

The McLean News



Bank Of Commerce Building
Office No. 5, 201 N. Main St.

Published Weekly
Thursday, February 25, 1999

1-806-779-2141
1-888-849-6599



The top eight candidates for Miss McLean 1999 are pictured. (Left to right) Deanna Van Brocklin, Rebecca Hembree, Sara Hall, Teddra Simmons, Miss McLean Valerie Joiner, Jessi Fish, Cassandra Floyd, and Sophie Kochmann.

City Council Approves New Employee



Christopher McMinn

The City Council of McLean met in a special session Friday, February 19, 1999 in the City Hall. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor and opened with an invocation by Sam Haynes at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Gordon Sheplor, Ford Smith, Jr., Bob Martin, Jim McDonald, Sam Haynes, and Charles McClendon.

Others present were Fred Smith, Toni Bohlar, Donnie Basham, and Emma Jean McDonald. All motions were unanimously approved unless otherwise stated. The council agreed to hire Christopher McMinn on Fred Smith's recommendation. Mr. McMinn and his family moved to McLean from Pampa. He and his wife Lorrie have five children; Coty 11, Tyler 8, Kyle 7, Ryan 4 and Mindy 4 months.

No action was taken on the Employees Retirement Plan, the information needed has

still not been received. The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

McLean Reminders...

FOR THE Hometown folks, remember Homecoming will be June 18 and 19. So come out and visit old friends!

HOUSTON STOCK Show - March 1-3.

STUDY CLUB will meet March 4.

JR. HIGH and High School track meet at Lefors on March 6.

SPRING BREAK is March 8-12.

DON'T FORGET! You can now sign up to run for a seat on the city council or the school board.

Miss McLean 1999

The night of February 20 had eighteen young ladies holding their breath as Miss McLean 1999 was chosen. Long evening gowns of midnight blue, red, burgundy, black, turquoise, charcoal, peach and purples adorned the contestants as the Drama Boys serenaded them with "Let It Be Me" and Jacque Riley sang "Angel."

After the top eight were chosen, Miss Congeniality was announced. This young lady was voted on by her peers as the most likely to help. She is also courteous and caring. The honor this year went to Deanna Van Brocklin. Deanna is the daughter of Gaylord and Missie Van Brocklin.

Anticipation growing, the winner and runners-up were announced.

Second runner-up went to Teddra Simmons. Teddra wore a dress the color of

lilacs with tiny flower buds around the neck. She is the daughter of T.D. and Teresa Simmons and Cynthia Sergeant.

First runner-up honors went to Jessi Fish. Jessi wore a straight, floor-length, red sequined gown with an unusual spider webbed back. She is the daughter of J.D. and Becky Fish and is a junior this year.

At last, Miss McLean 1999 was crowned. This year the honor went to Valerie Joiner. Valerie wore a spaghetti strapped gown the color of charcoal. The gown was complimented by a scarf a shade lighter than the dress draped around Valerie's neck and hanging from the back. Valerie is the daughter of Monty and Darlis Joiner. She is a junior at McLean High School and enjoys hanging out with her friends and family. Valerie will represent McLean in the Miss Irish Rose Pageant.

Homecoming events. Billie Billingsley will proceed with arrangements with the stock contractors.

A parade will also be held this year, but the

time will be changed to a morning hour.

The Chamber also voted to have a float in this year's Shamrock St. Patrick's Day parade.

See Rodeo, pg. 12



Miss McLean 1999, Valerie Joiner is shown with her parents, Monty and Darlis Joiner.

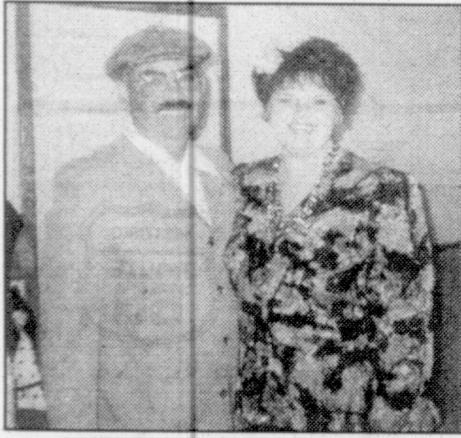
Chamber To Carry On Rodeo Tradition

The McLean Area Chamber of Commerce met in a special meeting on February 22 to discuss the annual rodeo.

After much discussion and approval from Sam

Haynes and family to use the arena, it was voted unanimously that the Chamber of Commerce would host this years event on June 18 and 19 to coincide with

coincide with



The Trinity Baptist's held a "Thrift Store" Valentine banquet for the youth on February 14th and boy, did the adults have fun!! Pictured are Glenda and Terry Dickey as "Thurston & Luvvy Howell."

McLean Care Center News

Sunday activities began for the residents with Sunday School provided by the Methodist Friendship Class. In the afternoon church services for the residents was held by the Methodist Church. Those attending were Jessie Watson, Florence Drake, Helen Simmons, Essie Knowles, Dorothy Patterson, Phyllis Bailey, Polly Burnett, Thelma Finson, Dovie Simmons, Beryl Halbert, Sylvia McClellan, Alexander Watkins, Don York, Dick Wheeler, Duella Beverly, Hadda Moore, Bessie McClemore, Glynda Martin, Ora Billingsley, Truman Goodlett, Gladys Andrews, Lillie Billingsley and Varnie Lowe.

Monday morning was nail care time for the residents. In the afternoon they played

bingo. After the games bananas were furnished by the Lions Club followed by exercise. Our helper was Betty Lowe.

Tuesday morning the residents had craft time. They started a project of birdhouses. In the afternoon they finished them in another craft session. Come in and see their lovely bird houses.

Wednesday Morning Circle was enjoyed followed by refreshments and showing of porcelain and collector dolls. In the afternoon there was an ice cream social given by the Methodists.

Thursday the residents played bingo with Betty Lowe volunteering.

Friday morning was nail care time and later in the afternoon some watched a movie and had popcorn. Others played dominos.

Saturday afternoon was the February Birthday

Party. Birthday people this month are: Sylvia McClellan, Oleta Harris and Lillie Billingsley. Ice cream was furnished by several volunteers who helped serve the cake, punch and ice cream.

This was a special treat for everyone and the help was much appreciated. It would be impossible to do all the things that are done with the residents without the wonderful volunteer help.

And... Miss McLean 1999 is Valerie Joiner!!!

Congratulations on your crowning achievement!

The McLean Cattle Company

Congratulations Deanna,

You are special in our eyes!

Aunt Deanna, Uncle Charlie and The Hop

TEDDRA SIMMONS

You have made us a proud sponsor. Congratulations on your success in the Miss McLean Pageant.

Kirk's Car Quest Auto Supply

To The People of McLean:

There is no way thanks could be said individually to everyone who had a part in Trinity's Donkey Basketball Game. From spectating to playing, to all the many jobs that were done. You each had a part in the great success of this game. Thanks for your part, and for making McLean such a great place!

Trinity Baptist

Congratulations to

Jessi Fish

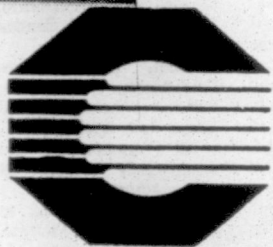
You may have won 1st runner up in the Miss McLean pageant, but you are tops with us. We are proud of you.

*Your Sponsor,
The McLean News*

The Future of McLean Lies In Our Young People!



Victoria Bradley
Daughter Of
Donald & LaDonna Bradley



BANK OF COMMERCE

A Subsidiary of GrayCo BancShares, Inc.

779-2461 McLean, Texas



Family Healthcare Clinic Of McLean

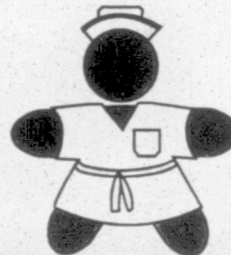
We Wish Everyone Happiness In 1999

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

Feedy
Lose
Subw

The M
ladies b
suffered t
the season
of 21-38.

It was
out and
the Subw
mostly 1
Newcomer
Kirkland
by this
match-up.

during t
McLean p
10 poir
opponent.

the scorin
basket th
but Lefor
free thr
continued
line. The

of substit
they ran
man-to-ma
the McLe
didn't

opportunit
The buzze
tempers fl
team had
technical 1
the course

The ne
Wednesday
at 7:00
Celanese.

Scoring
was Leslie
points, An
with 6, J
and Carl
had 3 an
had 1.

THE NEW
a lot of pic
at 10 cents
pick up the
have borrow

S

B

C

T

Ki

M

Pu

Re

Sir

Th

Wi

Th

Th

Ro

Feedyard Gals Lose To Subway Ladies

The McLean Feedyard ladies basketball team suffered their first loss of the season with a score of 21-38.

It was a hard fought, out and out battle with the Subway team being mostly Lefors women. Newcomers Joetta Bailey Kirkland was awakened by this very physical match-up. At one point during the second half McLean pulled to within 10 points of the opponent. McLean held the scoring to only one basket the second half but Lefors made many free throws as they continued to go to the line. There were plenty of substitute players but they ran a very tight man-to-man defense and the McLean ladies just didn't have many opportunities to score. The buzzer sounded with tempers flaring as each team had received a technical foul throughout the course of the game.

