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Accepting the award for the late Dr. Witt were Mrs. Helen Witt, Dr. and Mrs. Dan Witt, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Peek and Brent, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Witt, Rheagan, Rachel and Rowdy, Shannon Peek and Eloise Chaffin.

Top Students Named, Graduation Exercises Set For May 24th



Sabrina Schaffer
Valedictorian



Adam Odor
Salutatorian



Dustin Babcock
Valedictorian



Allison Eatmon
Salutatorian

Groom Independent School District is pleased to announce graduation exercises for 21 seniors and 19 eighth graders. These services will begin with eighth grade at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, May 24, 1996, in the Groom High School auditorium. Senior services

will follow at 8:00 p.m. Sabrina Schaffer has been named Valedictorian for the Class of 1996, with a G.P.A. of 95.2308. She is the daughter of Monte and Sandie Schaffer. Adam Odor is the son of William Odor and Bernice. See Graduates, pg. 6



Joining Max and Helen Wade as they were installed into the Hall of Fame were Dr. and Mrs. James Anglin, Dr. Twila Wade, and Quanna Anglin.

Dr. Witt, The Max Wade's Named To Old Route 66 Hall Of Fame

Nine new honorees were installed into the Old Route 66 Hall of Fame in ceremonies over the weekend held at the National Guard Army in Shamrock.

Delbert Trew, master of ceremonies, explained that the members who are chosen for the Hall of Fame have a long time connection to Route 66, in some way, either by working at a business along the highway or other types of connections.

People from Groom who were this year's nominees

are the late Dr. John L. Witt and Max and Helen Wade.

Accepting the award in Dr. Witt's stead were Mrs. Helen Witt, Dr. and Mrs. Dan Witt of Hoisington, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Peek and Brent of English, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Jay Witt, Rheagan, Rachel and Rowdy of McKinney, Texas; Shannon Peek of Amarillo; and Eloise Chaffin of Temecula, Calif.

Attending from the Max and Helen Wade family were Dr. and Mrs. James Anglin, Dr. Twila Wade and

Quanna Anglin.

The following is a brief summary of the nominees contributions to Route 66 that appears in the Hall of Fame.

Dr. John L. Witt

John L. Witt was born in 1909 in a dugout near the town of Wheeler, Texas. Times were hard, and John missed a lot of school helping on the family farm. His dream of becoming a doctor seemed impossible, but with the help of a sister he finally realized his dream.

Renting his first office in the Route 66 Hotel in

Groom, Texas, he began his medical practice. From these humble beginnings, Dr. Witt built his practice to a new, 32 bed community hospital.

Dr. Witt spent his entire career on Route 66. After buying and renovating the 66 Hotel, he became the areas most prominent physician. From the mud of Jericho Gap, through the carnage of Death Alley, and through the boom and demise of The Mother Road, Dr. Witt served all who came. Emergency

See Hall Of Fame, pg. 4

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

GHS ATHLETIC
Banquet will be at 7:30 pm on May 18 at the Legion Hall.

PLEASE! HAVE YOUR
Groom ISD lunch bill paid off by the last day of school.

PEE WEE Basketball players, please return your uniform shirts to Marcia Conrad or to the school to your teacher before school is out!

TURKEY SHOOT
sponsored by the Groom Lions Club at noon on May 19th. Groom Legion Hall, call 248-7273 for information.

WEIGH DOWN
Workshop begins soon. Orientation will be May 16 at 7:30 pm in the home of Doris and Arnold Kuehler. See classified ad for more information.

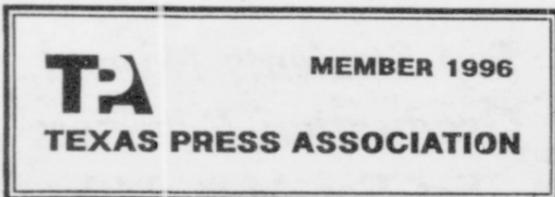
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Visitors in the home of Helen Witt over the weekend were Dr. and Mrs. Dan Witt of Hoisington, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Peek and Brent of English; Shannon Peek of Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Jay Witt, Rheagan, Rachel and Rowdy of McKinney; and Eloise Chaffin of Temecula, California.

The group attended the ceremony Saturday in Shamrock when Dr. John L. Witt was inducted, posthumously, into the Route 66 Hall of Fame.

On Sunday the group

attended services at the Church of Christ, and Helen was treated to a Mother's Day lunch at the Golden Spread Grill.

Everyone returned home Sunday afternoon, except Eloise Chaffin who will remain for a longer visit.

Groom Birthdays Anniversaries

May 17 - Alan Weinheimer, Halee Ann Kotara, Nick Ashford.

