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Harper, Brown, Stewart and Cooper Win Pageant Crowns



Rudy Rodriguez. 1" Runner-Up; Lynda Fortune, 2nd Runner-Up; and Haylea Harper. Junior Miss McLean 2006



Jacie Ketcherside, 2nd Runner-Up; Molly Stewart, Little Miss McLean; and Shelby Adams, 1st Runner-Up

Reminders

PIONEER STUDY Club will meet on March

MARCH 17 - Saint Patrick's Day.

GIRL SCOUT TEA -March 26 at the Church of Christ Annex. PRAY FOR RAIN!!

SPRING BREAK -March 13 - 17

DEADLINE TO Sign up for School Board or City Council - March 13. The Little Miss McLean pageant was held on March 5 in the high school auditorium.

Four divisions were held with a new division being added this year for the toddler age called the Sweet Peas.

In the Sweet Pea division, Kinzie Cooper was crowned. Gabrielle Wells won first runner-up and Jada Jones won second runner-up.

Others competing in



Whitney Hambright, 1" Runner-Up; Lexus Brown, Little Princess; and Martiza Retana, 2nd Runner-Up.

this category were Riley Richardson, Aubrye Armbrister, Haylie

Hembree, Jurnee Bailey, Hope Moon, Clare Long, Stormi Ketcherside and Trinity Hambright.

Trinity Hambright.
In the Little Princess division, Lexus Brown won the crown. Whitney Hambright won first runner-up and Maritza Retana won second runner-up.

Others competing were Laren Richardson, Saralyn Richardson, Shaylynn McDonald, Samantha Long, Chelsie Jasper, Whitney Davis, Jacey Bailey and Ariel Michalenko.

Molly Stewart took home the crown in the Little Miss McLean division. Shelby Adams won first runner-up and Jacie Ketcherside won second runner-up.

Other participating in this division were Starlette Lee Herrara, Camrynn Richardson, Shelby Passmore, Shanteia McDonald, Dezeray Blaylock, Tristan Davis, Kayla Lewis, Jordan Cox and Miranda McMordie.



Kinzie Cooper holds the balloons and stuffed animal that she received for winning the title of "Sweet Pea" in the Little Miss McLean Pageant.

In the Junior Miss McLean division, Haylea Harper won the title and crown. First runner-up was won by Rudy Rodriquez and Lynda Fortune won second See Pageant, pg. 10 McLean Birthdays & Anniversaires

March 9 - Clyde and

Karen Brown (A).

March 10 - Jason
Ketcherside, Elizabeth Martin

March 11 - Barbara Richards Bentley, Valerie Bradley, Wilbur Lee

March 12 -

March 13 - Maudine Rutherford, Cheyenne Collins, Missie Richardson.

March 14 - Rita Jo Crockett, Lynn Swanson, Brent Green, Lori Hefley, Joshua Watson.

March 15 - Grace Glenn, Gaylia Long, Brad



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Local Obituary

JOANE (BULLARD) LEATHERS - 78, passed away on March 4, 2006 in McLean, Texas.

Service will be held on Saturday, March 11, 2006 at the First Baptist Church of McLean with Pastor Raymond officiating. Burial will be at Citizen's Cemetary in Clarendon, Texas under

the direction of Bailey-Ware Funeral Home.

Joane Bullard born January 21, 1928 at Lelia Lake, Texas to Jay and Vera Bullard. married Joe Roberts Leathers on December 25, 1943 at Lelia Lake. They were married 56 years until he passed away in 2000

Mrs. Leathers farmed with her husband for may

years at Leila Lake. She was the church secretary at First Baptist Church in Clarendon and she also owned a flower shop for a few years.

She is survived by one daughter. Beverly Hood of Savoy, Texas; two sons, Wayne Leathers and wife Amanda of McLean, Texas and Joe Lynn Leathers and wife Louise of Panhandle, Texas; eight grandchildren, Kelly Warlick, Wes Hood, Brandon Leathers, Jennifer Hardman, David Leathers, Jonathan Leathers, Sarah Leathers Jonathan and Anna Leathers: and nine great-grandchildren.

The family request memorials be made to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, Texas

Pioneer Study Club Hears From Co. Extension Agent **About Antique Buttons**

The Pioneer Study Club met Thursday, March 2 at Elizabeth's. Hostess Barbara Bode served cheesecake with strawberries.

