha Chi 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Choir 7:00 p.m.

Heald United Methodist Church
Kellerville Road
Sunday 9:15

Trinity Baptist Church 603 Commerce
James Mantooth 779-3207
Sunday School 9:45 am Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Bible Study & Prayer Meeting Wed. 7:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church 206 E. 1st
Pastor James Martindale 779-2175
Sunday School 9:45; Worship 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
(Youth) & Wed. Bible Study, Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Sun. Youth Bible Study 5:00 p.m.

McLean Care Center News

Activities began for the residents Sunday morning with Sunday School with the Methodist Friendship Class. In the afternoon the residents attended church services with the Methodist Church. Those attending services were: Lillie Billingsley, Florence Drake, Helen Simmons, Leta Gifford, Sue Cubine, Essie Knowles, Pat Seymour, Marjorie Turnage, Dorothy Patterson, Phyllis Bailey, Faye Burks, Polly Burnett, Thelma Finson, Ariza Cocoran, Dovie

Simmons, Beryl Halbert, Arzell Anderson, Christine Shipley, Don York, Dick Wheeler, Bud Simpson, Duella Beverly, Hadda Moore, Relia Ayers, Eula Morrow, Bessie McClemore, Glynda Martin, Ora Billingsley, Truman Goodlett, Johnnie Mertel, Jess Coleman, Varnie Lowe, and Mable Dickey. Monday morning was nail care and in the afternoon games of bingo were enjoyed. Bananas were furnished by the Lion's Club.

Tuesday morning the residents attended a craft session. In the afternoon was domino games. Wednesday morning was Wednesday morning circle. The residents were served refreshments and played charades. In the afternoon the Methodist Ice Cream Social was well attended. Thursday morning was Beach Ball Kick for the residents. Everyone gets lots of exercise with this game. In the afternoon the residents played bingo followed by exercises. Volunteering was Betty Lowe.

Friday morning was nail care time. Saturday afternoon was the Birthday Party for May. The birthday people were Dovie Simmons, Lula Sheegog, Willie Wheeler, Helen Simmons, Polly Burnett, Ora Billingsley, Beryl Halbert and Essie Knowles. Truman Goodlett was in the hospital on her birthday in April so we celebrated her birthday too. Saturday, May 22nd is the Activity Department Garage Sale at the Care Center Sun Room.

PAMPA FINE ARTS ASSOCIATION

Summer Arts 1999

Pre-Registration
Thursday, May 27
Thursday, June 3

6-8 p.m. **Pampa Middle School**
\$20 per student per class

Three locations and dates of classes

Pampa	June 21-25
Miami	June 28-July 2
McLean	July 5-9

For information, contact PAMPA FINE ARTS: 806/665-0343
Pampa Chamber of Commerce Building * 200 N. Ballard
or P.O. Box 818, Pampa, TX 79065

ARE YOU READY- to do business in the year 2000?

The year 2000 problem will affect many business-essentially any business or entity using a computer system. your computer will not work properly after December 31, 1999.

The year 2000 may seem to be a long time away, but it will be here in less than two years. Now is the time to consider whether your computer hardware and software is year 2000 ready.

The Problem: Two-Digit vs. Four-Digit Years

For years programmers were able to save storage and computer processor cycles by using the last two digits of the year date. The century was assumed to be 19. The century change demands that computer software and databases support four-digit year dates rather than two-digit year dates, and as a result, many systems are incapable of supporting the century change.

and why is it so important?

Computers and related software used in all types of businesses rely on dates and date processing. If the computer does not recognize that one date is greater than another, the computer may not be able to process properly and could produce erroneous results. If a computer (and/or software) does not store the century digits, then year 1999 is stored as 99, year 2000 is stored as 00, year 2001 as 01, etc. This becomes a major problem for programs that must subtract one date from another to determine the number of years between dates. For example if you subtract 98 from 05 you get - 93 years rather than 7 years. This problem may put a business at risk because it can affect its cash flow, inventory, taxes, interest calculations, financial forecasting, customer relations, accounts receivable, accounts payable and many other areas.

How big a problem?

This worldwide problem not only affects computers and their programs, but also every piece of hardware that contains a microchip, including:

Manufacturing control systems	Transportation
Telecommunications	National Defense
Money transfer and other financial systems	Home Computers, Security Systems
Gas, water, and electrical utilities	Home Computers, Security Systems
Stock Markets	Farm Sprinklers


ANY OBJECT THAT IS DATE SENSITIVE IS AT RISK

Beyond your own business computer systems, the problem may affect you through the "business supply chain." You buy goods and services from some businesses and you sell goods and services to others. If your trading partners fail, your cash flow can suffer critically.

SOME QUESTIONS TO HELP ASSESS SYSTEM READINESS

1. Can the system perform projections through time? For example, can it calculate interest or payments or make inventory projections?
2. Does the system allow for entering dates? If yes, is the year 2 or 4 digits? What happens if you enter "00" or "01"?
3. Will the system operate differently depending on the day of the week? Will it operate differently at month-end, quarter-end, or year-end?
4. Can the system put things in order by date?
5. Does the system allow you to retrieve things by date?
6. Can the system perform date-based calculations?
7. Does the system have a security feature that includes date checking?

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McLean High School Class Of 1999



Rachel Galley

RACHEL GALLEY
VALEDICTORIAN
CLASS OF 1999

Rachel is the daughter of Gene and Brenda Galley. Rachel moved to McLean in 1987 from Pampa where she attended Austin Elementary. Rachel has participated in Cross Country track for two years where she received the Most Valuable award. She participated in basketball as a post and forward. She was on the 1st All District team for four years, All Regional I Team, Six Man Coaches Association All Star, Most Valuable Player, most Rebounds, and Best Offensive Player. She was featured in Texas Top Picks in Basketball and USA
See Galley, pg. 18

Mom & Dad
Gene & Brenda Galley

Attending school in McLean since kindergarten, Vanessa Glass is well prepared for her future. She plans to attend Ft. Lewis College in Durango Co. and major in pre-medicine. She wants to become a Sports Doctor.

Vanessa credits her parents, Lynch and Arlene Glass, as having the most influence on her life.

"I cannot choose one person in whom has been the most influential in my life because there's two people. My mother and father both share an equal amount of influence in my life. They have

See V. Glass, pg. 18

Mom & Dad
Arlene & Lynch Glass

VANESSA GLASS
SALUTATORIAN
CLASS OF 1999



Vanessa Glass

D. J. Basham



D.J.'s parents are Donnie and Mary Basham. D.J. has attended school in McLean his whole life. He is a member of the First United Methodist Church. He played on the doubles team in Tennis for two years and was a member of the Tiger Choir for four years as a tenor. He was a member of the Student Council for one year and a member of Future Farmer's of America for three years where he served as Chapter President in 1998-99, Treasurer in 1997-98 and District Reporter from 1997-98. D.J. was voted Most Courteous his

See Basham, pg. 17

Country Corner

Mark Bolton

Mark is the son of Doug and Linda Bolton. He played four years of high school football as Varsity kickoff and kickoff return. He went to Cross-Country Regional in Track. He was in Future Farmers of America for four years and went to Regionals in Land Judging. He participated in drama for two years and was voted Prom King in 1999. He was honored with Coronation King in 1999 and voted Most Handsome by his Senior Class. Mark is a member of the Who's Who Among American High School Students. Mark enjoys playing the drums and

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Victoria Bradley

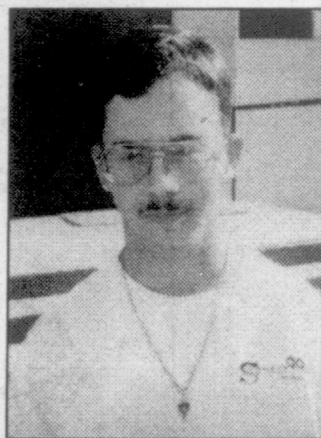
Victoria is the daughter of Donald and LaDonna Bradley. She is a member of the First Assembly of God and plans to attend Glendale Community College in Phoenix, Arizona after graduation. Victoria participated in the McLean Tiger Choir for three years and as a yearbook staff member for two years. She was voted Most Dependable in 1998, maintained a 92 and above grade point average in 1998, won the Algebra II and English II awards in 1996 and the English I award in 1995. She participated in News Writing at U.I.L. and was listed



See Bradley, pg. 18
Red River Steakhouse

David Burrow

David Ray Burrow is the son of Sue Burrow of McLean and George Burrow of Huffman. He attended Huffman High School before coming to McLean. His future is all planned out as he expects to work until he turns 21 and then attend the Police Academy.



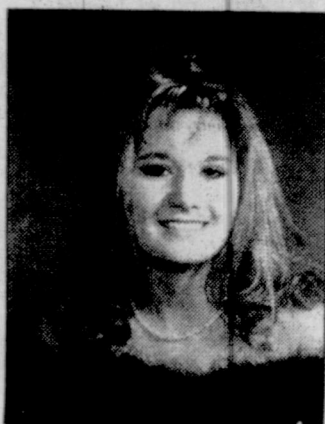
David is a member of the Assembly of God Church.

He has been a member of Future Farmers of America, R.O.T.C., and Ag. He has participated in Golf and Band. He was named Driver of the Year in Driver's Education.

In David's spare time he does day work.