The next game is Wednesday, February 24 at 7:00 p.m. against Celanese.

Scoring for the team was Leslie Darsey with 9 points, Angie Billingsley with 6, Julie Reynolds and Carl Russell each had 3 and Rose Steel had 1.

THE NEWS Office has a lot of pictures for sale at 10 cents each. Please pick up the ones that we have borrowed.

McLean's Ladies Take On Claude's Lady Mustangs

The McLean Lady Tigers traveled to Clarendon to play Claude in Bi-District play on February 16. The Ladies came home unsuccessful, being defeated by the Lady Mustangs 73-43.

Scoring for the team were Rachel Galley with 19 points, Lacey Steel and Vanessa Glass each put in 7 points, while Amanda Cline added 4. Austin Williams, Randi Riley and Annie Weaver each earned 2 points.



McLean Elementary Students of the Week February 16th-19th: Kindergarten Zach Seymour, 1st Grade Dustin Lee, 2nd Grade Evan McMordie, 3rd Grade Anna Shackelford, 4th Grade Kay Taylor, 5th Grade Nicholas Odom, 6th Grade Allison Hill, 7th Grade Danielle Dampier, 8th Grade Drew Barker.

McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

February 25 - Dekki Crockett.

February 26 - Charles Wynn, Thelma Stevens, Stella Lee, Nathaniel Roberts.

February 27 - Dianna Hallum, Lillie Mae Williams, Ruben Flores.

February 28 - Mike Acuna.

February 29 - Mike Harkins.

March 1 - Shane Coleman, Betty Mackie, Marvis Godfrey.

March 2 - David Swafford, Allison Hill.

March 3 - Ann Pierce, Glenda White.

McLean I.S.D. Board Meets In Special Session

The McLean Independent School District Board of Education met for a special meeting at 6:00 p.m. on February 22, 1999. Board members present were Bob Glass, Neal Odom, Mike Darsey, Don Dorsey, and T.D. Simmons. John Holland and Eugene

Galley were absent from the meeting. Others present were John Griffin, Superintendent,

Dick Crockett, Elementary Principal, Toni Bohlar, Terri Adams, and Kenneth McCasland from WTRCA.

All votes were unanimous unless otherwise stated.

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by President, Neal Odom.

The Board went into Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. and returned to open session at 8:30 p.m.

Mr. McCasland gave a brief report on Health Insurance coverage being provided by WTRCA.

Adjournment came at 9:00 p.m.

No action was taken during this special meeting, as it was strictly a planning session in order for the board to discuss personnel evaluation.

WEEKLY BIBLE QUESTION

Sponsored By The McLean Church Of Christ

Q. What Does The Bible Say About Baptism? (Part 3, What Does Baptism Do?)

A. 1 Peter 3:21 reads: "And corresponding to that, baptism now saves you -- not the removal of dirt from the flesh, but an appeal to God for a good conscience -- through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,"

1 Corinthians 12:13: "For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Galatians 3:27: "For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ."

Colossians 2:12: "having been buried with Him in baptism, in which you were also raised up with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead."

Acts 2:38: "And Peter said to them, "Repent, and let each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Many other passages speak of baptism but let's summarize these. Baptism saves you, along with your faith, confession and repentance. In baptism, the believer receives the forgiveness of sins and is added into the body of Christ. It is important to notice that baptism is a work of God and not of man! Baptism is an activity of faithful obedience since Jesus told His disciples to baptize in His name (Matthew 28:18-20). Recall from previous articles that the Bible teaches that baptism is by immersion in water and that in baptism we contact the death of Jesus. The Bible teaches that baptism is essential to faithful obedience and is necessary for forgiveness of sins and salvation.

Send your Bible questions to: McLean Church of Christ, P.O. Box 155, McLean, TX 79057. You are warmly invited to worship with us: Sundays 10 AM (Bible Study), 10:50 AM (Worship), 6 PM (Worship) and Wednesdays 7 PM (Bible Study). You may request a free Bible study in your home at your convenience. May God bless you in the study of His Word.



McLean Basketball Tigers & Lady Tigers

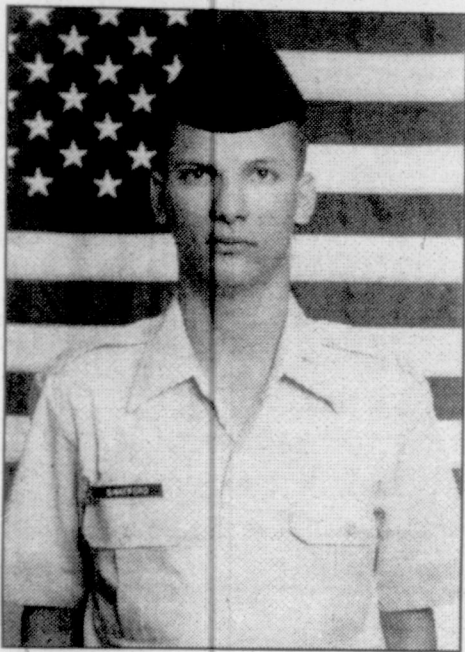
Super Fans

B & B Electric
C & H Supply
Country Corner
The Hair Gallery
Kirk's Auto Supply
McLean Feedyard
Puckett's Grocery
Red River
Steak House
Simpson Insurance
Agency
The McLean News
Windom's Auto
Supply
The McLean
Nursing Center
The Bank of
Commerce - McLean
Roxie McMordie
Mary Kay Consultant



Graduating seniors Josh Swafford, Rachel Galley and Gary Jones are pictured in the new gym. Not pictured is Vanessa Glass. These seniors will be missed on next year's basketball squad.

Congratulations
Seniors



Jesse Swafford Completes Basic

Air Force Airman Jesse D.L. Swafford has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airman who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of

the Air Force. Swafford is the son of Robert and Claire J. McDowell of McLean, Texas.

Get Your Subscription To The Groom McLean News Call 248-7333 Or 779-2141

C & H
McLean
Custom Fertilizer Blends & Applicators
Farm Bureau Tires & Batteries
Tire Repair - Mounting & Balancing
Evergreen Feeds - Bulk & Sacks
301 E. Foster 779-2209

Country Corner Texaco
Gas - Diesel - Dell
"The Friendly Place" McLean, Texas
Exit 142 -- 779-2391
Menu's Posted Daily
Sunday Lunch Special
Chicken Fried Steak & Dessert
New T-Shirts And Gift Items

James Hesley
"The Sound that Sells"
LICENSED AUCTIONEER BONDED
COMPLETE AUCTION SERVICE
806-779-3134
BOX 42 • McLEAN, TX 79657 • FAX 806-779-2436

McLean Honor Roll

90 & Above
1st Grade: Tucker Adams, Daniel Connors, Caleb Crawford, Kathryn Herndon, Mark Jeffries, Caitlin Mantooth, Amber Staton.

2nd Grade: Emory Crawford, Trenton Darsey, Jamie Sanderson, Tammy Syfrett, Ben Thompson, Dasha Tolleson, Arelly Vega.

3rd Grade: Travis Fish, Stephanie Henson, Kristen Odom, Mark Smith, Logan Sparling, Lacey Wallis, Loucious Webb.

4th Grade: Erin Bailey, John Haynes, Tamara Loya, Brooke Seymour.

5th Grade: Russell Anglin, Talitha Newton, Kevin Smith.

6th Grade: Andria Keelin, Ashley McClendon, Zane Richardson, Mitchell Steward.

7th Grade: Jennifer Greer.

8th Grade: Tami Marsh, Katrina Routon, Shaley Steel.

80 & Above
1st Grade: Billy Corley, Lyndsey Ellis, Sheri Haynes, Dustin Lee, Jessica Skipper.

2nd Grade: Chase Bohlar, Suzanne Howard, Amanda Loya, Evan McMordie, Kortney Smith, Cameron Taylor, Nikki Alvarez.

3rd Grade: Jacob Connors, Kristin Ellis, Matthew Jeffries, Megan Keelin, Zachary Richardson, Anna Shackelford, Billy Skipper, Catherine Thompson.

4th Grade: Seth Childers, Amanda Fricks, Anthony Ruiz, Jacob Tolleson.

5th Grade: Dustin Kirkland, Nicholas Odom, Justin Wehrenberg.

6th Grade: Terrence Fite, Tyler Hanes, Allison Hill, Antonio Montoya, Lucas Seymour.

7th Grade: Danielle Dampier, Reo Dennis, Jaci Grigsby, Dustin Moody, Kendall Newton, Traci Rigsby, Sarai Sawyer, Jami Seitz, Delinda Simpson, Robyn Weaver.

8th Grade: David Barker, Bron Bohlar, Trent Cadra, Matthew Gutierrez, Amanda Hauck, Jeffery Lee, Josh Seymour, Jennifer Smith.

90 & Above
9th Grade: Sara Hall, Nikki Hefley, Randi Riley, Tedra Simmons.