Those in attendance were Babe Brown, Jerry Corbin, Janet Glass, Mickey Jackson, Zelda McClellan, Betty Morgan,

Emma Pechtel, Mindy Reeves, Pat Stubbs, Ticie Taylor, Ruth Trew, Rosa Troy, Nama Webb, Mary Lou Glass, Wanda Lamb, Ruth Magee and Shirley Ennis.

Members answered roll call by showing or

telling of a special garment that someone had

Mindy Reeves was in charge of the program. She introduced Joan Gray-Soria, Gray County Extension Agent who presented a very interesting program on antique buttons. After the presentation, several members showed their button collection or special buttons.

The next meeting will March 16 Elizabeth's with Mary Lou Glass as hostess and Mary Dwyer in charge of the program.

The McLean Girl Scouts Celebrate Thinking Dav

The McLean Girl Scouts elebrated International Thinking Day in a very special way this year.

The girls and their

leaders met at the Church of Christ for a day of fun and learning on Wednesday afternoon, February 22

Each Troop selected a country and presented a program sharing information about their particular country. The girls learned how different countries conduct Scouting. how it began and what their laws and pledges include.

Wanda Lamb, leader of the Daisy Troop, presented a program on Russia. She shared pictures and souvenirs she brought back from a trip she took with her husband Creed. The children especially enjoyed the nesting dolls she had on

Betty Morgan shared information about London. The girls had a great time learning about the different names people in England call every day objects. Betty gave everyone a taste of "fish and chips" which is fish sticks and french fries.

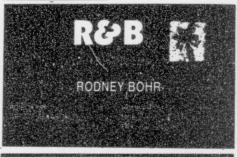
Nama Webb, leader of the Brownies, gave a program on China. The girls enjoyed having a Chinese New Year parade which included dragons, drums, and jumping rope the same as is done in China. The girls also got to sample delicious egg drop soup and learned to eat rice with chop sticks, Ella Mae Reyna shared a program on Colombia. She gave a history on Scouting in Colombia and spoke of her trip to that country, sharing differences in culture. The girls sampled empanadas, a Colombian lunch treat.

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Pre-K -Levi Johnston, K- Whitney Davis, 1st -Joshua Watson, 2nd- Nathan Lewis, 3rd - Jose Keever, 4th - Daniel Altis, 5th - Stormy Manns, 6th - Jace McLain, 7th - Sami Staton, 8th - Alexis Menefield

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2006 All District Basketball Players Named



Jacob Tolleson received Honorable Mention for the 2006 Basketball Season in All-District.



John Haynes prepares for a three point shot that helped him receive 1" Team All-District in the '06

All-District The players for the 2006 basketball season have been announced. According to Coach Benji Hausen and Coach Herring, three MHS Herring, three MHS players have made All-

On the Lady Tigers Menefieild made the First team in All-District. She was a started for the Lady Tigers and played her final games of the season a knee injury



Markeisha earned a spot on 1ⁿ Team All-District by using moves like this in her senior year basketball

Markeisha is a senior at McLean High School.

John Haynes also made First team All-District for the Tigers. John is a junior at McLean High School. John helped led the Tigers to many of their victories

with his three point shots. Jacob Tolleson made Honorable Mention for the All-District team. Jacob

is also a junior at MHS. Jacob also used his three point shots and his freethrow abilities to led the Tigers to some of their

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MCLEAN GOLF SCHEDULE Feb. 27-28 Wellington

March 6 Clarendon March 20-21 Shamrock April 3 Pampa (District)

Tennis

April 11-13 Amarillo (District

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Tiger Track Schedule

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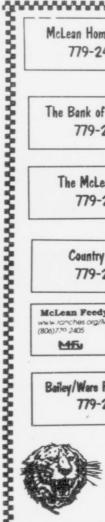
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Local Gymnast Jacie Ketcherside Travels To Muleshoe For Competition

Jacie Ketcherside of McLean traveled to Muleshoe on March 4, 2006 to compete in gymnastic competition.

She received second place in Tumbling and second place in Double Mini. She placed fourth in Trampôline.

Jacie is the daughter of Jason and Wendi Ketcherside and is in the fourth grade at McLean Elementary.

