

# The McLean News



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## Students Treated To Picnic For TAAS Success

Hard work and dedication pays off in more than one way for the McLean I.S.D. kids. During the 98-99 school year, the kids worked really hard to achieve the high standards of the TAAS test. They succeeded. McLean was ranked as an Exemplary school according to the Texas Education Association. Because of the students hard work, they were treated with a picnic in the park on Friday. The kids had hamburgers and popsicles and cokes. According to elementary Principal Dick Crockett, continuing support from parents is what it will take to continue such a high ranking. "The tests are state-mandated and we are required to do well. The tests are going to get harder every year, and we will all just have to work harder."

### MCLEAN REMINDERS

**THE MCLEAN Circle of Friends dinner & auction for the Harrington Cancer Center will be Oct. 11. Look for info in a coming issue of the McLean News.**

**McLEAN PTA will meet on September 14 in the School Cafeteria at 7:00 p.m.**

**AN IMMUNIZATION Clinic will be held at the McLean Rural Health Clinic on Sept. 23 from 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm.**

**30TH Anniversary of McLean/Alanreed Museum, Sept. 11.**

**OPEN HOUSE tonight at McLean Elementary, Jr. High and High School at 7:00 p.m.**

**THE CUBS and the Tigers will travel to Follett on Sept. 10. Cubs play at 5:00 pm. Tigers play at 7:30 pm.**

**SPECIAL SCHOOL Board meeting on Sept. 13 at 6:00 pm and a regular meeting on Sept. 20 at 7:00 pm.**

**THE PTA will hold its first meeting of the school year on Sept. 14 at 7:00 pm.**

**THE EDC will meet on Sept. 15 at noon.**

**CONTACT A Junior for your Homecoming Mum.**

**AN IMMUNIZATION Clinic will be held at the Family Health Center of Pampa, 600 W. Kentucky in Pampa on Sept. 1, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.**

**FOLLETT'S JR. Class invites McLean fans to dine at the concession stand at the games on Sept. 10. On the menu are hamburgers, baked beans, potato salad, chocolate cake and drink for \$4.50. Homemade ice cream will also be available.**

## F.B.I Working On Identity Of Unknown Woman

The fingerprints of the victim found east of McLean on August 2, have been sent to the FBI computer. No information has led to the identity of the woman. Autopsy results are not in as of yet. The investigation has come to a stand still until results start coming in. The Sheriff's Department is still looking for any information that may help solve this case. If you can help, please call Lt. Jim Scott at 806-669-8022 or Texas Ranger Jay Foster at 806-935-5908.

## Area Museum Falls Victim To Thieves

The McLean/Alanreed Museum experienced a break-in on the night of August 24. Dorothy McKee, who runs the museum, came to work on the morning of the 25th to find that the front door had been pried open.

Gray County Sheriff's Deputy Larry Wallis was called to the scene. Missing from the museum, according to Mrs. McKee, are several military medals, including several purple hearts. Also missing are a Colt 38 and a Japanese knife. "They knew exactly what they were after," stated McKee.

No fingerprints were found at the scene and there are no suspects at this time.

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These McLean fourth grade students took their first TAAS test last year and came out successful in their endeavors.

## Tigers Scalp Warriors, 58-16

The McLean Tigers started the season with a victory on Friday night when they defeated the Miami Warriors 58-16. Offensively Aaron Rice had an excellent game rushing for six touchdowns and 308 yards on 20 carries. The Tigers had a total of 31 carries for 315 yards and eight touchdowns versus Miami's 30 carries for 131 yards and two touchdowns. "I would like to compliment the offensive line on a great job blocking," stated Coach Burch. "Brad Sawyer and Brett Montgomery had excellent games on defense." Brad led the team with 13 tackles. The low point of the night came with eight minutes remaining in the second quarter. On a punt return, the Tigers may have lost senior Ike Hanes for the season with a knee injury. "Overall the Tigers played very well and looked sharp in most areas," according to Burch. The Tigers will travel to Follett this Friday. See Cubs, pg. 9

## 30th Anniversary Celebration To Be Held

The McLean/Alanreed Area Museum in McLean, Texas cordially invites the public to an all day open house on Saturday, September 11. Help us celebrate our 30th Anniversary. Snacks, cold drinks and a special gift will be offered to those attending along with special tours to see the many new exhibits and displays that have been added. Of special interest is the McLean P.O.W. Camp exhibit featuring photos and memoirs from former employees, guards, and prisoners. Also new is the Photo Wall displaying enlarged photographs of early-day McLean and Alanreed. All small photos given to the museum down through the years have now been mounted for viewing. Please help us identify these people. The Museum, located on Main Street will open at 9:00 A.M. and close at 5:00 P.M. A special program will be held at 3:00 P.M. for awards presentations and introduction of guests.

## It's All Trew.... Two Man Cobbler Just Grew & Grew & Grew

By Delbert Trew  
**Never Enough Cobbler**  
In 1951, on the ranch in New Mexico, Jack Buxton and I were trying to tend to 900 mother cows running on 39,000 acres of grass. At that time screw worms and pink eye were prevalent. Jack was 6 foot 2 inches tall and weighed 240 pounds. I was over 6 foot tall and weighed about 225 pounds. As this was before modern horse trailers and decent ranch roads, we rode from sunup to sundown usually leading a spare horse for relief. Needless to say, us 'growing boys' even with cooking it ourselves, could put away a fair amount of groceries each week. We ate steak, potatoes, biscuits, and gravy every meal with lots of eggs thrown in at breakfast. Our problem was getting enough sweets to satisfy.

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## Briefs

Curtis Simpson was down visiting family.

Ruth and Brenda McLain have just returned from Yacolt, Washington to visit Ruth's son Dean McLain. While there they traveled to Wanamuka, Nevada to watch Dean at a US Regionals Roping.

### Words Of Wisdom

The light at the end of the tunnel could turn out to be the headlight of an oncoming train.

McLean Alanreed Area Museum News  
By Dorthey McKee  
The McLean Alanreed Area Museum had 127 visitors for the month of August. Eight of them were from the following foreign countries: Switzerland, France and London, England.