May 18 - Mrs. L.T. Banks, D.A. (Hap) Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Crump (A), Mr. and Mrs. Troy Treadwell (A).

Local Happenings

Groom School Menu

May 20 - May 23
 Monday
 Breakfast: Cold cereal, blueberry muffins, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Cheeseburgers, french fries, chocolate chip cookies, milk.
 Tuesday
 Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Lasagne, salad, fried okra, bread sticks, fruit cocktail, milk.
 Wednesday
 Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, hash browns, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Charbroiled, chopped steak, buttered potatoes, cut broccoli w/cheese sauce, hot sliced bread, brownies, milk.
 Thursday
 Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Submarine sandwiches w/shaved turkey, peaches, milk.
 Friday School's Out!!

May 19 - John Bohr, Grant Weinheimer, Dusty Crump.

May 20 - E.N.(Bud) Babcock, Carrie Sue Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Richardson (A).

May 21 - Barney Davis, Johnny W. Brooks, Tom N. Britten, Ruth Payton, Stacy M. Munoz.

Kuehler Child Passes Away

Emaline Elizabeth "Ema" Kuehler, 1 year 8 months, daughter of George and Rommy Kuehler of Huffman, died Sunday, May 12, 1996, at the Hermann Hospital in Houston after an accident.

Services will be at 1:00 p.m. at the St. Anne's Catholic Church in Eastgate Community with the Father Nolan Gouthier officiating. Burial will follow at the Eastgate Cemetery in Eastgate Community near Dayton. Visitation will be held at the Sterling Funeral Home in Dayton after 4 pm Wednesday with Wake Services at the Sterling Chapel at 8:00 pm. Services and arrangements are under the direction of the Sterling Funeral Home, Dayton, Texas.

Born in Humble, Ema has been a resident of Huffman since her birth. Also surviving are her brothers: Bill Chamberlain, J.D. Kuehler, and Jimmy Kuehler, and her sister: Amanda Kuehler all of Huffman. Grandparents include: Bud and Evelyn Schaffer of Pampa, Texas, George Kuehler of Amarillo, Texas, and Rolf and Helen Hoffman of York, PA., Great-grandparents are A.M. and Helen Kuehler of Amarillo and Oma Schaffer of Pampa, Texas. Also surviving are numerous Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, and other relatives and friends.

1996 Farm Bill Reviewed

The Carson County Extension Service and Carson County Farm Service Agency are

conducting a program for Agriculture producers to give a better understanding of the 1996 Farm Bill. The meeting will be Tuesday, May 21st at 7:00 p.m. in the Carson County Agriculture Building in Panhandle.

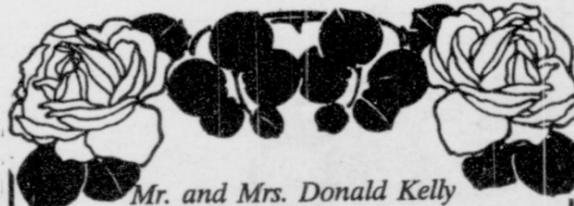
Eddie Winegeart, Carson County Executive Director

of Farm Service Agency will provide details of the Farm Bill which will be in effect for the next seven years.

Dr. Steve Amosson, Extension Economist will discuss the economics of the 1996 Farm Bill and how it will affect the producer.

Sign up for the 1996 Farm Bill will begin May 20th and end July 12, 1996.

This will be a one-time sign-up for 7 (seven) years.



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Danny Chisum is welcomed by teachers and administration. Teachers were presented a small gift from retiring principal, Fred Lunsford.

National Teacher Appreciation Week Ceremonies Held, Teachers Say Goodbye To Principal Lunsford, Get First Look At New Principal

Groom School administrators Ben Ingham and Fred Lunsford presented a program Wednesday morning in the auditorium in appreciation of National Teacher Recognition Week. Principal Fred Lunsford recognized all the female teachers with a rose and the male teachers were presented with a roll of

mints as a symbol of appreciation. Lunsford thanked the teachers for all the hard work and dedication to their profession. Principal Lunsford then recognized the new principal Danny Chisum who will replace Lunsford at the end of this school year. Mr. Chisum said, "I am excited to become a Groom Tiger

and a part of the excellence Groom Schools provide." His plans are to be in Groom within the next couple of weeks and throughout the summer. He says that he would like to meet as many Groom

folks as he can.

Danny Chisum comes to Groom from Dimmitt, where he has been Athletic Director for the last three years.

He graduated from Stinnett High School. He is

also a graduate of Texas Tech University and a Sul Ross State University graduate for his mid-management degree and master in education. Danny is an intermediate EMT and he and his family will be a welcome additions to the

Groom community.

