

# The McLean News



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## McLean I.S.D. Honors Board of Trustees

The McLean Independent School District Board of Education met for a Regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. on January 16, 2006. Board members present were Marshall Hanes, Chet Bohlar, Toni Bohlar, Terri Adams, Billy Bybee, Joe Riley, and David Fuller. Others present were Superintendent, Jimmy Hannon, Rhonda Patterson, Dick Crockett, and Leslie Darsey.

All votes are unanimous unless otherwise stated.

Terri Adams called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and Billy Bybee gave the opening prayer.

Motion was made by Toni Bohlar, second by Joe Riley to approve the Regular Board meeting minutes of December 19, 2005. Motion carried.

There were no visitors present for comments.

Mr. Hannon began the Superintendent Report by announcing that the District had received an accountability rating of Academically Acceptable for 2004-05. MISD also received Gold Performance Acknowledgments for Advanced Academic Courses for 2003-04, Recommended High School Program for Class of 2004, and Comparable Improvement in Mathematics. According to the state average for TAKS testing scores for all tests combined in 2004 the District average was 66% compared to the state average of 58% and in 2003 the District was at 63% and the state average was 62%. Writing scores

had dropped off this past year, and Social Studies showed an improvement. The S D A A II Examinations received very good scores from the students with special needs. Grade 3 Reading, Grade 5 Reading and Math met the Standard on test scores by greater than 99%. Other areas that show a need for improvement are on the college preparation courses. TAKS scores promote confidence early for our students.

The Board went into Executive Session at 6:50 p.m. for the Superintendent Appraisal Evaluation process. Return to open session came at 7:56 p.m. Mr. Hannon's contract will be reviewed during the regular meeting in February.

Mr. Hannon then went over the 2005-06 District Improvement Plan which is normally addressed in the summer and adopted in September. The prior plan had been in place from 2001 through 2005. The new plan addresses TAKS intervention, therefore, the District Goal for MISD is to utilize Instructional methods to assist students in meeting state standards. The Performance Objective is for 90% or above to pass TAKS in all aggregated student groups at all grade levels including through Exit TAKS remediation is available for students who need it and benchmark tests will be given to all students as an indicator of student

improvement needs. There are changing needs as a result of different types of students. The teachers attended a 3 day writing workshop during in-service to help improve TAKS scores. Another District goal by May 2006, is for the District to achieve a 97% attendance rate in all grades K-12. The Performance Objective will improve student attendance for all student to 97% ; thereafter, it will be maintained or improved annually. The current District attendance rate is 96.7%.

Other goals are to improve Technology, improve student discipline, and identify G/T students. There is a need for a dyslexia program, and to increase

the percentage of ESL certified teachers. MISD will maintain a 0% dropout rate and insure all At-Risk students remain in school.

MISD will maintain a Discipline/Behavior Management Plan to maintain a school environment conducive to learning. MISD will improve parent and community involvement so students will be successful. MISD will ensure quality academic programs so that all students graduate with at least a recommended diploma. There was discussion of possibly offering summer school to High School students who need extra instruction related to TAKS or before

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## Local Students Win Big At Stock Shows

Several McLean FFA members participated in the Top of Texas Junior Livestock show January 8 and 9, 2006.

The following members placed: Logan Sparling came in second in the lightweight cross class, Hogan Ketcherside came in first in the lightweight OPB, Anthony Ruiz came in first in the lightweight

goats and sixth in medium weight goats. He also received second in Showmanship and Reserve Grand Championship.

Other participating members were Lindsey Ruiz, Kevin Smith, Mark Smith, Jesse Parks, Hayley Harper, Daniel Lee and Larry Lusk.

We are proud of our

participating members," stated Chapter Representative, Lindsey Ruiz. "Congratulations to everyone."

On Saturday, January 14 the 2006 McLean Stock Show was held. Daniel Lee won Grand

Champion in the Barrow Division. He also won in Showmanship and he won first place in the Medium Weight category.

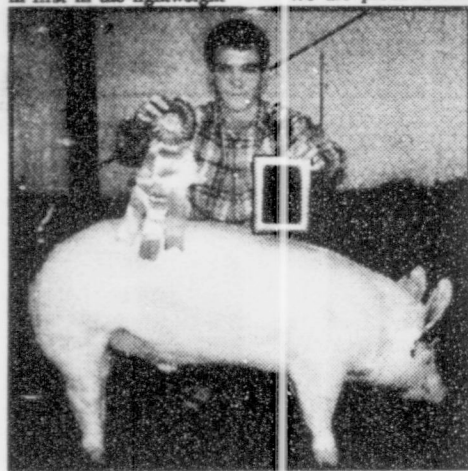
In the Light Weight Category, Logan Sparling won first. Jesse Parks placed second. Mark

Smith placed third. Hogan Ketcherside placed fourth and Mark Smith placed 5th.

In the Medium Weight Division, Daniel Lee

placed first. Jesse Parks placed second. Kevin Smith placed third. Anthony Ruiz placed fourth and Hayley Harper

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(Above) Daniel Lee wins Grand Champion and Showmanship Award in Barrows at McLean Stock Show. (Right) Anthony Ruiz win Grand Reserve Champion at Top of Texas and wins Grand Champion and Showmanship at McLean in Goats

## Reminders

**THE CUBS AND LADY** Cubs face Samnorwood, there, January 23.

**LITTLE DRIBBLERS** begin tournament play February 2 in the Lefors tournament.

**MISS MCLEAN** Pageant, February 11.

**PTO MEETING** will be held on January 19 at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria. A principal/superintendent forum will be held.

**4-H MEETING** will be held on February 2, 2006 at 7 p.m. in the Church of Christ Annex.

**GRAY COUNTY** Stock Show is Saturday in Pampa.

**TIGERS AND LADY** Tigers tip off against Groom January 20, here and against Valley, her, January 24.

**PIONEER STUDY** Club will met today at Elizabeth's tea room.

**ALL YOU CAN EAT** Sirloin Steak Dinner, Jan. 29, noon to 2 p.m. at the School Cafeteria. Tickets are \$10. for adults, \$6 for 8 and under. Purchase tickets at the door or from a Jr. Class representative.

*McLean Birthdays & Anniversaries*

February 19 - Tonu Brown, Ann Long, Thelma McCarty.  
 February 20 - John M. Haynes, Travis Fish.  
 February 21 - Jack Syfrett, Becky Simmons, Benny Watson, Bob and Claire McDowell (A).  
 February 22 - Donnie

Smith, Jordon Herring.  
 February 23 - Lynda Stone, Heather Brooks  
 February 24 - Sally Worsham Bohlar, George Watson, Maggie Ruth Johnston  
 February 25 - Dekki Crockett Oliveras, Jeffrey Lee, Reo Averett.

**Betty Taylor Selected McLean E.D.C. President For 2006**

The McLean Economic Development Corporation 4B met on January 10, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. at Lovett Memorial Library. In attendance were Betty Taylor, Lynn Reeves, Peggy Baer, Katie Warner, Butch Warner and Monte McLain.

Monte McLain gave the invocation and Betty Taylor called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Butch Warner gave the treasurer's report.

An election of officers was held with the results being as follows: Betty Taylor - President, Lynn Reeves - Vice-president, Butch Warner - Treasurer, and Katie Warner - Secretary.

Bob Glass was elected

as the newest member to the EDC, but was unable to attend the meeting.

