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**Council Hears From Several Visitors** 

The City Council of McLean met for regular meeting on September 12, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall. Mayor, Bob Martin called the meeting to order and Betty Taylor gave the invocation.

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All votes are unanimous unless otherwise stated.

The minutes to the August meeting were approved.

Billie Ward came before the Council with a concern about dogs in her neighborhood and inquired if a tranquilizer gun could be used. Due to costs and licenses, that is not possible for the city, however, Mrs. Ward was told that she could call the city cell phones at anytime day or night.

Wayne Bullis came before the council to request that the owner of the garage on 418 Waldron be asked to demolish it or repair it due to flying debris. Mr. Bullis feared that the children at the school could get hit with some of it. The council asked City Secretary, Toni Bohlar to send the owner a letter.

Jasmes Troy spoke to the Council regarding any ees that may come to ean. He was McLean. cerned that there would be no employment or shopping opportunities for them. He was also concerned that children that may attend school in the city would be carrying diseases that would effect the children that already attend school here. The mayor told Mr. Troy that he had spoken with the pastors of McLean and that they had offered McLean facilities as an overflow to the Amarillo Civic Center, but the numbers in Amarillo were decreasing. Archie Cooper and Maggie Vines spoke with

the Council regarding the

Ten Commandment Minument. Mr. Cooper requested that the City of Mi Lean give four feet of earement to the monument that could be placed on Muggie Vines property. However, Mr. Cooper also to d the Council that other places are also being looked at for placement. Mayor Martin told Mr. Choper that when a decision is made, he could come back and the Council would make a decision.

Jaylene Watkins and Jim Reyna brought proposals to the Council regarding a M Lean website. Ms. Watkins website is currently up and running. www.mcleantexas.com H x estimate for the w bsite was 1232.95. Mr. Ryna would develop a g w website. His estimate w is for \$550.00. However, Nr. Reyna stated that he would wave this amount if the city used his host of T tanium domains. Mastin explained that these p oposals would need to go b fore the E.D.C. and when they made a choice, it would then be brought to tl e Council.

Librarian, Sally Bohlar is formed the Council that tl e library had received a \$15,191.00 Tocker Grant which will be used on nonfi tion books and new desk a en. She also told the Council that with remorial money, the Friends of the Library and the Library Board were going to make i aprovements to the I brary. She also informed of the libraries long term g sals. Sally then requested f om the Council a city vehicle to drive to out-oftown schools due to the r sing cost of gasoline. The Council declined her request but offered her \$100.00 per trip for three 1 conths.

Roofing bids were epened. Parsley Sheet Metal gave a bid of \$6745.00 for the three warehouse buildings. Locklear gave a bid of \$9585.00 for the three buildings. The Council accepted the Parsley bid.

Director, Jim Adams and Marshall Hanes of Fairway Links Energy brought a three year history to the Council regarding McLean Well #1. The well produces approximately 15 mcf per day. The E.D.C. budget was

unavailable. The generator, front end loader, locking in gas prices and the auditor engagement letter were •

tabled until next month. The Council approved the City of Pampa Landfill Contract Ameadment which was raised from \$24.50 to \$26.00 per ton. This is used as the City of McLean's back up system.

The Council recognized the month of September as being National Preparedness Month in conjunction with the United States Department of Homeland Security and the American Red Cross.

Gas rate ordinance #301, Water rate ordinance #302 and Sewer rate ordinance #303 were approved. Tax rate ordinance #304 was approved. These ordinances can be seen at City Hall.

In the Director's report, Mr. Adams told the Council that the City well was being cleaned out and that the clay hauling for the sewer plant was complete.

Council member Teresa Simmons asked for the handyman list and also inquired about spraying for mosquitos. Mr. Adams told the Council that the City of McLean is not licensed to spray and that it was costly.

Mindy Reeves expressed her concern over the drug population in McLean and what could be done about it. She also told the Council that the Senior Citizens was compiling a post office box number list for the community. She also said that someone would be coming to the Senior Citizens to explain Medicare D coverage. Mayor Martin passed out

a letter to the community for all the council members to sign. The letter is available at City Hall. He also informed the Council that TML had reduced benefits for city volunteer firemen from \$540.00 to \$370.00 a week. Fire Chief, Clifford McDonald

is aware of the issue. The Council voted to pay the bills as presented and the meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.



Homecoming Queen candidates Nikki Hutchison, daughter of Cecelia and Willie Hutchison; Tamara Loya, daughter of Adelio Loya and Bo Loya; Carrie Thompson, daughter of Kelly and Kathy Raymond; Laces Wallace, daughter of Larry and Brenda Wallace; and Lindsey Ruiz, daughter of Kenny and Linda Raines.

### McLean Tigers Suffer Second Loss of Regular Season To The Hedley Owls

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"We as a team are going through growing pains," stated Quarterback, Zach Richardson. "Defensively and offensively we are a couple plays away from palling it together." This comes after the Tigers suffered their second defeat in a row against the Hedley Owls with a final score of 30-42. Leading in receiving for the team was Manden Conklin with a total of 130 yards and three touchdowns. Jayme

Welch received for 79 yards and one touchdown. Zach Richardson threw for 264 yards and four touchdowns. "We, as a team, need to continue to strive for four quarters of consistent football," stated Richardson.