He and his wife, Marsha, have two children. Cody is 22 years old and Kenda who is 20 attends West Texas A&M University. Mrs. Chisum is an elementary school teacher.

**Drug & Alcohol Free
Graduation Party
Bake Sale * Fund Raiser
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1-camper shell, swp, needs some repair
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1-4 row knifer
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Danny Ashford Elected Mayor Pro-Tem For City of Groom

The City of Groom had a special called meeting on May 9th. Those attending were Mayor Greg Lamb, Aldermen Danny Ashford, Jr., Martin Hermesmeier, R.E. Cornett, Ronny Fields and Howard Britten.

Plaques were presented

to outgoing Aldermen Cornett, Hermesmeier and Britten.

Minutes from the regular previous meeting were read and approved.

Election returns were canvassed with the following candidates being elected for

a two year term: Don Case, Jay Lamb and Mary Sue Lyles.

The results of the election were unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned.

On May 10, 1996 the newly elected City Council

held their first regular meeting. Attending were Mayor Greg Lamb, Aldermen Ronny Fields, Jay Lamb, Don Case and Mary Sue Lyles. Alderman Danny Ashford was not present.

Bill Hinson, Justice of the

Peace, administered the official oath of office to the newly elected members.

Minutes of the previous called meeting were read and approved.

Terry Barnabe of Clarendon met with the council to discuss the possibility of promoting tourism in Groom by means of the Internet. He stated that he is already providing information concerning the "Cross of the Plains" and would be happy to include other information about Groom at no cost to the City. The Council unanimously agreed.

Danny Ashford, Jr. was elected Mayor Pro-Tem to serve in the absence of Greg Lamb. The vote was unanimous.

The Council unanimously approved the ACH organization agreement with State National Bank which concerns residents who choose to pay water bills by draft.

The Council also approved the release of budgeted funds for the Summer Youth Program (\$1,000.00). Groom ISD and the Lion's Club pay the other two-thirds of the

program.

Alderman Lamb led a discussion concerning closing off 3rd Street from Texas to Bosen on July 20, when the Panhandle Emergency Services Systems will hold their annual picnic. The school and park will serve about 200 people on that day. Reason given for the closure were given as parking and safety. Debbie Anthony, City Secretary, had already contacted families that this will affect and the Carson County Sheriff's Department for their approval.

The motion to close the designated area was approved.

A discussion was held concerning a City Emergency Plan. Jay Lamb reported that the Ambulance Service was working to create such a plan. Carson County has a plan in place. No action was taken.

Sealed bids were opened for BLK 34, Lots 3, 4, and the south 30 feet of lot 2. R.B. Thornton was unanimously awarded the property with the highest bid of \$1007.50

Bids were opened for BLK 52, Lot 4. All Bids were unanimously rejected.

Hall Of Fame

treatment victims, from off the road, returned again and again for other medical treatment because of their love and respect for him.

He received many awards for professional and local community work, and was an avid hunter, fisherman and rancher. The impact of Dr. Witt's life on his community and family, and his willing service to the travelers of Old Route 66, are beyond measure.

mud of Jericho Gap, to a busy, well traveled highway with traffic zooming 24 hours a day.

Early memories include watching the weary runners of the Bunion Derby travel through Groom. They laugh as they recall the young folks in Groom sweeping off the Mother Road so they could roller skate on the road.

The Wades were generous with their hospitality, as they helped weary travelers with food and a days work at the newspaper. The Route 66 heyday was both prosperous and fun as friends gathered at the 66 Cafe, or tried out one of Nellie Ford's famous "Nellie Burgers" at Wall's Cafe. Like many other Hall of Famers, the Wades spent most of their lives on Old Route 66, and still live at Groom, their home for over 70 years.

Max & Helen Wade

Max Wade became co-publisher of the Groom News in 1927, when his father bought the paper. Max married Helen Vassey in 1932, and the couple co-published the paper until 1978. While Max was in Europe in WWII, Helen published the paper.

During their publishing career, the Wades saw Route 66 emerge from the

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Richardsons Qualify For State

The Texas High School Rodeo Association Region 1 qualifying rodeos were held in conjunction with the Tri State High School Rodeos. The top ten cowboys and cowgirls from each Region in Texas will participate in the State Finals in Abilene, June 10 thru 16.

Competitions began in August and rodeos have been held in Pampa, Tulia, Hereford, Gruver, Amarillo, Vega, Canyon, Canadian, Wellington, Wheeler and many other places.