Simpson Insurance

Crissy Edwards Simpson



Crissy is the daughter of Jackie and Emily Swafford. Crissy plans to go to Amarillo College after graduation to become a nurse. She has attended school in Howe and Heavner, Oklahoma. "The philosophy that I live by is never depend on someone else to do something for you. I have learned if you want something you have to go get it for yourself. I know that if I do it, it will get done and be done right," stated Crissy. "I don't have to worry if it will be done or not because if you want something bad enough you will get it." She played

See Simpson, pg. 18

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Melissa Foshee



When asked how she thinks her generation will make a difference in the world, Melissa Denise Foshee has very defined ideas.

"I think we could make a difference in the world, if we all worked together. We will either make the world easier or we will end it in War. It is our choice to work with or against each other. We are Generation "X". ...I think it is for excellent!"

The daughter of LeWayne Foshee and Kay and Ted Hensley, Melissa plans to attend the Brown Institute in Minnesota. She has been

See Foshee, pg. 17

McBean Plumbing

Doyle Lee, Owner

Scott Glass

Howard Scott Glass is the son of Bob and Janet Glass. He is a member of the McLean United Methodist Church. Scott played three years of Tennis. Two years he played on a doubles team and one year he played on the singles. He played golf for two years. He was a member of FFA for four years and he enjoys working on his car and hunting. Scott says that the person who had the most influence in his life was his dad. "My dad has always been there for me, he's taught me how to drive, hunt, swim and many more things. In a way I look up to

See Glass, pg. 18

Bob & Janet Glass



Rebecca Hembree

Rebecca is the daughter of Jerry and Brinda Hembree. Rebecca was a member of the Future Farmer's of America for three years and held the position of Reporter. She was a member of the Student Council for one year where she also held the position of Reporter. She was the President of Business Professionals of America and she competed in track for three years. She went to Regionals in the 800 relay her Junior year and placed second In District in the 800 relay her Junior year. Rebecca was a Harvest Queen candidate her

See Hembree, pg. 17

The Hair Gallery



Gary Jones



Gary Don Jones attended Amarillo School before coming to McLean in 1992. He is a member of the First Baptist Church of McLean and the grandson of Virginia Jones.

Gary was named to "Who's Who Among American High School Students". He has been a member of FFA for four years and was Sentinel. He played 2 years of football as a line man. He was also a member of the Tiger's Basketball team for 2 years and was named Honorable Mention. Gary was in band for 2 years.

His future plans are to attend

See Jones, pg. 17

Season's

Mary Ann & Johnny Carpenter & Emma Jean McDonald

Destiny Kirkland



Destiny is the daughter of Carla and Butch Kirkland. She is a member of Trinity Baptist Church. She enjoys baby-sitting, being with friends and having fun. She has been employed with C&H Supply for two years. She is listed as a Who's Who Among High School Students for 1997 and 1998. She has been a member of the McLean Tiger Choir for two years and was voted Most Witty of her class her Junior year. She also received the Physics Award in 1998. She plans to go to WTA&MU and major in neo-natal nursing. "There have been many

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C & H Supply

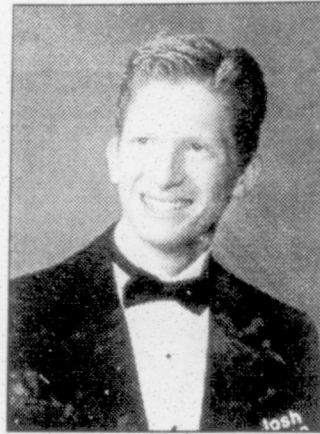
Bonnie Morgan



Bonnie's mother is Jodie Morgan and her father is David Morgan. Bonnie attended Navasota High School before coming to McLean High. She participated in Journalism for one year and yearbook for two years. She was voted as Class Favorite in 1998 and Most courteous in 1999. She participated in U.I.L. Editorial Writing for two years. She is currently employed at the McLean Care Center. Bonnie plans to attend West Texas A&M University in the fall. "The one person that has influenced me the most is my best
See Morgan, pg. 18

McLean Nursing Center

Joshua Swafford



Joshua Joseph Swafford has high flying plans when school is out. He will be joining the United States Air Force. The son of Robert and Claire McDowell, he is a member of the Pentecostal Holiness Church.

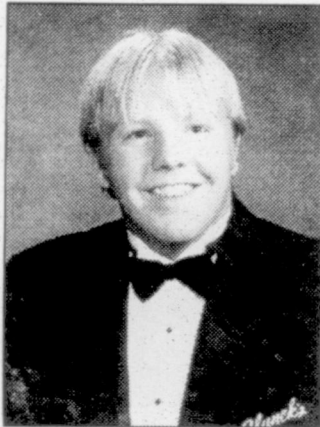
Joshua played basketball two years. He was a post and a point guard. He also played in doubles tennis. In golf, his team placed 3rd at the Pampa tournament.

He has earned several honors throughout high school. He was named "Most Likely To Succeed" this year. In 1996 and
See Swafford, pg. 18

Puckett's Grocery

Ryan Swanson

Ryan is the son of Larry and Lynn Swanson. He attended Alanreed School from Kindergarten until sixth grade when he moved to McLean Junior High. He played football for one season as defensive end. He was Tiger Mascot from 97 till 98. He was voted Mr. McLean High School his Senior year. He was voted Most Witty his Freshman, Sophomore, and Senior years. Ryan was in U.I.L. One-Act play and made the All-Star cast in 97-98. He is listed in the Who's Who Among American High School Students for 1996-97. Ryan enjoys playing the
See Swanson, pg. 18



Mom & Dad

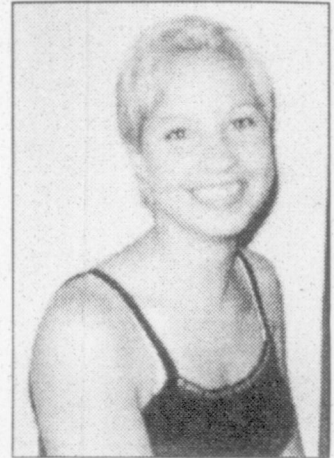
Larry & Lynn Swanson

Deanna Van Brocklin

The daughter of Patti and Gaylord Van Brocklin, Deanna Marie Van Brocklin plans to attend Amarillo College in the fall to pursue a degree in accounting. She comes to McLean from West Hills High School in San Diego, California.

Deanna has been an honor student all through her high school years. She was an Alpha Plus, student of the month. She was a Homecoming Queen Candidate and Prom Queen. She was in the Miss
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McLean Hosts District UIL

McLean I.S.D. was host to three other schools in University Interscholastic League competition for elementary and junior high students on Friday, May 14. Samnorwood, Lefors, Pringle-Morse and McLean competed in literary and mathematic events with McLean Elementary School coming out on top with 534.1 points and McLean Junior High School finishing second with 246.1 points. McLean finished second overall with a total point score of 780.6.

The following is a list of results from McLean:

Ready Writing: 3rd Grade Stephanie Henson 5th place; 4th Grade Brooke Seymour 5th place; Tamara Loya 6th place; 5th Grade Russell Anglin 5th place; 6th Grade Zane Richardson 5th place; Ashley McClendon 6th place; 8th Grade Trent Cadra, 4th place.

Modern Oratory 7th Grade Robyn Weaver, 4th place.

Science Life, Reo Dennis 6th place. Earth, Bron Bohlar 3rd place.

Impromptu Reo Dennis, 4th place. 7th Grade Dusty Moody,

5th place. Oral Reading Trenton Darsey 3rd place; 2nd Grade Jamie Sanderson 6th place; 3rd Grade Kristen Ellis, 2nd place; Taliitha Newton 1st place; 5th Grade Russell Anglin 4th place; 6th Grade Terrence Fite 1st place; Bryan Graybeal 5th place; 7th Grade Kendall Newton 2nd place.

Maps, Graphs and Charts 5th Grade Nicholas Odom 5th place; 6th Grade Andria Keelin 2nd place; Dusty Moody 1st place; 7th Grade Jay Wallis 2nd place; 8th Grade Bron Bohlar 6th place.

Number Sense 6th Grade Antonio Montoya 4th place; Zane Richardson 5th place; 7th Grade Dusty Moody 5th place; 8th Grade Josh Seymour 5th place.

Art McLean 4th Grade 1st place; McLean 3rd Grade 3rd place.

Spelling 3rd Grade Logan Sparling 4th, Stephanie Henson 5th, Travis Fish 6th; 4th Grade Amanda Fricks 5th, Russell Anglin 2nd; 5th Grade Coty McMinn 5th; 6th Grade Allison Hill 2nd; Mitchell Steward 3rd, Andria Keelin 4th place; 7th Grade Danielle

Dampier 5th place; 8th Grade Jennifer Smith 4th place.

Storytelling 2nd Grade Trention Darsey 4th place, Tammy Syfrett 5th place; 3rd Grade Travis Fish 3rd place, Stephanie Henson 6th place.

Calculator 7th Grade Kendall Newton 5th place, Jay Wallis 6th place; 8th Grade Shaley Steel 4th place.

Music Memory 1st place McLean 5th Grade; 1st place McLean 6th Grade.

Mathematics 7th Grade Daneille Dampier 3rd place.

Program

program. The program is a local non-profit organization with the goal of reducing Gray County teen pregnancies by delaying the onset of teen sexual activity. The purpose of this program is to promote abstinence until marriage from a healthcare perspective with strong emphasis on the physical, emotional and social benefits derived from this lifestyle.

For more information about this program contact Worth the Wait at 669-6222.

Bolton

making people laugh. He loves animals and is currently employed at several ranches in the area as a ranch hand, Mark credits his dad as the greatest influence in his life. "He is one of those kinds of people that you look up to." Mark plans to attend Eastern New Mexico University.