A unanimous vote occurred for new carpet for Lovett Memorial Library.

The members of the EDC postponed a decision on park equipment until they can look around more. Katie will look into different companies for a new merry-go-round for the park.

A discussion was held regarding the pavilion and building up dirt around it and placing new sidewalks. Butch will check into dirt being hauled in and who the dirt can be gotten from.

The board accepted a bid from Jim Reyna for a McLean EDC 4B website.

Lynn Reeves made the motion to dismiss, second by Betty Taylor.

*McLean School Menus*

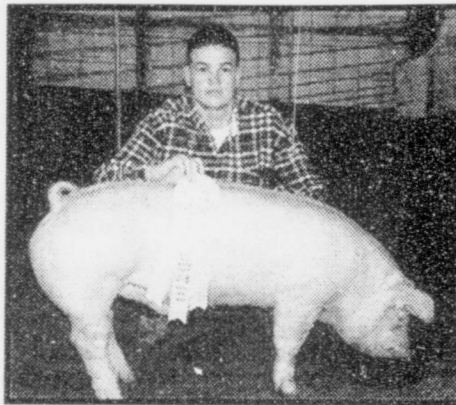
for the week of Jan. 23-27

**BREAKFAST**

Monday: French Toast, Sausage, Toast & Jelly, Milk, Juice  
 Tuesday: Breakfast Burritos, Toast & Jelly, Milk, Juice  
 Wednesday: Breakfast Mini Pockets, Toast & Jelly, Milk, Juice  
 Thursday: Nutri-Grain Bars or Pop Tarts, Toast & Jelly, Milk, Juice  
 Friday: Cinnamon Rolls, Toast & Jelly, Milk, Juice

**LUNCH**

Pizza, Corn on the Cob, Salad, Peanut Butter Bars, Milk  
 Tuesday: Hot Dogs with Chili and Cheese, French Fries, Baked Beans, Lazy Daisy Cake, Milk  
 Wednesday: Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Corn, Texas Toast, Rosie Applesauce, Milk  
 Thursday: Corn dogs, Tator Tots, Baked Beans, Brownies, Milk  
 Friday: Fish Nuggets, Tarter Sauce, Cole Slaw, Potato Wedges, Cookies, Milk



(Above) Jesse Parks shows off his Reserve Grand Championship ribbon and pig from the McLean Stock Show.

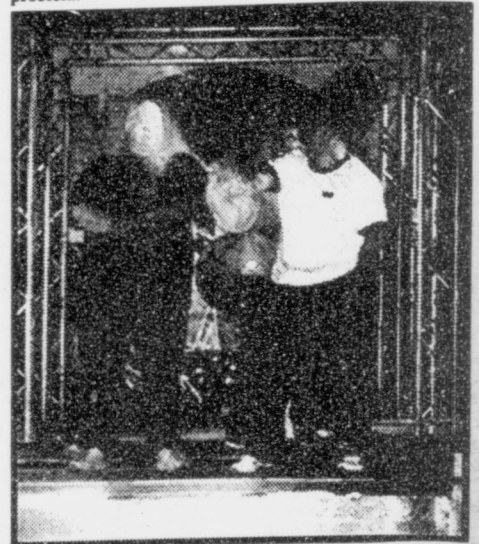
**Help Available For Children Who Stutter**

Parents who notice their young child beginning to stutter should seek help right away. Help is available in McLean at the Lovett Memorial Library.

"Any time parents are concerned about a child's fluency," notes Jane Fraser, president of the Stuttering Foundation, "they should educate themselves about the disorder and the many ways they can work to prevent stuttering from becoming a chronic problem."

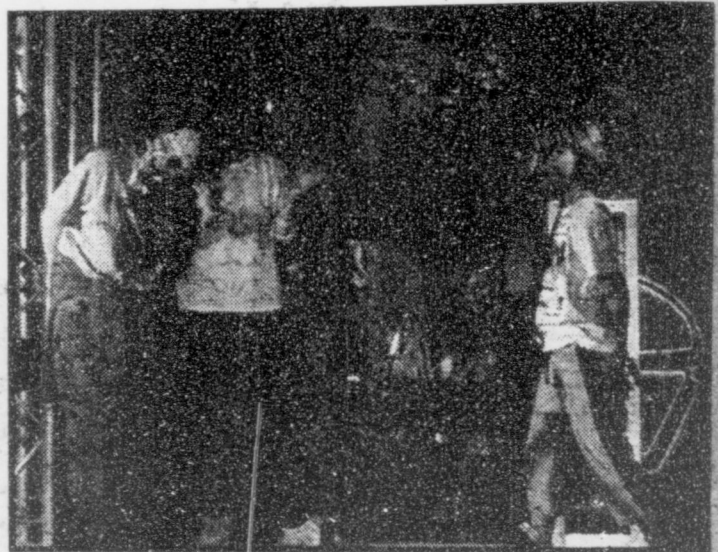
A new book, *If Your Child Stutters: A Guide for Parents*, also available in Spanish, answers questions that parents and teachers have. Written by leading experts, it describes the difference between normal disfluencies and stuttering and gives tips for parents of ways to help their child immediately.

For questions visit [www.stutteringhelp.org](http://www.stutteringhelp.org). The 58-year-old nonprofit foundation also offers many books, videotapes and DVDs on stuttering.



(Below) Zachary Morrow and Jacie Ketcherside race to eat a donut hanging from a chain during a Kidz Blitz event at Trinity Church.

Carey Richardson gets "POOFED" for Jesus Saturday afternoon at Kidz Blitz where children from all over come to have fun and learn about Jesus.



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**Students of the Week**



Pre-K - Cayden Mann, K - Sara Richardson, 1<sup>st</sup> - Bradley Purdy, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Nathan Raymond, 3<sup>rd</sup> - Mason Reynolds, 4<sup>th</sup> - Calvin Armbrister, 5<sup>th</sup> - Zachary Morrow, 6<sup>th</sup> - Taylor Fish, 7<sup>th</sup> - Tyler Britt, 8<sup>th</sup> - Nancy Castillo

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## McLean Tigers Bring Home Victory Against Samnorwood

The Tigers and Lady Tigers brought home two victories after traveling to Samnorwood on January 10.

The Lady Tigers defeated the 'Norwood Eagles, 60 - 44.

DaShae Tolleson led the scoreboard with 23 points. She had 10 rebounds and three, three point shots for the night.

Keisha Menefield put 19 points on the board.

Tamara Loyz had nine points. All of which were made from the three point line.

Brooke Seymour added another three point shot to the score. Jacey Carter made two points in free throws. Lindsay Ruiz, Summer Morris and Lacey Wallis each scored two.

The Tigers also defeated the Eagles with a 52 -26 win.

John Haynes topped the score board with 21 points. 15 of those 21 being from the three point line.

Zack Richardson followed with 11 points on the board.

Jacob Tolleson added seven more with a 75%

free throw average for the game.

Kutter Anderson put up six points for the Tigers. Ronnie Alexander scored five and Manden Conklin added two.

On home court on January 13, both the Tigers and the Ladies suffered losses at the hands of the Silverton Eagles.

In a hard fought battle the Lady Tigers lost 51 - 71. Keisha Menefield put 14 points on the board for the Ladies.

Jacey Carter followed close with 12 points. DaShae Tolleson added 11 points.