Julie Richardson, 16 year old daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Joe Richardson will compete in the break-a-way roping and goat tying. She is currently ranked 10th in break-a-way roping and 13th

in goat tying for the Tri State Finals. In state, she is ranked #6 and #8, respectively.

Jacey, Julie's sister, currently holds the "Rookie of the Year" title in the Tri State Association. Accumulating 118 points she is in the #4 slot for "All Around Cowgirl." Jacey participates in barrel racing, polebending, break-a-way roping, and goat tying. Jacey heads to the Tri State Finals #3 in break-a-way roping, #3 in the barrels, and #14 in goat tying. She qualifies for the state meet in the top five in Barrels and poles.

Groom Jets Place 5th In State

The Groom Chapter of JETS recently received notice that they placed 5th in the state contest. The team is graded individually and as a group.

Individually they placed as follows:

In Biology, Sean Crowell placed 4th and Toby Burgin placed 15.

In Chemistry, Adam Odor placed 11th and Nick Ashford placed 17th.

In Computers, Sean Crowell was 11th and Nick Ashford 12th.

In English, Toby Burgin placed 24th and Sean Crowell placed 26th.

In the Mathematics contest Adam Odor was 17th and Justin Ritter was 24th.

Adam Odor placed 11th and Nick Ashford placed 14th in the Physics contest.



Jacey is set to go to state in the #4 slot for "All Around Cowgirl."



Julie Richardson is ranked #6 in break-a-way roping.

SEMESTER TEST SCHEDULE

Wed: May 22, 1996

8:20 - 9:50 - 7th Hour

9:50 - 10:00 - Break

10:00-11:30 - 3rd Hour

11:30-12:30 - Lunch

12:30- 2:00 - 5th Hour

2:05 - 3:35 - 4th Hour

Thurs: May 23, 1996

8:20 - 9:50 - 1st Hour

9:50 - 10:00 - Break

10:00-11:30 - 6th Hour

11:30-12:30 - Lunch

12:30- 2:00 - 2nd Hour

Juniors and Seniors exempted from tests must meet the following criteria:

A. A grade average of 95 with no more than 3 excused absences and no unexcused absences.

B. A grade average of 92 with no more than 2 excused absences and no unexcused absences.

C. A grade of 90 with no more than 1 excused absence and no unexcused absences.

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National EMS Week
May 12-18, 1996

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Drug & Alcohol Free Party

After Graduation



All high school students are invited to attend the GHS After Graduation Drug & Alcohol Free Party. The party will be held at the Legion Hall. The time will be from 10:30 p.m. until 3:30 a.m. on Friday May 24, 1996.

The following are the rules for the party:

1. Each student may invite one guest. The guest must not be older than 21 years old.
2. Once a student or guest has signed in at the party he or she will not be permitted to leave.
3. There will be an adult at the door to monitor for drug and alcohol use. No one who has been drinking will be allowed into the party.
4. The prizes will be awarded to GHS students only.

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Groom students of the Linda Germany School of Dance recently performed in their annual recital. "Headed For The Future" was the theme for the performance. Dancers are (back row) Dara Whalley, Marci Babcock, Kay Lynn Britten, Allison Eatmon, Nichole Barnett, (front) and Frances Britten. Allison Eatmon received a 10 year award. The girls performed various numbers in ballet, tap, jazz, and solo dances.



It is nearly the end of school and many of Groom's elementary classes have enjoyed field trips to numerous places. The 3rd and 4th graders recently enjoyed a visit to McLean's Barbed Wire Museum and Old Route 66 Museum. Students enjoyed a look at days gone by.



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Rip and Joy Snyder visited Truman Goodlett, M.L. Rowan, and L.M. Turner and attended the Mother's Day party in McLean on Saturday. Truman said hello to all Groom people.

Donna Crump received a 20 year membership pen from Alpha Mu Xi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority at recent ceremonies. Her name was inadvertently left out of last week's article.

More Local Happenings

Jerry and Carolyn Snyder of Amarillo and Gloria Ledwig visited Rip and Joy Snyder Friday night. They brought the evening meal which was very delicious.

Curtis Lamar visited his sister in Oklahoma City Saturday and Sunday.

CARD OF THANKS
I would like to thank the people of Groom who voted for me as a school board member. I will strive to do what is best for the kids and the community of Groom
Steve Anthony

Graduates

Gray. He graduates as Salutatorian with a 94.4528 grade point average.

In the eighth grade Dustin Babcock has been named Valedictorian and Allison Eatmon has been named Salutatorian. Dustin is the son of Carol and Dennis Babcock. He graduates with a 98.000 grade point average.

Allison Eatmon is the daughter of Judy Eatmon and Greg Eatmon. She graduates with a 97.0833 G.P.A.