Hembree

Sophomore year, a Homecoming Queen candidate her Junior year, and voted Most Beautiful her Junior and Senior year. She won the Money Math award her Junior year, and was nominated for National Science Merit award her Sophomore year and was nominated for National Mathematics Merit award her Junior and Senior year. She was in the Miss Irish Rose Pageant from her Sophomore to her Senior year and placed in the top seven the last two years. Rebecca was listed among the Who's Who Among American High School Students all four years of high school and won the Consecutive Year Around award her Junior and Senior year. Rebecca works at the McLean Care Center. Rebecca states that her parents are the two people who have had the greatest influence in her life. "They are not only my parents, but they are my closest friends. They are always there for me when I need them and stand beside me when I am fighting for something I believe in. They believe in me and support the decisions I make. They have helped me in all ways to live in God's eyes and serve him the way they have. I have made many mistakes and wrong decisions, but they have never shut me out, only helped to pick me up and start over. There is no way I will ever be able to repay them for all they have done for me, but I would like them to know they are appreciated." Rebecca plans to attend Texas A&M University where she will major in Special Education.

Basham

Junior year and Most Dependable his Senior year. He was also a runner-up for Most Likely to Succeed his senior year. He was a member of 4-H and showed lambs for seven years. He is listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students for his junior year. He enjoys spending time with family and friends, hunting, fishing and showing lambs. "I have had many people influence my life, but there are two that have influenced it the most. These two people are the most special and caring people I have ever known, my parents, Donnie and Mary Basham," stated D.J. They have taught me everything I need to know to go out into the world and make it on my own. My parents have always supported me in everything I do, even if what I wanted to do cost a lot of money, they would always find a way to get it so I could do whatever it is I wanted to do. I will never forget what they have always told me, if you start something you need to finish it, even though you may not like how things are being done. That was how I got through so many things. I can also count on them to help me get through the hardest times. I have no matter if it was something little or something really big. When I decided I would rather join the military after high school than go to college, they supported me on it and helped me make a decision on which branch to join. This made me very happy that they supported me and my decision. Mom and Dad, I love you both with all my heart, thanks for everything ya'll have done for me." D.J. works at the Country Corner and will serve in the United States Air Force after graduation.

Kirkland

influential people in my life," said Destiny. "My mother and grandmother have both been a very big influence, but there is still

another. Alicia Reynolds has had a great impact on me. I have had the privilege of being in class with Alicia. Alicia is not only my Science teacher, but also a great cousin, and friend. I have learned many valuable things not only in class, but also outside of class. She has got a great outlook on life. I have to say that I have had the biggest advantage of my class. Alicia is not only a great teacher, she is also a wonderful Christian woman. She has shared with me many stories, including the ones that she is not so proud of. I have learned that through God anything is possible. Alicia follows the path that the Lord sets in front of her and tries hard not to fall off. She is not one to hide her emotions or to back down from what she believes. Alicia Reynolds has had a great influence on my life. She is one person I will never forget. I hope to walk the same close walk with God that she does. She deserves a big Thank You and a pat on the back."

Jones

Amarillo College and study to become a diesel mechanic. In his spare time he enjoys playing basketball and visiting with friends.

Foshee

a member of the choir for 2 years.

In her spare time Melissa enjoys talking on the phone, reading and working on the computer.

Ribbon Cutting To Be Held

A ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new gym was planned for May 25th, beginning at 5:30 p.m. with a Pep Rally, followed by basketball games between the H.S. girls and McLean Feedyard Women's team; and the H.S. boys and C&H Men's team, in order for the graduating seniors to have an opportunity to play in the new gym. The Board will run the concession stand with funds raised going to the National Honor Society Scholarship.

Financial Reports A, B & C were approved.

Approval was granted to pay April bills as presented.

The Board went into Executive Session at 9:45 p.m. to discuss personnel and student concerns.

Return to open session came at 11:23 p.m., no voting was necessary.

Adjournment came at 11:24 p.m.

A short discussion followed between Terri Adams, Toni Bohlar, and the Board.



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GAME 1	GAME 2
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VS.	VS.
McLean Feedyard Women's Team	C & H Supply Men's Team

Concession Stand will be operated by the McLean School Board with the proceeds going to the National Honor Society Scholarship fund.

Galley

Top Picks Publications. She was selected to attend Texas All Star Basketball Camp for two years, chosen as All Star WT Basketball Camp and Corsicana Champion in the Red River League. She played doubles in Tennis for four years where the team won 3rd place in district and she played Golf for two years. She was a member of the Future Farmer's of America for one year, in drama for one year, on the yearbook staff for one year and in the Tiger Pep Club for one year. She was voted Most Likely to Succeed her Senior year and Class Favorite her Freshman year. As a Sophomore she was voted Most Beautiful of her class and Most Spirited her Freshman year. She was a Homecoming Queen candidate her Sophomore year and Class President her Junior year. She was Class Secretary her Freshman, Sophomore and Senior year. Each year in high school Rachel received an Academic award for maintaining an A average and she was inducted to the National Honor Society her Sophomore year where she served as Parliamentarian and President. She has

received academic awards in Algebra, Earth Science, Typing, Health, Spanish, Biology, World History and English. She was listed in the Who's Who Among American High School Students for all four years of high school, and she is an All American Scholar. She was a finalist in the Miss McLean Pageant and she served as Lion's Club Sweetheart. She participated in the Miss Irish Rose Pageant and she volunteers for the Special Olympics. Rachel has received the U.S. National Mathematics award, the National Leadership Award, the National Science Merit award and the National English award. Rachel attended National Honor Society Camp in Albany, New York and was chosen to attend the junior Statesman Summer School by the Junior Statesman Foundation. She was also nominated to attend a session of the National Youth Leadership Forum on Law and the Constitution in Washington, D.C. Rachel enjoys computers, basketball, swimming and has worked the last year at Country Comer. "My parents and grandparents have been the greatest influence on my life and my

brother has always been someone I've looked up to. But, Brent Massey, my uncle, and Jennifer Patton, my friend have been two special people who helped me decide on my career and what I want to do in my life."

Swanson

guitar, particularly rock and blues, and also enjoys sketching. He plans to attend a school to prepare for a life in the arts. Ryan attributes Robin Williams as being the greatest influence in his life because he expresses himself well with quick wit and his character ranges from comedy to drama. Ryan's motto is "No problem can withstand the power of sustained creative thought."

Glass

him, he's served in the Army in Vietnam and has made a successful life for himself and for his family." Scott plans to serve in the Army after graduation.

Morgan

friend Mery Elizabeth "Meme" Downing," stated Bonnie. "She has influenced me by teaching me the true meaning of friendship and that you have to cherish everything

you have got, because you don't know when you are going to lose an important person in your life. Meme was killed in a train wreck at the age of 13. So now I know not to take friendship for granted."

Simpson

basketball for one year where she earned the Hustle Award. She participated in Future Farmers of America for three and a half years where she earned the Star Greenhand Award. Crissy enjoys spending time playing on the computer, playing sports, and spending time with family and friends. She is currently employed at the Country Comer.

Bradley

among Who's Who Among American High School Students for consecutive years. She enjoys singing and taking care of people. The two people that have made a large impact on Victoria's life is her mom and dad. "These two people have shown me nothing but love and kindness when I feel like I am disappointing them. They have done their best to teach me the things I need to know to make it in this world. They have both worked very hard to provide me and my siblings with everything we need," said Victoria. "Someday, I hope my children will look at me the way I look at my parents." Victoria is currently employed at Taylor's in Clarendon

Swafford

1997, he was named "Most Courteous." He was also Who's Who in Math and English. He was also in Calculator applications, Oral Reading, Ready Writing, and Science.

"If I had to start high school all over again, I think that I would be more

open to others. It took me two years to finally start to express myself. If I had to start over that is where I would begin," he said.

In his spare time he enjoys computers, listening to music, talking on the phone and hanging out with friends.

Van Brocklin

Miss Congeniality.

In Deanna's spare time she works for the Country Corner Texaco and cares for her brother.

V. Glass

taught me that in order to be the best that I can, I must always rely on God and try my hardest no matter what the circumstances may be," she stated.

Vanessa is an all around athlete. She played basketball for 4 years. She was named to the All-District 3 times and named Honorable Mention once. She was an alternate for the 6-Man All-Star team, attended the Texas High School Girls All-Star Basketball Camp and named MVP-Defense and had the Best Free Throw percentage.

In tennis, she played doubles and was 3rd in District all 4 years. She was named MVP for

Tennis.

A Regional Qualifier in Tract, Vanessa ran the 800 meter relay in her 2 year career. She also qualified for Regional in Cross County, which she participated in for 3 years.

Active in cheerleading for 2 years, Vanessa served the student body as Co-Captain and was nominated for All-American Cheerleader for 2 years. She also received the National Cheerleading Merit Award.

She competed in UIL 3 years in Headline Writing, Micro Computer Applications and was a member of the Science Team. She earned the National Science Merit Award.

Civic responsibilities has always found Vanessa willing to serve. She is a member of FCA and FFA. She served as BPA vice president. She was president of her 9th grade class and vice president of her Junior class. As a sophomore she was class representative. Vanessa was named "Most Witty" as a freshman; "Miss MHS", Class Favorite and "Most likely to brighten your day" as a senior.

Vanessa was also nominated and attended the Native American Preparatory School.

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Richardson

for one year, the NWQJR for five years, the PBRA for three years, and the NBHA for one year. Jacey was the 1998 Rough Riders All-Around Cowgirl and in 1997, she was named the Buffalo Lion's Club All-Around Champion.