10th Grade: Veronica Fite, Will Frost, Gabriel

Vega.
11th Grade: Brodey Carter, Pam Greer, Sophie Kochmann.

12th Grade: Crissy Edwards, Rachel Galley, Vanessa Glass.

80 & Above
9th Grade: Sarah Holland, Cody Seitz.

10th Grade: Terrell Hembree, Nathaniel Roberts, Brad Sawyer.

11th Grade: Jessi Fish, Brian Fuller, Chris Hauck, Valerie Joiner, Brandy Rich, Lacey Steel, Derek Studebaker, Annie Weaver.

12th Grade: Mark Bolton, Scott Glass, Rebecca Hembree, Bonnie Morgan, Josh Swafford, Ryan Swanson.

Pioneer Study Club

The Pioneer Study Club met on Thursday, February 18, 1999 in the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church. Due to the absence of the President and the Vice-President, Secretary Bonnie Nell Fabian presided. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Ruth Trew announced that the Devil's Rope Museum is to hold a Quilt show

through the month of March. Members were encouraged to enter their quilts.

The program was presented by Erin McCracken Martin, a former McLeanite who is now a Consultant for the Pampered Chef. Erin demonstrated the making of a chicken and broccoli braid and an apple nut ring. These became the refreshments. Sherri Martindale supplied coffee and strawberry-Kiwi tea. The presentation was enjoyed by everyone.

Members present were Jerry Corbin, Mary Dwyer, Bonnie Nell Fabian, Margaret Grogan, Ruth Magee, Nelda McClellan, Susi Thompson, Ruth Trew, Nama Webb, Mary Emma Woods, Sherrie Martindale, and Ella Mae Reyna. Guests were Becca Reyna and Charlie Irene Webb.

CLEAN OUT
your attic this spring by getting rid of those unwanted items with A Classified In the Groom-McLean News

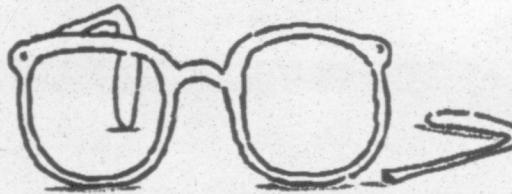
Collector's Show Slated for April

The Devil's Rope Museum has finalized plans for their annual show to be held on Friday, April 17, and Saturday, April 18 in the Western Heritage Community Room. An expected group of collectors from fourteen states will present both sales and display tables throughout the show. The public is invited to meet these visitors and browse the tables.

A special attraction on Saturday afternoon at 2 PM, will be a ribbon cutting officially opening the new Ranching and Cattle Brand History displays just completed at the museum. See the early day history of ranching, locate famous ranches, see 100 years of Cowboy tools, the Evolution of the American Cowboy and his gear, Trail Drive History, Land Grant Brands, and early Mission history. Special guests will be on hand for this opening.

Other activities include a museum board meeting on Thursday evening followed by a meal at the Red River Steak House. A party and live auction for the collectors will be held at the Country Club Friday night. Costume is "Outlandish Overalls" with prizes to the winners. The show will end on Saturday night with an awards banquet at the museum catered by the Red River Steak House.

Don't get stuck with a bargain in your eye.



While other places are busy making claims about quality eye health care, EyeCare Plus is busy providing it. Dr. Jentzen offers a thorough explanation of your vision needs and takes the time to answer all your questions. Our dispensary has a large selection of only the latest in eyewear from the leading designers, all backed by our exclusive two-year warranty.

Call us for an appointment, and you won't get stuck with a bargain in your eye! Ask about our...

- Two-year Frame and Lens Warranty
- No Obligation Contact Lens "Test Drive"
- Convenient daily, evening and weekend hours
- Advanced Glaucoma Testing *Without* the "Puff" of Air

Randal D. Jentzen
Doctor of Optometry
EyeCare plus
your first choice in eye care

1916 N. HOBART ST. - PAMPA, TX 79065

Complete Package With Clip **\$169.00**

Package Includes Frame, Scratch coated Single vision lenses, & Sunglass Clip

Buy Any Designer And Get **FREE** Single Vision Lenses

Limited Time Offer. No Other Discounts

CLA to 20% PAY acc are ERF com The mak co

NOW propos health i McLean office between 4:00 p. Propos accepte

RESTA Rental in Gr Loop 4 or Tam 7290.

NEED Call 2

HO Cracks Doors 1 Childer Stabiliz Levelin

Tex

Note: I medica LOVIN share lo baby. D Thank y 1-888-5

"PICK Breed B females Petrice 1-409-3

BU AVON I ness. Wo ing. Cal

CONTI Regional carriers. 1-800-72

DRIVER portnitie Call for Arnold T

DRIVER to coast r on bonus experie 441-4394

DRIVER home! Ea life. Cons years OTR 1-800-637

DRIVER for OVO's base plates ext. TX-2

DRIVER Teams up too! Must ence. Vern

DRIVER/ \$700 sign-

NOTICE: caution a

The Classified Section

CLASSIFIED RATES: 20¢ word with a minimum of \$5.00. A "Card of Thanks" is \$5.00 up to 25 words. Wedding stories are printed free up to 300 words, after 300 words the rate is 20¢ per word. There is no charge for pictures as space permits.
PAYMENT: Required at the time of placing the ad. Advertisers with an established account may be billed on 30 day accounts. An extra charge will be incurred if tear sheets are required.
ERRORS: Check your ad the first time it comes out. Errors or mistakes that are not corrected after the first printing are the responsibility of the advertiser.
 The Groom-McLean News does not vouch for the legitimacy of any ad, job or money making opportunities. We suggest that you thoroughly check out any offer before making a commitment.

NOW ACCEPTING proposals for employee health insurance. Contact McLean I.S.D. business office at 779-2301 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. for information. Proposals will be accepted until July 1.

WINDBREAK TREE SALE:
 McClellan Creek Soil & Water Conservation District Delivery in March. For more information, call 537-3504.

FOR SALE: Clean 1988 Chevrolet Suburban. Brumley Insurance 248-7550, or Johnny Brumley 248-7315, Groom.

HAY FOR SALE: Blue stem large round bales. \$25. per bale. Call 806-248-7445 or 672-7761.

JIM DAVIDSON
 Century 21
 Pampa Realty, Inc.
 Business 669-0007
 Home 669-1863

RESTAURANT Video
 Rental Business for sale in Groom on Business Loop 40. Contact Tim or Tammy Case at 248-7290.

NEED PRINTING?
 Call 248-7333 today!

NEED NURSE AIDE:
 6/2 shift and 2/10 shift, afternoon shift \$8.00 per hour. Call Palo Duro Nursing Home, 226-5121, Claude.

Advertisement Copy
 *** Printed: 01-12-99 at 11:15 AM

Plans are required for this project.

LOCAL LET MAINTENANCE CONTRACT
 County: Carson
 Highway: IH0040
 Length: 1.000 MI
 Control Number: 6039-93-001
 DBE/HUB Goal: 0.0%
 Project Number: RMC - 603993001
 Type: Removal & installation of Stop Bars
 Time for completion: 20 working days

Notice To Receive Bids

Sealed proposals addressed to Charles McClendon, Mayor of the City of McLean, will be received at his office in the City Hall until 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 11, 1999, for the construction of approximately 17 blocks of street sealcoating entitled: Sealcoating 1999. At this time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Contract Documents, including Plans and Specifications, are on file and may be examined without charge in the offices of the City of

McLean, 220 N. Main, McLean, Texas, 806-779-2481, and the offices of Brandt Engineers, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, 806-353-7233. Contract documents, including plans and specifications may be procured from Brandt Engineers, Inc., at the above address as follows:
 Cost: \$50.00 per set, NONREFUNDABLE.

A Cashier's check, certified check or acceptable bidder's bond, payable to the City of McLean in the amount not less than five (5%) of the bid submitted, must accompany each bid as a guarantee that, if awarded the contract, The Bidder will, within fifteen (15) days after receipt of Notice of Award, enter into a contract and

execute bonds on the forms provided in the Contract Documents.

Performance and Payment Bonds will be required.

In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating proposal prices, the City of McLean reserves the right to adopt the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject any or all bids, and waive formalities. No bid may be withdrawn within thirty (30) days after date on which bids are opened. City of McLean Charles McClendon Mayor

A.J. NEWSOM
WATER WELL SERVICE

Submersible Pumps
 Aeromotor Windmills

PHONE
248-7411

POSITIVE FEED, INC.
 PFM equals positive values multiplied, provides essential nutrients needed daily to accelerate growth and weight gain. **DANNY ASKEW**
 874-5001 or 874-3844

HOUSE SETTLING?
 Cracks in brick or walls? Doors won't close? Call Childers Brothers Stabilizing & Foundation Leveling. 1-800-299-9563.

ASSISTANT Managers & Clerks needed. Paid training, bonus plan, paid vacation, group insurance & profit sharing. No experience necessary. Apply at your Groom Allsup's Store.