We have had a lot of people that lived out of state that had kinfolks in the past here in McLean that came back looking for family history.

McLean Alanreed Area Museum is looking for a great September, especially September 11, which is on Saturday and is the 30th Anniversary celebration for the

museum. Please everyone come and help us celebrate. There will be refreshments and entertainment from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. and there will be a special program at 3:00 p.m.  
You All Come!!!

### It Pays To Advertise!

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## Booster Club Holds Meeting

The McLean Academic Booster Club met on September 2 to discuss the upcoming year.

President, Deanna McClendon announced that the Booster Club was able to buy the school accelerated reading books with computer disks for this year.

The fundraiser for this year will be SEE's candy bars. There will be three types of candy bars: plain, with almonds, and toffee chips.

The Booster Club will also sponsor the kids meals for the "Students of the week."

## Obituary

Glen Roger Billingsley SHAMROCK - Glen Roger Billingsley, 60, died Saturday, September 4, 1999.

Memorial services were in Calvary Christian Fellowship Church with Joe G. Jernigan, pastor, officiating. Cremation was by Wright Funeral Directors.

Mr. Billingsley was born in Heald. He married Nedra June Harris in 1959 at Shamrock. They lived on the north shore of Altus Lake. He worked as an electrician for more than 40 years and was employed by Southern Plains Electric in Lawton,

Oklahoma.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Bliss Martinez of Shamrock and Melissa Woolsey of Canon City, Colorado; a son, Glen Billingsley of Shamrock; five brothers, Clarence Billingsley, Lewis Billingsley and Joe Billingsley, all of McLean, Forrest Billingsley of Enid, Oklahoma, and Al Billingsley of Penrose, Colorado; a sister, Betty Hobbs of Shamrock; and seven grandchildren.

The family requests memorials in lieu of flowers be to the American Heart Association or the Diabetes Foundation.

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September 10 - Zella Mae Brown, Doug Guthrie.

September 11 - Lou Morris, Huey Green.

September 12 - Linda Smith, Konya Guthrie, Jim Adams.

September 13 - Rita Barker, Bryan Bockmorn, Mr. Throckmorton, Julie Marsh.

September 14 - David Karl Kniffen, Jerrett Coleman.

September 15 - Dale and Rose Steel (A), Rick and Laura Reeser (A).

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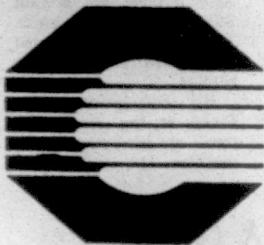
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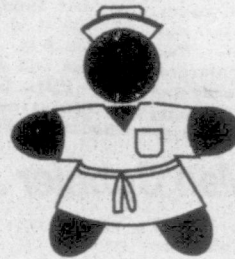
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## Devil's Rope Museum News

By Davie Gipson  
August was an interesting month at the Devil's Rope Museum. There were lots of foreign visitors. A couple from Holland brought a nice glossy magazine about Old Route 66. He had helped publish it and was extremely proud because it was in English, which he spoke fluently.

There were 118 other foreign visitors from Australia, Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, England, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, and Switzerland.

Total visitors for August were 509 with 35 states represented. The following states were not represented. Alabama, Alaska, Delaware, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana,

Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Carolina,

South Dakota, and Vermont.

The month closed with fifteen ladies coming from White Deer. They were the Daughters of Pioneers and chose this museum as their meeting place for the month. They spent quite a lot of time here after enjoying lunch at the Red River Steak House.

## Trew

Bisquick into the pan. We added a 'gallon' of peaches, gobs of sugar, and a handful of cinnamon.

We were baking this concoction in the big enamel pan ordinarily used for washing dirty dishes. To the best of my knowledge, I think we baked one of these monstrosities every three days all summer, yet never tired of eating peach cobbler.

## Cubs

night. The Cubs will also play Friday night. Junior High starts at 5:30

p.m. and the Tigers play at 7:30 p.m.

## Local Lion's Club Holds Benefit Golf Scramble

The Lion's Club held a benefit Golf Scramble on August 28 and 29 to help buy eyeglasses for people in need.

In the third flight Dale Steele placed first with a 183 and Marshall Hanes placed second with 184.

In the second flight, Roy Richardson placed first with 167 and Cathy Hembree placed second shooting a 169. Michelle

Basham and Mary Richardson tied for third with 171.

In the first flight, Donnie Basham shot 162 for first. Daniel Harris placed second with 163.

In the championship flight, Bobby Richardson shot a 134 for first place. Bob Glass and Casper Smith shared second place with both shooting a 153.




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7th Grade Ashley McClendon, 8th Grade Kendall  
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(Left) Senior member of the Tiger's football team, Frankie Sparling. His parents are Frank and Rhonda Sparling.

(Right) Senior Tigers show their spirit during Friday's Pep Rally.



Backing the Tigers and looking toward a Terrific Season are this years Top Fans:

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## Pioneer Study Club Begins New Year

The Pioneer Study Club of McLean is entering a new year of organization. Members and guests met Saturday, September 4, 1999 at The Hughey House Bed & Breakfast of Pampa for breakfast.

After a delicious brunch of watermelon wedges with pineapple,

Crepes Denver with white wine cream sauce, marinated smokies, crasin salad with poppy seed dressing, apple dumplings with caramel ice cream, juice and coffee, members and guests enjoyed a tour of The Hughey House.

The Hughey House located at 321 N. West

Street in Pampa was originally owned by I.B. and Catherine Hughey and is now owned by Larry and Lynn Ray and Tim and Kristi Hutto. Started in 1926, the home is approximately 5,500 square feet. A beautiful living room and parlor are decorated so as to greet any guest. The

home also consists of five bedrooms and three and 1/2 baths. Much of the original furniture and features remain after 70 years and the home maintains an elegance and warmth that beckons one to enjoy.