Tigers & Lady Tigers Win 1st & 2nd In Clarendon Invitational Golf Tournament



The McLean High boys and girls golf teams competed in the Wellington Golf Invitational February 27° and 28°

The boys finished in 7° place out of 13 area teams with a score of 406. Zach Richardson led the way with a 90, followed by John Haynes with a 96. Logan Sparling 102. Matt Applewhite 118, and Jessie Parks with a 129.

On the girls side Carrie Thompson took 17th place out of 45 competitors with a 115. Erin Bailey in 27th place with a 124, and Arely Vega in 40° place with a 146

"I thought the kids hit the ball well considering it was their first tournament of the year. I feel both of our teams can contend for the district title this year but we need to take it a step further this year and contend at the regional level, and to do that we need to bring team scores down around the 350's" stated. Coach Herring "We are a young team so we can improve each tournament".

On March 6. The Tigers and Lady Tigers competed

in the Clarendon Invitational tournament with the Lady Tigers finishing in first place, shooting a 446.

Lindsey Ruiz led the Lady linksters with a 107 followed by Carrie Thompson with 111. Erin Bailey with a 113. Brooke Seymour with a 115 and Tamara Loya with a 127.

The boys team did a great job, finishing in second place shooting a 394

Zach Richardson led the way for the Tiger team carding a 90 followed by Logan Sparling with a 94, Anthony Ruiz 100, Matt Applewhite 110 and Jessie Parks with a 115

"Congratulations to both teams for representing our school in such a great tashion." stated Coach Herrory

The golfers next tournament is March 20th and 21th in Shamrock.

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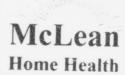
runner-up

Others participating were Britnie Cooper, Rena Smith, Casey Graham, Kelsey Ramirez. Patricia Soto, Nancy Castillo and Sierra McDonald.

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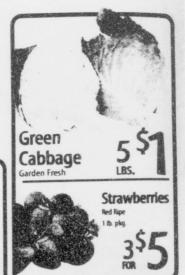
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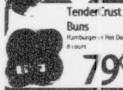


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Incumbents File For Place On Ballot







Tony Rocha

Residents of the City of Groom and GISD wanting fair-minded, community orientated individuals to serve them. Those interested in the city and school decision-making process have until Monday, March 13 at 5:00 p.m. to file for a place on the ballot.

See Ballot, pg. 5



Don Case



Ellis Stapp

County Precinct 1 To Purchase New Tractor

The Carson County aissioners Court met on February 27 with the following members present: Judge Lewis present: Judge Lewis Powers; Commissioners Mike Britten, Kenneth Ware, Jerry Strawn, and Kevin Howell. Minutes from the February 13, 2006 meeting were read and approved. Claims were reviewed and paid.

Britten missioner Precinct 1 asked the court to authorize him to sign the contract and a note with the State National Bank of Groom to finance a tractor. The motion was approved. He also reported that he sold a tractor for \$35,236.00 and asked the Court to put the

money back in his budget to be used for the down paym nt on the new tracto purchased. This

metio i was also approved. The Court discussed a land purchase to aid in closing a railroad crossing. Judge Powers asked the Court to authorize him to sign a contract with the second The motion

Jo hn Paul Dauer, Mark McKierman, John Wimlerly and Bill Gray were in court representing the McClellan Creek Soil and Water Conservation District. Mr. Wimberly presented the court with the District's annual John Paul Dauer thank ed the court for past

and present support. Their report was approved.

Justice of the Peace Precinct 1. Bill Hinson addressed the Court and asked that both of his employees be changed to full time/part time with waiving insurance one benefit and to set both hourly rates at \$9.51 per The motion pass with one vote against with motion from Commissioner Howell.

Sheriff Terry asked the Court to approve his rehiring Olivia Gonzales effective March 15, 2006 at the salary of \$22,280.76 (25D). The motion was approved. The Sheriff also asked the court to approve his appointment of Chad Johnson as a

reserve deputy. request was approved. He also presented a report on Racial Profiling. commented that there had been no complaints in 2005

Celeste Bichsel. County and District Clerk presented the Court with a letter that she received from the Department of Justice in response to the County's Pre-clearance Report regarding changes in polling places and use of a new voting system.

Bichsel asked the court to allow her and Judge Powers to sign contracts between the county, school districts and cities to lease voting machines so they will compliance with the Help See COUNTY, pg. 5 LATE ELECTION RESULTS...