Guaranty: 0.00
 Bids Received until: 2:00 pm March 24, 1999
 Bids will be opened: 2:00 pm March 24, 1999
 Est. Cost: \$17,588.65
 Mail or deliver bids to: Texas Department of Transportation, Amarillo District, 5715 Canyon Dr., Amarillo, Tx 79110-0000; (806) 356-3283.
 Contact Person: Patterson, Randal BI-40-E. Groom, Tx 79039 (806)248-7555
 Limits From: See Plans
 Limits To: See Plans

TEXAS STATEWIDE CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING NETWORK



TexSCAN Week of Feb. 21, 1999

ADOPTION

Note: It is illegal to be paid for anything beyond medical and legal expense in Texas adoption.

LOVING CHRISTIAN COUPLE wishes to share love, laughter, security with your precious baby. Doting grandparents, excited cousins await. Thank you for choosing life. Call Kris and Carter, 1-888-592-7779.

AUCTIONS

"PICK OF TEXAS" Performance tested All-Breed Bull Sale. 2/27/99. Selling 212 Bulls 300 females. Four county auction, Industry, Texas. Peirce Sale Company. For information call 1-409-357-2777.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

AVON PRODUCTS - START your own business. Work flexible hours. Enjoy unlimited earnings. Call toll free 1-888-942-4053. \$20 start-up.

DRIVERS WANTED

CONTINENTAL EXPRESS NEEDS OTR & Regional drivers. Voted among the top 10 small carriers. Paid benefits. 90-95% no-touch freight. 1-800-727-4374. EOE. 1-800-695-4473.

DRIVER - CO-OP. Super regional! Super opportunities! Super benefits! Super compensation! Call for information. Class A CDL required. Arnold Transportation. 1-800-454-2887.

DRIVER COVENANT TRANSPORT *Coast to coast runs* Teams start 35c-37c. *\$1,000 sign-on bonus for experienced company drivers. For experienced drivers and owner operators. 1-800-441-4394. Graduate students 1-800-338-6428.

DRIVER - FLATBED: SUCCESS is close to home! Earn up to 34¢/mile. Medical, dental & life. Consistent miles. Midwest/48 states. Three years OTR + one year flatbed. Combined Transport. 1-800-637-4407.

DRIVER/OWNER/OPERATOR. A new plan for O/O's! Up to 88 cpm w/540 tarp pay. Paid base plates & permits. Much more! 1-800-635-8669, ext. TX-20.

DRIVER - SOLOS START up to 36¢/mile. Teams up to 38¢/mile. \$10,000 longevity bonus, too! Must be 23 with six months OTR experience. Vernon Sawyer. 1-888-829-9565.

DRIVER/OTR - A NEW approach to O/O's! \$700 sign-on. Paid: tolls, permits, cargo & liab.

NOTICE: While most advertisers are reputable, we cannot guarantee their products or services advertised. We urge our readers to use caution and when in doubt, contact your local Better Business Bureau for information about the company before sending money.

Call this Newspaper to Advertise Statewide and Regionally or Call 512-477-6755.

Workers' Comp., payroll taxes, holidays, vacation! Health insurance available. Company drivers needed! SML. 1-800-533-4765.

DRIVERS - KLLM & NCI are offering great job opportunities for people wanting to enter the trucking industry. Call 1-888-209-0617 or 1-830-775-8545. AC0041.

DRIVERS - START at 34¢/mile! *2,500-3,000 miles/week. *100% conventional sleepers. *Benefits & bonus program. *Mostly no touch/Drop & Hook. Call OTRX today! 1-800-423-6939.

DRIVERS-OTR, TEAM, Owner/ Operators, students. CDL, HazMat, DBL endorsements, clean MVR - great pay package. Home weekly. BOE. Andrus Transportation @ 1-800-888-5838 or 1-800-451-6129.

EDUCATIONAL/ TRAINING

AIR FORCE. Great career opportunities available for high school grads, ages 17-27. Plus up to \$9,000 enlistment bonus if you qualify! For an information packet call 1-800-423-USAF or visit www.airforce.com.

COMPANY-SPONSORED TRAINING & First year income \$35K - Stevens Transport - OTR drivers wanted! Non-experienced or experienced. 1-800-333-8595. EOE.

TRI-STATE SEMI Driver Training, Inc. *Job placement assistance before training. *Tuition loans available, no credit check. *17-day training* 3001 NI-45, Palmer, Tx. *Call 1-888-854-7364.

EMPLOYMENT

COMMISSION SALES REPRESENTATIVE - Need positive attitude, reliable transportation, willingness to work away from home M-F in Texas. Earning potential \$670 plus/week. Call Albe, Brecht-Pacific. 1-800-225-6368.

FINANCIAL SERVICES

ARE YOU DROWNING in debt? Debt relief: free, immediate, confidential. Consolidate payments, lower interest. Call 1-888-BILL-FREE or 1-888-245-5373. American Credit Counselors. Non-profit.

****AVOID BANKRUPTCY**** Debt consolidation. Stop collection calls. Cut monthly payments to 50%. Eliminate finance charges. Fast approval. National Consolidators. 1-800-270-9894.

IMAGINE BEING DEBT FREE! Cut credit cards/bills up to 60%! *Eliminate/reduce interest *Maintain good credit. *Free consultation 1-

800-556-1548. www.anewhorizon.org. Licensed, bonded, non-profit, National Co.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE: RESTAURANT. One bedroom house, 2 bedroom mobile home on approximately 5 acres. Two station beauty salon and home on one acre. Call 1-361-645-3657.

STEEL BUILDINGS SALE: 5000+ sizes 40x60x14, \$8,349; 50x75x14, \$10,883; 50x100x16, \$14,627; 60x100x16, \$16,938. Mini-storage buildings, 40x160, 32 units, \$16,914. www.sentinelbuildings.com Free brochures. Sentinel Buildings, 1-800-327-0790, Extension 79.

SUPERIOR CERTIFIED MARION Lespedeza. Tremendous summer forage. Customers weaning 700 pound calves. Interested in fescue, boost yield, and reduce nitrogen needs. Seed and lime. 1-800-284-6199.

WOLFF TANNING BEDS. Tan at home. Buy direct and save! Commercial/Home units from \$199.00. Low monthly payments. Free color catalog. Call today, 1-800-842-1310.

LEGAL SERVICES

NURSING HOME ABUSE - Neglect, bedsores, burns, assaults, malnutrition, falls, deaths. Call for free confidential consultation. David P. Willis, Board Certified Personal Injury Trial Lawyer. Houston, Tx. principal office, 1-800-883-9858.

REZULIN (DIABETES DRUG) Patients. Liver damage or death from liver toxicity. Grossman and Waldman. 1-800-833-9121. No fees or expenses if no recovery. Houston, principal office.

REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE: RESTAURANT. One bedroom house, 2 bedroom mobile home on approximately 5 acres. Two station beauty salon and home on one acre. Call 1-361-645-3657.

NO DOWN PAYMENT? ProblemCredit? Own the home you need now, without a big down payment. Complete financing if qualified. DeGeorge Home Alliance. 1-800-343-2884.

SOUTHERN COLORADO RANCH Sale! 54 acres - \$34,900. Bring your horses & ride out to one of the last great ranches in Colorado. Nice fields with outstanding Rocky Mountain Views. Year around access, telephone/ electricity. Excellent financing. Call now 1-877-676-6367, Hatchet Ranch.

HOBBS
 Heating & Air Conditioning
 Your Hometown Dealer.
 FREE ESTIMATES
Gordon Hobbs 537-3498
 TACLA014915C MOBILE: 930-5433

SCHOOLER
 Armstrong Chapel
 On the Square,
Claude, Texas
 226-4040
 Mary Schooler - Jim Schooler

Alanreed Residents News Report

By Jeanette Fish
Shirley Armbrister and Larue Hambright went to Canadian this week to watch their granddaughters, Meghan and Morgan and grandson Hunter Hambright play basketball. The team members are in kindergarten and grade school and the game was pronounced "very different and interesting."

Bob and Jeanette Fish celebrated the 50th anniversary of their first date on February 12, 1999 with a lunch date at Dyers. They were married December 12, 1949 in Groom, Texas.

Maggie Ruth Johnston of McLean will be celebrating her 89th birthday February 24, 1999. Her five children will be coming the weekend before to have the birthday party in Groom at daughter Bettye and Jack West's home. Also attending will be daughter Martha Barker and family of Shamrock, Dale and Marilyn Johnston and Will Ethan and Helen Johnston all of San Angelo. Some of her many grandchildren will also be attending if the weather is good.

Danelle Murray Comer, granddaughter of the late Ben Jones has not been well lately and is receiving treatment at home. Danelle is the mother of Sasha (Dan) Fish, Alanreed, Ashley Comer of McLean, Jennifer Terry of Enid, Oklahoma, is the grandmother of Taylor Fish and Calvin Armbrister, both of Alanreed.

Dan and Lonna Dorsey have begun major remodeling at their home in Alanreed. They started by building a beautiful three car garage.

It is big. They have now begun to build a new living room and bedroom and are doing the outside in two pretty shades of blue. In their spare time they love to babysit and play with grandson Dreyeus.

Bob Fish of Alanreed has begun taking cancer treatments in Pampa with Dr. Rene Grabato, M.D., Urologist.