Members present were Jerry Corbin, Mary Dwyer, Bonnie Nell Fabian, Margaret Grogan, Mickey Jackson, Wanda Lamb, Ruth Magee, Zelda McClellan, Beverly

Odom, Lynn Reeves, Ella Mae Reyna, Ruth Trew, Nama Webb, and Mary Emma Woods. Guests were Jean Kuhlman, Janet McCracken, Mindy

Reeves, Becca Reyna, Pat Stubbs and Shriner Webb.

Next meeting for Pioneer Study Club will

be Thursday, September 16 at 2:00 p.m. in the home of Ruth Magee.

### Words Of Wisdom

Be glad of life because it gives you the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars. (Henry van Dyke)



### Hunter Education Class Scheduled

A course in hunter education has been scheduled for September 20, 21 and 27 from 6:00 to 9:30 p.m. in McLean according to Bill Layman, Hunter Education Instructor.

Effective September 1, 1993, all hunters born on or after September 2, 1971 must have successfully completed to course to hunt in Texas. However, any individual may take the course on a voluntary basis and is encouraged to attend regardless of requirements, according to Bill Layman.

The course is open to adults and youths and will include instructions in rifles, shotguns, and bow hunting, handling and safety; outdoor responsibility and ethics; law and regulations; conservation; hunting traditions; wildlife identifications; field care of game; wilderness first aid and survival, Bill Layman added.

Students 12 years of age or older successfully completing the course will be issued a hunter education certificate from the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department. Those less than 12 years of age will receive a certificate of attendance, but must take the course again for proper certification.

More than 160,000 Texans have already completed the hunter education course which is mandatory in 39 states. For more information, contact Bill Layman at 779-2504 or the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Hunter Education section in Austin at 1-800-792-1112.

### Weekly Bible Question

Sponsored By The McLean Church Of Christ

Answers to last week's Bible Trivia: 1. Athens; 2. Gabriel, Luke 1:26; 3. Mordecai, Esther 2:22; 4. Ham, Genesis 5:22; 5. Leprosy, 2 Kings 5:1; 6. Jerusalem, Acts 1:4,5; 2:1-4; 7. Adoni-bezek, Judges 1:6; 8 Nain; Luke 7:11 9. Exodus 20; 10. About 3000, Acts 2:31. Bonus: Enoch, Genesis 5:21; 969, Genesis 5:27; Enoch did not die. God took him up. Genesis 5:24.

Q. What does "born again" mean in John 3?

A. The phrase "born again" has been used synonymously with "accepting Jesus as your Lord" or "calling Jesus into your heart." The context of John 3:1-8 does not support this usage. "Born again" comes from two Greek words, gennao anothen, which mean "born from above." This indicates God's activity and power in the rebirth. Jesus explains what "born again" means when He says in John 3:5, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God."

Examining the two elements of the rebirth, where does one contact the water? Water is contacted in Biblical baptism, Acts 2:38; 8:36-39; Romans 6:3-5, et. al. One specific work of the second element, the Holy Spirit, is to convict people of sins, John 16:8. The Holy Spirit's instrument of conviction is the Word of God, Hebrew 4:12.

When Peter preached on Pentecost, being filled with the Holy Spirit, he spoke the Word of God. The people were convicted of their sins and asked, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" Acts 2:37. Peter responded, "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." The Bible reveals that about 3000 people received the Word (the element of the Holy Spirit's conviction) and were baptized (the element of water). Acts 2:41.

So, herein, we see both elements of the rebirth of which Jesus spoke in John 3, the Biblical method of being born again. When one receives the Word of God and is baptized for forgiveness of sins, the rebirth occurs according to God's power!

Send your Bible questions to: McLean Church of Christ, Box 152, McLean, TX 79057 or call the church office at 806-779-2182. Please request free Bible studies by correspondence or in your home. May God richly bless you as you study His Word.



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**Groom School Menu**  
September 13-17

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**Tuesday Breakfast:** Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Burritos w/chili, bean dip, tortilla pieces, graham crackers, applesauce, milk.

**Wednesday Breakfast:** Breakfast burritos, hash brown potatoes, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Tacos, pinto beans, lettuce, tomatoes, Spanish Rice, yogurt, milk.

**Thursday Breakfast:** Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Pizza, salad, fruit cocktail, milk.

**Friday Breakfast:** Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Stuffed baked potatoes, broccoli w/cheese sauce, hot sliced bread, sherbet, milk.

### Political Calendar

The Groom News is authorized to present the names of the following candidates for office, subject to the Elections to be held on Nov. 8. A fee of \$35.00 has been paid by each candidate for listing in this column from now till the final election in November.

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ARMOUR	<b>Vienna Sausage</b>	2 5 OZ.	<b>89¢</b>
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FIRE CHIEF	<b>Kitchen Matches</b>	3 PK.	<b>1.99</b>
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# The Groom News

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Thursday, September 9, 1999

## Groom Tigers Lose Season Opener, 36-52, To State Ranked Sanderson

In a play off type atmosphere, the Groom Tigers fell to Sanderson, 52-36 in their opening game.

"I was very pleased with many aspects of the team's performance," stated head coach Larry Reid. "We put a lot of younger players in some tough situations and gave them some experience that normally would not have come so early in the season."

Groom had some difficulty putting pressure on Sanderson's quarterback. "That gave them time to throw to some of their fast players," stated Reid. "They are very well coached and a state ranked team."

Groom and Sanderson both earned 11 first downs. Groom had 108 yards rushing on 32 carries. Sanderson had 96 on 23 carries. Groom connected on 11 of 24 passing attempts for two touchdowns and one incomplete pass. Sanderson completed 12 of 17 passes for 6 T.D.'s and one incomplete pass.

The Tigers kicked three punts for an average of 18.70 yards. Sanderson kicked one for 25 yards. Groom had two fumbles, losing one of them while Sanderson fumbled four times and lost three of them.

Wade Ritter scored

first for Groom in the opening period of play on a six yard run. Wade carried the ball 12 times for 22 yards. Ritter gained 34 yards for Groom on one attempt as a receiver. He earned an additional 32 yards for Groom on a

kick-off return and earned three defensive tackles for Groom.