Local election results as of press-time showed David Swinford maintaining a constant lead over challenger Annette Carlisle for state representative in the Republican Party. The winner of this race will take the seat due to no Democratic challengers. The district includes Carson, Sherman, and Amarillo part of Potter County. Swinford is known for his ag leadership in Austin.

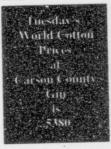
As of Carson County Treasurer's race, Virgil Frick (305), outgained the other 3 candidates Denise Salzbrenner(274), Leasha Hobbs(186), and Veronica Willburn (120). Frick or Salzbrenner will face Democratic candidate Dea Schrogeneral election after their April 11 run-off.

Community Calendar

RED HAT Society Women of Groom will meet on March 21 at the Route 66 Steakhouse at 6:30 p.m..

GROOM UIL Competitors will attend the District Meet in Miami on March 21.

THE NEXT AWANA's meeting will be on March 26, due to Spring Break. That night will be Camouflage night. Wear all your camouflage clothes



GROOM LION'S Club will host a Buffet benefit Luncheon to Groom's Summer Program for Kids on April 9th from 11:30 - 1:00 p.m. at the Groom Community Center. Keep watching the Groom News for more details!

CARSON COUNTY Storm Spotter Training will be held on Mar. 20. See the ad on page 2 and story on page 3 for more











room Athletes Named Ail-District

Groom High School Athletic Department is pleased to announce that our High School

Basketball teams have some athletes that have been selected for the All-Junior District Teams.

Thane Barkley and Sophomore T.J. Moraniec were named to the first All-District AllStars. Both athletes have helped the Tigers have a successful season. Thane See ALL-DISTRICT, pg. 4

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Local Happenings

Paul Britten.

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"I was in the army from

June 1951 thru January 1953. I was an Instructor in the Sound and Flash Dept. at that time. It was new for the army and our headquarters were 12 men squad tents." Paul Britten, Lawton, Oklahoma



Riley Lynn New In Larson Home Residents Who Are III or Recovering

Kenzi and Brandon Larson would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Riley Lynn, on February 17, 2006. She weighed 6 lbs. and was 19 inches long. Both of her parents attended Bradley Classes, and she was delivered naturally by Cherie Boettcher, C.N.M., at the Dallas Birth and Women's Center.
Grandparents are Holly
Burger of Taos, NM, Lynn
and Ken Burger of Groom,
Irena Engels of
Doylestown, PA, and
Gordon Larson of
Boundbrook, NJ. Greand
grandparents are Joyce and
Ralph Hutsell of Groom
and Donna and Dean
Burger of Pampa.

Carson County
Historical Commission's
Annual Meeting will be
held Monday, March 13,
2006 at approximately 8:00
p.m. immediately following
the meeting of the Board
Trustees of the Carson
County Square House
Museum in the Hazlewood
Education Building of the
Square House Museum, 5th
and Elsie Streets in

Reports of the 2005 program will be made, and programs and projects for 2006 will be discussed according to Mogie R. McCray, chairman of the Carson County Historical Commission.

Historical commission meetings are open meetings.

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Birthday & Anniversaries

March 9 - Pam Ashford. March 10 - Karla

March 10 - Karla Koetting. March 11 - Mr. and

Mrs. R.G. Weller (A).

March 12 - Janeita

Hudson, Karen Brown,

Toby Burgin, Krisanne

Davis, Amy Weinheimer, Rachael Hopkins. March 13 - Julia

McGee.

March 14 - Leo
Britten, Blake Barnett,
W.E. (Bill) Britten, Mr.
and Mrs. Terrell Britten
(A)

Please help us keep the Birthday List up to date. Call 248-7333 with additions or changes!

The following are ill or recovering. Please remember them this week. Mika Lamberson, Norris Hoyt, and Jesse Baker.

If you know someone

who should be on this list, please contact us at the News Office, with the families permission, of course.



STORM SPOTTER TRAINING

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we in these positions.

The Groom News can say this election year even the State House of Representative candidates visited are as well as all the candidates for the county seat jobs. To us, this says the candidates are very much interested in us as ever before. We appreciate their visits and outlooks for on, Gray and Armstrong Counties.

Now, we prepare for the runoff election in May for the runoff election race. Also, we now turn our heads toward the local elections of the city

Lastly, I must mention an interesting quo e from our good giend and superintendent of Claude Schools, Mr. Bill Wood.