Susan Worsham Corley of Alanreed is a busy lady. For several years she has baby set the children of Sally (Worsham) Bohler and Chet Bohler. Now that Chase Bohler and Billy Conley are in school at McLean she is down to baby sitting her two little girls Neva, 4; Shaunna, 2; and Sabre Bohler age 4. When husband Billy has a day off he helps out by taking three little girls with him to feed cattle and gives Susan a break from the action.

The only criteria for being allowed to live in Alanreed is you have to bring your own kinfolks.

There are several Dorsey families, Don, Kathy, Kathy's son Dale, Don Charles and Lonna Dorsey and frequent visitor grandson Dreyeus, and Oran, Ruby and son Dorsey.

We have James and Shirley Armbrister, son Jimmy and wife Tammie (Cole) Armbrister and son Calvin Brooks Armbrister. Jimmy and Tammie are expecting two new additions in the coming months, a new baby and a new bedroom being built on their

home. Also loving in Alanreed are Shirley's sister and family Bill and Denva Tidwell. Until recently family member Nora Dragoo mother of

Shirley a Denva lived here but married Rush Turner and moved to McLean.

Jackie and Frank Worsham live south of Alanreed. During the recent ice storm their electricity was off for several days. Both their children, Sally and husband Chet Bohler, Chase and Sabre live in Alanreed, also daughter and family Susan and Billy Corley, Neva, Shaunna.

There are two Fish families, Bob, Jeanette and Joe, and Dan and Sasha, and daughter Taylor Fish.

We have the Elmer Daniels families, Elmer and Dorothy, son James and Melinda and just about grown up daughters. Also Melinda's sister and family live in Alanreed with their children Walter, a student at McLean High School and two little daughters, Amber and Samantha.

Actually we have many fine families here with no kin and we are proud of them too. Bob and Lois Sherrod, Eual and Lois Fulton, Dick and Barbara Bode, Delbert and Ruth Trew, Dixie and David Crockett, who own the Alanreed Travel Center, and one other Alanreed family is Sid and Orville Keese and mother Nell.

North of Alanreed are two Studebaker families, Glen and Laura, son Harold and Diane and son Eric.

Rodeo

If anyone would like more information about the rodeo or would like to be involved, you may contact Vonda Averett at 779-2171.

Obituary

Geraldine Puckett
Geraldine "Jerry" Puckett was born February 10, 1919 in Carter, Oklahoma to Lockie Jane and John Wesley Folks and passed away February 17, 1999, in the Baptist Medical Center, Oklahoma City, at the age of 80 years and 7 days.

Jerry graduated from Carter High School and later attended Southwestern State College. She married Ralph Milton Puckett on February 12, 1939 in

Carter. They always made their home in Sayre except for a short time prior to Ralph going to the South Pacific during World War II, when he was stationed in Rochester, NY.

Ralph and Jerry with Ralph's brother Blaine owned and operated Pucketts Food Stores, a retail food chain with stores in Oklahoma and the Texas Panhandle, and Puckett Grocery Company, a wholesale grocery company. Both of these enterprises were headquartered in Sayre for many years.

They had two children, Brenda Newcomb which lives with her husband Bob in Elk City, and Craig Puckett which lives with his wife Judy in Sayre. Craig is the current owner of the family grocery chain, Pucketts Food Stores.


Jerry also has 4 grandchildren, Link Newcomb of Laquana Beach, CA, and Lake Newcomb and Justin Puckett of Elk City, and Lacy Puckett of Sayre, and two great-grandchildren, Baylor and Cooper Newcomb.

Jerry loved to play bridge and golf, and liked nothing better than to dance the night away.

She was fun loving and always liked younger people, she was a class parent for the Sayre High School Class of 1958. She considered the class "her class" and was profoundly interested in all of the graduates.

Jerry was a member of the Sayre First United Methodist Church. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and one sister, Clara. She is survived by her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and one brother, Cecil, of Moore, Oklahoma.

Services were Saturday, February 20, 1999 at the Sayre First United Methodist Church officiated by Andy Taylor, and assisted by Dr. Sheila Combs-Francis. Interment was in the Sayre-Doxey Cemetery.



HARVEY ELMS
Owner

HARVEY'S PRECISION BODY SHOP

3026 BLACKBURN
AMARILLO, TEXAS 79109

806-352-9662

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.

Quality Heating & Cooling
Sales and Service
Kent Payne - 806-256-5239
22 years Experience on all brands
FREE Estimates & Reasonable Rates
TX Lic. #TAACLB13844E OK LIC. #041070




CRP RENOVATIONS
Discing • Plowing • Planting
Reasonable Rates • Quality Work
Proven Techniques

Mike O'Hare
(505) 760-5847
(806) 925-6415



Studio Apartment
Ready To Move In



812 West 25th ST.
Pampa, Texas
79065
665-5668

Meredith House
LICENSED ASSISTED
LIVING SERVICES

SALE

20% OFF

All Used Tires at
Keith's Service Center
HWY 287 E. 226-2060 Claude

Just for all my out of town customers in
and around Groom & McLean

1-800-842-3866

Keyes Pharmacy

928 N. Hobart Pampa
Merlin Rose, R.Ph

Service You Can Trust

Complete Prescription Service
Convenient Mailing Service
Competitive Prices
Drive Up Window
Emergency 24 Hour Number
669-3559

children,
great-
nd one
Moore,
Saturday,
9 at the
United
Church
Andy
sted by
Francis.
in the
emetery.

The Groom News

50¢

Volume 72 Number 42

The Groom/McLean News 79039

Thursday, February 25, 1999

1998-99 Season Ends With 20-9 Record...

Ettes Win Bi-District Championship

The Groom Tigerettes were named Bi-District Champions Tuesday night, winning a "burn-burner," 59-58 against Paducah.

"We got behind early in the game," stated Coach Randy Yelverton. "We knew that their #42 was very good on the inside. We needed to contain her and shut her down."

Groom came back after the half and made some adjustments in their game plan, pulling ahead in the third quarter by four points.

"The girls kept the pressure up. We wore them down with our press. We knew their bench was weak," stated Yelverton. "The kids kept their composure and executed our game plan. I am very proud of them."

Jessica Kepley was high point with 17 points. Krisanne Davis added another 11 points. Carrie Davis scored 8 for the Ettes and Jodie Homen and Karen Conrad each had 7 points. Jessica Stapp and Sara Britten each added

4 points and Candace Bohr earned 1 for Groom.

Groom's game against Smyer was also a very close match, however, the outcome was not what the team or fans had hoped.

"I thought we came out a little tight," commented Coach Yelverton, "which led to many missed baskets underneath the goal and some missed free throws."

Groom pulled ahead by one point at the end of the first quarter, but trailed for much of the rest of the game. The battle ended with Smyer winning 59-48.

"Our kids did a good job of breaking their press and they never gave up," he continued.

"At the Area level all the teams have earned the right to be there, so there are no "bad" teams," Yelverton went on to say. "We finished with a 20-9 record which is something of which to be very proud. I am very happy with their

See Game, pg. 4



1998-1999 Bi-District Champs: (back) Candace Bohr, Jessica Kepley, Carrie Sue Davis, (middle) Skye Brown, Sara Britten, Jessica Stapp, Karen Conrad, (front) Brooke Britten, Jodi Homen, and Krisanne Davis.

Council Approves "Over 65" Homestead Exemption

The Groom City Council met in regular session February 10, 1999. Mayor Joe Homer and Aldermen Ellis Stapp, Don Case, Jimmy Britten, Mary Margaret Brooks, and Pete Ham along with employees Donnie Evans and Mary Sue Lyles attended.

Minutes of the January 13, meeting were read and approved as well as the financial statement and bills paid.

In an unanimous decision, the Council approved charging off two uncollectible bills, Shelly Allen - \$207.75 and James Wilkenson - \$30.24. Both charge-offs will be added to the charge-off list and the bill will have to be paid before water service will be restored if those two customers ever return to Groom.

The Council agreed to table the question of repairing the Community Center hall ceiling until the next meeting. The council plans to get more information from Herman Leven about a quote that he turned in for blowing in the ceiling with acoustic and also to check into re-installing a new tile ceiling.

The Council discussed a possible policy concerning penalties for returned checks. The alderman voted against such a policy.

The Council approved entering into a contract with RCI Specialists, Inc for a record retention program.

Homestead exemption for homeowners over 65 was set at \$9,000 for the 1999 city tax collection. All members were in

See City, pg. 4



Lending A Helping Hand. .
Paying their debt to society, inmates from an area prison help out the folks in Groom by picking up broken tree branches after the recent ice storm.

The Groom Track Meet is set for March 13th

Community Calendar

THE CITY will hold a public hearing on March 2 concerning the proposed water well.

GROOM CITY Council will meet on March 9.

THE GROOM Lion's Club will hold its annual buffet to raise funds to benefit the Summer Youth program, on March 7 at the Groom Community Center. Serving will begin at 11:30 and end at 1:30.

GROOM ISD Spring Break will be on March 15-19.

KID PRINT at the Community Center on February 27.