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New Members Installed Into Rt. 66 Hall of Fame

Nine new honorees were installed into the Old Route 66 Hall of Fame in ceremonies over the weekend held at the National Guard Armory in Shamrock.

Delbert Trew, master of ceremonies, explained that the members who are chosen for the Hall of Fame have a long time connection to Route 66, in some way, either by working at a business along the highway or other types of connections.

Harris A. D'Spain; Z.T. and Flora Jones; and Raymond Guyton were all nominated to the Hall of Fame.

The following is a brief summary of the nominees contributions to Route 66 that appears in the Hall of Fame.

Harris A. D'Spain

Harris A. D'Spain was born in 1900, in Howe, Texas. He and his family moved to the McLean area in 1905, and on to Kellerville where they farmed for a living.

Harris left the farm in 1926, and began working as a mechanic in a garage on Old Route 66, in McLean. He moved to Shamrock and worked in a Buick agency there, until 1930.

He married Mary Akers early in 1930 and the couple moved back to McLean where Harris established his own garage in partnership with his brother Ancil. Harris was the mechanic, Ancil was the welder, and another brother pumped gas and fixed flats. The shop was located 1/2 block east of main street, on Old Route 66.

The shop operated until 1935, then sold out with Harris moving to New Mexico. For several years, he worked as a parts man and mechanic in Santa Fe, Taos, and finally at Tucumcari. The couple returned to McLean in 1942.

They were active in the community and church. Both Harris and Mary died in 1994, and are buried at

See Rt. 66, pg. 9



Descendants of Harris D'Spain returns to the Texas Panhandle to see her father installed in the Hall of Fame.



Mr. and Mrs. Guyton are named to the Hall of Fame after their retirement in 1995.



One of Mr. and Mrs. Z.T. Jones' six lovely daughters accepts his award.



Heather Hess - Valedictorian



John Dicky - Salutatorian

MHS Names Top Students

Heather Hess has been named Valedictorian of McLean High School with a 97.85 grade point average. Heather is the daughter of Jake Hess II, and Ida Wilson of Austin. She plans to attend Texas A&M.

Salutatorian is John Dickey the son of Terry and Glenda Dickey. He has a grade point average of 96.48. He plans to pursue

a career in agriculture.

Baccalaureate services will be at 8:00 p.m. Sunday, May 19 at the First Baptist Church.

High School graduation exercises will be held on Friday, May 24 at 8:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.

All the graduating Seniors will be saluted in the May 16 edition of the McLean News.

Brian Fuller has been named Valedictorian of the McLean Junior High School with a GPA of 96.8. He is the son of Bill and Linda Fuller. Salutatorian is Dee Dee Floyd, daughter of Vicky Floyd. Her grade point average is 92.8.

Junior High graduation will be held Thursday, May 23 at 8:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church.

Scholarship Awarded

Jaylene Watkins, daughter of Jesse and Judith Watkins was recently awarded the Presidential Choral Scholarship from Frank Phillips College. "It is the highest music scholarship given by the college," stated Dr. Judy Strecker, head of the music department. "I am excited about Jaylene being a part of our music department. Her musical talent, contributions and leadership skills will be a great addition to our school."

Jaylene is a graduating senior at McLean High School and is a member of McLean's "Tiger Choir".

Last summer Jaylene was selected as a member of the first Texas State FFA Chorus which performed at the State FFA Convention. She has also attended All State Choir Camp at Texas Tech University for the past two years. Jaylene will pursue a career in secondary Music Education.



Jaylene Watkins



Dee Dee Floyd



Brian Fuller

REMINDERS

McLEAN ATHLETIC Banquet will be Friday, May 17 at 7 p.m. at the Devil's Rope Museum.

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Reminders

A RETIREMENT reception will be held for Virginia Holwick on May 18 at the Church of Christ Annex from 2:00 - 4:00 pm.

McLean Little Dribblers held an end of the year Pizza Party at the park recently. 6th grade Coach Cathy Hembree presented windbreakers to all of the sixth grade players.

McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

May 16 - Rush Turner, Betty Littlefield, Avalee Crockett, Leigh Ann Flores.
 May 17 - Callie Holwick.
 May 18 - Kathy Carter.
 May 19 - Maurine Foshee.
 May 20 - Arley D. Bentley, Zaida McClellan, Pauline Burnett.
 May 21 - Ora Billingsley.
 May 22 - Jamie Barker.

McLEAN VOL. FIRE Department is sponsoring a consignment auction to benefit the department.

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"SPRING SING" Grade 1-6 and the Tiger Choir will present a Choir Concert in the MHS Auditorium Thursday, May 16 at 7 p.m.