"If I could start high school over again, I would stop worrying about wanting to graduate because high school has flown by! I also would show more respect and appreciate my teachers more because they have made me who I am today," she commented.

Jacey also played two years of basketball as a post and a wing. She was a member of FFA for two years. When she has free time she enjoys rodeoing, bowling, swimming and dancing.

Fields

Team, he was 6th at the National Competition and won the State of Texas competition twice. He was a Regional Qualifier in UIL Editorial Writing and placed 2nd in District in Number Sense. He was listed in "Who's Who Among American High School Students" all four years.

Dean is also very active in sports. Playing football for four years as a running back and defensive back, he was named All-District as a senior and was on the 2nd Team, All-District as a junior. He played Basketball for four years as well.

In his three years of track competitions, he was a Regional Qualifier in the Mile Relay and the Sprint Relay. He played Golf one year and counts it as one of his favorite pastimes.

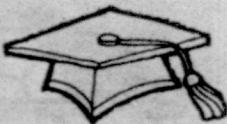
"If I could do high school over again, I think I would probably enjoy everything a little more," he commented.

Dean is the son of

Barry and Carole Fields. He is a member of the First Baptist Church of Groom.

When asked who had the greatest influence on his life, he stated, "My grandfather, Billy, because he always took everything in stride and never let anything effect him. I always admired this and try to act the same way."

Dean works on the family farm.



Ratteree

doing mechanic work.

He plans to get his CDL and travel when his high school days are through. James works around the area doing farm work and odd jobs.

Shuck

would have been better in sports," he commented.

Jamie served on the Student Council for two years. He is the son of Rick and Carolyn Shuck.

"My parents have had the most influence on my life. Both of them have been there for me, in both good and bad times. They also have taught me many valuable lessons about life," stated Jamie.

In his spare time he works at the Texaco and lifts weights. He also assists other athletes in their weight training program.

Stapp

Lion's Club Sweetheart. She enjoys snow skiing, drawing and reading.

"I try to always give thanks for the great things that have occurred in my life. God has given us all so many wonderful gifts that none should go

unappreciated. I realize that everyone will have hard times to get through, but those are the things that build character. "The greater the obstacle, the more glory in overcoming it"-- Jean Buhstiste Moliere. When nothing seems to going my way, I try to stop and think about how fortunate I actually am. I try to stay optimistic and thank God for the good things in my life instead of dwelling on the bad," she continued.

Jessica played four years of basketball as a point guard. She was named to the All-Region team, the 6 Man All-Star Team, All-District for three years, Best Free Throw Percentage for two years and the All-Star Team that will play in Lubbock. She was named 1999 Co-MVP, with Carrie Davis for Groom High School in basketball.

She was the District Champ in Tennis and received Groom High School's 1999 Co-MVP award in Tennis, along with Karen Conrad.

Jessica is a very talented writer, qualifying for State in News Writing and Feature Writing. She qualified for Regional three times in News Writing and once in Feature Writing and Headline Writing.

She has earned scholarships as the Lion's Club Sweetheart and from the Sybil B. Harrington Foundation.

Treadwell

played football for two years and was a running back. He was named Honorable Mention All-District one year.

In basketball, Daniel served the Tigers as a point guard. He was named to the All-District team two years. He was named Co-MVP, along with Josh Evenson, in basketball for the GHS 1999 season.

Daniel was the

District Champ two years in his four year association with tennis. Playing doubles with Josh Evenson for four years, they went to Regional three years and he was named Most Valuable Player, one year by the coaching staff. He was a summer league coach for two years.

Daniel has also been a member of the Student Council and served his class as Secretary Treasurer for one year. "If I could start High School all over again, I would dedicate myself more in my school work and sports. I would also participate in more activities," Daniel stated.

Daniel was named to "Who's Who Among American High School Students" and is a volunteer with the Groom Volunteer Fire Department. In his leisure time he works for Atebury Grain Company, enjoys playing tennis and card games.

Weinheimer

District Offensive end and Linebacker. He was named Most Valuable Player in football for 1999.

In basketball, he played post. He was named 2nd team All-District Post for two years. In track he competed in the 1600 meter relay and won 3rd in district. He also competed in the 300 meter relay and 400 meter dash. Wyatt played one year of golf.

Wyatt was named the 1999 Fighting Tiger at Groom High School.

Wyatt is a member of the 6th ranked National JETS team. He also competed in UIL Mathematics for two years.

He has been awarded a \$1,000 Edna Graham Freshman Scholarship by the Department of Mathematics, Physical Science and Engineering at WTAMU. When he is not at school, he works with his father on the family farm and enjoys playing sports and golf.

Whately

a positive or negative effect on my future," she stated.

With this down to earth philosophy, Dara is ready to take her future by the horns. She is planning to attend Amarillo College for two years then move on to Baylor University to study Pre-Optometry. She then plans to go on to the University of Houston to receive her degree in Optometry.

Dara has been an active citizen of GHS. She served her class as

President as a sophomore and was Secretary/Treasurer as a junior. She was president of the Student Council as a Junior and citizen of the month as a junior. She has been a member of the National Honor Society for two years and served as Vice President.

Dara was a member of the Yearbook staff as a freshman. She earned two 3rd place medals and three Honorable mention medals. She served as basketball team manager as a freshman and was in the band for one year.

In UIL, Dara competed in Prose, Poetry, Informative Speaking, and Accounting. Dara placed 3rd in District, qualifying for Regional in Poetry. In accounting she was 1st individual at District and a Regional Qualifier, the team was 1st in District and also qualified for Regional.

Dara Was an FFA member for one year and a member of 4-H for ten years serving as President, Vice President, Treasurer, Reporter, and District Representative.

Dara has won many stock show competitions and exhibits in her career. Just a few of them are Showmanship at the Top O'Texas Show in Pampa, Wheeler County Warm Up Show in Wheeler, and Carson County Show in Panhandle; Breed Champion and Reserve Grand Champion at Carson County; 1st place Polled Hereford Steer at Fort Worth; and Reserve Breed Champion Polled Hereford Steer at Houston; and many, many others.

Dara also was a student at Linda Germany's School of Dance for eight years.

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Thursday, May 20, 1999



Karen Conrad was named Fighting Tigerette and Wyatt Weinheimer was named Fighting Tiger.

Top Athletes Receive Awards At Banquet

Wyatt Weinheimer and Karen Conrad were named Fighting Tiger and Fighting Tigerette at the 1999 Groom Athletic Banquet. Coaches cited their individual growth, team spirit and overall athletic ability as qualities that helped make their choice of these two athletes.

All athletes who participated in football, basketball, track, tennis, golf and cross country were recognized.

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21 Seniors, 18 Eight Graders To Graduate

Twenty-one seniors and eighteen 8th graders will participate in the 75th Annual Commencement Exercises on Friday night, May 21, 1999 at 8:00 p.m.

The last class of the millennium has made its mark on Groom High School. They will leave behind new traditions, new records and lots of wonderful memories. Top Students for the class are Wyatt Weinheimer and Jessica Stapp. Of the 21 students, 9 are honor students, 11 are graduating with advance diplomas, 4 are National Honor Society Students and 1 graduates under the Distinguished Achievement High School Program.

Jessica Stapp is the Class President, Wyatt Weinheimer is the Vice-President, Daniel Treadwell is the

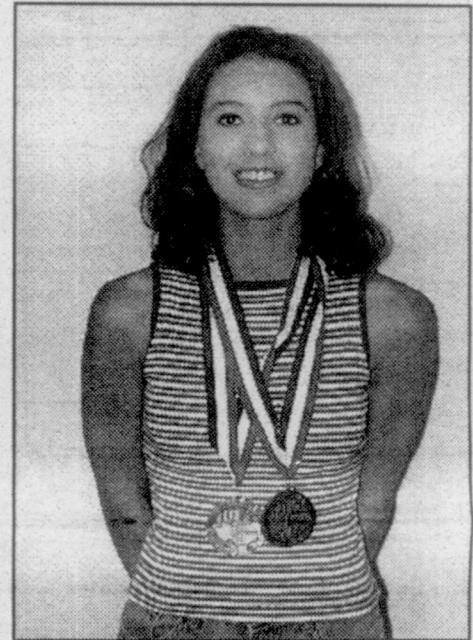
Secretary/Treasurer, Jacey Richardson and Josh Crooks are student Council Representatives.

Members of the Class are as follows: Blake Barnett, Cody Britten, Sara Britten, Kori Brown, Cesar Caro, Gustavo Caro, Karen Conrad, Joshua Crooks, Dean Fields, Sarah Hutsell, Caleb Pool, James Ratterree, Jacey Richardson, Jamie Shuck, Jessica Stapp, Sam Thomas, Daniel Treadwell, Alberto Vega, Clinton Wakefield, and Wyatt Weinheimer.

In the Eighth Grade Services, to be held at 6:00 p.m., graduates are ready to meet the challenges laid down by the Class of '99. Of the 18 class members, 3 are honor students. Doug

Fields and Jill Britten were recently named the

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Davis Wins Two Bronze Medals

Carrie Sue Davis medaled in two events at the state track meet in Austin. She won third place in the 300 meter hurdles and third place in high jump. Congratulations to Carrie. We are proud of you!

Ollinger, Case Take Oath Of Office



Kelvin Ollinger and Tim Case raised their hand to take the oath of office for the Groom ISD Board.

The Groom School Board swore in two members at their regular May meeting. New member Kelvin Ollinger and incumbent Tim Case were issued the oath of office by Business Manager Joyce Hutsell.

Re-organization of the Board was the next order of business with the following results: Denny Babcock was elected

President, Barry Fields Vice-President, and Tim Case Secretary.