The Tigers will face off against Holy Cross this Friday night, which is also Homecoming.

The Coronation will begin at 7:00 p.m. followed by the game at 7:30.

### Logal Reminders

HOMECOMING is September 16 against Holy Cross. Coronation begins at 7 p.m.

THERE WILL BE A public information meeting in the McLean School Cafeteria on Monday, October 3 at 7 p.m. to inform voters of the district concerning the Chapter 41 Equalization Election. TO MAKE Donations to the Biownie Girl Scout Troops call Julie Ferguson at 779-2135.

REVIVAL AT Alanreed, Texas, September 18-21. Nightly at 7:00 at the park.

DONATIONS CAN BE made at the Elementary or High School offices to the American Red Cross to help the victims of Hurricane Katrina. THE PIONEER Study Club will meet on September 15.

SCHOOL BOARD Meeting - September 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Business Office.

THE MCLEAN 4-Clover Club will meet on September 26 at 7 at the Methodist Church. Page 8-THE GROOM NE WS, Thursday, September 15, 2005

### McLean Birthdays & Anniversaries

September 15 -Virginia Jones, Dale and Rose Steel (A). September 16 - Mary Powell, Betty Lopez. September 17 - Sondra Bybee, Julia Lee. September 18 - Elaine Sims, Jared McClellan,

Peggy Simpson.

September 19 - Tuffy Sanders, Tammy Syfrett, Carla Kirkland. September 20 - Joy Brown, Stacie Smith. September 21 - Kena Stone, Tina Kennedy Lyons, Melody Collins,

Lyons, Melody Collins, Quinton Brown, Delores Ann Goodman.

### In heror of the Fiftioth Wooding Anninersary of Kinneth and LaRae Hambright Their childres: and grassdchildren request the pleasure of your company at a Come and G reception on Sanday, the twenty-fifth of September Two thousand and five from two antil four o'clock in the afternoon Church of Christ Annex Fourth and Clarendon McLern, Texas No Gifts Please

### Local Obituaries



#### Juanita Miller

Juanita Faye Miller, age 81, resident of Washington County, died Monday September 12, 2005 in Wann Oklahoma.

Juanita Faye Miller was born in Sayre, Oklahoma, February 18, 1924, the daughter of James W. Hornsby and May (Lowrance) Hornsby. She was raised and educated in McLean, Texas and graduated from McLean High School in 1940. Mr. Conard Harvey Miller and Juanita Faye (Schwartz) Miller were united in marriage oa February 21, 1942 in Pampa, Texas. Shortly after their marriage, Mr.

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Miller entered the armed forces to serve his country during World War II. After his military service, they made their home and raised their three children in Fritch and Dumas, Mr. Miller Texas. preceded Juanita in death on July 15, 1990. She moved to Washington County three years ago to be closer to her family. She enjoyed her hobbies, which included crocheting and watching The Price is Wheel of fortune Right, and bull riding and other rodeo events on television. Juanita loved her family and she was a devoted mother and grandmother. She was known best for her good cooking and her wonderful sense of humor. She loved being able to live on the ranch and spending time with family She was and friends. loved by her family and will be dearly missed.

Mrs. Miller is survived by her son James Miller of Wann, OK.; her daughter, Beverley Norman and her husband Bob of Oklahoma City, OK.; four grandsons Brett Miller and his wife Clarrie of Albuquerque,

New Mexico, Rusty Miller of Cheyenne, OK., Dustin Norman of Oklahoma City, OK., and John Norman of Oklahoma City, OK.; two grand daughters, Cindy Lowe and her husband Tom of Elk City, OK.; two grand City, OK.; five grant grandchildren, Tanner, Kylie, Ty McCrea Miller and Shelby Miller of Albuquerque, New Mexico and Scan Lowe of Elk City, OK; one sister Collen Baker of Shamrock, Texas.

Shainooca, resas. She is preceded in death by her hazband Conard Harvey Miller, her parents James W. Hornsby and May (Lowrance) Hornsby, one son Conard Howard Miller, two grandsons Brady Dallas Miller and Brandon Howard Miller, a great Lowe, and one sister Florence Schwartz.

Funeral services will be held Friday, September 16, 2005 at 10:30 a.m. in the First Baptist Church of McLean, Texas with Pastor Orville Moody of Rose Hill Community Church officiating. Interment will follow in the Alanreed Cemetery of Alanreed, Texas.

A memorial has been established with the Rose Hill Community Church and those who wish to contribute may do so in lieu of flowers to the Rose Hill Community Church, RD 400 and RD 13, Dewey, Oklahoma 74029.

### Juanita Fish

McLean, Texas Juanita Fish, 90, passed away on September 6, 2005 in Wheeler, Texas.

Graveside Service were held on September 8, 2005, at Alanreed Cemetery, Alanreed, Texas, with Rev. Thacker Haynes officiating.