Brooke Seymour scored 3. Tamara Loya added three and Summer Morris scored one.

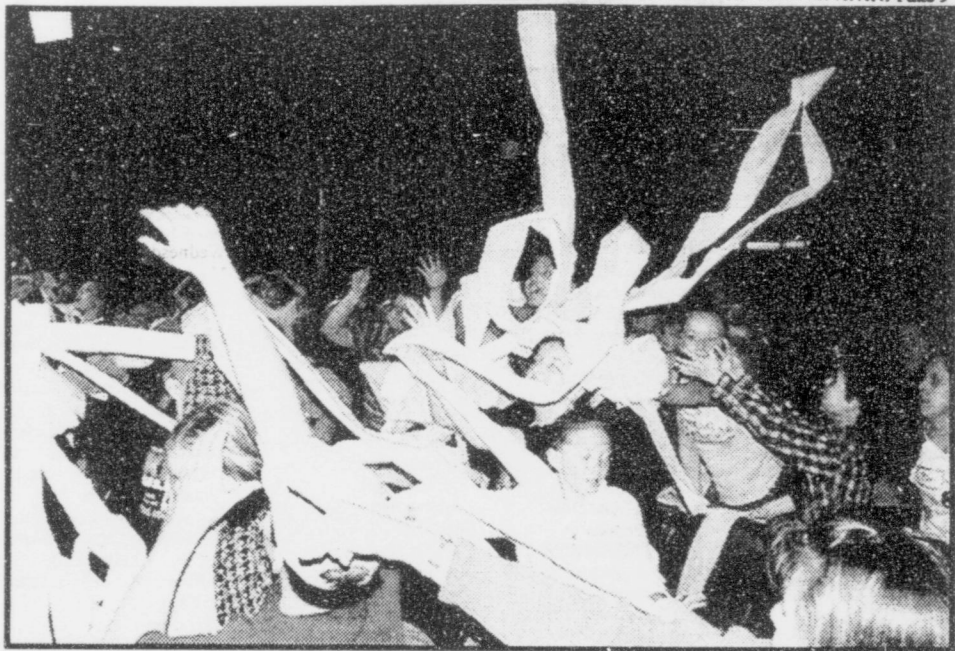
The Tigers also played a hard fought game, but was defeat by a 60-47 margin.

Jacob Tolleson scored 13 points for the night.

John Haynes added 12 more.

Zack Richardson scored 10. Ronnie Alexander scored six.

Manden Conklin added five and Larry Lusk made one.



## Cookie Sale Kicks Off

McLean's Girl Scout Troops are once again selling cookies. This years theme is Explore the Wonderful World of Girl Scout Cookies...Exciting eXtreme Powerful Liberating Original Radiant Energizing.

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year two new cookies, Reduced Fat Cartwheels, a tasty oatmeal round with a cinnamon burst in every bite, and Thanks-A-Lots, a Heart warming shortbread cookie dipped in a rich fudge and topped with an embossed Thank You message in one of five languages.

Sales began January 14 and will continue through February 26.

The children of McLean and the area get toilet papered for their teams in the friendly heated competition at Kidz Blitz.

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Jacob Tolleson puts up two for the Tigers as a Kiowa from Booker receives a whistle for a foul from behind.

## Cubs Blast Kelton

The McLean Cubs walked away with another victory against Kelton, Monday night.

Scoring in the first quarter was Tanner Cadra with two points and Clay Crockett with six points.

Tanner Cadra and Clay Crockett each had four points in the second quarter with Tyler Lamb adding two points to bring the Cubs to 18 at half-time.

Clay Crockett was on fire, scoring another four points for the team, along with four points by Jace

McLain and a three point shot by Robert Morrow.

The fourth quarter continued well with Jace McLain scoring another two points, Jordan Herring making a three point shot and Clay Crockett adding yet another four points.

The Cubs won over Kelton, 37-11. Dalton Richardson, George Patterson, Hogan Ketcherside, Tyler Britt, Jacob Azzazi, and Zachary Seymour all helped the Cubs to victory.

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# McLean ISD All School Honor Roll

**1<sup>st</sup> Grade / A**  
 Whitney Hambricht  
 Cheiste Jasper  
 Morgan Reynolds  
 Daniela Rodriguez  
 Joshua Watson  
**1<sup>st</sup> Grade / A - B**  
 Wyatt Armbrister  
 Hunter Burnett  
 Callie Crockett  
 Ashley Ferguson  
 Charles Graves  
 Nolan McClellan  
 Bradley Purdy  
 Jacob Richardson  
 Rosa Sota  
 Hadley Tidwell  
 Kearston Tolleson  
 Shiner Webb  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade / A**  
 Jacey Bailey  
 Lexus Brown  
 Bailey Herring  
 Samantha Long  
 Daniel Wells  
 Jordyn Walker  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade / A-B**  
 Andrew Bybee  
 BJ Ketcherside  
 Shalynn McDonald  
 Colton Morris  
 Nathan Raymond  
 Nicholas Raymond  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade / A**  
 Summer Ferguson  
 Jared McClellan  
 Jasmine Montoya  
 Shelby Passmore  
 Mason Reynolds  
 Carynn Richardson  
 Charlie Webb  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade / A-B**  
 Jordan Cox  
 Josee Keever  
 Kendalyn Richardson  
 Chris Walker

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade / A**  
 Trae Hannon  
 Jacie Ketcherside  
 Jordan McLain  
 Oscar Rodriguez  
**4<sup>th</sup> Grade / A-B**  
 Shelby Adams  
 Calvin Armbrister  
 Cody Azzazi  
 Hayley Burnett  
 Braxton Cooper  
 Tristan Davis  
 Shanteia McDonald  
 Ian McMordie  
 Kaleb Perkins  
 Devin Richardson  
**5<sup>th</sup> Grade / A**  
 Braden Hambricht  
**5<sup>th</sup> Grade / A-B**  
 Shiloh Brown  
 Kelby McClellan  
 Miranda McMordie  
 Kirstie Perkins  
 Kendra Richardson  
 Matthew Richardson  
 Rocco Rodriguez  
**6<sup>th</sup> Grade / A**  
 Jordan Herring  
 Rebecca Reyna  
 Dalton Richardson  
 Ashley Russel  
 Mariah Woolridge  
**6<sup>th</sup> Grade / A-B**  
 Saber Bohlar  
 Tori Bybee  
 Britnic Cooper  
 Jace McLain  
 George Patterson  
 Rudy Rodriguez  
 Rena Smith  
 Patricia Valles  
**7<sup>th</sup> Grade / A**  
 Tanner Cadra  
 Tyler Lamb  
 Nicole McClendon  
**7<sup>th</sup> Grade / A - B**  
 Ashley Byron  
 Clay Crockett

Lynda Fortune  
 Casey Graham  
 Robert Morrow  
 Kelsey Ramirez  
 Samantha Staton  
 Erin Vassey  
**8<sup>th</sup> Grade / A**  
 Sheri Haynes  
**8<sup>th</sup> Grade / A-B**  
 Tucker Adams  
 Lyndsey Ellis  
 Cody Morris  
 Jessica Skipper  
**9<sup>th</sup> Grade / A**  
 Jamie Sanderson  
 DaShae Tolleson  
**9<sup>th</sup> Grade / A-B**  
 Chase Bohlar  
 Trent Darsey  
 Summer Morris  
 Patrick Seager  
 Tammy Syfrett  
 Kelsey Tate  
**10<sup>th</sup> Grade / A**  
 Jessica Mann  
 Mark Smith  
 Lucas Webb  
**10<sup>th</sup> Grade / A-B**  
 Trey Skipper  
 Lacey Wallis  
**11<sup>th</sup> Grade / A**  
 Jacey Carter  
 John Haynes  
 Brooke Seymour  
**11<sup>th</sup> Grade / A-B**  
 Erin Bailey  
 Amanda Fricks  
 Tamara Loya  
 Nathan Macina  
 Tiffany Moon  
**12<sup>th</sup> Grade / A**  
 Manden Conklin  
 Kevin Smith  
**12<sup>th</sup> Grade / A-B**  
 Keisha Menefield  
 Lindsey Ruiz  
 Carrie Thompson  
 Connie Vega

## BOARD

they take the EXIT test in July.