Garrett Britten ran back a spectacular 75 yard kick off return early in the second quarter for a touchdown. He also had a fumble recovery. He carried the ball four yards on two attempts and earned six yards as a receiver. He defensively earned one tackle for Groom.

Clay Ritter scored a touchdown on a 40 yard pass from Grant Weinheimer. He received twice for a total of 43 yards and had nine unassisted defensive tackles to his credit.

Chris Ollinger scored a touchdown in the third quarter on a one yard run. He led the team in yards rushing with 57 yards on 8 attempts. He earned a fumble recovery and punted three times for a total of 18.70 yards. Defensively he had four unassisted tackles.

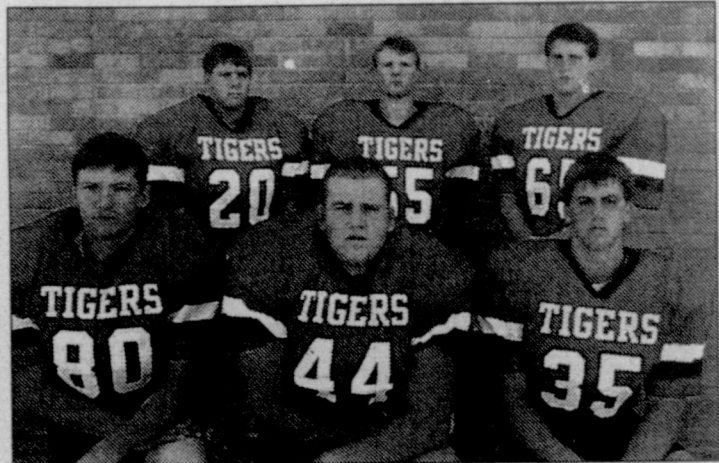
Evan Crowell gained Groom its last touchdown in the fourth quarter on a

25 yard pass from Grant Weinheimer. Evan

earned a total of 74 yards on five passes for the Tigers. He recovered a fumble and made an interception. He had seven unassisted defensive tackles for the evening.

Grant Weinheimer, Groom's quarterback did an outstanding job according to Coach Larry

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Senior members of the football team, (front) Dustin Babcock, Dusty Crump, Chris Ollinger, (back) Wade Ritter, Joshua Scott, & Evan Crowell are ready to give fans lots of chills and thrills for the last season of the millennium. Cheerleaders (front) Brooke Britten, Macie Britten, Allison Eatmon, (back) Krissanne Davis, Candace Bohr, Jessica Kepley and Carrie Davis are prepared to cheer them on.



## Council Approves Tax Rate, Animal Control Salary Increase

The Groom City Council met for a Called City Council meeting with the following members and visitors present: Mayor Joe Homer, Aldermen, Ellis Stapp, Mary Margaret Brooks, Don Case, and visitor Mary Sue Lyles.

All motions were voted unanimously unless otherwise noted.

A Public Hearing was held prior to the beginning of the meeting to discuss the budget.

The council entered an

executive session at 8:02 p.m. and reentered regular session at 8:12 p.m.

The salary for the Animal Control Officer was raised by \$50.00.

The 1999-2000 Proposed Budget was accepted.

A Public Hearing was held to discuss the 1999-2000 tax rate.

It was decided to order the '1999-2000 tax rate set at \$0.476901/\$100

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

A HIGH SCHOOL Pep Rally will be held on Friday at 12:30.

JR. HIGH WILL hold a Pep Rally at 7:55 on Thursday morning.

GROOM JR. HIGH Cubs football team will open their season against Samnorwood on Thursday night, there, at 6:00 p.m.

GROOM TIGERS will play their first home game on Friday against Samnorwood beginning at 7:00 p.m.

THE TRI-STATE Fair begins on Sept. 18.

COME TO SPECIAL meetings at First Baptist Church. On Sept. 12 the grief process will be discussed and on Sept. 19 the funeral planning process will be shared. See article on page 5 for more information.

See Page 2 for more Community Calendars

TUESDAY PRICES AT ATTEBURY GRAIN CO.  
Wheat-\$2.33  
Milo-\$3.04  
Corn-\$3.58  
Soybeans-\$4.46  
.70 to 1" Rain Reported This Week

## Superintendent Compares Bonds To House Loan

By John Wilson

The people of the Groom community always seem to have an unselfish, long-range vision for the future. Questions and discussion of the bond issue have in almost all cases centered on two questions:

What is best for the kids?

What can I do to help?

That attitude makes it a pleasure to work in this community.

It has been a number of years since the school

district considered a capital project that involved anything other than a "pay as you go" approach. As the Board works to provide facilities for our children, they are looking at the issuance of bonds to pay for the project.

What are bonds and why is this option being considered? Bonds are simply a promise to pay that the school makes to the people that purchase the bonds. The use of

bonds permits the school to have enough money to

complete projects that are too large to be done on a "pay as you go" basis.

Bonds can be compared to borrowing money to buy a house. If you have the purchase price of the house, then you can pay cash and there will not be any interest cost. If you don't have that much cash, you will need to borrow some money. That borrowing will result in an agreement that defines how much is being borrowed, how it will be paid back, the interest rate, and all other

details of the transaction. This is what the bond does for a school that borrows money.

However, unlike when citizens borrow money to buy a house, when a school district borrows money, it issues tax-exempt bonds. These bonds pay interest to the lender two times a year and pay on the principal one time per year. The interest rate is much less on these transactions because the interest on the bonds is exempt from

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## More Community Calenders

LADIES Ministry Fall Kick-Off on Sat., Sept. 11 at First Baptist Church. See ad on page 2 for more information.

GROOM'S Homecoming celebration

is scheduled for September 24.

FINAL ORDERS are due Monday for Booster T-Shirts. Get your forms at the Groom Grocery or the school.