Mrs. Fish was born Juanita Alta, Spradlin on January 4, 1915, to Sam and Alta Spradlin in Blum, TX. She married Noble Fish on December 21, 1932, in Sayre, OK. She was a home maker who enjoyed cooking and sewing. She loved her family and will be missed by all

Survivors include (4) daughters: Evelyn Sanders (Don), McLean, TX, Cathy Jameson (Glenn), Pampa, TX, Alta Turner, Amarillo, TX. Jean Morgan (Wayne), Houston, TX; (1) son: Noble "Ray" Fish, Houston, TX; (1) sister: Joyce Gouldy, Amarillo, TX: (2) sister-in-laws: Marjorie Fish, McLean, and Agnes Spradlin, Washington State; (14) Grandchildren and (22) Great Grandchildren; (5) Great-Great Grandchildren.

She was preceded in death: her husband, Noble Fish, in 1999.

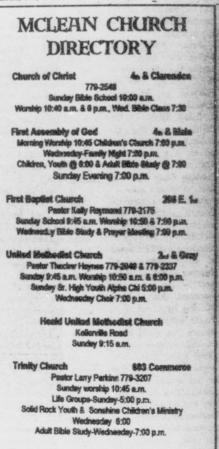
The family suggests memorials McLean Care Center, McLean, TX or Heald Methodist Church, McLean, TX, 79057

### School Cafeteria Breakfast And Lunch Menu

for the wk. of Sept. 19-23 BREAKFAST Monday: Breakfast Mini Pockets, Toast & Jelly, Juice, Milk Tuesday: Pancake and Sausage on a stick, Torest & Jelly, Juice, Milk Wednesday: Muffine Toast & Jelly, Juice, Milk Thursday: Egg Pattie, Bacon, Toast & Jelly, Juice, Milk Cinnamon Rolls, Toast & Jelly, Juice, Milk LUNCH Monday: Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Vegetable Beef Soup, Fresh Broccoli with Ranch, Fruit Cup, Crackers, Milk Tuesday: Tacos with grated cheese, Spaniah Rice, Pinto Beans, Lettace, Tomato, Cake, Milk Wednesday: Chicken Fried Steak, Augratia Mixed Potatoes, Vegetables, Hot Rolls, Fancy Gelatin, Milk Thursday: Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Corn, Toured Salad, Garlic Brend, Fruit Cobbler, Milk

Friday: Chicken Pasty Sandwich, Southwest Beans, Tator Tots, Apple, Milk

Local Happening Tucker Adams attended the OU football game in Norsus this past weekend. He had a great time cheering on his winning team.



Comboy Church & The Arena of Life of McLean Ronnie Feguaon, Pastor - 779-2135 Sunday at 7:00 pm First Assembly of God ~ 420 Main McLean

## 4-H Host Gray Co. Banquet In McLean

The McLean 4-H hosted the Gray County 4-H Award Banquet with a Luau with over 90 in attendance on August 28 at the United Methodist Church.

Ten McLean 4-H'ers received a special award of a folding chair with a 4-H emblem for meeting their point book of 250 or more. They were Emory Crawford, Tammy Syfrett, Patrick Seager. Becca Reyna, Saber Bohlar. Britnie Cooper. Kendra Richardson. Cassondra Ingles, Rachel Young, and Dakata Greenwood.

Kendra Richardson. Patrick Seager, Shanna Corley, Britnie Cooper, Cassondra Ingle, Rachel

Young and Dakota Greenwood all received one year pins. Becca Reyna received a two year pin

Neva Corley and Saber Bohl ar received three year pins and Tammy Syfrett received a five year pin. She was also elected to serve as reporter as an officer

Special guest for the evening was State Representative Warren his m.

Also acknowledge were Clover Kids. Trista Greenwood, Jack Reyna, Daniel Wells and Pee Wee, David Wells.

Programs for the evening were designed by Kendra Rich ardson.



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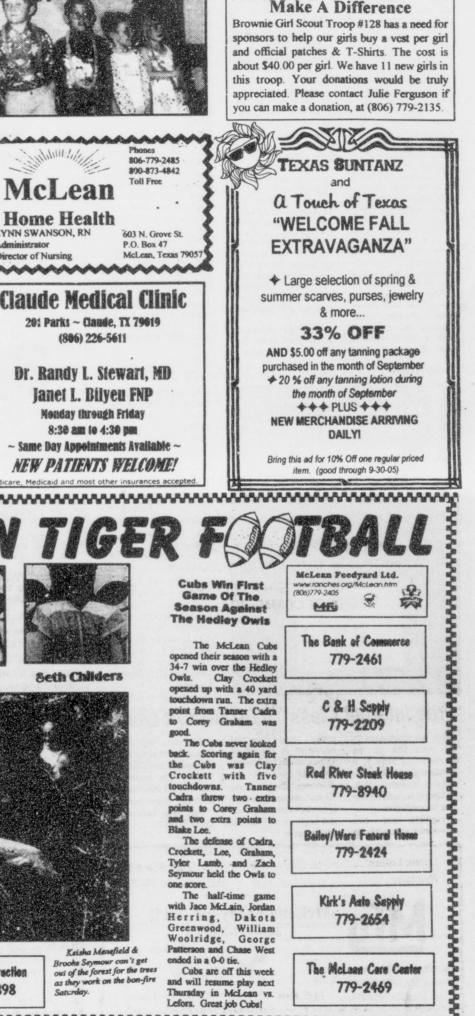
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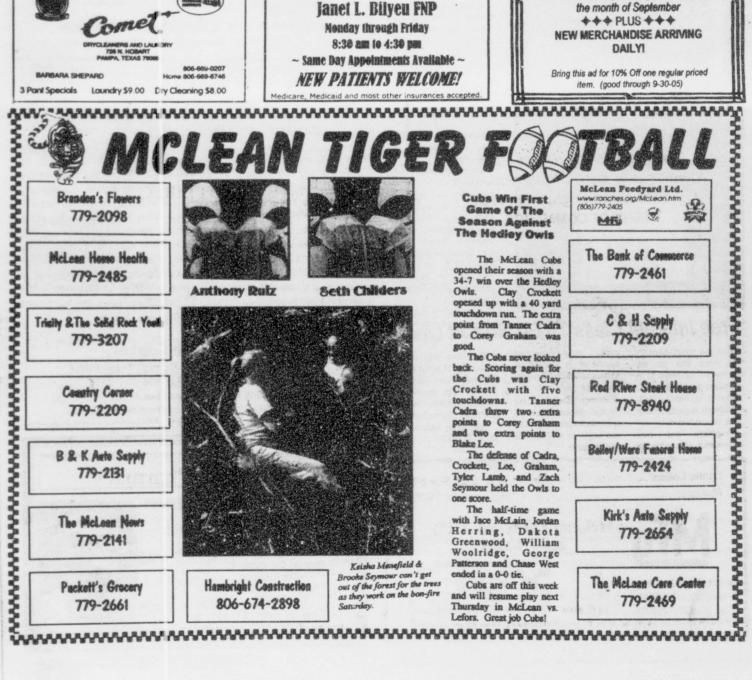
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# St. Matthew's In Pampa