THE NATIONAL Honor Society will induct new members on March 25.

THE FIRST Track Meet of the season will be on March 5 at Lefors.

TUESDAY PRICES AT ATTEBURY GRAIN CO.
Wheat-\$2.39
Milo-\$3.20
Corn-\$3.57
Soybeans-\$4.00
No Moisture Reported This Week

The Groom News

USPS 230-380
 Periodicals Postage Paid at Groom, Tx.
 Carson County, Texas, under the Act of Congress
 of March 3, 1879
 Published weekly except Christmas Week
 Publisher - Phillip J. Miller
 Managing Editor - Donna A. Burton
 McLean Editor - Terri Adams

Postmaster: Please send address changes to
 P.O. Box 460, Groom, Tx 79039-0460
 Carson & Gray County Subscription Rate
 - \$18.00 Yearly
 Annual Rate elsewhere in U.S. - \$20.00 Yearly

TPA MEMBER 1999
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

Rip and Joy Snyder, Ray and Gaynelle Pool and Bertha Knight, of Groom, and William and Floretta Neal of Amarillo, visited with Leslie and Dora Neal in the Palo Duro Nursing Home last Sunday in Claude, and also with Billie Bivens.

R & L FUEL

Open From 7am-6pm, Mon-Fri.
 Closed Sat. Noon & Sun.
 Fuel * Oil * Tires-New & Used*
 Car Care Service Like Oil Changes
 Corner of Old Rt. 68 & Main
 248-7586

Local Happenings

Rip and Joy Snyder and Gloria Ledwig visited Marshal and Louise Peters and Bernice Lancaster in Wellington last week. They visited Bill and Dorothy McKee in McLean. Rip and Joy were Pampa visitors Friday.

Kerry Jenkins and Charlotte Whatley represented the Groom Volunteer Ambulance Service at the Panhandle Emergency Medical Services System Banquet. The event was held at the Civic Center in Amarillo on Saturday. Charlotte Whatley a member of the Groom Committee presented the "EMS Administrator for 1999" to Derrick Vaughn of Dumas. Bill Thomas of McLean was elected to serve on the PEMSS Advisory Board.

Card of Thanks

Our sincerest thanks to John Bohr, Donald Burgin and Scott Fields for their quick response and tender care to Richard's sudden onset of illness. Groom is very lucky to have caring people like you.
 Lee & LaVonda Barkley


Jo Ann and Jesse Baker visited friends at Angel Fire over the weekend.

Groom Birthdays Anniversaries

- February 25 - Mrs. N.B. Helton, Trevor Jordan Friemel.
- February 26 - Katy Leann Britten, Jo Ann Musser.
- February 27 - Tracy Jay Britten, Juandell Ritter, Mrs. Kenneth W. Babcock, Howard G. Britten, Clinton Wakefield.
- February 28 - Matthew Keith Fields, Mrs. Harris E. Howard, Gary Don Davis, Sherry and Chad Allen (A).
- February 29 - Erma Ray Rutherford, Mary Spencer.
- March 1 - Sharri Renee Britten, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Merrick (A), Mr. and Mrs. D.A. (Hap) Watson (A).
- March 2 - Kenny Schultz, Kenneth Ray Burger, Tommy Head.
- March 3 - Dara D'Ann Whatley, Curtis Whatley, Joe McMahan, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Burgin (A), Mr. and Mrs. C. Wayne Stroope (A), Mr. and Mrs. Anthony C. (Tony) Britten (A), Mr. and Mrs. Harvey (Ed) Gray (A).

Dara Whatley, participated in the San Antonio Livestock Show this past week. She placed 18th in her class of 55 steers. Travelling with Dara, was her aunt, Sharlene Lewis. While in San Antonio they visited with family.

Rip and Joy Snyder visited Les and Dora Neal at Palo Duro Rest Home in Claude on Sunday.


 GASOLINE - DIESEL
 GROCERIES - ICE - BEER - SOUVENIRS
 24 HOUR CREDIT CARD SALES

STOP N SHOP
 Hop & Jan Britten

"Your after hours Grocery Store"
 "Coldest Cooler In Town"

1-40 & FM 2300 Rt. 1 - Box 210
 (806)248-7977 Groom, Texas 79039

Biven's Automotive

Your Hometown NAPA Auto Parts Store and Car Care Center

Now Offering
 Road & Field Repair Service
 Also: New & Used Tires for Auto, Truck and Farm

Call 248-7471,
 after hours call 248-7010 or 248-7255

COW POKES By Ace Reid

<http://www.cowpokes.com>



"I hope some day to work on a ranch that has an air-conditioned bunkhouse in the summer, and in the winter, a pickup with all the windows in it."

For all those TURN OF THE CENTURY conveniences you're needing... this is the place for a personal loan.


THE STATE NATIONAL BANK

MEMBER FDIC GROOM, TEXAS 248-7531


Groom Community Clinic
 102 E. 1st Street
 Phone: (806) 248-9011

A "Hometown Clinic" offering the Highest Quality of Healthcare for You and your Family!

New Clinic Hours:



Dr Craig Shaffer
 is the
 Medical director



Loretta Britten, L.V.N.
 Mon-Friday
 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Jerry Wilson, P.A.
 Mon-Fri
 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Due to the recent discovery of billing problems, please, contact us here at the Groom Clinic with any questions regarding your billing. We will work to get these problems corrected as soon as possible. We regret any inconvenience or frustration to you, our patients.



Winning \$1,000 scholarships to Clarendon College - Pampa Center for the spring semester are, front, left to right, Mary Thomas, Groom; Jennifer Johnson and Tinde von Haskins of Pampa. Back row are Dustin Howard, Miami and Sarah Doucette, Pampa. The scholarships are given through a grant from Amarillo Area Foundation to Pampa Center Foundation. Thomas is a freshman at CC - Pampa Center.

Whatley Selected For DAR

Dara Whatley was recently selected as Groom's DAR Good Citizen. Requirements of the award are dependability, leadership, service and patriotism.

Six other area students were honored with Dara by the Las Pampas Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

An honor student, Dara Whatley has taken advanced courses in physics, chemistry, computers, accounting and Spanish and hopes to earn a degree in optometry, beginning at Baylor University and finishing at the University of Houston. She is a member of the National Honor Society and Who's Who. Active in 4-H for 10 years, she has served in every office and been on the District Council two years. She was awarded the Outstanding Junior 4-Her Award and has placed in several

contests from food to animal judging. She has shown swine and steers for 10 years and participated in the major stock shows winning numerous awards including Hereford Beef Champion at the Houston Livestock Show.

Whatley has participated in UIL Poetry, Informative Speaking, and Accounting. She has been a class officer two years and is active in Student Council, helping with canned food drives. She participates in the Community Choir during the holidays and assists with Vacation Bible School.

Dara is the daughter of Darrell and Charlotte Whatley of Groom; the granddaughter of Curtis and Margaret Whatley of Groom, Furr and Faye Standridge of Vernon and the Late Gaynelle Standridge DeForest, formally of Claude.



The Superintendent's Corner

By John Wilson

As the newest addition to Groom ISD, I have a couple of observations and comments, which I hope will be the first installment in a series of periodic columns for the Groom News. This column will be used to keep the public informed and to brag on some of the great things happening at the school.

First, I would like to thank the people of Groom for making me feel welcome. As I entered the school system in the middle of the year, I expected some reluctance by the people to accept me as a member of the community. Students and faculty, however, have all been friendly and gracious, and even forgiving when I can't remember their names. Just as gratifying has been the acceptance by people outside the school. I have been welcomed into businesses, church, senior citizen's luncheons, and the brush burning

pile. I look forward to moving my family to Groom and becoming a part of this fine community.

Secondly, I feel I should comment on recent events at the school which have caused such controversy. Emotions often run high in personnel issues, and the past few months have proven Groom patrons have strong feelings for their school. In matters that affect the students

we serve, however, there are no "sides" to claim victory or acknowledge defeat. We are all on the side of the children, even though serious disagreements may occur. I sincerely believe that all parties involved want the best for those students.

Many challenges lie ahead as we educate our children for the 21st century. I am confident that the people of Groom will work together to make that education the best it can be.



The way some people find fault, you'd think there was a reward.



Groom Lions Club

presents

A Buffet Luncheon

March 7th, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

At the

Groom Community Center

supporting the

"Summer Program For Kids"

Donations Are Appreciated!

NOW OPEN TO BETTER SERVE YOUR NEEDS!



BART BOXWELL
355-8156

BRAD BOXWELL
226-4045

ATTEBURY GRAIN INC.



Serving you at the following locations:

Groom - 248-7544

Lark - 248-7591

Grandview - 669-3961

The Corners - 248-7011

1-800-299-7544

"We don't think there is a better place to haul your grain!"

Groom Chapter Celebrates National FFA Week

Groom High School is celebrating National FFA week. The Groom Chapter has done some special events in anticipation of the celebration.

One of their many activities is "Big Brother - Lil' Sis" week. This is always a favorite of the students in that they choose a Big Brother or Little Sister (who-ever's turn it happens to be) in secret and do little good deeds for them throughout the week. They have a revealing party to culminate the activities.