8th GRADE Graduation will be Thursday, May 23 at 8 p.m. at the United Methodist Church.

HIGH SCHOOL Graduation is Friday, May 24 at the First Baptist Church at 8 p.m. Baccalaureate is Sunday, May 19 at the First Baptist Church, 8:00 p.m.

Thacker and Sharon Haynes are pleased to announce that their son, J.T. now has a bachelor's degree in agriculture education from Texas Tech University. They announce this news despite the fact that he not only exceeded their expectations but their grade point averages as well. They also wish him luck in his continued pursuit of a masters degree.

McLean School Menu

May 20 - May 24
Monday
 Breakfast: Pigs in a blanket, fruit, honey, juice, milk.

Lunch: Nachos w/meat and cheese, pinto beans, lettuce, tomatoes, fruit bar, milk.

Tuesday
 Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast, jelly, juice, milk.

Lunch: Goulash, corn, salad, corn bread, Rice Crispie bar, butter, milk.

Wednesday
 Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, butter, jelly, juice, milk.

Lunch: Grilled chicken sandwich, lettuce, tomato, oven fries, pickle spear, pork & beans, fruit, milk.

Thursday
 Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, fruit, juice, milk.

Lunch: Booster Club hamburger cookout.
 Friday School's Out!!

PIONEER STUDY Club will meet Thursday, May 16 at 4:15 in the City Park.

STUDENTS WITH Perfect Attendance will be going to Wonderland Park Friday, May 17.

McLean ISD Recognized

McLean Independent School District was recently notified that they have been recognized by ACT. With McLean having proportionally more students from low income households, ACT found that those students are nonetheless performing at or above the state's average composite score of 20.1.

Research has shown that there is a strong relationship between parental income and test scores.

Only thirty public high schools in Texas met the criteria for Recognition. McLean was one of them with ten students taking the test, three of which come from homes with incomes less than \$18,000. The average composite ACT score was 23.3.

Ruth Magee will be attending a retirement party in Amarillo next week. Retiring from Amarillo Schools are her daughter Donna Smith and ex-McLean teacher Cecil Reynolds.



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McLean. Harris started as a mechanic before Route 66 was born and spent almost all of his working life on Route 66 in one town or another.

Z.T. & Flora Jones

Zachariah and Flora Jones, moved to Wheeler County in 1916 in covered wagons, and lived in a dugout until a house could be built. They farmed until 1941, when they sold some hogs and opened a service station and grocery store. Located on Old Route 66, 5 miles east of McLean, the business was known as Jones Corner. Living in the

rear of the store, and raising 10 children was a trying experience. Zack never turned anyone away, night or day, and anyone having trouble received special help.

The store contained a post office and was a gathering place for neighbors, and the off duty soldiers from the nearby

Prisoner of War Camp. Six pretty daughters in residence probably had nothing to do with it.

Widening Route 66 forced closure of the store, but the Jones continued operating a watermelon and soft drink stand for many years. Route 66 was good to the Jones family, as they met many interesting and famous people. They say their help and generosity to the travelers has been repaid many times over.

Obituary

Mayme Alice Hathaway

Mayme Alice Gary Hathaway, 89, died Wednesday, May 8, 1996.

Services were in First Baptist Church at Mobeetie with the Rev. Ralph Hovey, retired Baptist minister of Mobeetie, officiating. Burial was in the Mobeetie Cemetery by Lamb-Ferguson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hathaway was born in Rusk County and had been a McLean resident since 1968. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Oad Gatlin; and a son, Charles Gatlin. She later married Jim Hathaway.

She was a retired school teacher. She had served as manager of the HUD housing project and also was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Gary Gatlin of Amarillo and Harold Gatlin of Powderly; nine grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Mobeetie Cemetery Association.

Raymond Guyton

Raymond Guyton was born in 1915, in Plainview, Texas. The family moved to Shamrock, Texas, where he attended school. He married Lorene Tenison in 1934 and they have one son, two grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

After working at McLean and Lefors, for several years, the couple moved to McLean permanently in 1950, and opened the Guyton Motor Company on Old Route 66. Raymond maintained a 24 hour wrecker and mechanic service, and specialized in paint and body work. He also kept a used car lot in conjunction with the business.

Raymond states that working on Route 66 was a good business, but being on call 24 hours a day, kept him out in the weather with ice and snow and many long hours. He retired in 1995 after spending 45 years on Route 66.



Members of the MHS Drama Department presented Mrs. Holwick with flowers and a silver platter after the Dinner Theater on May 4. The Drama Department performed "Little Women" and "Oh What A Tangled Web". This was the last performance for the MHS Drama Department under the direction of Mrs. Holwick as she will retire at the end of this year.