During the pre-meeting, the board toured the school and discussed the retrofit project.

The Board passed a resolution to reimburse the Reserve Fund Balance for expenses associated with the retrofit projects as necessary.

Superintendent Wilson

discussed a funding option for the portion of the retrofit that is not covered by the Lone Star Plan called a "Qualified Zone Academy Bond Funding Option."

He also led a discussion concerning current legislation on teacher's salaries, and the on-going budgeting process.

Policy update 60 was discussed. Wilson stated that most of it had to do with "housekeeping," in which certain passages were clarified and updated. Although one item which allows administration to perform a non-investigatory search of a teacher's files and records was discussed as a much needed clarification.

Housing owned by the school and needed repairs were discussed at length.

The Summer Program was discussed. The Board approved participation in the

program and designated \$1,000. to the fund.

In the Principals report, Mr. Carroll was not available but Superintendent Wilson announced that current enrollment is 178 students in K-12.

The Board went into Executive Session at approximately 9:50, they returned to open session at 11:00 p.m.

The current science teacher, Tara Sloan's resignation was unanimously accepted.

Employment was offered to Susan Noack at Step 9 (\$29,790). Noack is the new principal's wife and will most likely be teaching secondary Science.

Terri Wilson (wife of Superintendent, John Wilson) will be hired at Step 4 (\$24,170) and will be teaching 4th, 5th and 6th grade Math if the schedule works out as

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Community Calendar

HIGH SCHOOL Graduation is on May 21 at 8:00 pm.

IMMUNIZATION Clinic at the Groom Community Clinic on May 20 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm.

AFTER Graduation Party Committee will have a work night Thursday, today, at 6 pm at the Legion Hall to set up.

CATHOLIC Parish Directories are now available, see ad page 2.

JUNIOR HIGH Graduation is on May 21.

ATTENTION Summer Baseball Coaches and Parents: The Groom News would like to have schedules and reports from all the teams. Please contact us at 248-7333 if you have information or would like to help us report on these games.

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Local Happenings

Rip and Joy Snyder visited in Clarendon at the rest home with Skeet and Alene Brown Sunday.

Visitors in the Glynn D Harrell home Sunday were Louise and Bob Mulkey and Jeremy, Steven Hightower, Robert and Whitney of Panhandle and Melissa and Matthew Mulkey of Weatherford.

Rip and Joy Snyder visited in Claude Sunday at the Palo Duro rest home with Les and Dora Neal.

Groom Birthdays Anniversaries

- May 20 - E.N.(Bud) Babcock, Carrie Sue Davis, Hali Alexis Bohr.
- May 21 - Barney W. Davis, Johnny W. Brooks, Tom N. Britten.
- May 22 - Shirley Jean Fields, Diane Bruso, Richard Barkley.
- May 23 - Charles A. Britten, Ray C. Britten, Courtney Renee Head, Christy Ellen Painter, Julie McGee.
- May 24 - Dale Brooks, Elizabeth Vega.
- May 25 - Sharlene Lewis.
- May 26 - R.J. Kempf, Bryan C. Newton, Dale Stapp.

Doris and Arnold Kuehler had weekend visitors in their home. Loy and Sue Smith, Doris's sister and her husband were en route to Topeka.

St. Mary's Catholic Church honored 1999 graduating seniors who are members of their church on Sunday, May 16th. Senior members participated in the special Mass service. Daniel Treadwell was awarded the Christian Mother's scholarship. A reception was held following the service.

Sharlene Lewis and Irene Baggerman traveled to the fast lane of San Antonio Friday for Nace and Mary Baggerman's son-in-law's (Gene's husband) graduation from St. Mary's School of Law. From there they ventured to Peggy and Madina Baggerman's in Carrollton (Dallas area) and enjoyed visiting with all the family, but glad to be back in the slow lane.

Virginia Snyder, sister-in-law of Rip Snyder, of Amarillo, Martha Sublett of Pampa and Betty Flinchum, nieces, of Oklahoma City visited Rip and Joy Friday.



Halee Kotara Graduates Cum Laude

Halee Kotara recently graduated Cum Laude from the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas. She received a Bachelor of Arts Degree with a double major in English and Spanish. While at UNT she was a member of Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society and Service Organization and Sigma Tau Delta English Honor Society. She visited Spain through the study abroad program and was a volunteer in the Office of Disability Accommodation. She was awarded the Woodruff Memorial Scholarship and the "Sunshine Girl Award" from Bruce Hall. Halee was one of seventeen students to complete the University Honors Program and was awarded her medal at a

reception Friday evening. The reception and graduation were attended by Wayne and Adela Kotara of Groom; Kim and Lynn Guinn and Carson of Schuyler, Nebraska, Lindy and Jack Craft of Clarendon; Staci Kotara of Watauga and Theresa Abernathy of Johnson City. Following graduation Halee was honored with a dinner in the home of Sandra and Bob McWherter of McKinney. The dinner was attended by many cousins and friends.

Graduates

Top Students by Principal Donnie Carroll.

Members of the Class of 2003 are: Cody Babcock, Richard Barkley, Jessica Bates, Brett Britten, Jill Britten, Staci Britten, Kira Broadway, Brin Burgin, Amanda Conrad, Lauren Crowell, Doug Fields, Stephany Fraser, Amanda Martin, Penny McMahan, Robert Newton, Lance Ollinger, and Anthony Ratterree.

Meeting

Salaries may change at the whim of current legislation in Austin. No action was taken on auxiliary personnel. No contracts were offered. The May bills were paid and the budget amended as necessary before the meeting adjourned.

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8th Grade To Graduate 18 Students In Commencement Exercises



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Brett Britten



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Lainie Britten



Staci Britten



Kira Broadway



Brin Burgin



Amanda Conrad



Lauren Crowell



Doug Fields



Stephany Fraser



Amanda Martin



Penny McMahan



Robert Newton



Lance Ollinger



Anthony Ratterree

Bo Burgin Awarded Scholarship

The West Texas A&M University T. Boone Pickens College of Business honored outstanding students April 29 at its annual convocation.

Each department awarded scholarships for the 1999-2000 academic year and recognized students and graduates from the past year.

Students receiving recognition at the banquet, with awards and scholarship amounts included Bo Burgin, of

Groom. He is a senior accounting major. He was awarded the David and Myrt Wilder Scholarship, of \$1000.00. His parents are Donald and Nila Burgin.

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enjoyed the Corpus Christi Dog Track, beach combing, and ending the trip with Caption Tye Bralley entertaining them with a cruise aboard the Yacht, THUMPER and a Cajun Crawdad & Shrimp Boil back on the docks. Tye's family and Susanne Fairly's family all joined in for the evening visit.

Notice

Effective June 1, 1999 the City of Groom will begin enforcement of Section 14-21 of the City Code as follows:

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High School Class of 1999

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Jamie Stuck

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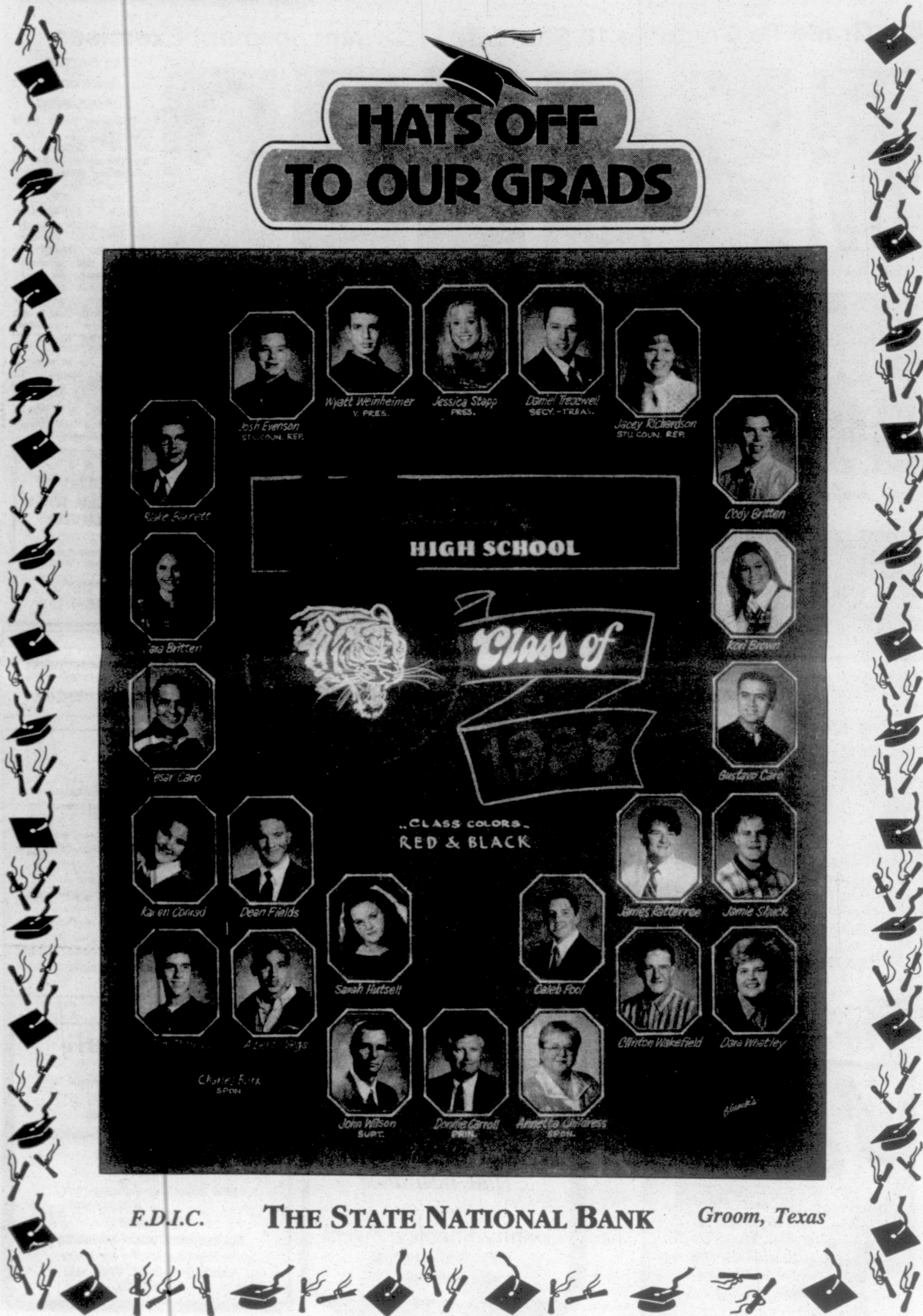
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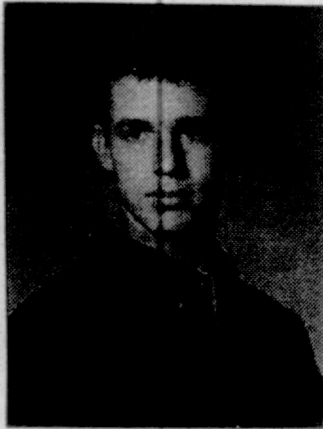
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Wyatt Joseph Weinheimer