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Pampa will hold its first "Lord's Acre Harvest Festival" on Saturday, Sept. 24, 2005, at 72." W. Browning. Beginning at 10:00 a.m. a Country Store will open under a huge tent offering for sale a variety of scrumptious baked goods, jams, jellies, candies, etc., all prepared by church members. Also, for sale will be a wide array of hand made items such as quilts, throws, purses, vests, paintings, pottery, stained glass, seasomal decorations, and many other items.

Also, starting at 10:00 a.m. will be activities for children including a petting zoo with llamas, lambs, chickens, geise, guineas, and pigs, and even a gentie horse to ride. Face painting and nail art will be ottered for those wishing to enhance their already sweet appearance. For the more boisterous, there will be a bubble bounce house.

At 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. an enticing meal of barbecue brisket with all the trimmings of potato salad, slaw, beans, and cobbler will be served, all at no charge, however, donations will be greatly appreciated.

Then, at 1:00 p.m., back under the tent, there will be a Live Auction c om plete with a professional auctioneer who will lead a spirited competition for many new and hand-crafted items such as paintings, furniture, scooters, quilts, pottery, gift certificates,

professional services, and much, much more. Items will be on view and a list

### Layman Recognized For 20 Years of Service



Bill Layman, Ag Science teacher at McLean High School was recognized by the Vocational Agriculture Association of Texas for his 20 years of membership and service to the Vocational Ag Teachers Association and the McLean FFA Chapter this year at the Professional Development Conference for Ag Science in Galveston.

Layman attended the conference which was held at the San Luis Resort in Galveston on August 1 - 5, 2005. As in the past, this year's conference had sessions focusing on cutting-edge ideas in teaching modern agriculture for all agricultural education teachers.

### Free Internet Class To Be Held At Library

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discussion at the Lovett Memorial Library, you will be able to tell the difference between all the "Ware" information there is on the internet highway and begin to surf the net

same.

The class will be on September 21 at the Lovett Memorial Library from 1 -3 p.m. The deadline to enroll in this free class will be Friday, September 16. For more information call 770-2851.



in the preparation for, and operation of the festival. All are committed to this effort, realizing that ministry to young people is an important key to, not only the future of St. Matthew's, but to the community of Pampa and the church at large.

Steering committee chairmen are Bill and Jan Ragsdale, Kim and Karon Bonnell, Hai and Sue Cree, Mark and Karen Lang, and Curt and Evelyn Farmer. For more information or if you would like to make a donation to the Harvest Festival, please call the church office at 665-0701.

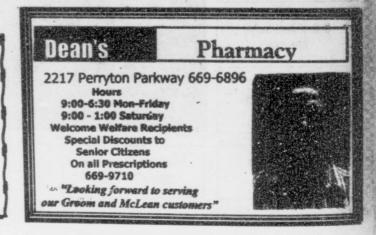


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To the Registered Voters of McLean, Texas: Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday, October 11, 2005, for voting in a General election, to Achieve Equalization of Wealth per student as required by state law.

Locations of polling places: Lovett Memorial Library, 302 N. Main, McLean, Texas, 79057.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at: McLean I.S.D. Business Office, 4th and Rowe Street, McLean, Texas, 79057 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on Monday, September 26, 2005 and ending on Friday, October 7 2005

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: Leslie Darsey, P.O. Box 90. McLean, Texas 79057. Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on October 3, 2005

Issued this the 8th day of August, 2005. Jimmy Hannon

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McLean Mini Storage. Friday, October 14, 2005 at 11:00a.m. at 1001 N. Main McLean, Texas. Items belonging to Rebecca Allison and/or Larry Luna to be sold to landlord's lien. satisfy Spaces contain household Cash and carry items. only. No checks.