Bir. Wood writes a very good weekly, informative column in

The Claude News. Mr. Wood is about to retire from Audication after 40 years and we are going to miss him.

But he pretty much summed it up recently in his article to

urage folks to file for the school board races. And I feel ast of us in the public eye can understand just what he aens when he says, "I have had the opportunity to hear complaints over many interesting topics. I have been ow to fix things, unfix things, what decisions I should is and what decisions I shouldn't have made. I have the told when to jump, how high to jump, how far to jump, to ensuitines to just jump. I have been told which coach are and which coach to fire and what to it sy and what not save and white to continues to say that this tells me there are many age who have opinions about what is right and wrong in school system and there are people that feel they could see some good changes to help our kids with the scalional process, if elected you will have the opportunity set echool policy, set the tax rate, and work with the good is in this community to get a good echodics. s in this community to get a good education.



Marcie Britten & Barrett Ingram To Wed In April

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Britten of Groom, Texas are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Macie Anne Britten to Barrett

Robertson Ingram.

Ingram is the son of Elizabeth Seay Glenn of Shreveport, Louisiana and the late, Dickie Glenn Ingram of Amarillo, TX.

The couple plan to wed April 29th at Immaculate Heart of Mary

SPRING BREAK at Groom ISD will be March

Catholic Church, Groom,

The bride-elect is a graduate of Texas Tech University and is a Child Protective Specialist for the State of Texas

the Service Training Coordinator for ASCO Equipment, Inc. Lubbock.

GROOM ISD's National Honor Society will hold their annual induction of new members and installation of officers on March 20.

CARD OF THANKS

Our sincerest thanks to all who have sent Norris their thoughts and prayers during his illness. many cards and visits

lighten our spirits and brought comfort to us all. We still have a few more bridges to cross, but all is looking well. A special thank you to a couple of real angels... Venita Hickey and Leigh Ann Hopkins. You are wonderful!

God Bless You All, Norris Hoyt & Family

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The prospective groom is of Austin, TX. He is

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The Groom News

Public Notice of Meeting

Groom ISD will hold a regular monthly School Board meeting on March 16th at 7:00 p.m. in the school administration office. There will be a public forum starting at 7:00 p.m. to take public opinion on the option of an early start date for the 2006-2007 school year. TEA has set the start date for next year on August 21st. Groom ISD would like to start on August 17th so that we will not go into June to complete the year.

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Emergency Management will be hosting Storm Spotter training. The training will be held on Monday, March 20, 2006 from 7:00 p.m. till 9:00 p.m. at the War Memorial Building located at 500 Main Street in Panhandle.

Steve Drillette, of The Amarillo National Weather Service will be conducting the training. Steve Drillette states, "Once again, this year's program has improved based on input we received from you.

are part of this year's program. We conduct training beginning in mid-February and continue through April. We strongly encourage Skywarn groups to receive training every year, but if you did not receive training last year, it is critical this year."

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Groom Boy Scouts Enjoy Indoor Camp-Out At Community Center



Groom Boy Scouts, pack 429 had a great time recently on an overnight indoor camp-out at Groom's Community Center.

The scouts hand made their own pizza just the way they want it. Troop Master and District Program Chair is Tim Hart. He is being assisted by Cody Schaffer.

This is just one of the many things scouts do. They are looking forward to a very educational, challenging, and fun year. Any one interested in joining or helping with the boys can come to the Community Center at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday or call Tim Hart for more information. The boys will not meet during Spring Break.



(Above) Devin Kerlee considers a future of making pizzas for a living as he finds patting out the dough a little more difficult than it looks. (Far Left) These "dough boys" have a lot of fun at their boy scout indoor comp out.

All-District

Averaged 14.5 points, 8 rebounds and 3 assists per game. T.J. Moraniec averaged 15.4 points, 7 rebounds and 2.5 blocks per game.

Senior Kyra Stevens and Junior Kacie Galycan were both named to the All-District team as Honorable Mention. Kyra averaged 11 points per game, earned 6 rebounds, 1 steal, 1 assist and earned 75% accuracy from the Free Throw line and 40% on Field Goals.

Kacie averaged 14 points per game with 8 rebounds, 2 steals, 2 assisted and was 73% accurate on Free Throws and 41% on Field Goals. She also had a 30% accuracy rate on 3 Pointers.