...Groom High School's Teachers and faculty, along with the people and community of Groom, have taught us many things we will need to be successful in our journey through life...

Wyatt Weinheimer, Valedictorian

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Valedictorian, Wyatt Joseph Weinheimer, is planning to attend West Texas A & M University in the fall and is the son of James and Janice Weinheimer. He credits his father as the most influential person in his life.

"...He has set a good example for me and has always been supportive," he commented.

Wyatt has been active in sports for most of his years at GHS. He played three years of football. He was an offensive and defensive end, and a linebacker. He was named All-State Offensive end, All-Region Offensive end and All-

See Weinheimer, pg. 20

Jessica Jo Stapp is the Salutatorian of the Class of 1999. She is the daughter of Dale and Jo Stapp. Coming to Groom in 1996 from Tascosa High School, Jessica has become a leader at GHS. She has been extremely active in just about all aspects of high school life.

She is an all around student and served her school mates as National Honor Society President, Sophomore and Junior Class President, Editor of the Yearbook, Cheerleader for two years and Secretary of the band.

Jessica was crowned homecoming queen and was the

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Jessica Jo Stapp

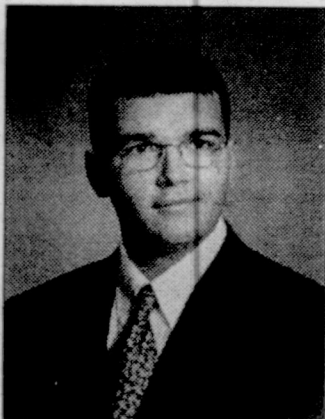
...Never give up on what you really want to do. The person with the big dreams is more powerful than the one with all the facts...

Jessica Stapp, Salutatorian



Mr. & Mrs. Ellis Stapp

Blake Harris Barnett



Blake Harris Barnett has plans to attend West Texas A & M University and study agriculture. He is getting practical experience by working at the Groom Feedyard.

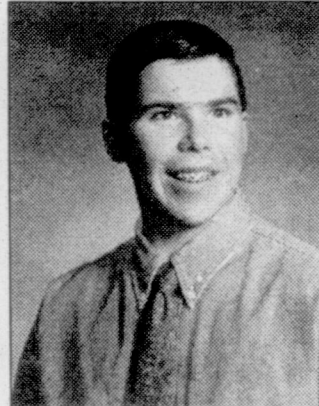
Blake is the son of Donna Barnett and Jackie Barnett. He is a member of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. He has been a member of FFA for four years. He served as secretary for one year and placed 1st in the Jr Chapter Conducting Contest. He played football for one year.

"I have had many people in my life that have influenced me. I would like to thank my whole family

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Cody Dale Britten



Studying more and making better grades are what Cody Dale Britten would have done, if he could start over as well.

Cody plans to attend Frank Phillips College where he has earned a scholarship in livestock judging. He later will attend Texas Tech.

Livestock has been a big part of Cody's life being a member of 4-H for ten years, a member of Future Farmers of America for four. He served as vice-president for the organization. He also works for the Groom Feedyard and on the family farm. He is the son of Lynn Britten.

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Mr. & Mrs. Bill Hanson

Sara Elaine Britten



Sara Elaine Britten is the oldest daughter of Howard "Hop" and Jan Britten.

"The two people that have influenced my life the greatest are my parents Hop and Jan Britten. They have taught me that life is what you make of it, you can dwell on the bumpy roads, or accept the hand you're dealt and go on with life. I appreciate their love and support for me through out all the years of my life."

She has had a very active athletic career during her four years of high school. She played basketball for three years. She

Stop N Shop See S. Britten, pg. 10

Kori Brown



"The person who has had the most influence on my life has been my dad, Lonny Brown," commented Kori Brown. "My granny is a very close step behind. My dad has always made me realize for every choice there is a consequence. He has taught me to try to do my best at every thing I try. I hope in life I will grow up to have the loving patience that I so admire in my granny."

Kori Brown will be attending Amarillo College. She is the recipient of a \$6000 scholarship from the San Antonio Stock Show.

Kori has been very active in

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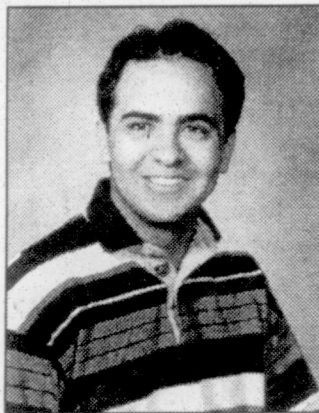
Cesar Caro

"If I could begin high school again, I would try to learn more English. I live in the United States and I am an American, and I want to go to college" stated César Caro.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Javier Caro, César has plans to attend Amarillo College and study criminology. He came to Groom from Camargo, Chich. Mexico. He played soccer for Mexican teams for eleven years. He now plays with the Palo Duro Intermural team.

"Mick Jagger has had the greatest influence on my life because he has remained a force in music for many years. Every time I see Mick Jagger

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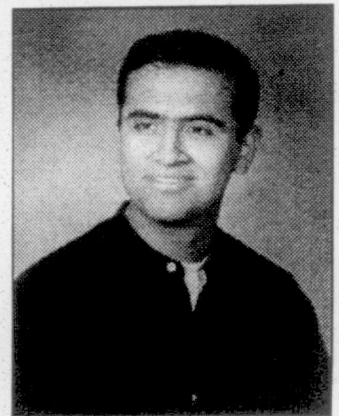
Gustavo Caro

With a motto of "Don't Worry...Be Happy!" Gustavo Caro is prepared for what ever life has in store for him. Gustavo came to Groom High School from the Camargo Technical High School. He is a Catholic and the son of Javier Caro and Nancy Marina Caro.

Gustavo played one year of football. He was a right end and a field goal kicker. He has been in FFA and the Spanish Club for one year. In his spare time, he works at The Dairy Queen and enjoys listening to music. He plans to attend Amarillo College in the fall.

"If I could start high school over

See G. Caro, pg. 10 *Dairy Queen*



Karen Denise Conrad



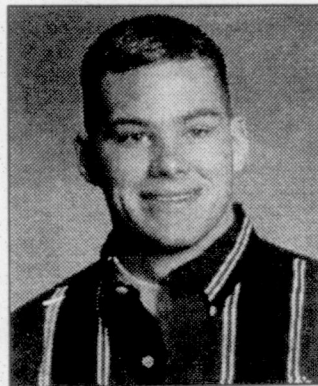
"Until recently I would not have known the answer to the question... Who has had the greatest influence on my life..." commented Karen Denise Conrad.

"However, after losing my Grandma, I learned who the person was. It's my grand-dad, Tators. He has gone through so much, and yet he is the strongest man I know. He always keeps a smile on his face no matter what he feels. My grand-dad has been an inspiration on my life. Grand-dad, thanks for being you, I love you."

Karen is the daughter of Marcia and Donnie Conrad. She plans to attend Amarillo College and become

Blackwell Supply See Conrad, pg. 10

Joshua Dean Crooks



Joshua Dean Crooks attended school in Amarillo before coming to Groom. He is planning to attend college at Texas Tech University in Lubbock in the fall. He is a member of the First Baptist Church of Groom and the son of Kim Lewellen and Doug Crooks.

Josh has had a very active athletic career. In his four year football career he played safety and was quarterback. He earned honors as 2nd Team All-District as safety and quarterback as a junior and 1st Team All-District as a senior also for safety and quarterback.

In basketball he was selected to

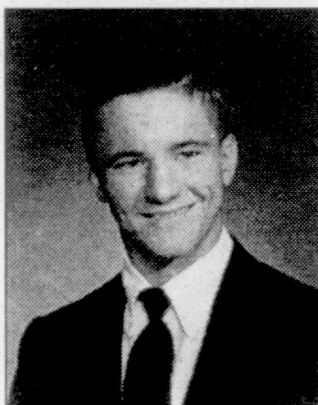
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Dean Allen Fields

Dean Allen Fields has his future all planned out. After scoring a 32 on the ACT test, he has been awarded a Texas Tech Merit Scholarship and will be headed to Lubbock this fall. An all-around student, Dean has had many honors and has excelled at just about everything he has tried.