GARAGE SALE: 304 Wilson- Mark Bivens-clothing, lawn mower, weight bench, vacuum cleaners, fax machine, sewing machine, antiques, furniture, roll top desk and more. Saturday September 17<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the Will of Don A. Smith, Deceased, was admitted to probate as a Muniment of Title on August 15, 2005, in Cause No. 3457, pending in the County Court of Carson County, Texas.

All persons having claims against this estate are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law to:

Sandra A. Britten and Sherri Wieberg c/o Scott Sherwood

Attorney At Law Sherwood and Sherwood P.O. Box 947 Panhandle, Texas 79068

Dated the 15th day of August 2005

s/Scott Sherwood Attorney for Estate State Bar No.: 18255250 Sherwood and Sherwood P.O. Box 947 Panhandle, Texas 79068 Telephone: (806)537-3591 Facsimile: (806)537-3592

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Tigers Make Coyotes Howl

The Groom Tigers ended the game for the second week of the early season at half-time by thumping Higgins 60-14. Thane Barkley threw five touchdown passes and ran for two more as the route was on. Also scoring, prior to ending the game, was Blaine Britten who caught a 45 yard touchdown pass and a 27 yard pass, both from quarterback Thane Barkley. Blaine Britten also intercepted a pass and returned it 33 vards Groom's fifth for Brandon touchdown. Jenkins caught a 35 yard pass for Groom's first touchdown of the night. Also catching touchdown passes, for the Tigers, were Javier Caro and See TIGERS, pg. 4 The Groom-McLean News 79039

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Tuesday night was the

much anticipated "Mr. GHS" contest. This is the

event in which the boys

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The dynamic duo, Chad and Thane Barkley head for the goal line in Friday nights game against Higgins.

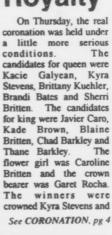
### Stevens - Caro Named GHS Royalty "poise" and (if you really

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After an exhausting but fun week, Groom ISD students ended homecoming activities for 2005. The fun began on Monday night with a good old fashioned roll in the MUD?! Yes, Groom's clean cut boys and girls played a very "dirty" game of mud flag football. It was a draw who won and a draw who was the muddiest! Everyone

judged on "beauty",

want to stretch the blanket) "talent". This This year's candidates were Trent "Carlee" Britten, Brett "Brenda" Friemel, Seth "Coco" Shick, Chad "Christina" Barkley, Blaine 'Roberta' Britten, T.J. "Michelle" Moraniec, Chaz "Jan" Leven, and Kade "Julie" Brown. The winner by crowd acclamation was.... "Brenda" Friemel. It was a laugh a minute and some of Groom's boys made some very pretty girls... and some had good personalities.





Brandi Bates crowns Brett "Brenda" Friemel in the Mr. GHS contest.

### Sheriff Department **Investigates Break-Ins**

Several Groom area merchants fell victim to thieves last week when several businesses were broken into or had an attempted break in. According to Sheriff Tam Terry. deputies investigated incidents at the Groom Hardware Store, Route 66

Steakhouse, Brumley Insurance, Great Plains Crop Services and the Post Office. In addition, Mr. Brumley's shop and Jiggs Britten's building were involved Aside from the damage,

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only a small amount of money and personal items were reported missing.

### Terms Expiring For Appraisal District Officials

The Carson County Appraisal District Board of Directors held their regular meeting on August 24<sup>th</sup> in Panhandle, Texas. Present were Chief Appraiser Donita Davis, Chairman Dale Gabel, Secretary Sherry Kramer, and members Curtis Downs, Mike Vance and Jim bob Mitchell. Tax Assessor Collector Jackie Lewis was absent.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dale Gabel. The agenda was approved. With no open forum

discussion, the meeting

moved on to approving the minutes of the May meeting and approving accounts payable for May, June and July.

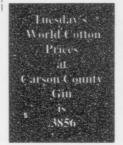
Terms of the Board of Directors, the Appraisal Review Board, and the Ag Advisory Committee were discussed. Terms expiring on the Board of Directors include Sherry Kramer, Curtis Downs, and Dale Gabel Terms expiring on the Appraisal Review Board are Frank Wink, Johnny Brumley, Grady Milton, Their terms expiring on the Ag Advisory Committee are See APPRAISAL, pg 4

### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

THE AWANA bring a friend night will be Sunday, September 18th Tell all of your friends.