Groom's Chapter of Future Farmers of America holds one fundraiser per year. With their profits they purchase educational materials for the classroom and shop as well as perform needed repairs on the school ag farm.

Kori Brown is the president of the Groom Chapter. Cody Britten is the vice-president. Skye Brown serves as secretary, Dewayne Gray is treasurer, Jessica McMahan is reporter, and Chris Ollinger is sentinel.

Texas FFA members join thousands of other high school students across the country in observance of National FFA Week, February 22-26, 1999. The National FFA organization is made up of more than 450,000 students preparing for leadership roles and career opportunities in the science, business and technology of agriculture.

FFA's mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing

their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. The organization has over 7,000 local chapters located throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands. Local, state and national activities and award programs provide opportunities for students to apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom.

The Texas FFA was chartered in 1929 and currently has the largest membership in the national organization with 975 local chapters and 55,521 members. Texas FFA membership represents approximately 13% of the national membership total. The Texas FFA Association headquarters is located in Austin and in 1997-98 presented over \$1,000,000 in scholarships to members.

There are approximately 1,500 agriculture science teachers in Texas who serve as advisors for the

local FFA chapters. More than 100,000 high school students are enrolled in agriculture science and technology classes where they not only learn about the importance of agriculture science, but also gain valuable skills through participation in career development events, leadership development events and supervised agriculture education projects.

Mighty's

Movies & Food

New Movie Releases

Ronin
Urban Legends

Koetting Construction

Mike Koetting
1-800-286-1023 or 335-1022

Remodeling - House Leveling
Brick & Stone Work
Concrete Work
New Construction

Free Estimates - Bonded & Insured

"When Quality Counts"

1999 Groom Track Schedule
 March 6:
 At Lefors JH & HS
 March 13:
 At Groom JH & HS
 March 20:
 Spring Break
 March 26-27:
 At Miami JH & HS
 April 2:
 At Shamrock HS
 April 8-9:
 District-Miami JH & HS
 April 16:
 Area-Randal HS
 April 30-May 1:
 Regional-Levelland HS
 May 14-15:
 State HS

Game

effort." Carrie Davis led the scoring with 13 points followed by Sara Britten with 10. Jodi Homen had 7. Jessica Kepley and Jessica Stapp each added 6 points to the total. Karen Conrad contributed 4 and Krisanne Davis added 2.

On The Sick List
 Shirley Lamberson
 Caren Howard
 Billie Bivens.



Carrie Sue Davis

Carrie Davis Named MVP, All-District Selected

Carrie Sue Davis was named "Most Valuable Player" for District 9-A Girls All-District basketball team.

Davis is a junior at Groom High School and has been playing basketball most of her life. Davis averaged 19.8 points per game and plays the post position.

Also named to the All-District team were Jessica Stapp, Karen Conrad, and Jessica Kepley.

Jodi Homen and Sara Britten were named honorable mention on the All-District team.

Jessica Stapp has also been named to play in the 6-man All-Star game.

Just In Time For the Prom...



TRINITY & CO.
 IS PLEASED TO MAKE AVAILABLE

Tux Rentals!
 DON'T WAIT!
 ORDER YOURS TODAY!

Also: Shower Selections for
 Angela Kepley-Jeffers

96 BROADWAY
 806-248-8016

GROOM, TX
 TUES-SAT 1-6

City

agreement. Ellis Stapp abstained.

Saturday, May 1, 1999 was designated as election day.

The Council approved a \$50 donation to the After Graduation Party committee.

Closed session was called for aldermen to discuss over time pay.

When the councilmen reconvened in open session, they voted to pay time and a half, when an emergency

situation is declared by the mayor. This measure will be retro-active to include the January 30 - February 2 ice storm and power outage.

City personnel will also be reimbursed at a rate of .28 per mile when they use their own vehicle for approved business travel for the city.

The next meeting of the Groom City Council is tentatively set for March 9, 1999.



CONGRATULATIONS!
G.H.S. TIGERETTES
 1999
BI-DISTRICT CHAMPS

Karen Conrad
 Sara Britten
 Jessica Kepley
 Skye Brown
 Krisanne Davis

Jessica Stapp
 Carrie Davis
 Jodi Homen
 Brooke Britten
 Candance Bohr



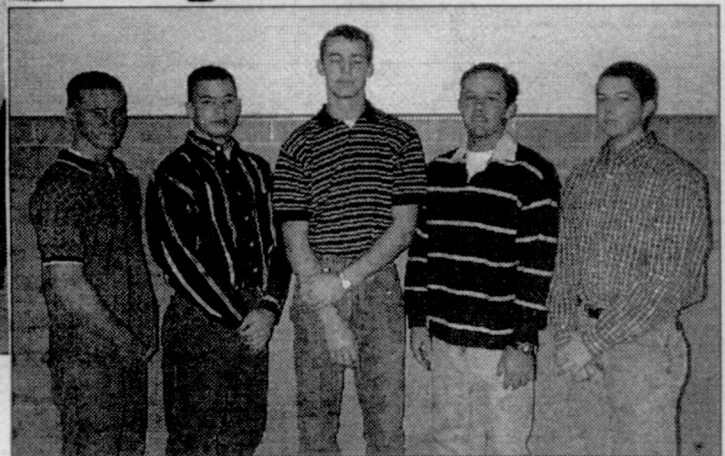
Thanks For All The Years Of Chills & Thrills!

ATTEBURY GRAIN CO.
 BIVENS AUTOMOTIVE
 BLACKWELL SUPPLY
 CITY OF GROOM
 FARMERS EQUIPMENT
 PANHANDLE PLAINS
 FEDERAL LAND BANK
 BILL & GEORGANN HINSON

GROOM FEEDYARD
 GROOM DAIRY QUEEN
 GROOM FLYING SERVICE
 KEITH'S AUTOMOTIVE
 MIGHTY'S
 HOMER ENTERPRISES
 PAV'S TIRE SERVICE

SHORT GRASS FEED
 & GARDEN NOOK
 STATE NATIONAL BANK MEMBER F.D.I.C.
 STOP N SHOP
 THE GROOM NEWS
 WIEBERG WELDING
 WEST TEXAS GAS, CO. INC.
 MRS. DONALD RITTER

Seniors



(Upper left) Seniors Karen Conrad, Jessica Stapp and Sara Britten will be missed after ending their 1999 season. (Above) Five graduating seniors will make a big hole in Groom's starting line-up for '99-'00! They are Dean Fields, Josh Evenson, Wyatt Weinheimer, Daniel Treadwell and Caleb Pool.

Groom School Honor Roll

All A's
 4th Grade: Thane Barkley, Kecia Howard, James Reid.
 5th Grade: Katy Britten.
 6th Grade: Magan Bivens, Adam Britten.
 7th Grade: Clay Britten, Carol Wilson.
 8th Grade: Jill Britten, Doug Fields.
 9th Grade: Cassie Ashford, Nichole Barnett, Candace Bohr, Garrett Britten, Wyatt Britten, Hugh Weinheimer.
 10th Grade: Marci Babcock, Brooke Britten.
 11th Grade: Dustin Babcock, Travis Britten, Evan Crowell, Allison Eatmon, Jodi Homen, Sarah Hutsell, Chris Ollinger, Josiah Scott.
 12th Grade: Dean Fields, Jessica Stapp, Wyatt Weinheimer, Dara Whatley.
 A-B Honor Roll
 4th Grade: Brandi Bates, Blaine Britten, Kade Brown, Karla Howard.
 5th Grade: Sharri Britten, Gailynn Drewery, Malorie Homen.
 6th Grade: Chance Barkley, Ashley Jackson.
 7th Grade: Josenea Horn, Britteny Martin, Calvin Schaffer, Owen Weinheimer.
 8th Grade: Cody Babcock, Brin Burgin, Lauren Crowell, Stephany Fraser, Amanda Martin, Lance Ollinger.
 9th Grade: Cody Bivens, Karri Britten, Krisanne Davis, Luke Pavlovsky, Clay Ritter.
 10th Grade: Macie Britten, Skye Brown, Russell Conrad, Dewayne Gray, Michele Stephens, Courtney Sustaire, Grant Weinheimer.
 11th Grade: Dusty Crump, Carrie Davis, Jessica Kepley, Wade Ritter.
 12th Grade: Blake Barnett, Cody Britten, Sara Britten, Kori Brown, Karen Conrad, Josh Evenson, Caleb Pool, Jacey Richardson, Jamie Shuck, Sam Thomas, Daniel Treadwell, Alberto Vega.