Another goal is to provide an effective transition from grade to grade, and to maintain a four year plan checklist for each student in High School. Pre-K has been an overwhelming success giving the students such a learning advantage before continuing on. MISD will provide for an improved school climate and improved school morale. Teachers will train for Professional Development directly linked to identified student needs. Teachers will be certified in their subject area and receive updated training to be Highly Qualified. MISD will maintain a safe and accessible environment for all students and staff and improve school safety by updating the Emergency Operations Plan. State and Federal funds are allocated to assist in the cost of education for special programs.

Mr. Hannon recommended that the Board adopt this District Improvement Plan for 2005-2006, and motion was made by Joe Riley, second by Marshall Hanes to approve the plan. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Chet Bohlar, second by David Fuller to change the school year fiscal start date to July 1<sup>st</sup>, as recommended by Mr. Hannon and Charles Kuntz, CPA. By changing the date from September 1<sup>st</sup>, this will greatly decrease the rush and pressure in the administration office due to the start of school, and the booking records would be more true and simplified. Motion carried.

Motion by Toni Bohlar, second by Chet Bohlar to approve TASB Policy Update 77. Motion carried. Updated topics included conflict of interest disclosures, records management, D A E P teacher certification, hearings rules, homebound instruction, and state and federal "wellness" policy issues.

January is School Board Recognition month, and the Board was well recognized. The PTO prepared a wonderful meal for them before the meeting began. The 1st-3rd grade and High School prepared cards and a banner for the Board thanking them for serving as members. Tara Thompson had a singing telegram for them and sang "That Good Ole Tiger Line". Mr Hannon presented each of them with a certificate and thanked them for volunteering their time and effort and the job they do.

Motion by Billy Bybee, second by Chet Bohlar to approve the Student Transfer of Dustin Copenhaver in 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Motion carried.

Motion by Toni Bohlar, second by David Fuller for Mr. Hannon's recommendation to accept the approval necessary to

Modify the Schedule for TAKS testing days waiver. The waiver will be sent to TEA stating that not all students in HS be present during TAKS testing of a particular grade to free up teachers needed to help with the test. Motion carried.

Motion by Chet Bohlar, second by Billy Bybee to approve the Financial Reports A, B, & C. Motion carried.

Motion by Toni Bohlar, second by Joe Riley to approve to pay the bills as presented and to sign the corresponding checks. Motion carried.

Under other business everyone was reminded of the PTO forum set for January 19, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. Policy Review Seminar is scheduled for January 31, 2006. PAASB is having a Level III Board Training on January 26, 2006, at 6:30. Mr. Hannon informed the Board that the Chapter 41 recapture payment had been recalculated and would probably be around \$16,000.00, much lower than originally expected. He also stated that the school would be eligible to receive funding for two students classified as hurricane victims.

Motion to adjourn was made by Joe Riley at 8:49 p.m., second by Chet Bohlar. Motion carried.

## College News

Jesus Antonio Montoya has been named to the Dean's List at Clarendon College for the Fall 2005 semester.

To achieve this goal, a student must attend full-time and maintain a 3.6 grade-point average.

Randi Jo Riley has earned top honors after being named to the President's Honor Roll at Southwestern Oklahoma State University. She earned all A's and is a full time student.

## STOCK SHOW

placed fifth. In the Heavy Weight Competition, Lindsey Ruiz placed first. Daniel Lee placed second and third. Logan Spaulding placed 4th and Larry Lusk placed 5th.

Anthony Ruiz earned Grand Champion, Showmanship and Reserve in the Goat Division.

The judge for the competition was Jim Bell of Wheeler.

## MCLEAN CHURCH DIRECTORY

**Church of Christ** 4<sup>th</sup> & Clarendon  
 Pastor Jim Reyna 779-2548  
 Sunday Bible School 10:00 a.m.  
 Worship 10:40 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed. Bible Class 7:30

**New Life Assembly of God** 4<sup>th</sup> & Main  
 Pastor Mahlon Richardson  
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship Service 10:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Night Service 6:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday Service - 7:00 p.m.

**First Baptist Church** 206 E. 1<sup>st</sup>  
 Pastor Kirby Raymond 779-2175  
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:50 & 6:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m.

**United Methodist Church** 2<sup>nd</sup> & Gray  
 Pastor Thacker Heynes 779-2049 & 779-2337  
 Sunday 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:50 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.  
 Sunday Sr. High Youth Alpha Chl 5:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday Choir 7:00 p.m.

**Haald United Methodist Church**  
 Hillenville Road  
 Sunday 9:15 a.m.

**Trinity Church** Railroad Street  
 Pastor Larry Perkins 779-3207  
 Sunday worship 10:45 a.m.  
 Life Groups-Sunday-5:00 p.m.  
 Solid Rock Youth & Sunshine Children's Ministry  
 Wednesday 6:00  
 Adult Bible Study-Wednesday-7:00 p.m.

**Cowboy Church & Title Arena of Life** 119 E. 3<sup>rd</sup>  
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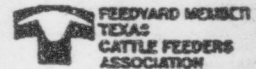
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**OUTREACH HEALTH SERVICE** has an immediate opening for a provider in Groom to work 25.5 hours per week. Must be 18 years of age and have reliable transportation. Call Regina at 1-800-800-0697 or 806-373-0986

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1988 BUICK  
 VIN#  
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1992 CHEVROLET  
 VIN #  
 31G1JC544N72886000

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**225+ ACRES,** West Texas, Terrell County. Deer, dove, quail, and javelina. \$210 per acre, owner financed, non-qualifying with 5% down. 1-830-885-4578, www.ranchenterprisesltd.com

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## POLITICAL CALENDAR

STATE OF TEXAS  
 House of Representatives  
 Republican Candidate  
**Anette Carlisle**

## CARSON COUNTY

County Judge  
 Republican Candidates  
**Lewis Powers**  
 Democratic Candidates  
**Jackie West**

County Treasurer  
 Republican Candidates  
**Denise Salzbranner**  
**Leasha Hobbs**

Justice of the Peace  
 Precinct 1  
 Democratic Candidates  
**Bill Hinson**

The following candidates have paid a fee to have their name on this political calendar. Their disclaimer statements are on file at The Groom-McLean News for public inspection.