He served as Secretary in his four years of FFA. He was a member of the Student Council for three years and served as Treasurer. He is also a member of the National Honor Society. He was a member of the band for three years.

As a member of the JETS See Fields, pg. 20



Shirley Fields & Allene Dean

Sarah Rebecca Hutsell

The daughter of Steve & Pam Hutsell, Sarah Rebecca Hutsell, an honor student is graduating a year early. She will attend Angelo State University. She has earned several scholarships. To date, they are the Carr Academic Scholarship for \$10,000; the Sybil B. Harrington Scholarship and The Delta Kappa Gamma Sorority Scholarship for \$750.

Sarah has been very active academically. She is a member of the JETS team that placed 6th in the nation. She has been a member of the Spanish Club for three years. She was a member of the band for

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Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Hutsell



Bobby Caleb Pool

The person who has affected the life of Bobby Caleb Pool the most has been his grandfather, Bob Pool. "He has had the greatest influence on my life because he taught me to work hard and to do things right the first time," he said.

Caleb will be attending Angelo State University in the fall. He has held many offices for his fellow students at Groom High School.

He was a member of the Future Farmers of America. He served as Jr. Chapter Conducting President. Caleb served as Student Council President in 1999.

He is a member of the 6th ranked

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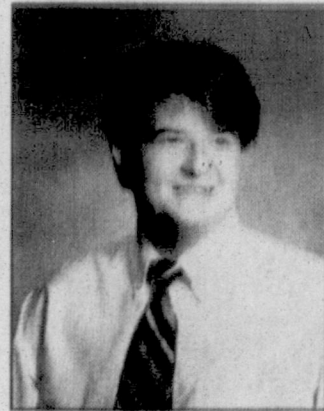
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James Paul Ratterree

"My Grandfather was one of the most important people in my life. I looked up to him because he was in World War II and he fought for our country. I used to drive him around. I enjoyed helping him out when he needed me. We became very close before he died. I am very glad he was my grandfather," answered James Paul Ratterree.

James is the son of Bill and Joann Ratterree. He came to Groom from Griffin Middle School in Smyrna, Georgia. He is a Baptist. He has been an active member of FFA for four years. He enjoys building model cars and

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Jacey Renae Richardson



Jacey Renae Richardson is planning to attend Western Oklahoma State College in the fall, where she has earned a fully funded Rodeo Scholarship. She is the daughter of Joe and Jody Richardson.

Jacey has held many offices in not only her class but in other clubs as well. She served as Class President for two years, Vice President for one year and Student Council Representative for one year.

She is the president of the Wheeler Rodeo Club. She was a member of the THSRA for four years, the JRCA

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Jamie Allen Shuck



With plans to attend West Texas A & M University to become a sports therapist, Jamie Allen Shuck is ready for his high school days to end.

He played four years of football serving as center. He was named All-District, All-Region and 2nd team All-State. He was also named as the Center for The Amarillo Globe News' All Star Team.

Jamie played two years of basketball and was a post. He competed in track and placed 3rd in the Sprint Relay.

"If I could start high school over again, I would start out lifting weights my freshman year so that I

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Keith's Automotive

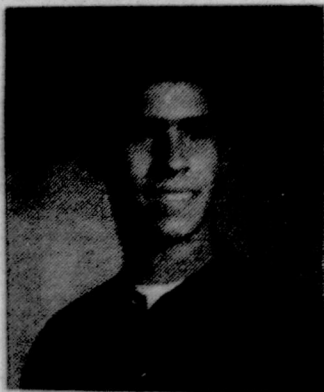
Sam Gabriel Thomas

Sam Gabriel Thomas is the son of John and Laverne Thomas. He is a Methodist.

He plans to attend Frank Phillips College in Borger.

Sam played one year of football and was a running back. He also played golf for three years. Band has been an important part of his life. He has been a member for five years and served as an officer.

His philosophy is as follows: "Don't rely on luck and don't chase women... because you'll never know when either one will run out on you!"



Groom Flying Service

Daniel Eugene Treadwell

Planning to get a degree in computer information systems at South Plains College, Daniel Eugene Treadwell is well prepared to meet the future. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Treadwell he is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

"My parents are my greatest influences. They taught me to do my best in everything I did. They have always been there for me in my time of need. I feel that no matter what I have done or do my parents will always stand beside me," he commented.

Very active in sports, Daniel



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Luis Alberto Vega



Luis Alberto Vega attributes his success in life to his parents.

"They (my parents, Francisco and Martha Vega) have had the greatest influence on my life because they have always supported me and given me very useful advice," he commented.

Alberto is a lifelong student of Groom I.S.D. He has earned many honors in sports. He played football for two years as a running back. He was named Amarillo Globe News Player of the Week. In Track, Alberto has distinguished himself qualifying for State in Cross Country. He was a Regional

See Vega, pg. 10

Kolara Cattle Co., Inc.

Clinton S. Wakefield



Clinton S. Wakefield is the son of Bobby and Jeanne Wakefield. The person he admires most in the world is his Aunt Paula Brown.

"My Aunt Paula has influenced me because she taught me never to give up on life, or anything else."

With role models like this, Clinton is well prepared to meet the future. He is making plans to attend Amarillo College next fall.

Clinton served as Football Manager for two years. He was also a member of FFA for four years.

His motto, "Tomorrow is another day," has taught him to live for today and not for the day to come.

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Dara D'Ann Whatley



"Childhood is what you spend the rest of your life trying to overcome. Beginnings are usually scary and endings are usually sad, but what you choose to do in the middle, is what really counts the most."

This is the motto that Dara D'Ann Whatley has chosen to live by.

"This has helped me to realize that new beginnings are supposed to be scary, that it is natural to feel sad when something must end, and that childhood is not supposed to be perfect. Also it has helped me to see the choices I make will either cause a positive or negative effect on my future," she stated.

Mr. & Mrs. Howell Lewis

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The Senior Class
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announces its
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Annual Awards Assembly Rewards Outstanding Student Achievement

The Groom ISD administrators and teachers held their annual end of school assembly last week. Numerous awards were presented.

The Student Council officers were introduced

by Steve Hutsell. They were Caleb Pool, President; Karen Conrad, Vice President; and Dean Fields, Secretary.

Citizen awards were presented by Caleb Pool as follows: Josh Evenson,

September; Karen Conrad, October; Jodi Homen, November; Cody Britten, January; Chris Ollinger, February; Dean Fields, March; Jessica Stapp, April; and Carrie Davis, May.

Principal Carroll presented "All-A" awards to students who received all A's on their report card throughout the year, also presented were President's Award recipients as noted: 4th grade, James Reid and Kecia Howard; 5th grade, Katy Britten; 6th grade Adam Britten, plus President's Award, Magan Bivens plus President's Award, Ashley Jackson plus President's Award, and Chance Barkley plus President's Award; 7th grade Clay Britten; 8th grade, Doug Fields and President's Award, Amanda Martin plus President's Award; and Lauren Crowell plus President's Award.

In high school the following received All A's and the President's Award where noted. 9th Grade, Garrett Britten; 10th grade, Brooke Britten; 11th grade, Travis Britten and Dustin Babcock. In 12th grade Jessica Stapp plus President's Award, Wyatt

Weinheimer plus President's Award, Dean Fields plus President's Award, and Dara Whatley plus President's Award.

The Valedictorian and Salutatorian were recognized and presented awards. Valedictorian Wyatt Weinheimer was presented a \$500 scholarship, the Principal's Leadership Award, the Tandy Outstanding Student Award and the Tandy Scholars Award for the Top 2% in Class.

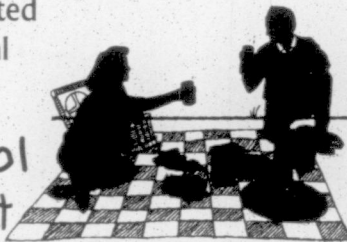
Salutatorian Jessica Stapp was awarded the Lion's Club Sweetheart

Scholarship of \$200.00 and the Tandy Scholar Award for the Top 2% in Class.

Perfect attendance awards were presented by Superintendent Wilson. Students are: Cecilia Unger, Tiffani Kling, Ashley Murray, Trevor Friemel, Brittany Weinheimer, Anthony Luna, Sharri Britten, Adam Britten, Sarah Broadway, Bryan Newton, Amanda Martin, Cassie Ashford, Nichole Barnett, Candace Bohr, Ross Brooks, Russell Conrad, Dewayne Gray, and Liz Vega.

You Are Cordially Invited
To Attend The Annual

End Of School
BBQ Picnic at
Grandview Hopkins I.S.D.
Thursday, May 20th -12:00 to 1:00



The BBQ meat, beans and bread is provided by the school board and parents. You are invited to bring a covered dish, if you like, to share with everyone. If you have questions or need directions, please call the school office at 669-3831.

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Carson Co. Sheriff's Report

By Loren Brand, Sheriff

We are currently holding sixteen prisoners in the Carson County Jail. These prisoners are charged or have been sentenced as follows: Possession of a Controlled Substance (Methamphetamine/Cocaine) 3; Possession of a Prohibited Weapon 1; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia 2; Injury to an Elderly Person 1; Burglary of a Building 1; Assault on a Police Officer 1; Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle 1; 90 Day Commitment 1; Possession of Marijuana 3; DUI 1; Making Alcohol Available to Minors 1.