**MEET THE Teachers** night will be held on October 4<sup>th</sup>. A music program and a stew dinner are planned.

**SEPTEMBER 27** will be school picture day at Groom ISD. Look your best!

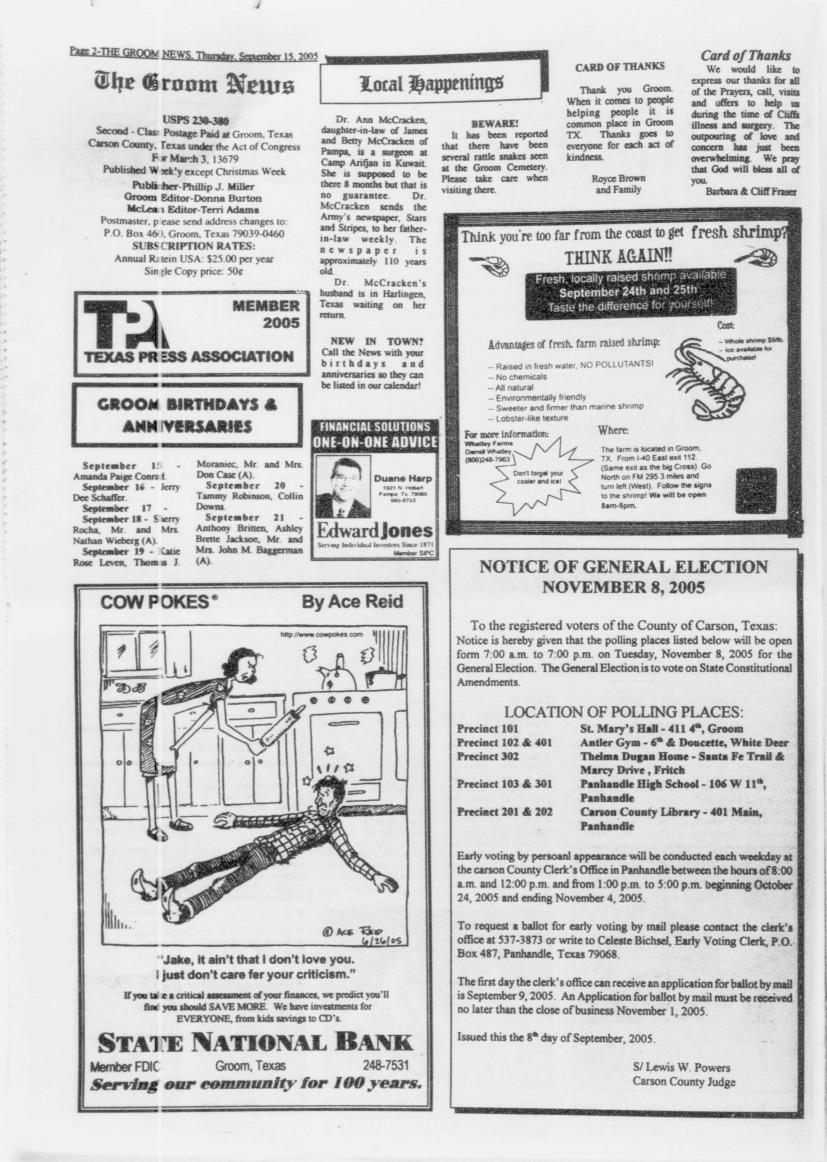


IMMUNIZATION CLINIC will be held on September 22 at Groom ISD from 9:30 - noon. NO FLU SHOTS, yet!

SIX WEEKS TESTS will be given on September 21, 22, & 23. Study Hard!

THE GROOM Cubs play Samnorwood here tonight at 5:00 p.m. They play Hedley at Hedley, Thursday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

**Tuesday Prices** Attebury Grain Whene Side for Affle Side for Corn I Side for Side for





Graves Marked After Eighty-Three Years

By Norma J. Dorsey Slagle

Barbara Allen Johnson Kelly was my great maternal grandmother the mother to my and mother, Tassie Dorsey She was accidentally shot while hanging out clothes at the house just south of what you have come to know as the Dorsey home place at 111 Broadway, A neighbor had borrowed a gun to kill a hog and it misfired and shot Barbara Allen She died Amarillo later that day. The year was 1922 and she was a lovely thirtythree year old wife and mother. She was survived by her parents, Joseph C. Johnson and Anna America Johnson, by her husband Joseph E. Kelley, her children, Tassie Miller, Calvin, Lewis, Gladys and Ruby Kelley. The Johnson's along with Tassie came to the Panhandle by covered wagon in about 1908 from Indian Territory in

Indian Territory in Oklahoma Tassie had lived with them since her mother had remarried when she was 3 years old and stayed with them until her marriage. The Johnson's

The Johnson's purchased both of these houses and continued to live there until their deaths. Joseph C. Johnson died Feb. 22, 1929 at 81 years of age. He was followed in death by his wife Anna in 1935 at the age of 82. Joe Kelley and his children moved in with the

Johnson's after losing Barbara Allen and stayed on as the children matured and married and until his death in 1944.

While my mother was still alive she would always take me by to see those four graves anytime we were at the cemetery. She would have marked the graces during her lifetime if she could have afforded to. Now it is important for me to identify their resting places because it was important to her.

We are who we are because they were who they were. I wish to honor them and my mother in this way. I praise God that they are not in this place but are rejoicing on streets of gold.

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Welcome back! Groom's wayfarer, Travis Britten, is home after a long trek through the Appalachian Mountains. Now he is the one with the "tall" tales to tell at this table with Robert Smith, T.C. Sustaire and Norris Hoyt listening.

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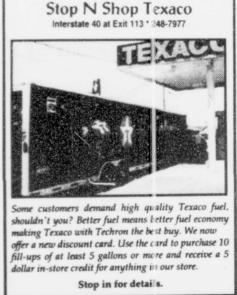
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September 19th the of through September 23 BREAKFAST:

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Monday: cold cereal, muffins, juice & milk.

Tuesday: pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice & milk

Wednesday: break fast burritos, hash brown potatoes, juice & milk.