# ON SALE THIS WEEK...

**fryer leg quarters**  
16 lb. bag **\$2.99** EA.

**pork roast**  
fresh Boston Butt **\$1.39** LB.

**FRESH MILK**  
ShurLine or Shurline  
premium quality  
whole or lowfat  
gallon **2\$5** FOR

**Doritos**  
Tostitos Salsa or  
Queso Dip. 15.5-16 oz. **2/\$5**

**chips**  
assorted reg. \$3.49 size  
9-13.5 oz. bag **3\$6** FOR

**red grapes**  
now crop large  
seedless **99¢** LB.

**roma tomatoes**  
red rib **7\$1** FOR

**wheat bread**  
TenderCrest  
split top  
24 oz. loaf **99¢**

**Shurline yogurt**  
assorted  
6 oz. **3\$1** FOR

**Del Monte pineapple**  
assorted  
15-15.5 oz. **3\$2** FOR

**bathroom tissue**  
Angel Soft 12 reg. rolls or  
6 dbl. rolls **\$2.99**

**StarKist tuna**  
chunk light  
water or oil packed  
6 oz. can **5\$3** FOR

**Hormel tamales**  
regular or hot  
15 oz. can **\$1.19**

**Slimmer pasta**  
with no cholesterol,  
no white sugar  
16 oz. **69¢**

**Prego sauce**  
marinara or assorted  
spaghetti  
25-28 oz. jar **3\$5** FOR

**SPAM**  
hermal assist  
23 oz. can **2\$4** FOR

**COKE, SPRITE & DR. PEPPER**  
3 liters..... 4/\$7  
24 pack..... \$6.99  
Dasani 24 pk..... \$4.99

**Frozen Foods**

**Shurline ice cream**  
1/2 gal. 48 **2\$4** FOR

**Great Starts breakfast**  
5-12 oz. **2\$3** FOR

**Smart Ones dinners**  
9-11.5 oz. **3\$5** FOR

**Ore Ida potatoes**  
20-32 oz. **2\$4** FOR

**assorted varieties Patio dinners**  
11-12.25 oz. **89¢**

**Dairy Case**

**Imperial cottage cheese**  
24 oz. **\$2.19**

**Imperial half moon cheese**  
16 oz. **\$3.35**

**Imperial orange juice**  
64 oz. ctn. **\$3.15**

**Imperial Grands! biscuits**  
16.2 oz. can **2\$3** FOR

**Imperial quarters**  
16 oz. pkg. **3\$2** FOR

**assorted liquid detergent**  
AM 100 oz. **\$3.99**

**best hand select group pickles**  
16 oz. jar **\$2.79**

**LOG CABIN PINE OR SUGAR FREE SYRUP**  
24 oz. 66 **\$2.99**

**KRISTAL BUTTERFLY OR ALBERTO'S pancake mix**  
28-32 oz. **\$1.99**

**CAMPBELL'S SELECT GROUP (PLAIN) Spaghetti's**  
16.7-25.2 oz. **69¢**

**HOUSE HUNGRIES - LARGE PLASTIC laundry basket**  
each **\$4.49**

**SHIRAZI STANDARD 17 INCH toilet**  
75 sq. ft. **\$1.99**

**sirloin tip steak**  
preferred trim  
boneless beef **\$2.99** LB.

**smoked sausages** **\$1.19** LB.

**hot links** **\$2.19** LB.

**Hormel entrees** **\$4.99** 17 oz.

**pepperoni** **\$2.39** 8 oz.

**Mama Rosa pizzas** **\$4.39** 14 oz. deluxe or pepperoni 7 pack 46.6 oz.

**hash browns** **\$1.29** 16 oz. 10 count

**Wright bacon** **\$4.99** 1.5 lb. each pack

**cheddar cheese** **\$2.99** 15 oz. 4 count

**stir fry dinners** **\$3.99** 15-22 oz.

**meat bologna** **89¢** 12 oz. 6 pack

**chili meat** **\$2.69** 16 oz.

**chuck tender roast** **\$2.49** 3 lb.

**chuck tender steak** **\$2.69** 16 oz.

**stew meat** **\$2.79** 16 oz.

**chili meat** **\$2.69** 16 oz.

**pork sparerib LITE** **\$2.59** 10 count

**pork ribs or pork steak** **\$1.59** 16 oz.

**sliced bacon** **69¢** 16 oz.

**franks** **69¢** 16 oz.

**leaf lettuce**  
romaine, red or green **79¢** EA.

**mushrooms** **2\$3** FOR

**cucumbers** **3\$1** FOR

**celery** **69¢** 12 oz. pkg.

**green beans** **\$2.99** 12 oz. pkg.

**potatoes** **.59¢** 12 oz. pkg.

**lemons or limes** **6\$1** FOR

**baking potatoes** **3\$1** FOR

**baby carrots** **\$1.99** 2 lb. pkg.

**Bole salad** **2\$4** FOR

**Personal Care**

**acetaminophen** **2\$3** FOR

**nasal spray** **2\$4** FOR

**petroleum jelly** **2\$3** FOR

**bottle liners** **2\$4** FOR

**hydrocortisone** **2\$4** FOR

**cough & cold** **2\$4** FOR

**digital thermometer** **\$2.49** each

**Chex Mix** **2/\$3** 8.75 oz.

**GROOM S & H GROCERY**  
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**Betty Crocker Microwave Pop Corn**  
3ct. **2/\$3.00**

**Chex Mix**  
8.75 oz. **2/\$3**



# The Groom News

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## Teams Play In District Competition

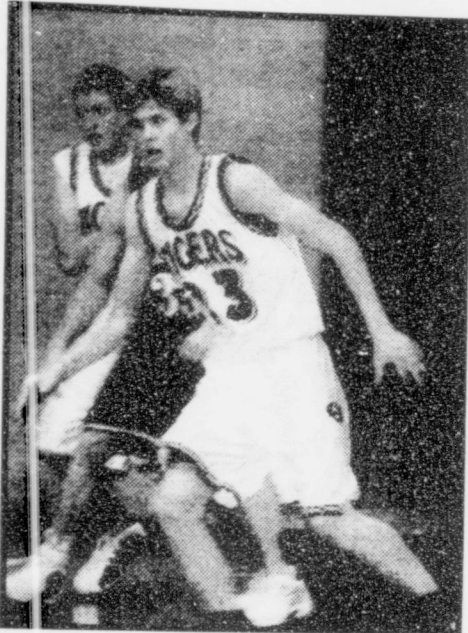
Groom High School basketball teams faced off with Hedley during the first full week of District play. In the girls match, Groom lost 34-66. Kacie Galyean earned 15 points as high point. Kyra Stevens added 10, Sherri Britten 6 and Carey Carter 3.

The boys bested the Hedley Owls 53-38. T. J. Moranic lead the Tigers to victory with 15 points. Chad Barkley added another 12 points and Thane 11. Blake Galyean contributed 5 points, Blaine Britten 4, Javier Caro 4 and Brandon Jenkins 2.

The Ettes came out roaring on Monday night and played one of the best games of the season. Kacie Galyean led the girls to victory by scoring a very impressive 30 points. Kyra Stevens added 9 and Michaela Roskens and Carey Carter each added 3. The Groom girls won the game 45-33.

In the boys competition, Groom was victorious 61-41. Thane Barkley was high point with 19. T. J. Moranic added another 15 points, while teammates Blake Galyean added 12, Chad Barkley 6, Blaine Britten 3 and Josh Kelly 3.

The Tigers and Ettes will face McLean, there, on January 20 and Silverton, there, on January 24.