## Koetting Construction

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## Local Happenings

**Ill Or Recovering**  
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**Groom Ambulance Service Memorials**  
 Donations were accepted by the Groom Ambulance Service in memory of Betty Hermesmeier.  
 From Dean & Donna Burger.  
 From Bill, Sandy, Nolon, Ashley and Whitney.  
 From John & Rosie Vetter.  
 From Dunlap's Amarillo, Cosmetic Department;

**Groom Birthdays Anniversaries**  
**September 9** - Mrs. Bill Hammers, Mrs. Gary Friemel, Garrett Britten.  
**September 10** - Leonard Koetting, Gregory Martin, Cody Ray Schaffer, Peggy Cave, Charles Rennie.  
**September 11** - Karen Case, Bill Hammers, Mrs. Dale Brooks.  
**September 12** - Marcia Davis, Bobby Wakefield.  
**September 13** -  
**September 14** - Cady Wilson.  
**September 15** - Amanda Paige Conrad.

Visiting in Groom in the home of her grandparents Burl and Nellie Painter was Kimberly Marie Cervantes. She is the daughter of Cheryl and Rob Cervantes of Ft. Worth. While here she attended the circus on Saturday and Sunday.

Recently on a Sunday Brady Painter and Kimberly Marie Cervantes attended the circus with their grandparents, Burl and Nellie Painter.

## Better Bake Show Results

Thirteen Carson County 4-H members participated in the Better Bake Show on Friday, September 3, 1999.

Among the participants in the contest were Amanda Martin and Brittany Martin from Groom.

Slices of the tasty Quick Breads were shared with the Carson County Commissioners Court on Tuesday, September 7th.

Leicia Redwine, CEA-FCS from Armstrong County held a Breads Workshop in preparation for this contest.

## Card Of Thanks

Our sincerest thanks for the help and support the community has shown us after the recent fire in our home.

Special thanks to the Groom Volunteer Fire Department, the First Baptist Church, Tim and Tammy Case, Lonny and Susan Brown, and Johnny and Nancy Brumley.  
 Brad & Jaxon Rogers

NOTE: The new phone number for the Groom S & H Grocery Store is 248-0408.

GROOM HAS A new web site. See it yourself at [www.groomtx.org](http://www.groomtx.org)

**Correction**  
 Courtney Burgin is attending the University of North Texas at Denton rather than the University of Texas as stated in last weeks list of college students.

*Capture the Joy*  
 Ladies Ministry  
 Fall Kick-off  
 & Salad Luncheon

Saturday, Sept. 11  
 8:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Coffee and refreshments will begin at 8:45 a.m. Come and see all of the exciting ministries we will be offering this year as we move into the year 2000! With crafts, missions, Bible studies, retreats and care ministries, you're sure to be Refreshed! The morning will conclude with a salad luncheon. Bring your favorite salad and bring a guest. All ladies in the community are invited.

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 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
 BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF  
 PROPOSED  
**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS**  
 Special Election  
 NOVEMBER 2, 1999

**PROPOSITION NO. 1  
 ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 44 - HJR 44 proposes a constitutional amendment that would ensure a clear succession in event of vacancies in the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor. Specifically, the amendment would provide that if after qualifying for the office, the Governor is temporarily unable to serve, the Lieutenant Governor shall act as Governor until the Governor is able to serve; but if the Governor is permanently unable to serve, the Lieutenant Governor shall become the Governor for the remainder of the unexpired term. The amendment would require a Lieutenant Governor who becomes Governor to forfeit the office of Lieutenant Governor. The amendment would also provide similar succession procedures when a vacancy occurs in the office of Governor before the newly elected Governor qualifies for office, and when the newly elected Governor is temporarily unable to take office. The amendment also would provide that if there is a temporary vacancy in the office of Lieutenant Governor, the President pro tempore of the Senate will fill the position, but if there is a permanent vacancy in the office of Lieutenant Governor, the President pro tempore of the Senate shall serve as Lieutenant Governor only until such time as the whole senate can convene to elect one of its members to perform the duties of Lieutenant Governor. Finally, the amendment would provide that if the Lieutenant Governor, while temporarily exercising the powers of the Governor, becomes temporarily disabled or unable to serve, the President pro tempore of the senate shall exercise the powers and authority of the office of the Governor until such time as the Governor or Lieutenant Governor resumes those powers and duties.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to revise the provisions for the filling of a vacancy in the office of governor or lieutenant governor."

**PROPOSITION NO. 2  
 ON THE BALLOT**

SJR 12 - SJR 12 proposes a constitutional amendment that would resolve conflicts between the Texas Constitution and federal law relating to the definition, rules, and procedures of reverse mortgages. The amendment would define "reverse mortgage" in part as an extension of credit made against the homestead of a person who is 62 years or older, or whose spouse is 62 years or older. It would expand the list of circumstances under which payment of principal and interest become due and the procedures involved in foreclosure, and would require certain advances to be made according to specific terms in loan documents, including advances by the lender, on behalf of the borrower for payments necessary to protect the lender's interest. Finally, the amendment would require the Texas Supreme Court to promulgate rules of civil procedure expediting court-ordered foreclosures of reverse mortgage liens.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the making of advances under a reverse mortgage and payment of a reverse mortgage."

**PROPOSITION NO. 3  
 ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 62 - HJR 62 proposes a constitutional amendment that would simplify and clarify the language of the Texas Constitution. The amendment would make no substantive changes, but would eliminate duplicative, expired, out-of-date, and ineffective terms.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to eliminate duplicative, executed, obsolete, archaic, and ineffective provisions of the Texas Constitution."

**PROPOSITION NO. 4  
 ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 4 - HJR 4 proposes a constitutional amendment that would broaden the definition of charitable organizations. The amendment would exempt from ad valorem taxation the property of any organization engaged primarily in public charitable functions, and it would allow such an organization to conduct additional activities to support its chari-

table functions.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt property owned by institutions engaged primarily in public charitable functions from ad valorem taxation."

**PROPOSITION NO. 5  
 ON THE BALLOT**

SJR 26 - SJR 26 proposes an amendment that would remove the restriction prohibiting state employees who receive all or part of their compensation from the state from serving as members of a governing body of a school district, city, town, or other local governmental district unless the state employee receives no salary for such service. The amendment would allow state employees to receive compensation from the governing bodies of which they are members.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment allowing state employees to receive compensation for serving as a member of a governing body of a school district, city, town, or other local governmental district."