Kelly Nicole Kingston was crowned overall winner in the Lea county Cinderella Baby Pageant on April 27 in Hobbs, NM. She is now invited to the State Pageant in Roswell, NM in June. Kelly is the 9 month old daughter of Joel and Kimberly Kingston of Hobbs, NM, granddaughter of Bill and Billie Kingston of McLean and Gerald and Linda Smith of Pampa. Great-grandparents are Bertie Lee Smith of McLean and Geneva Kingston of Pampa.

Twentieth Century Club Met

The Twentieth Century Study Club met May 9th in the home of Cliffie Heasley for their monthly meeting with Relia Ayres as co-hostess. The meeting was called to order by Avalee Crockett, President and the club collect was said in unison with Mary Groves leading. Minutes were read and approved as read by Laura Edleman. Old business was work on the year book with each member bringing suggestions for a program. Each member then suggested a month for their time to host the club. Plans for the June outing were discussed and it was decided to make the field trip in July instead of June as there are so many conflicting factors.

The roll call was "A frightening experience" and was answered by Relia Ayres, Loree Barker, Lavern Brookes, Lena Carter, Avalee Crockett, Laura Edleman, Mary Groves, Buna Gudgel, Cliffie Heasley and granddaughter's of Cliffie's, Julie and Meredith. The program on disasters was given by Mary Groves and enjoyed by all. Adjournment was followed by a very sumptuous repast of sandwiches, dips, chips, pickles, olives, nuts, candies, vegetable plate of celery, green pepper, etc, coffee, lemonade and strawberry shortcake with ice cream. This was the last meeting until September when the club will resume meetings.



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Future Farmers of America Activities Come To Years End

By Jaylene Watkins
FFA Reporter

What better way to end a school year than with a handful of FFA activities. Thursday, May 9, McLean's local FFA chapter held its last FFA meeting of the '95-'96 school year. At the meeting, Anthony Albus, Sara Brown, Seth Brown, Sy Brown, Blake Crockett, John Dickey, David Fuller, Lee Shaw, Jesse Swafford, and Jaylene Watkins

enjoyed pizza before their last meeting began. The agenda for the meeting included discussing the summer FFA activities and electing new officers for the '96-'97 school year. The summer activities included the Area I FFA Leadership Camp in Clarendon, in which the new officers would be required to attend, the SPS Electric Camp in Amarillo, and the State FFA Convention in

Houston. Electing new officers was next on the agenda. For the '96-'97 school year, they are: David Fuller, President; Sy Brown, Vice President; Sara Brown, Secretary; Jonathan Bailey, Treasurer; Shanna Dent, Reporter and Anthony Albus, Sentinel. After the officers were elected, Jaylene Watkins gave a short speech thanking McLean's FFA for all her successes and gave back to the chapter her official McLean FFA jacket.

Of course, for some of McLean's FFA members, this was not yet the last FFA event for the year. Four of McLean's FFA members and Mr. Layman, traveled to Amarillo to participate in the Area I FFA Convention May 10 and 11. Anthony Albus, Sara Brown, Gary Jones, and Jaylene Watkins participated in the Opening and Flag Ceremonies and then were welcomed to the convention by Dr. Gary Angell, executive director of student performance. committee reports were held along with the area officer elections and the talent contest. The results of the extemporaneous speaking events were given and the closing ceremonies were held. All FFA members were able to enjoy the evening with a dance held at the Amarillo Center for Higher Learning. Saturday morning members participated in the opening ceremonies and then were introduced to the 1996 Courtesy Corps. The Public Speaking, Judging Sweepstakes, Leadership Sweepstakes, Gulf of Mexico Speaking, and Star Awards were presented. The state officer election was held and the talent contest winner was announced.

For the three "lower classmen" who traveled to the convention, it was just the beginning of many new horizons left in their FFA careers, but for the one graduating Senior, the convention marked the end of many achieved goals and successes, and the beginning of many new challenges to overcome by using the life and leadership skills learned through the activities of the FFA.



Community Reader Day Held

On Friday, May 3rd, the McLean elementary classes, kindergarten through seventh grade, participated in a community Reader Day from 8:20 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Members of the community came to the school and read to the classes. The students were exposed to different types of literature and the different ways literature can be expressed.

Mrs. Sander's Kindergarten heard Nana Webb, Loyce Murray, Beverly Odom and Evelyn

Shaw.

Mrs. Glass' First Grade class heard Paula Newton, Ann Williams, Johnny Haynes and Ginger Haynes.