Thursday: biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice & milk

Friday: doughnuts, cinnamon rolls, juice & milk

LUNCH:

Monday: char-broiled

steak, scalloped potatoes, black-eyed peas, hot rolls, chocolate cake & milk. Tuesday: Burritos with chili, bean dip, peaches, chips & milk.

Wednesday: chicken fajitas, sauteed onions and green peppers, lettuce and tomatoes, pineapple & milk.

Thursday: nachos with meat and cheese sauce.

meat and cheese sauce, pinto beans, lettuce, sopapillas & milk. Friday: cheeseburgers, potato wedges, baked beans, cookies & milk.

Tyler Babcock Groom Cubs 1-1 In The Season

Groom's Junior High football team has been very busy with the start of their season. The Cubs blasted past Holy Cross winning 19-12 in their opening match. Tyler Babcock scored two touchdowns and Shane King scored one.

"The boys are making progress," stated Coach Matt Johnson, "We are pleased with the improvement and expect to see a lot more by the end of the season." In the battle against

Higgins, the boys put up a tremendous effort, but

came away a little short, with a final score of 12-19. Tyler Babcock scored a touchdown as did Jacob Torres. The Cubs will Torres. The Cubs will play Samnorwood on Thursday night in their first home game of the season.

TIGERS

Blake Galyean. Chad Barkley scored on a four

Higgins scored their

first touchdown on a 45

vard run as their second

touchdown came on a 32

Groom made three of nine extra point kicks

after each of the touchdowns by Javier

Caro. In the first quarter,

Groom scored 36 points

and 24 points were added

on in the second quarter.

Higgins scored their two

touchdowns in the first

ILL OR RECOVERING

The following residents are either ill or

recovering Nancy Brumley

Cliff Fraser Christie Weller

yard interception return.

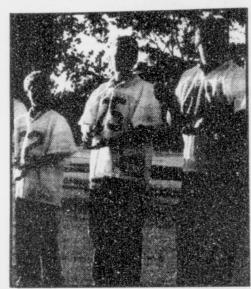
yard run.

A pep rally will be at 3:15 p.m. in the gym.

quarter. The Tigers rolled up 365 total yards to Higgins' 134 total yards. Groom ended up with nine first downs to

down. "We are showing steady improvement," stated coach Galyean. We are pleased with their

Higgins' single first



Groom Cubs Jacob Torres, Tyler Babcock, and Shane King were key players in Thursday's game.

progress as we head into the District Competition. With our open week, we should be able to heal all the little aches and pains and be stronger than

ever. The Groom Tigers will have an open week this week but will return next week at Kress on September 23rd.

### CORONATION Javier Caro.

The Coronation was followed by the bonfire.

A downtown pep rally was held on Friday afternoon. The Tigers faced off with Higgins to win three in a row for Groom! Read more about the game in this issue of The Groom News!

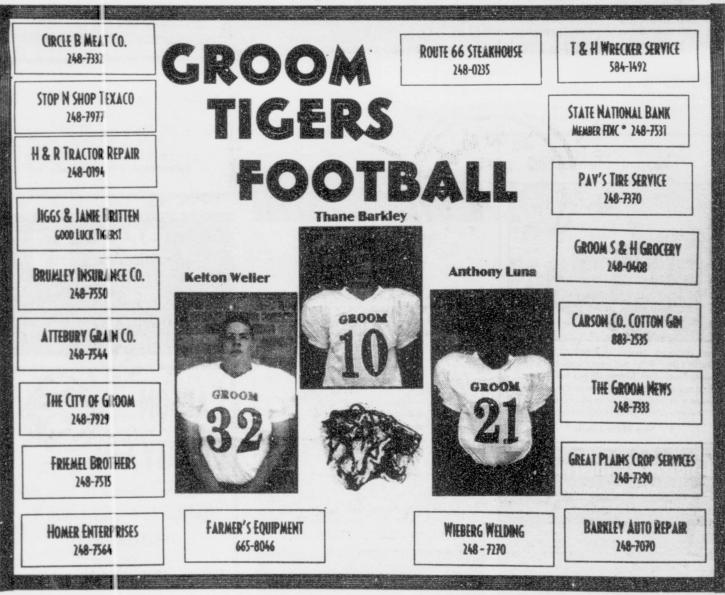
### APPRAISAL

Don Vance, Weinheimer, Gale Bennett, Mike Innhoefer, Shawn Don Vance, James O'Neal, Tick Shadid and Eddie Winegart. It was discussed whether to replace deceased member Shawn O'Neal on the committee. No action was taken.

Mike Vance moved and and Jim Bob Mitchell seconded to approve the Happy State Bank as depository for the years 2006-2007.

Discussion items included a request by the Board of Directors to have a closed session at the next meeting to discuss an administrative evaluation.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Drugs have estimated street value of \$5 Million...

50KG Cocaine Seized On I-40

Groom - A California man was arrested Friday morning, 9-9-05, on I-40 after troopers found 50 KG of Cocaine in his truck tractor.