**PROPOSITION NO. 6  
 ON THE BALLOT**

SJR 22 - SJR 22 proposes a constitutional amendment that would increase the maximum size of an urban homestead, which is a homestead in a city, town, or village, from one acre to ten acres and require the urban homestead to be composed of either a single lot or several lots that are adjacent to one another. The amendment also would provide that the urban homestead must be used as a home or as both a home and place of business, whereas current law does not require that an urban homestead that is used as a place of business be used also as a home.

Current law further allows a person to secure a home equity loan on their homestead, provided that the loan does not overburden the homestead. That is, the principal amount of the home equity loan, when added to the total of the outstanding principal balances of all other indebtedness secured against the homestead, does not exceed 80 percent of the fair market value of the homestead on the date the extension of credit is made. The proposed amendment would clarify current law by specifically allowing home equity loans on all or part of urban homesteads of up to ten acres and subject such loans to the same requirement that the refinanced or new loan not overburden the homestead.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment increasing the maximum size of an urban homestead to 10 acres, prescribing permissible uses of urban homesteads, and preventing the overburdening of a homestead."

**PROPOSITION NO. 7  
 ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 16 - HJR 16 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that if an employee is delinquent in paying court-ordered spousal maintenance, a portion of that employee's wages may be withheld to pay the spousal maintenance. Current law allows such withholding, or garnishment, only for payment of delinquent court-ordered child support.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing garnishment of wages for the enforcement of court-ordered spousal maintenance."

**PROPOSITION NO. 8  
 ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 95 - HJR 95 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that the adjutant general, who is appointed by the Governor and who serves as the governing officer of the state military forces, serves as long as the Governor wishes the appointed person to serve in that capacity rather than serving a specific two-year term set by the legislature.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that the adjutant general

serves at the pleasure of the governor."

**PROPOSITION NO. 9  
 ON THE BALLOT**

SJR 10 - SJR 10 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to create a judicial compensation committee to make recommendations for salaries for the justices and judges of the Supreme Court, the Court of Criminal Appeals, the Courts of Appeals, and the District Courts. The amendment would mandate that the recommendations become law if neither the Senate nor the House of Representatives rejects them by majority vote.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to create a judicial compensation commission."

**PROPOSITION NO. 10  
 ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 74 - HJR 74 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that the commissioner of health and human services, who is appointed by the Governor, serves as long as the Governor wishes the appointed person to serve in that capacity rather than serving a specific two-year term set by the legislature.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that the commissioner of health and human services serves at the pleasure of the governor."

**PROPOSITION NO. 11  
 ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 69 - HJR 69 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize a county, city, town, or other political subdivision to

spend public funds or extend credit to purchase nonassessable property or casualty insurance from a mutual insurance company authorized to do business in Texas. Under current law, a political subdivision is generally prohibited from spending public funds or extending credit to become a stockholder in a corporation but is permitted to purchase nonassessable life, health or accident insurance policies from a mutual insurance company authorized to do business in Texas. This amendment would authorize a political subdivision to also obtain non-assessable property and casualty insurance from such a company.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting a political subdivision to purchase nonassessable property and casualty insurance from an authorized mutual insurance company in the same manner that the political subdivision purchases life, health, and accident insurance."

**PROPOSITION NO. 12  
 ON THE BALLOT**

SJR 21 - SJR 21 proposes a constitutional amendment that would exempt from ad valorem taxation a leased motor vehicle that is not used by the lessee primarily to produce income. The amendment would provide that the legislature also may limit the ability of a political subdivision to subject such a vehicle to taxation.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation leased motor vehicles not held by the lessee primarily to produce income."

**PROPOSITION NO. 13  
 ON THE BALLOT**

SJR 16 - SJR 16 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to allow the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to issue and sell general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$400 million in order to finance educational loans to students. The amendment also would authorize the Legislature to limit the amount of interest the bonds can bear and establish procedures for the investment of the bond proceeds. The proposed amendment would specify the method of repaying the bonds.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of \$400 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to students."

**PROPOSITION NO. 14  
 ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 29 - HJR 29 proposes a constitutional amendment which would authorize the Leg-

islature to require the board of regents of the state university and boards of trustees or managers of the educational, charitable, and penal institutions of the state, whose members serve six year terms, to be composed of an odd number of three or more board members (for example, 5, 7, or 9 members). The proposed amendment would allow approximately one-third of members of boards whose membership is not evenly divisible by three to be elected or appointed every two years. The amendment also would allow the Legislature to set the composition of constitutionally required boards, whose members serve for a term of six years, to a number divisible by three so that exactly one-third of the board members may be elected or appointed every two years.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide that a state board, commission, or other agency shall be governed by a board composed of an odd number of three or more members."

**PROPOSITION NO. 15  
 ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 36 - HJR 36 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow spouses, by an agreement in writing, to convert all or part of their separate property into community property. Separate property is primarily the property owned or claimed by the spouse before marriage and the property acquired by the spouse during the marriage by gift or inheritance. Community property consists of the property, other than separate property, acquired by either spouse during marriage.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting spouses to agree to convert separate property to community property."

**PROPOSITION NO. 16  
 ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 71 - HJR 71 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow a county with a population of 50,000 or more, rather than 30,000 or more, to be divided into four to eight justice of the peace and constable precincts. The amendment also would allow a county with a population between 18,000 and 50,000 to have two to eight justice of the peace and constable precincts, rather than the current maximum of five precincts. Furthermore, the amendment would limit Randall County to not less than two and not more than six precincts. Finally, the amendment would set a minimum of four precincts for any county that as of November 2, 1999, is divided into four or more precincts.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that certain counties shall be divided into a specific number of precincts."