## Jackie West Seeks Voters Consideration As A Candidate For Co. Judge

Jackie West is seeking election to the office of County Judge. She will be running for that office on the Democratic ticket. She is currently the only democratic candidate and will face the Republican incumbent candidate in the Nov. 2006 General Election...



"My name is Jackie West and I am one of two candidates for Carson County Judge. Our local elections are your opportunity to choose candidates who will represent the future of Carson County. I believe

in the citizens of Carson County and feel that you should always have a choice when choosing your elected officials. I have had the opportunity to be a part of Carson County government and intend to use my

experience to the best benefit of the taxpayers.

Any political candidate should be willing to be available for your questions and concerns. I

want to hear what you have to say and I will make myself available, at your convenience, to talk with you about my candidacy. I would greatly appreciate your consideration and your

vote for Jackie West for Carson County Judge."

Political Ad. - Paid by: Jackie West, P.O. Box 1042, Panhandle, TX 79068

## Groom E.D.C. To Grant Lots To New Business

Groom Economic Development Corporation

The Groom Economic Development Corporation held their regular monthly meeting on December 15, 2005. Attending were members Chris Welch, Joe Rae Richardson, Lisa Roskens, and Mary Sue Lyles. A visitor, Clay Merrell was present. Absent were board

members Rick Prather, Cecil Gwyn and Jamie Bowen.

During the open forum, the Secretary reported that the Jake Fehr's had sold their property and they had reimbursed the GEDC to obtain a clear title to the property. This canceled their contract with the GEDC for land assistance.

The matter of the Adams property land assistance contract has been sent to the attorney for an opinion about how to reclaim the lots that were deeded to the Adams. The finance company has removed the trailer and the Adams have left Groom and not

See GEDC, pg. 2

## Groom ISD Gets "Recognized" Rating On Annual District Report Card

Groom ISD received its annual Report Card and Accountability rating based on the 2004-2005 curriculum, testing and attendance. Groom students averaged mastering elements of the TAKS test higher than the state average and higher than schools of similar size and make up. Groom's attendance rates were higher than the state average (98.1%, compared to 95.7). 100% of Grooms seniors graduated in 2004

and 2003, compared to about 84% statewide.

As a school, 95% of all students passed the Reading part of the TAKS test, while the State average was only 83%. Groom was up from 2004 testing with 90% passing compared to 80% in the State.

In Mathematics, in 2005, Groom students who were tested averaged 90% passing compared to the state standard of 72%; in 2004 Groom passed

81% compared to 67% statewide.

In the Writing part of the tests, Groom passed 96% compared to the States 90%. In 2004, 99% of Groom students passed and 89% of the students in the state of Texas made a passing grade.

In 2005, for the Science part of the test, Groom passed 71% of all students, while 66% was the state standard. In 2004, 94% passed in

See REPORT, pg. 2

## Groom Community Calendar



**GROOM HIGH** School Basketball teams will play McLean, there, on Friday, January 20. They will play Silverton, there, on Tuesday, January 24.

**GROOM JR.** High basketball teams will play Kelton, here on Monday, January 23.

**AWANA's** will meet on January 22. Wear your AWANA T-Shirt!

**A TEACHER** in service day will be held at Groom ISD on January 20. No classes will be held and students will not attend.

**SPRING BREAK!** Is March 13-17 at Groom ISD.

**GIVE TO** the Groom Buyers Club to purchase Groom kids animals at the County Stock Show by contacting Tony Treadwell.

Tuesday's  
World Cotton  
Prices  
at  
Carson County  
Gin  
is  
43.5

Tuesday Prices  
at  
Arthur's Grain  
Co.  
Wheat 8.33 bu  
Milo 8.22 bu  
Corn 8.82 bu  
Soybeans 8.73 bu

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**ILL OR RECOVERING** Marcia Conrad's sister,  
 The following are ill Laura and Virginia Jones.  
 or recovering. Please remember them this week.

## Marshall Sherwood

ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 Is back in his Panhandle Office  
 Monday - Friday  
 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

"I invite all my Groom clients to call me in the Panhandle office for your legal concerns!"

Call 537-3591

## Local Happenings

### Card of Thanks

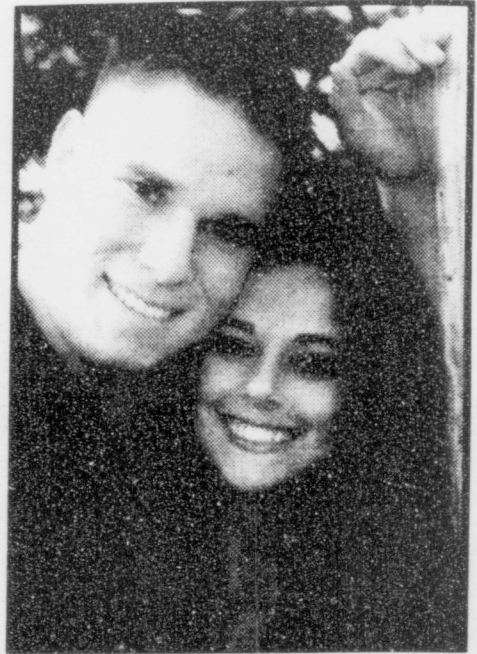
Mr. Stevens,  
 I want to thank you for your letter in last week's paper, giving a much needed pat on the back to teachers all over. They spend a lot more hours at their job than most realize. We love our job or would not be doing it.

Thank you again,  
 Retired White Deer Elementary Teacher after 34 years  
 Jean Miller

### Card of Thanks

I want to express my gratitude to the Armstrong County Sheriff's Department, the Claude, Panhandle, Groom Fire Departments and neighbors who helped extinguish the fire on my property last week.

Incidents like this make a person proud to live among the people of the Texas Panhandle.  
 Glen Conrad



*Shannon Mott & Nicholas Anthony To Wed In March*

Shannon Mott of Kingwood, TX and Nicholas Anthony of Roscoe, TX are engaged to be married on March 4, 2006 in the Beltway Park Baptist Church in Abilene, TX.

Shannon is the daughter of George and Sharon Mott of Kingwood, TX. Her grandparents are Sy and Joanne Smeltzer of Austin, and Mary Edwards of Dallas. Shannon graduated from Kingwood High School in 2001. She attended Abilene Christian University and has a

degree in Marketing. She is employed by Farmers Insurance in Abilene.

Nicholas is the son of Steve and Debbie Anthony of Roscoe, TX. He is the grandson of Johnny and Mary Brooks, of Groom; Dixie Anthony of Groom; and Bill and Betty Housley of Bellville, TX. He is a 2001 graduate of Roscoe High School and earned a degree in Exercise

Science, Pre-Physical Therapy from Abilene Christian University. He is employed by Action Sports Medicine and Physical Therapy.

## Birthday & Anniversaries

January 19 - Kecia Lea Mays, Alicia Marie Hosley, Danny Ashford.

January 20 - Mrs. A.J. Newsom, Larry Pool, Gary Parrish.

January 21 - Marcie Babcock, Howard Rose, Brenda Broom, Mrs. Stanley Anthony, Matthew Miller, Cari Weinheimer.

January 22 - Dixie Anthony, Alexander Chase Mayo, Stephany Fraser.

January 23 - E.W. Lamberson, Ed Gray.

January 24 - Joseph

L. Homer, Tyler Jordan Fraser.

January 25 - W.E. (Bill) Homer, Melanie Britten, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford W. Fraser (A).