Rodolfo Martinez, 39 of La Puente California, was driving a 1997 Freightliner truck tractor semi-trailer eastbound on I-40. At 8:45, troopers stopped the vehicle 6 miles west of Groom for a traffic violation. After consent of search was given, 50 KG (50,000 Grams) of Cocaine was found in 2 U-Haul boxes located under the bed in the sloeper of the truck

tractor. The Cocaine has an estimated value of \$5,000,000.00

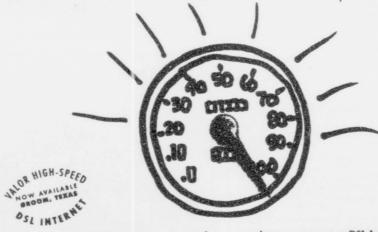
Martinez was later was processed through the Carson County jail in Panhandle on drug related charges. Investigators believe the load originated in Los Angeles California

and was headed for Chicago, Illinois. The investigation is ongoing

Chicago, Illinois. The investigation is ongoing. This is the second Largest Cocaine seizure on I-40 this month. On Sept. 6 troopers seized 38 KG from 2 California Subjects who were also headed for Chicago.



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Garet Rocha & Caroline Britten

## GHS Homecoming Royalty



Sherri Britten & Javier Caro



#### PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 54)

HIR 54 would create a Texas rail relocation and improvement fund in the state treasury and would authorize grants of state revenue and issuance of public debt to relocate, rehabilitate, and expand privately and publicly owned passenger and freight rail facilities and to construct railroad underpasses and overpasses.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment creating the Texas rail relocation and improvement fund and authorizing grants of money and issuance of obligations for financing the relocation, rehabilitation, and expansion of rail facilities."

#### PROPOSITION 2 (HJR 6)

HJR 6 would provide that marriage in Texas is solely the union of a man and woman, and that the state and its political subdivisions could not create or recognize any legal status identical to or similar to marriage, including such legal status relationships created outside of Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing that marriage in this state consists only of the union of one main and one woman and prohibiting this state or a political subdivision of this state from crea ating or recognizing any legal status identical or similar to marriage."

#### PROPOSITION 3 (HJR 80)

HJR 80 would provide that local economic development program loans or grants (other than debts secured by a pledge of ad valorem taxes or financed by the issuance of any bonds or other obligations payable from ad valorem taxes) do not constitute or create debt. Any provision of state constitutional law that may prohibit or limit the authority of a political subdivision of the state to meur debt does not apply to those loans or grants

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows — "The constitutional amendment clarifying that certain economic development programs do not constitute a debt." PROPOSITION 4 (SJR 17) SJR 17 would authorize a district judge to deny reinstatement of bail or new bail to a person accused of a felony, if the person's bail had been revoked or forfeited as a result of the person's violation of a condition of release related to the safety of a victim of the alleged offense or to the safety of the community.

PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS SPECIAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 8, 2005

> The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the denial of bail to a criminal defendant who violates a condition of the defendant's release pending trial."

#### PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 21)

SJR 21 would authorize the Legislature to exempt commercial loans from state usury laws that set maximum interest rates. "Commercial loans" are loans made primarily for business, commercial, investment, agricultural, or similar purposes and not primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment allowing the legislature to define rates of interest for commercial loans."

#### **PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 87)**

HJR 87 would increase the size of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct from eleven to thirteen members by increasing from four to five the number of public members and by adding a constitutional county court judge. The additions would ensure that the commission has an odd number of members, which is required by another provision of the state constitution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to include one additional public member and a constitutional county court judge in the membership of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct."

#### PROPOSITION 7 (SJR 7)

SJR 7 would authorize new options for reverse mortgage agreements for senior homeowners allowing them to draw advances at unscheduled intervals, if and when needed, and only in the amounts needed, during the loan term. These are in addition to options that would allow a lump sum payment after settlement or regular periodic, predetermined equal amounts over a term of years or the lifetime of the homeowner. Additionally, SJR 7 would (1) prohibiti the agreement from requiring the use of a credit card, debit card or similar device to obtain an advance; (2) prohibit the charge or collection of a transaction fee solely in connection with any debit or advance, after the time the extension of credit is established; and (3) prohibit the lender or holder from unilaterally amending the extension of credit

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows "The constitutional amendment authorizing line-of-credit advances under a reverse mortgage."

#### PROPOSITION 8 (SJR 40)

SJR 40 would clear individual land titles by relinquishing and releasing all claims of state ownership interests, including mimeral interests, in two local areas, namely, a roughly 4,600 acre area located roughly 14 miles southeast of Gilmer, Texas, and a separate 900 acre area located north of Tyler, Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the clearing of land titles by relinquishing and releasing any state claim to sovereign ownership or title to interest in certain land in Upshur County and in Smith County."

#### **PROPOSITION 9 (HJR 79)**

HJR 79 would authorize the Legislature to provide staggered six year terms of office for board members serving on regional mobility authorities, with no more than one-third of the board positions being appointed every two years.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a six-year term for a board member of a regional mobility authority."

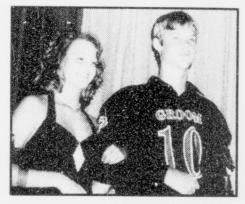
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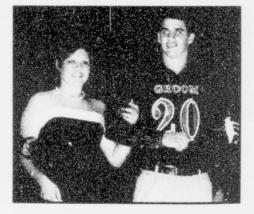
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