Mrs. Greer's Second Grade class listened to Quinton Newton, Lynn Reeves, Beverly Odom, Mary Woods and Johnny Haynes.

Mrs. Adam's Third Grade class heard Ruth Trew, Dick Crockett, DeAnna McClendon, Bobbi Stalls and Eugene Galley.

Mrs. Skipper's Fourth Grade class heard Larry

Wallis, Quinton Newton, Bobbi Stalls, Margaret Grogan and Mary Dwyer.

Mrs. Close's Fifth Grade class heard Laura Hommel, Pat Andrews, Freda Holland, Pam Crockett and Patty Brass.

Mrs. Watkin's and Mrs. Crockett's Sixth Grade class heard Thacker Haynes, Pat Andrews, Rhonda Sparling, Jake Hess and the 7th Grade girls.

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The Clarendon College Ex-Students Association also seeks assistance in finding "lost" alumni. The association is asking that all former students, who are not receiving Ex-Students newsletters, to please update their addresses with Clarendon College.

"We try to keep all former students informed of Clarendon College happenings, but that is extremely hard to do when many of the addresses are old," Christi Whitten, Marketing and Public Information Coordinator said. "So, if you attended Clarendon College and are not receiving alumni news, please contact us. We want to keep you up-to-date on our growth, changes and honors."

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ANOTHER SESSION of the Weigh Down Workshop will begin soon. If you are interested, the orientation/promo video will be shown on Thursday, May 16 at 7:30 pm in the home of Doris and Arnold Kuehler. Women and men welcome. No obligation.

Card Of Thanks

We would like to thank the many friends of Jim Hathaway for the cards and letters he has received. Your expressions of concern and well-wishes have been greatly appreciated. Jim is doing better and sends his love. The Dwight Hathaway Family

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1996 Water Level Measurements Completed

The 1996 winter static level measurements have been completed. A total of 368 wells were measured in the six counties within the District. Results of these annual depth to water measurements show the overall decline in the Ogallala Aquifer. The average rise or decline by counties is as follows:

	1993	1994	1995	1996	4-yr Avg
Armstrong	+0.15	-0.86	-1.29	-0.79	-0.70
Carson	-0.69	-0.97	-3.46	-1.05	-1.54
Gray	+0.37	-0.18	-1.94	-0.20	-0.49
Dunley	+1.17	-0.45	-0.39	-1.18	-0.21
Roberts	-0.12	-0.70	-1.17	-0.86	-0.71
Potter*	+2.19	-1.30	-5.86	-2.25	-1.80
Wells Measured	380	358	369	368	369
District Ave.	+0.21	-0.55	-1.88	-0.81	-0.76

* That portion within the District.

The 1996 figures have been forwarded to the Texas Water Development Board and entered into our records as a part of the water level history of the District. They will also be used to construct the annual decline map for I.R.S. approval.

McLean Care Center News

McLean Care Center extends their deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Mayme Hathaway who passed away at the Care Center, she will be greatly missed.

Sunday members of the Baptist Church was here to hold a worship service.

Monday morning Bill Hulsey was here to cut the men's hair. In the afternoon the following residents played bingo: Dick Wheeler, M.L. Rowan, Truman Goodlett, Sylvia McClellan, Phyllis Bailey, Thelma Hopkins, Beryl Halbert, Halda Moore, Teresa Richardson, Eula Morrow, Lena Bailey, Vernee Bowling, Florence Drake and Sue Cubine. Our volunteer helpers were Betty Lowe and Cliffie Heasley. Bananas were furnished by the Lions Club.

Tuesday morning was the Reminiscing program.

Those attending were Polly Burnett, Mable Dickey, Lula Sheegog, Thelma Hopkins, Vernee Bowling, Jessie Watson, Florence Drake,

Teresa Richardson, Lucille Cullison, Truman Goodlett, Phyllis Bailey, Sylvia McClellan, Beryl Halbert, Eula Morrow, M.L. Rowan and Marion Turner. In the afternoon M.L. Rowan and Dick Wheeler played dominos.

Wednesday morning Imogene King, Truman Goodlett, Phyllis Bailey and Beryl Halbert went for their daily walk along with Betty Lopez. In the afternoon the residents watched a Ma & Pa Kettle movie and enjoyed their popcorn.

Saturday was the Mother's Day party. Loree Cooley brought the children's choir from the First Presbyterian Church in Pampa to sing for everyone. Ice cream and cake were served to all. The decorated cake was baked and decorated by Evelyn Pennington and Betty Lowe furnished the angel food cake. Ladies serving were resident, Imogene King, Betty Lowe, Mary Dwyer and the Care Center staff members.

The birthday party will be this Saturday, May 18 at 2:30 p.m.

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