All Groom's Athletes have made valuable contributions to the teams this year. The Coaching staff has stated on numerous occasions that they are pleased with the outcome of this years efforts and are looking forward to the future. Congratulations to these Athletes for the acclaim they have brought to our

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	March 7	Lefors	JH
l	March 8	Lefors	HS
l	March 31	Miami	JH
	April 1	Miami	HS
	April 4	District @ Lefors	JH
	April 7	District @ Panhar	ndle HS
	April 12	Area	HS

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March 27 & 29 Groom Tennis Meet
April 11 District Tennis Meet
April 13 District Tennis Meet

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Christian Mothers Elect Officers

Christian Mothers March meeting was held in the home of Linda Bohr. Karen Fields and Donna Barnett were the esses. Laura Kuchler did some checking for a disposal and dishwasher for the kitchen. It was decided to tackle the

Community Prayer

Service went over very well. There was a good turnout from all the churches in the community.

74 individuals were served for the Spring Fling. The meals wa very good and a wonderful time was had by all.

A report was given in regards to the deanery

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meeting that was held in Panhandle on March 4th.

Further discussion was held in regard to the Parish Library. A request will be put in the bulletin for volunteers to build shelves.

A decision was made not to hold a Senior Pizza Supper as was in the past, but to take them out to eat.

Donna Barnett volunteered to get the Easter "No Bake" Bake Sale letters out.

A decision was made to donate funds to the Teen Youth Ministries for their Spring Break Ski Trip and the Spring Youth Rally in Amarillo.

Michelle Bohr presented the slate of officers for the 2006 through 2008 term. President Debbie Ollinger, 1st Vice President Michelle Bohr, 2nd Vice President Marla Britten, 3rd Vice President Wymath Britten, Secretary Mari Treadwell, Treasurer Shari Koetting, and Reporter Susan

The meeting was closed with a prayer and refreshments were served.

SAVE THE DATE! Alpha Mu Xi will host their annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 9th. Keep watching the Groom News for more details.

Ballots Needing Filled By Mon., March 13 For Election

Serving the munity as a member of the Groom ISD School Board or on the Groom City Council is both an honor and a challenge. The community is looking for fair minded people who are interested in the future of our school and town to serve. Those interested have until Monday March 13 to file for a place on the ballot.

Requirements include that potential candidates have resided in the district or town for 6 months or more. Two places on the Groom School Board of Trustees will be up for grabs. Incumbents Tony Britten and Tony Rocha have both filed for a place on the ballot. Tony the ballot. Britten has served 3 terms of office, Tony Rocha, 1 term and is currently the Secretary of the Board.

On the City Council, Don Case and Ellis Stapp have both filed for re-

County

The America Vote Act. request was approved.

Bichsel also asked the Court to appoint Brittany Hicks to work in the Central County Station for the March 7, 2006, Primary Election. She reported that Veronica Willburn currently holds the position and because she is a contested candidate in the upcoming election she should not be present for the counting of ballots. The appointment was approved.

One line-item transfer was considered. The County and District Clerk asked to transfer \$300.00 from Recording and Indexing to Repairs. The request was approved.

Brandie Hefner, Justice of the Peace, Pct. 4, told the court that her assistant worked forty-two hours election. There is also an unexpired term that was held by Doug Kling to be filed, so three places will be decided on the City Council.

For those interested in running, an application may be obtained from the City of Groom office or from the Business office at Groom ISD. The

application must be completed including being notarized by close of business on Monday. Due to the Spring Break holiday, there will not be a notary available at the school on Monday, March Potential School Baard candidates should keep that in mind if they plan to file on Monday.





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over her schedule because of moving. She asked the Court to find some alternate source to pay for the extra time. The overtime will come out of capital improvements. The request was affirmed.

Treasurer Jeannie Cunningham presented the Court with her January report which was approved.

A discussion was held

concerning the purchase of caliche for Precinct 2. Commissioner Ware asked that the Court allow him to sign a contract on behalf of the county for the purchase. The request was approved.

The meeting was adjourned until March 13. (All votes are unanimous unless otherwise mentioned).

NOTICE OF MEETING

The Texas Department of Transportation will host an Informational Meeting On March 7, 2006 concerning the planning on future projects.

This informational meeting is held to explain how the depertment plans transportation projects. We would like to receive the public's input regarding the current Transportation Improvement Plan.