## GEDC

made any effort to fulfill their portion of the contract.

Clay Merrell has applied for land assistance for 3 lots at 200 West Front St. that the GEDC owns. He is going to build a shop there for his business "Thermo Dynamic Insulation". Chris Welch moved and Lisa Roskens seconded the motion to offer a standard land contract to the Merrells to give Lots 4, 5, & 6 of Block 29, OT to Mr. Merrell for his business.

There were no suggestions for promotions.

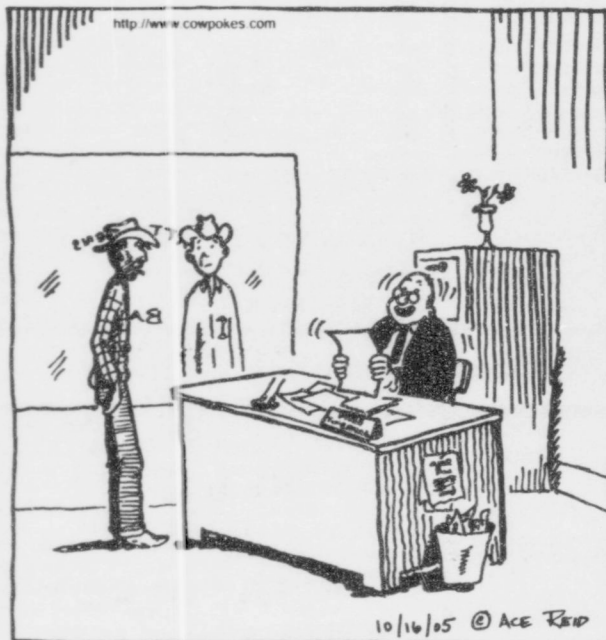
The minutes of the November meeting were reviewed and approved.

The financial statement was approved.

The next meeting of the GEDC will be tonight, Thursday, January 19, at 8:00 p.m.

## COW POKES

By Ace Reid



"Who says old Tufernal don't have a sense of humor... every time he sees my financial statement, he laughs!"

LAUGHTER is the BEST MEDICINE.

We hope you enjoy COWPOKES every week.

## STATE NATIONAL BANK

Member FDIC Groom, Texas 248-7531

Serving our community for 100 years.

## Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District

## 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

Friday, January 20, 2006

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

201 W. Third Street

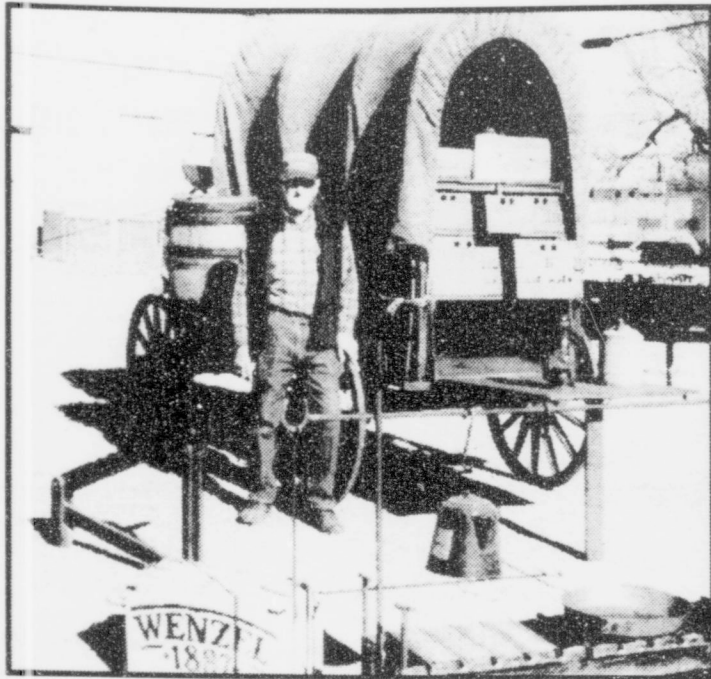
White Deer, Texas

Please join us for refreshments and reminiscing.



**Johnny Brumley  
Reconditions  
Chuckwagon For  
Houston Stock  
Show Display**

Johnny Brumley recently reconditioned a Prairie Schooner for Lone Star Productions. It will soon be on display at the Houston Livestock Show in The Reliant Exhibit Hall for the next 5 years. This wagon looks as if it just rolled in from a trail drive! Anyone who gets down there needs to take a picture for Johnny!



**Named To Dean's List**


Addi Aderholt of Groom was named to the Dean's List for the Fall semester at Clarendon College.

**DONITA DAVIS, CHIEF APPRAISER / TAX  
ASSESSOR & COLLECTOR, URGES CARSON  
COUNTY RESIDENTS TO PAY PROPERTY TAXES**

Property owners have until January 31 to pay their property taxes before incurring penalty and interest fees. Second statements are sent to remind property owners to pay their taxes. But starting February 1 property owners face a 7 percent fee added to their taxes they owe, plus an additional 2 percent each month they do not pay their taxes.

After July 1, delinquent accounts will be turned over to a tax attorney and an additional 20% will be added on top of the penalties and interest to pay for attorney fees. Delinquent taxpayers could also face a lawsuit in state district court. In order to avoid a lawsuit a pay agreement-contract to make monthly payments may be signed at my office, but if you miss one payment, the contract will be considered null and void.

Partial payments are accepted if you would like to divide your taxes in four payments, October through January. Taxpayers are still required to pay their taxes even though for some reason they did not receive a tax statement.

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**ALL A's**  
 4<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 McKenna Britten  
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 5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Kyler Barkley  
 Caleb Reyna  
 Anu Weinheimer  
 6<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Rebekah Roskens  
 7<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Samantha Clendennen  
 Michael Kelly  
 Haley Kuehler  
 Madalyn Wieberg  
 8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Ashley Murray  
 Jes Roskens  
 9<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Brett Friemel  
 Josh Kelly  
 10<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Chad Barkley  
 11<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Thane Barkley  
 Blaine Britten  
 Kacie Galyean  
 12<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Kyra Stevens  
**A-B HONOR ROLL**  
 3<sup>rd</sup> SIX WEEKS  
 4<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Brooklyn Kerlee  
 Caitlin Schuster  
 Vidal Ybarra  
 Brody Britten  
 5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Tanner Case

Sara Kelly  
 Macee Rocha  
 6<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Suhani Bhakta  
 Hali Bohr  
 Neva Corley  
 Taylor Fields  
 7<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Tanner Britten  
 Samantha Clendennen  
 Myles Friemel  
 Kassandra Graves  
 Jacob Torres  
 8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Tyler Babcock  
 Korri Britten  
 Tyler Case  
 Billy Corley  
 Ashley Evans  
 Virginia Froese  
 Alannah King  
 9<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Trent Britten  
 Kevin Finck  
 Blake Galyean  
 Benjamin Thompson  
 10<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Chad Barkley  
 Anthony Blackwell  
 Michaela Roskens  
 Kendall Weller  
 11<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Brandi Bates  
 Robin Burnett  
 Carey Carter  
 Brittany Kuehler  
 12<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Sharri Britten

## 1st SEMESTER HONOR ROLL ALL A

4<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 McKenna Britten  
 Megan Ruthardt  
 5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Kyler Barkley  
 Caleb Reyna  
 Sara Kelly  
 Macee Rocha  
 6<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Rebekah Roskens  
 7<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Michael Kelly  
 Madalyn Wieberg  
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 Brett Friemel  
 Joshua Kelly  
 10<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Chad Barkley  
 Michaela Roskens  
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 Blaine Britten  
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 Kyra Stevens

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 Stephanie Henson  
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 Brandi Bates  
 Robin Burnett  
 Carey Carter  
 12<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Sharri Britten  
 Javier Caro



# Groom Cubs & Ettes Earn Double Wins

Groom Junior High earned a pair of wins last week as they faced off with Samnorwood.