We also have holds on ten prisoners in other jurisdictions.

Arrests for the past week are as follows: Douglas Davis, 19, Possession of Marijuana/Possession of Paraphernalia; Travis Selby, 24, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia; Cecil Jenkins, 42, Theft by Check; Billy Grimes, 37, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia; Kevin Hamilton, 18, MIP/Failure to Appear; Jason Mosely, 18, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia; Debbie Grandy, 39, Possession of Marijuana; Joel Crowe, 26, Possession of Marijuana; Kip Jackson, 19, DUI/Minor; Chad Ragan, 21, Making Alcohol Available to

Minor.

We're received information that there is a recent supply of black tar heroin available in our county at this time. If ever there was a drug to be used by the terminally stupid, this would be it. Recently three persons died in Dumas from the ingestion of this substance and there were 13 teens who died in the Plano area over the past few years as well.

Our department has been working to target dealers and to inform local teens of the dangers and criminal charges involved with being a member of the drug subculture, but this problem won't be solved by the criminal justice system. We need the help of parents, neighbors and friends to confront the problem on a person to person basis. Your kids have access to cocaine, methamphetamine, marijuana, LSD, heroin, crack and nearly anything else you can think of.

The drug business operates like any other commercial enterprise. It's based on the law of supply and demand. If anything about this makes your blood run cold it should be the fact that there is such a demand by Carson County teens, not that there is a supply.

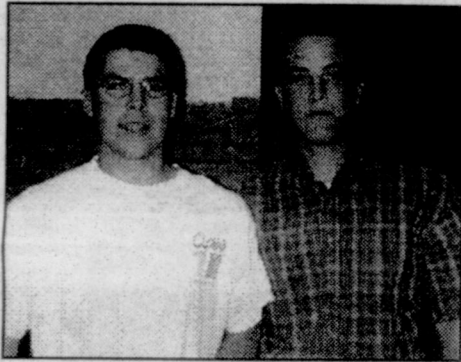
"G" Awards Presented



G Award recipients: Sarah Hutsell, Dara Whatley, Wyatt Weinheimer, Evan Crowell and Jessica Stapp.



Junior High G Award recipients: Calvin Schaffer, Doug Fields, Lauren Crowell and Brett Britten.



Top Beef Producer: Cody Britten. Top Swine Producer: Justin Homen.



Chapter Star Award: Skye Brown. Star Greenhand Award: Cody Bivens.

Scholastic achievement awards were presented to students by each department head at the Groom ISD Annual Awards Assembly. They are as follows:

Vocational Agriculture, Cody Britten; Speech, Lynsey Pool; Spanish, Sarah Hutsell; Social Studies, Dara Whatley; Math, Wyatt Weinheimer; Science, Dara Whatley; English, Jessica Stapp; Yearbook, Jessica Stapp; Business, Dara Whatley; Band, Evan Crowell.

"G" Awards were presented to Junior High students, as well. They are as follows: Social Studies, Doug Fields; Math, Doug Fields; Science, Calvin Schaffer; English, Lauren Crowell; and Band, Brett Britten.

Vo-Ag Awards Presented

Charles Burk, Vo-Ag instructor presented several awards during the annual awards assembly.

The Star Greenhand Award was presented to Cody Bivens. The Chapter Star Award went to Skye Brown. The Swine Production Award was presented to Justin Homen. Cody Britten was named Top Beef Producer.

The DeKalb Seed Company presents an award to the top vocational agriculture student. Cody Britten was the recipient.

Good Luck, Seniors!

Hutsell
two years that won Sweepstakes and was state alternate in the marching contest.

Sarah was very active in UIL competitions. She qualified for Regional in Literary Criticisms for two years, and won District. She also qualified for Regional in Editorial Writing, winning District. She competed three years in Number Sense and one year in Mathematics.

Sarah was a member of the Annual Staff for one year.

"My sister, Mary, has had the greatest influence on my life. She has always been there for me and taught me many valuable lessons," she said when asked who had the biggest influence on her life.

With her philosophy, she is sure to achieve great things.

"I try to always keep in mind that everything happens for a reason. Even when something horrible happens to you and you don't know how to deal with it, you just need to think more about what good will come of it."

Sarah is a member of the Kingswood United Methodist Church of Amarillo.

MAY IS CLEAN-UP Month for Groom! No charge to use the truck and big dumpster. Contact City Hall for dumping after 4:30 pm.

Thought For The Day
In youth we learn; in age we understand.

Banquet

Most Valuable Players were named for each individual sport with the exception of cross country.

In football, Wyatt Weinheimer was selected M.V.P. by Coach Larry Reid.

In varsity basketball, Coach Randy Yelverton named Josh Evenson and Daniel Treadwell as Co-Most Valuable Players. In girls basketball Karen Conrad and Carrie Davis were named Co-M.V.P.'s.

Free throw percentage awards were given in basketball. Krisanne Davis and Chris Ollinger shot the highest percentage.

Carrie Sue Davis and Dusty Crump were named MVP for track.

In tennis Coach Shirley Fields announced Chris Ollinger MVP for the boys award and Karen Conrad and Jessica Stapp were named Co-MVP's in girls tennis.

In golf, Frances Britten and Evan Crowell were named MVP by Coach and Superintendent John Wilson.

*Barbara Cospers
Carson County,
Tax Assessor-Collector
Reports On Delinquent Taxes*

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G. Caro

again, I would be aware of Dustin Crump in football," he said.

C. Caro

and The Rolling Stones play, I want to be a musician also," he commented.

Understandably, he enjoys playing the bass guitar, listening to music and working with computers in his spare time.

Pool

nation-wide JETS team, that also won the State of Texas competition. Also an athlete, Caleb played four years of basketball. He ran track two years, competing in the 800 meter race and the 400 meter race. In Golf, he was a member of the District Championship team in 1998. He competed in Golf all four years of high school.

Caleb competed in UIL

Literary criticism one year, winning District in 1999. He was also on the team that placed 2nd in District. He placed 4th in 1999 in Current Events. His team placed 2nd in District.

Caleb is the son of Bobby and Marion Pool. He is a member of the First Baptist Church of Groom. In his spare time, he works for Pool Farms, a family owned operation

Vega

Qualifier in the 800 meter run and placed 5th at Regional. In 1997, he was named Most Valuable Player in Track.

He was named Citizen of the Month by the Student Council in 1997. He was a member of FFA for four years.

During his free time, Alberto works at the Dairy Queen and enjoys playing the piano.

Barnett

for always being there for me as well as my friends," he commented when discussing who had the most influence on his life and discussing his high school career. "I know that if I could go back through school again, I would play all four years of football and I would have studied a

lot harder."

In Blake's spare time he enjoys horseback riding and fishing.

C. Britten

"My Dad is the one person who has had the greatest influence on my life," he commented. "He has always been there for me!"

Cody played one year of football. He was a center and a noseguard. He is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. In his spare time he enjoys riding, roping and stockshowing.

S. Britten

played tennis for three years, competing in doubles and singles. She excelled in track. In 1996 she qualified for the State Meet in the 400 meter relay. She qualified for Regional with district wins in the 800 meter relay, 200 meter run, the long jump, and the 400 meter relay for three years. She was named Most Valuable Player in 1997.

Sara has been a member of FFA for one year, she competed in UIL Accounting and qualified for Region with 4th place. She was also a member of

the team that placed 6th at Regional. She also competed in UIL Computer Applications.

She has been listed in Who's Who among American High School Students for four years. Sara works at The Stop N Shop in her spare time.

Brown

4-H and FFA. Her wins in stock show judging are simply too numerous to mention. She served as FFA reporter for one year and had the distinction of becoming the first female president of the Groom FFA Chapter. She is a member of the American Angus Association and The Texas Club Calf Association.

Kori played basketball for two years and tennis for three years. She was named to "Who's Who Among American High School Students". She is a member of the First Baptist Church and is the daughter of Lonny and Susan Brown.

Conrad

an interior decorator. She is a member of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.

Karen has had a banner career in high school sports. She has

played basketball for four years, winning District Honorable Mention for two years and 1st Team All-District one year.

She ran track for four years, qualifying for Region for three years. She was 1st in the sprint relay, 1st in the 800 relay, 1st in the Mile Relay, 2nd in the Triple jump, Long Jump and the 200 meter dash.

Karen played Tennis for three years. She was District Champ for two years and Regional Qualifier for two years. She was named Groom's 1999 Co-MVP in Tennis, along with Jessica Stapp.

Karen received the 1999 Fighting Tigerette Award at Groom High School.

A very diverse student, Karen was also in Band one year, she served on the Student Council for three years and held the office of Vice President. She served as cheerleader for three years and was head cheerleader.

She competed in UIL Accounting and Feature Writing. In Accounting she and her team placed 1st. In Feature Writing she placed 5th. She was named to "Who's Who Among

American High School Students" for three years.

In Karen's spare time she works for Mighty's.

Crooks

the All-District Team for two years. He was a guard for four years. He received GHS Co-MVP honors, along with Daniel Treadwell, in basketball for the 1999 season.

A Regional Qualifier in Tennis for three years, Josh competed in doubles all through high school. Josh also qualified for regional in Golf for two of the four years he played.

"My Mom has had the greatest influence on me," he commented. "She has always encouraged me to do my best and anything is possible. She taught me to never give up under any situation."

Josh's drive and ambition has been obvious with his diversity. He was a member of All-Region Band for one year. He was a member of Student Council for one year. He competed in UIL Editorial Writing, and was a Regional Qualifier in Spelling.

Josh is listed in "Who's Who Among American High School Students."



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