Grandview Honor Roll

A Honor Roll
 1st Grade: Hilary Acker, Evan Aderholt, Andi Hutto, Robert Ponce, Zachery Ponce and Kade Wilson.
 2nd Grade: Taylor Aderholt, Kathy Aler, Jessica Baggerman, Hannah Hopkins, Alex Hutto.
 3rd Grade: LaTeasa Wheat.
 4th Grade: Haley Acker, Maggie Hopkins.
 5th Grade: Abbi Aderholt.
 6th Grade: Tiffany Edwards.
 A-B Honor Roll
 2nd Grade: Brodie Peters.
 3rd Grade: Ricky Davis, Taylor Smith.
 4th Grade: Sally Steele.
 5th Grade: Bradley Smith, Chandon Wilson.
 6th Grade: Greg Steele.
 Special Effort:
 1st Grade: Kade Wilson, 100 average in Spelling.
 2nd Grade: Jessica Baggerman - 100 average in Spelling.
 5th Grade: Abbi Aderholt - 100 Average in Spelling, Science, & Health.
 6th Grade: Tiffany Edwards - 100 average in Reading; Greg Steele - 100 average in Reading; Angela Watson - 100 average in Spelling.

Groom School Lunch Menu

March 1-5
 Monday
 Breakfast: Cold cereal, muffins, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Burrito's w/chili, corn, graham crackers, fruit cocktail, milk.
 Tuesday
 Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, jello, milk.
 Wednesday
 Breakfast: Breakfast burrito's, hash brown potatoes, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Cheeseburgers, potato wedges, pork & beans, chocolate no-bake cookies, milk.
 Thursday
 Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Stew, tuna or peanut butter & jelly sandwiches, cornbread, crackers, peaches, milk.
 Friday
 Breakfast: Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Pizza, pepperoni or cheese, salad, crackers, pears, milk.

Carson County Sheriff Deputies Receive Accommodations For Investigative Work & Recovery

Chief Deputy Lovell Kennard and Deputy Sheriff Fred Herrick were recently awarded commendation ribbons by our department for investigative achievement in the recovery of stolen property. Both officers had actively pursued leads on several criminal investigations which allowed property owners to recover personal and business property previously reported to us as stolen. Although modern technology gives law enforcement the ability to cover more area statewide and even nationwide, the bad guys have their connections, and several items of our recovered property were located in the Midland area and we

believe that some items still missing had already been shipped to Canada. Our efforts aren't foolproof, but the odds are in your favor if you take the time to record descriptions and serial numbers of your property and if you report the loss to us as soon as possible after you discover it missing. When we receive a report of stolen or missing property the description and serial numbers are put into the National Crime Information Center computer system in Washington, DC. This enables law enforcement personnel nationwide to check on items they find to determine if they are stolen or not.

This past week we recovered a shotgun valued at \$1,200 which had been reported lost or stolen by an Amarillo man in 1996 and Randall County officers recovered property belonging to a Carson County rancher who didn't even know the items were missing. Fortunately, he had marked his name and address on the property and the Randall County officers were able to notify us when they ran a search warrant to recover other stolen property.

Pray For Rain

Public Notice City Of Groom Texas Community Development Program

The City of Groom will hold a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. on March 2, 1999, at Groom City Hall in regard to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for a Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TCDP application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to Mary Sue Lyles, City Secretary at the City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Brumley Insurance Agency



Crop, Hail, Auto, Life, Home, Commercial, Health, Cancer, Long Term Nursing Care, Medicare Supplement, Annuities @ 6.75% - 7.75%

Johnny Brumley, Agent
 Office (806) 248-7550
 Home (806) 248-7315

STOREWIDE SALE

All Previously Marked Down

WINTER CLOTHING

Men's • Ladies' • Kids

HALF PRICE

Men's & Ladies Justin Basic Kipkin
LEATHER ROPERS
 in black, brown, red, grey, white, pearl & new tan. New Lower Price..... **\$79⁹⁹**

Men's & Ladies
JUSTIN LACERS
 red & black..... **\$89⁹⁹**

Closeout Prices On
JUSTIN ROPERS
 limited stock, asst. colors..... **\$69⁰⁰**

WAYNES WESTERN WEAR, INC.
 DAILY 9 A.M. TO 6 P.M., THURS. THRU 8 P.M., CLOSED SUNDAY
 1504 N. HOBART • PAMPA, TEXAS • 665-2925

Things to Buy

- 1998 Toyota Camry 13,000 miles
- 1998 Buick Centry 16,000 miles
- 1998 Mercury Grand Marq. 24,000 miles
- 1998 Ford Windstar 27,000 miles
- 1998 Pontiac Grand Am 27,000 miles

• Bill Allison Auto Sales

• 1200 N. Hobart 665-3992

Carson Co. Commissioners Open Bids

Carson County Members and officers Commissioners, Mike
Commissioners Court met present were: Judge Britten, Kenneth Ware,
on February 22, 1999. Lewis Powers, Jerry Strawn and Kevin

CAN YOU SEE A PATTERN HERE?

Panhandle Plains Federal Land Bank is again giving our borrowers a MILLION DOLLARS!

That's right. This year we're paying our member/stockholders \$1,000,000 in patronage payments, which they can apply toward their loan or even take home in cash! On average, that's a reduction of their interest by .70%.

We've had another very successful year at Panhandle-Plains FLBA and we intend to share that success with our borrowers. Our variable and some of our fixed rate programs continue to be "sub-prime." This patronage reduces the variable to well below 7%.

Panhandle-Plains FLBA is working to be a partner with agriculture producers in the Panhandle and northern South Plains area. Patronage payments will not make up for a drought, but a partnership with a lender that understands your operation, knows current conditions, and does all it can to provide superior service at the lowest possible cost may well be just what your operation needs for these tough times.

Call your nearest Panhandle-Plains FLBA office to learn how you can take advantage of this partnership with agriculture.

PANHANDLE-PLAINS FEDERAL LAND BANK ASSOCIATION

Amarillo Office
3615 S. Georgia
Amarillo, Texas 79114
806-353-6688



Pampa Office
2526 Perryton Parkway
Pampa, Texas 79066
806-669-1126

Perryton Office
506 South Main Street
Perryton, Texas 79070
806-435-4319



Plainview Office
629 Baltimore Street
Plainview, Texas 79072
806-296-5579

Howell.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

All motions were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

A motion carried to pay all bills.

The budget was amended to reflect the adjustments made in the salary of the administrative II position in the tax office. The increase to the budget was \$424.95.

Carson County Clerk Sonya Millican reported to the court that Becky McMurtry had been hired to fill the administrative II position. McMurtry will start that position March 1, 1999.

Bids were taken for a road grader and a wheel loader for precinct #2. Total cost bids after a trade-in were accepted with guaranteed value after 5 years or 5,000 hours. The bid from Yellowhouse Machinery

for the 772CH John Deere at a cost of \$14,700.00 was accepted. The bid from West Texas

Equipment for the 938G Caterpillar at a cost of \$4,190.00 after the trade-in and guaranteed value was accepted.

A \$200,000.00 safe keeping receipt #9127W73 from the State National Bank was released and replaced with the same amount receipt #912827H4. A \$100,000.00 safe keeping receipt #91295BB6 from the State National Bank was replaced with receipt #912827H4.

A resolution was adopted asking the State Legislature to allocate a portion of the motor fuel tax to counties for support of the county road system.

A resolution was adopted requesting the State Legislature to provide assistance to limit county liability for capital murder trials.

Carson County Tax Assessor-Collector Barbara Cosper discussed with the court projected losses in tax revenue due to the oil economy. Mrs. Cosper made the court aware of the possibility of a future tax increase. She informed the court that she would keep them informed of the situation.

Judge Powers discussed with the court suggestions for replacing the roof of the building housing the county's radio base system. Bids for materials to repair the structure will be accepted by the county.

Court adjourned until March 15, 1999.

Get Yourself A
Subscription to the
Groom-McLean News
Today.
Call 248-7333 or
779-2141

DEAN'S pharmacy

2217 Perryton Parkway 669-6896

"Looking forward to serving our Groom-McLean customers."

9:00 - 6:30 Monday - Friday
9:00 - 1:00 Saturday

WELCOME WELFARE RECIPIENTS
SPECIAL DISCOUNTS TO SENIOR CITIZENS
ON ALL PERSCRIPTIONS



Jim Pepper Home 669-9710

NO NAME SALE - JUST A SALE!



ALL 1999 CADILLAC CONCOURS AND D'ELEGANCE

\$2,000 DEALER DISCOUNT PLUS \$3,000 REBATE **\$5,000 SAVINGS**

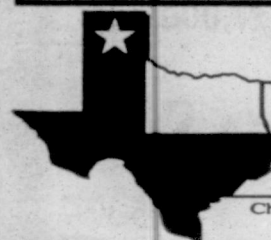
1999 OLDS ALERO
\$1,000 DISCOUNT
Plus 2.9% APR.

1998 OLDS INTRIQUE
\$1,600 DISCOUNT
Plus 2.9% APR.

1999 CHEVROLET CAVALIER
\$1,500 REBATE

1999 BUICK LESABRE CUSTOM LIMITED
\$1,700 Dealer Discount
Plus \$2,000 Rebate..... **\$3,700 SAVINGS**

ALL SUBURBANS
2 Wheel Drive & 4 Wheel Drive **\$3,500 DISCOUNT**



Culberson - Stowers, Inc.
SINCE 1927

PAMPA, TEXAS

Chevrolet • GMC • Pontiac • Buick • Toyota
Cadillac • Oldsmobile
805 N. Hobart Pampa, Texas
665-1665 800-879-1665

mslowers@pan-tex.net