**PROPOSITION NO. 17  
 ON THE BALLOT**

HJR 58 - HJR 58 proposes a constitutional amendment which would require the board of regents of the University of Texas System to manage investments of the permanent university fund (PUF) according to the standards of a prudent investor. Generally, earnings from the PUF are distributed to the available university fund (AUF) and then ultimately distributed to the public university systems of Texas. Under the amendment, the amount distributed to the AUF would consist of distributions, as determined by the University of Texas System board of regents, from the total return on all investment assets of the PUF, instead of consisting only of the dividends, interest, and other income of the PUF minus administrative expenses. The amendment also would provide guidelines for minimum and maximum amounts to be distributed to the AUF, and require that the board of regents manage distributions to the AUF in a manner that will provide the AUF with a stable and predictable stream of annual distributions and maintain the purchasing power of the PUF investments and annual distributions to the AUF.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the investment of the permanent university fund and the distribution from the permanent university fund to the available university fund."

Estos son los informes explicatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitución que aparecerán en la boleta el 2 de noviembre de 1999. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llamo al 1/800/252/8683 or por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Tx 78711.

**Football**

Reid. "He was faced with a lot of pressure from their (Sanderson's) line. He threw with a lot of poise under difficult circumstances," he said.

Weinheimer threw for 174 yards on 24 attempts, connecting nearly 50% of the time. He threw two touchdown passes for Groom.

Dewayne Gray was an asset to Groom's offensive strategy. Dewayne rushed for 39 yards on 9 carries. He had three defensive tackles also to his credit.

Dusty Crump was successful on three point after attempts as well as having nine unassisted tackles for the Tigers.

Josiah Scott added 10 yards to Groom's tally on one pass. He also had an unassisted tackle.

Dustin Babcock earned 7 yards as a receiver.

Groom prepares this week for another difficult game against Samnorwood.

"They are every bit as good as Sanderson," commented Coach Reid. "Though their style and ours should match up better. They don't have Sanderson's speed but they are very physical. We must have a good week of preparation. They are also state ranked."

Groom's game against Samnorwood begins at 7:00 p.m. The Junior Varsity will play on Thursday following the Junior High game at 5:00 p.m.

Get out and support the Tigers here on Friday night.

**City**

evaluation.

The motion to approve passage of the ordinance to regulate Sexually Oriented Businesses was accepted.

The meeting adjourned.

**Britten Tennis Team Wins Tournament**

The Midland/Odessa 4.5 men's U.S. Tennis Association team recently won the Texas Sectional Tournament in Dallas. By winning the sectional title, the team will be one of sixteen teams vying for a national championship in Mobile, Alabama, on October 8-10.

Midland/Odessa survived tough pool play competition against teams from Houston, the Rio Grande Valley, and San Antonio. They went on to defeat Dallas in the semifinals and Austin in the finals.

The team qualified for the sectional championship by winning an area qualifying tournament in July.

Team members include: Tracy Britten of Lenorah; Jay Edwards, Rusty Fuller, Larry Gates, Armando Rivera, Ralph Skinner, David Sparks,, and Raymond Yell of Midland; and Steve Ashley and Lantz Mills of Odessa.

Tracy is the son of Jiggs and Janie Britten of Groom and the brother of Jigger Britten and Tammy Bivens also of Groom.

**Bond**

federal income taxes for the person that owns the bond (currently bond rates are approximately 5.9%.) Also, there is no mortgage on the building. The school district will own it from day one. In addition, bonds issued by Texas school districts are eligible for the Permanent School Fund Guarantee (PSF) which insures the payment of principal and interest to the bondholder. This extra security results in lower interest rates.

These bonds will be sold at a competitive sale where potential purchasers will bid to see who will offer the lowest interest rate to the school. The bidder with the lowest interest cost will get to purchase the bonds. The bidders must

take all of the bonds (we have to have all of the funds to build the project) and must put up a good faith deposit before they are allowed to bid on the bonds.

Texas law requires that the voters approve the issuance of school bonds. The citizens give permission to the Board to borrow a maximum amount of money. The Board then decides the details of when to issue the bonds, how many bonds to issue, and the terms and conditions of the sale.

Again, we encourage you to come to the school and visit us. We will gladly listen to your input on our proposed projects.

**Groom Shows Increase In Sales Tax Payment**

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander recently announced over 187 million dollars in monthly tax payments for 1,097 Texas Cities and 118 Counties, a 3.9 percent increase over September 1998.

Carson County lost ground in 1999 to the tune of -5.36%, collecting a total of \$18,261.67 compared to 1998 monthly total of \$19,297.62. The year to date totals will show an

increase of 3.27% making county totals \$167,472.73. In 1998 totals amounted to \$162,169.31 for the same time period.

Groom showed a healthy increase of 28.27% for September, collecting \$6,081.43 compared to last year's \$4,741.11. Groom is up on their year to date collections as well by 35.08%. The City netted \$53,356.55 year-to-date compared to last years \$39,497.45.

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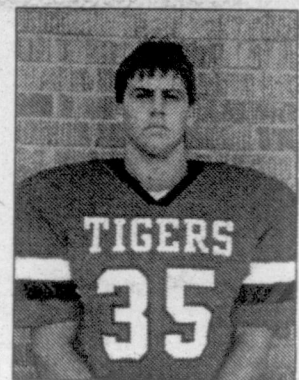
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# Area Obituaries



**Lena Mae Drum**  
Lena Mae Drum of Paso Robles, California died on August 20 at her residence after a three-month fight with cancer. She was 72.  
Mrs. Drum was born on August 1, 1927, in Olustee, Oklahoma. She married David Drum on January 24, 1944, and they settled in Groom, Texas, then moved to Atascadero in 1950 and Paso Robles in 1958. Mrs. Drum worked at the Paso Robles Coronet store from 1974 until 1989. After retirement, her favorite hobby was studying the Bible and visiting with shut-ins and the elderly. She was

loved by many and will be dearly missed.  
Mrs. Drum is survived by her husband, David Drum, of Paso Robles; daughter Linda and husband Steve Abbott of Visalia; grandson Brent and wife Sherri of Visalia; great grandchild Blake Abbott of Visalia; son Darryl and wife Michelle of Paso Robles; granddaughters Karin and Jamie of Paso Robles; seven brothers and sisters; and numerous nieces and nephews.