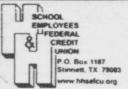
The meeting will be Tuesday, March 7, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. It will be located at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, 200 N. Bellard, in the M.K. Brown Room, Pampe, Texas.

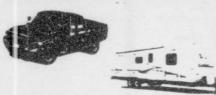
The meeting will cover transportation plans for all areas of the Panhandle and the city of Amerillo: An overall view of the planning process will be presented, as well as the criteria used for selecting individual projects. Draft versions of current transportation plans will be presented at the meeting.

The public is invited to speak regarding projects currently planned or any additional projects that might be proposed. Speakers will be limited to five minutes. Verbal and written comments from the public regarding any project may be submitted at the meeting. Written statements and other exhibits may be submitted to the District Office at 5715 Carryon Drive (P.O. Box 7368) Amarillo, Texas 79114-7368. Comments must be received no later than March 17, 2006.

All interested citizens are invited to attend this public meeting. Persons interested in attending. the meeting whom have special communication or accommodation needs are oncouraged to contact Cheryl Luther at 806.356.3249. TxDOT will make entry reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.







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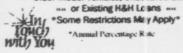
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47th Annual Sausage Supper To Be Held

Saint Francis
parishioners are making
preparations for their 47th
Annual Sausage Dinner
on Sunday, March 12,
according to Bernice and
Danny Detten, Sausage
Dinner chairmen.

The Sausage Diliner has undergone an evolution over the past 47 years, as has Saint Francis Church. Sausage dinners began in the 1930s as a way for the parish to raise funds to keep the little community church alloat during the depression and dust bowl years.

In 1959, the ladies of the parish rejuvenated the

Port Aransa Asse

idea of a Saint Francis Sausage Dinner. The sausage was served as patties, but was not well received and the idea of serving link sausage was

Throughout the 1960s, parishioners gathered at neighboring farms to process their home-raised hogs into sausage for the dinner. Three hogs were butchered that first year, but as the popularity of the dinner increased into the 1970s, the parish found itself unable to accommodate the demand. In 1972, the parish hired a meat processor to make

the sausage using the "secret recipe". The late John and Theresa Leven of Saint Francis originated the sausage-seasoning recipe. That recipe is still used today, with only a few parishioners knowing the correct combined ingredients. Eades' Custom Meats of Amarillo is responsible for the processing and making of the 3,500 pounds of sausage which will be cooked and served during the March 12th

The menu consists of traditional or smoked German sausage, fresh mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, sauerkraut, homemade bread and peach cobbler. Tickets will be sold at the door. Adults tickets are \$8, children \$4 with ages 6 and under eating free. Take-out dinners are also available for \$8 each.

The Country Store, hosted by the Saint Francis Christian Mother's organization is also a big draw during the dinner. The Country Store always promises the very best in homemade goods with many parish women baking as many as 100 loaves of homemade bread

as well as cookies, cakes, pies and other palatable delights. Handcrafted items can also to be found within the boundaries of the Country Store.

A silent auction will also be held during the dinner. Several items have been donated for auction and will be on display with bidding taking place throughout the day.

the day.
"We hope everyone will

come out and join us again this year. If you have never attended the dinner, come on out and enjoy the wonderful food and fellowship at Saint Francis," said Detten.

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PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS! "RENDER" YOUR TAXABLE PROPERTY BY APRIL 15TH.

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Sunday, March 12, 2006

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State law now requires the filing of a rendition declaring types of business personal property you owned or controlled on January 1 of this year. Failure to file will result in a 10% penalty. If a fraudulent rendition is filed, a 50% penalty is mandated. The rendition form is available at the Carson County Appraisal District.

WHO MUST FILE A RENDITION? You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income —such as the inventory and equipment used by a business.

ARE THERE ANY ADVANTAGES TO YOU? Yes, the advantages of filing a rendition are:

- You give your opinion of your property's value. If the appraisal district believes the value is higher, it must notify you in writing of the higher value and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.
- You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your texes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.

You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 2005. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 2006.

WHAT'S THE DEADLINE? The last day for filing 2006 renditions is April 15. Call the appraisal district for the last date the rendition may be postmarked, if mailing. You can get an extra 15 days if you ask for it in writing by the April 15 deadline.

WHERE DO YOU FILE? File renditions at the:

CARSON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT 102 S Main PO Box 970 Panhandle TX 79068 806-537-3569