In the girls match up, Groom maintained control over a very close game and won 29-23. Rebekah Roskens was high point, with 9. Ashley Murray and Maddie Wieberg contributed 7 points each. Alannah King added

another 3, Virginia Froese 2 and Korri Britten 1.

In the boys game, Groom out distanced the Eagles 46-32. Eric Torres scored 23 points for the Groom Cubs. Jacob Torres scored another 12. Tyler Case and Michael Kelly each scored 4 points. Shane King added another 2 points and Tyler Babcock 1.

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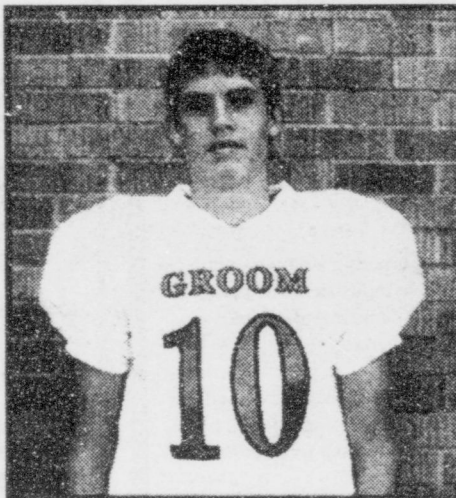
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# GROOM ISD SPORTS

## Thane Barkley Named For Football Honors



Groom Tiger Thane Barkley has been the recipient of several accolades as of late. The High School junior is the second son of Mr. & Mrs. Keith Barkley. He was recently named to the Six-Man All-Region Team as a Punter. He was also named to the 2005 Six-Man Golden Spread Team, also as a punter. He averaged 45 yards per punt this season with two kicks of more than 60 yards.

Thane was also named Honorable Mention in the Six-Man Illustrated All-America Team. Congratulations to Thane and all the team on a wonderful season!

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## Groom School Menus

WEEK OF JAN. 23-27

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Monday - Cold cereal, muffins, juice and milk.

Tuesday - Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice and milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast burritos, hash brown potatoes, juice and milk.

Thursday - Biscuits, gravy, juice, and milk.

Friday - Do-nuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, and milk.

Launch

Monday - Soft Tacos,

corn, lettuce, tomatoes, milk and yogurt

Tuesday - Chicken Nuggets, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, mild and chocolate cake.

Wednesday - Chili cheese dogs, tater tots, pickle spears, peaches and milk

Thursday - Enchiladas, Spanish rice, lettuce and tomatoes, pineapple, chips and milk.

Friday - Pizza, salad, applesauce, crackers, and milk.

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#### In Memory of

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#### In Memory of

*Nettie Fields*

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#### In Memory of

*Ray Morris*

Luella T. Childs

R.R. Copley

Ted Bell

Violet Tubb

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*Bulah Shockly*

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**WHO QUALIFIES FOR AN EXEMPTION?** Anyone who owned a home on January 1 (and used it as a primary residence on that date) is entitled to a \$15,000 homestead exemption to lower school taxes this year...and it doesn't matter if your home is a house, condominium or mobile home. (Counties, cities and special taxing districts may also offer homestead exemptions.)

**ARE OTHER EXEMPTIONS AVAILABLE?** If you're disabled - or if you're 65 years old or older - you are entitled to additional \$10,000 school tax exemption on your home. And if you qualify for the over-65 exemption, you're also entitled to a permanent, locked-in "ceiling" on the school property taxes on your home. (The ceiling does not apply to county or city property taxes, and those entities may offer other exemptions.) The over-65 homeowner's exemptions and school tax ceiling transfers to the surviving spouse, if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of death and lives in and owns the home. Over-65 homeowners (or their surviving spouses 55 years of age or older) also may transfer the percentage of school tax paid, based on their former home's over-65 school tax ceiling, to a new home.

**DO I HAVE TO APPLY EACH YEAR?** No. If you had a homestead exemption on your home in 2005, you won't need to reapply for 2006 unless your chief appraiser requires it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your present home - or if you moved to a new home - you'll need to file for an exemption for 2006. If you are 65 this year, you may file for the over-65 exemption up to one year after the date you turned 65. And if you became disabled during 2005, you need to file for the disabled person's exemption.

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## Board Offers Superintendent Stevens A One Year Contract

The Groom School Board of Trustees met on January 12, 2006. In attendance were Clifton Britten, Tony Rocha, Tony Britten, Kathleen Barkley, Curtis Downs.

After a prayer by Mr. Stevens, the meeting was called to order by President Clifton Britten. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved with a correction in the start time.

During open forum, Mr. Stevens discussed the new rules concerning the Open Meetings Act training. Clifton Britten informed the board members of issues concerning the pig barns and cleared up issues concerning the property line and survey. Mrs. Barkley discussed problems with the feeders and having them properly secured to the barn.

A report on the the TEA School report card was discussed and approved.

Mr. Stevens discussed

the budget analysis with the school board.

The Board went into executive session at 7:36 to discuss Superintendent's evaluation and contract. The Board returned to open session at 9:15.

A one year contract was approved for the superintendent with a base pay of \$65,000 with a \$400 a month housing allowance and \$400 a month travel allowance

and \$50 a month for cell phone.

In the Superintendent's report, Mr. Stevens discussed the following items:

- The recent purchase of a battery backup for the servers and routers in Groom ISD.

- The mandated 3 year asbestos inspection of Groom ISD.

- The purchase of an industrial carpet cleaner

for Groom ISD.

- The need to apply for an early start waiver for the 2006-2007 school year.

- A multi-hazard emergency plan and wellness policy for the school.

The board walked around the school building and looked at the carpet condition.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:36

## County Commissioners Approve Request To Bore Under Road

The Carson County Commissioners Court met on January 9<sup>th</sup> with the following members present: Jude Lewis Powers, Mike Britten, Kenneth Ware, Jerry Strawn, and Kevin Howell.

Minutes of the January 3 meeting were read and approved with a

correction concerning the an employees' resignation/retirement.

A request from W.R. Williams, Inc. to bore under Co. Rd. Y and Highway 153 was approved with a change, from PVC pipe to steel conduit.

The Commission was reminded that the Carson

County Junior Livestock

Show will be held on January 19-21.

Approximately 83% of all county taxes have been paid according to the Tax Assessor's Office.

The Commissioners adjourned until January 23, 2006.



January 5, 2006 thru January 28, 2006

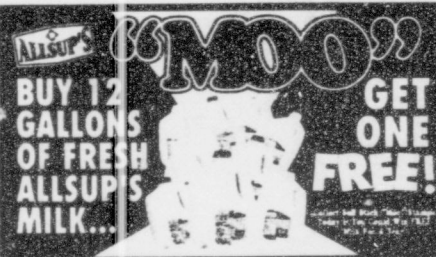
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