**Tom Quirk**  
DUMAS - Tom Quirk, 69, died Thursday, September 2, 1999.  
Memorial services were in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. John Wagoner, pastor, and Dr. Vince Kolb, pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Dumas, officiating. Burial was in Northlawn Memorial Gardens by Morrison Funeral Directors.  
Born in Groom, Mr. Quirk had lived in Dumas since 1969. He was an Army veteran, a farmer and a member of First United Methodist Church.  
He married Anita Tibbets in 1997 at

Panhandle.  
Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Tronda Foote of Idalou; a son, Lynn Quirk of Sunray; two stepsons, Mark Moore of Tomball and Mike Tibbets of Oklahoma City; three stepdaughters, Cindy Miller of Jamestown, Ohio, Robin Newby of Enid, Oklahoma, and Toni Upton of Canyon; two brothers, John Quirk of Fritch and Jerry Quirk of Dickerson; four sisters, Georgia Jean Turner of Hobbs, New Mexico, Evelyn Ollinger of Groom, Shirley Husted of Irving and Mary Baggerman of Claude; and 14 grandchildren.  
The family suggests memorials to Memorial Hospice, 224 East Second, Dumas, Texas 79029; or First United Methodist Church Building Fund, Box 395, Dumas, Texas 79029; or a favorite charity.

**Henry H. Bland**  
HOWARDWICK  
Henry H. Bland, 77, died Saturday, September 4, 1999.  
Services were in Howardwick Baptist Church with the Rev. Jim Powell, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon by Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Mr. Bland was born in Kaufman County and lived in Afton for 25 years before moving to Howardwick 28 years ago. He served with the Army during World War II, was a lifetime member of the Disabled American Veterans and a member of the Clarendon Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 7782. He was a farmer until his retirement and a chapter member and deacon of the First Baptist Church in Howardwick.  
He married Cora A. McAllister in 1943 at Lubbock.  
Survivors include his wife; two sons, Donald Bland of Groom and Kelly Bland of Floydada; two sisters, Dorothy Yates of Dimmitt and Billie Terry of Hart; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

*Thought For The Day*  
Be assured when you see a tear on a cheek, a heart is touched.

## Baptist Church To Host Special Meetings

First Baptist Church will be hosting two special meetings designed to help you and to enable you to better help others facing times of loss. Our community will continue to face times of grief as we lose dear loved ones and neighbors. Sometimes this follows a lengthy illness and other times it is sudden and unexpected. We all need to have an understanding of how this affects us and others. The next two Sunday nights from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. you will have the opportunity to interact with two men experienced in this area. September 12, Tom

## Joplin And Company To Be Joined By One Voice

Joplin And Company is Claude's "own" Kent Watson's performing name, both for his ability to interpret Scott Joplin's ragtime piano style and just about any other composer who is a recognized pianist. Kent performs for tour bus loads of visitors to the Armstrong County Museum & Gem Theatre this summer, and has been playing as "back up" for the Otwell Twins. Kent will present the first half of the show at the Gem Theatre on September 18th.

The second half of the show will feature "One Voice" a very talented women's acapella quintet from Panhandle, Texas. This group includes Sherrie Bronniman, Nancy Burrell, Sheryl Oliver, Brenda Fields and Lorrie Lindsey who have been singing together for five years. This group has been heard in many functions throughout the Panhandle area. They have produced an album, "Stand in Awe" which will be available at the performance. They joined Kent in a similar performance in 1998 and were so well received, that the Gem Theatre is privileged to have them for a return engagement. The time of the show is 7:30 p.m.

Moore, Pastor of Groom United Methodist Church will share some insight into facing times of loss and what the grief process is all about. He has served not only as a Pastor but for many years has worked with Hospice in Canadian. He is well acquainted with the difficulties that families face and will share some keys that help in these times. September 19, Jim Schooler of Schooler Funeral Home in Amarillo and Claude will share what a family can expect during the funeral planning process. You will have the opportunity to ask him questions about this issue that are often hard to face in the moment of loss. Everyone in the community is invited to these helpful, informative meetings.

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# Groom's St. Jude's Bike-A-Thon Held



Bailee Ruthardt Top Money Earner

The annual St. Jude Wheels for Life Bike-a-thon was held on August 13, 1999 at the Groom City Park. The children who went out and collected donations for the hospital rode their bikes, enjoyed cookies and Kool-aid, and turned in their money.

Those participating were Kyler Barkley, Brody Britten, Katy Britten, Sara Britten, Trevor Friemel, Whitney Evenson, Malorie Homen, Tiffani Kling, Bailee Ruthardt, Berkle Ruthardt, Andrew Thompson, and Daniel Thompson.

Eight children collected enough money to earn t-shirts and the portable CD player was won by Bailee Ruthardt.

The children collected a total of \$744.25 to

help out the hospital in Memphis, Tennessee founded by the late Danny Thomas. Thanks to all the children who collected donations and to all those who donated to this worthy cause!

## Oldest Catholic Church In The Panhandle Holds Celebration

St. Mary's Catholic Church in Clarendon, the oldest Catholic church in the Panhandle, is holding their second annual St. Mary's Day celebration on September 12, 1999 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The celebration will be an old-fashioned Sunday afternoon featuring barbecue, beans and potatoes cooked outside, games for all ages, raffles, a country store with home baked goods and craft items,

## Carson Co. Sheriff's Report

There were eleven persons booked into the Carson County Jail during the week of August 30 through September 5, 1999. Currently there are sixteen persons incarcerated and twelve additional prisoners being held in other jurisdictions.

Arrests for the week include: Ernie Blount, 48, theft; Jason Velasquez, 19, possession of drug paraphernalia; Charlene M. Velasquez, 17,

possession of drug paraphernalia; Jason D. Meador, 24, possession of controlled substance; Christian Rodriguez, 22, unauthorized use of motor vehicle; Donny J. Thatcher, 46, possession of controlled substance; Vanessa L. Jones, 32, theft; Owen A. Monk, 42, public intoxication; Jeremie D. Monk, 19, public intoxication; Thomas A. Harrell, 21, possession of marijuana; Terry I. Gibbs, 37, DWI-1st.



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