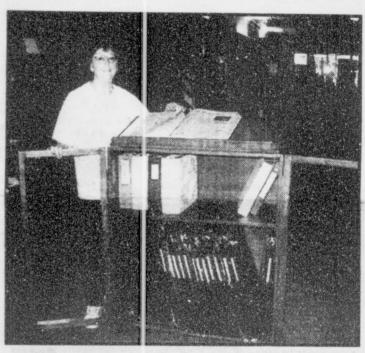
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McLean Museum Board Discusses New Displays and Plans for Other Improvements



Dorthey McKee shows the new bound newspaper display in the museum.

The McLean-Alanreed Museum Board of Directors met Thursday, June 8th, 2006. Board members present were Wayne Woods, Delbert & Ruth Trew, Lynn Roeves, Mickey Jackson, Margie Fish, Anita Day, Bill & Dorthey McKee and F.J. & Leta Mae Hess.

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The board welcomed new members Bob & Janet



Museum volunteers enjoy Traveling Oil Display

G ass, Keith & Nita Reimer, and Mark Watson. Mickey Jackson, se retary, gave handouts of m nutes from last board m reting. Lynn Reeves, tr asurer, reported on the

financial status of the miseum. New and improved displays are in the works for the museum. The museum is planning to re do the military display and welcomes other articles, pictures, and artifacts for display along with the current ones. All branches of service will be recognized.

The museum currently has 2 new displays. There

is a new bound newspaper case with McLean papers

from early 1920's through World War II and 1991-2000. Articles can be copied if needed.

The museum currently has a traveling "Oil Field Display". A traveling display is one that is shared with other museums in the Panhandle.

Board members voted to continue having the chilistew dinner in the early spring. Board members also discussed other fund raisers. The next meeting will be July 6th at 5 PM at the museum.

Shelby Passmore, Camrynn Richardson, Summer Ferguson, Charlie Webb Kendalynn Richardson and Kayla Lewis visit the botanical gardens.

McLean Brownie Troop # 25 Makes Field Trip To OKC

McLean Troop #25 has been together for four years. They started out in Daisies, then Brownies and now JRs. They have successfully planned meetings, sold nuts and cookies together and worked side by side doing community service for McLean.

Their last trip together as a Brownie troop was planning and budgeting an overnight trip to Oklahoma City. The first day, they

Syfrett Earns 4-H Scholarship

Tammy Rene Syfrett received a Leadership Experience Scholarship for District 1-Gray County 4-H for participating in State Roundup contests.

Tammy's team unfortunately, was eliminated after the third round of the Nutritional Bowl contest. Tammy said that she feels very fortunate to compete along with 23 other teams representing the state of Texas. She says that she is ready to try it again next year if her team from LeFors is willing.

Sunday, June 11, Tammy was nominated to be the See Syfrett, pg. 8 went to Whitewater Bay where they said they had a really fun time. They also visited the Myriad Botanical Gardens and ate supper in Bricktown at the Spaghetti Warehouse. Some special donations made it possible for the girls to have a surprise horse-drawn carriage ride around downtown Oklahoma City.

The second day the girls got up early and had a great time at the zoo. After the zoo, the girls went to the Oklahoma City Nations. Memorial and Musaeum. These girls were not bora when the terrorists blew up the Murrah Building. A Ranger gave them a tour and lots of information about the monuments and memorials outside. The girls took time to read the names on the chairs and put their hand prints on the Wall of Hope. They also left something on the Memorial Gates

Julie Ferguson, troop leader, said that it was hard to say in words how they all felt but, she believed that

the girls were all very touched by what had happened there.

Then the girls and troop leaders headed back to McLean full of wonderful memories. See Brownies, pg. 8

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR.

A.A. MEETING every Tuesday 8 PM at the McLean Cowboy Church, 119 E. Third.

C O M M U N I T Y AWARENESS group will meet tonight at 6:30 at the high school

LOVETT LIBRARY will be closed June 23.

ANGEL FOOD ministries distribution day is June 24 12:30 PM at the Cowboy Church. Bring a box to take your food home in YOUNG@HEART will meet Tuesday, June 20 at noon for a pot-luckluncheon at the Young@Heart Building on Main Street.

P A R E N T ORIENTATION meeting tonight at 6:30 in the high school auditorium. (See related story)

GOLF SCRAMBLEevery Tuesday at 6PM at the McLean Golf Course.

FIRE MEETING-every 1st and 3rd Thursday at the fire station.



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secretary/treasurer of the Gray County 4-H Council. She was also nominated to serve on the District 1 Leadership committee.

McLean Fire Task Force Responds to Ranch Blaze

Three members of the McLean Fire Department, Heath Allen, Scott Glass, and Sonny Northcutt helped fight wildfires at the LX Ranch, Thursday June 15 and 16. The ranch is north of Amarillo.

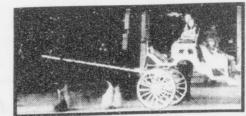
McLean Fire Department is part of the Gray County Fire Task Force. Lefors, Pampa, and Hoover also sent members from their fire departments. The task force was organized shortly after the March 12 wildfire by the PRPC. McLean Task Force has responded six times since being formed to fight other fires in the Panhandle.

Do

Your

Brownies

The troop would like to thank all of the parents who supported Girl Scouts. They would also like to thank the community of McLean for buying Girl Scout nuts and cookies. We couldn't have made the trip without your support. Thank you again to Evelyn Shaw, Petie Bullis, McLean Cowboy Church, L.H.& Nama Webb and Missie Richardson.



(Above) The girls take a horse drawn carriage ride (below) The girls enjoy the OKC zoo.



Care Center Holds Father's Day Party



Earl Riley and Alexander Watkins have refreshments at the Father's Day Party.

College Begins 1st Term

The Summer I term at Clarendon College Pampa Center Begins on July 17. Anyone wishing to register for this term may do so now through July 17. The courses offered Monday

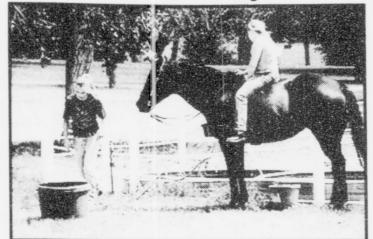
through Thursday include English Comp I and II. Microbioogy, Web Site Design, Fundamentals of Criminal Law, Non-Western Literature, State Government, US History, General Psychology, Human Growth and Development, Micro-Economics, Interpersonal Speech, and Social Issues.

The complete Pampa Center schedule for Summer II and Fall semester are available by calling 806-665-8801 or m а davidbradford@clarendon college.edu. Please note that the Center is closed. Fridays during the summer term

The McCean Care Center 605 w. 74/ P.O. Box 786 McLess, Texas 78057 806/779-2489, 778-2515 fax Billy Ray Johnston, Administrator Nita Massey, Asst. Administrator Kim Daughtry, Director Nurses Connie Baten, Asst. Director Nurses



Burned Horses Recover From Wild Fire Injuries



Nicole McClendon and Lexi Simmons tend to the horses injured in the wildfire.

Rebecca Simmons is a 4 th generation horseman/cattleman, educator from the Gray and Donley Counties area. She graduated from William Woods University with a B.S. in Equestrian Science in 1982. She worked on her M.S. at WTSU from 1982 to 1986.

Rebecca has taught at WTA&M and Frank Phillips College. She has been a hunter/jumper instructor for 27 years and a Vet Tech for 19 years. The last seven years Rebecca has donated her time to help the youth of the area.

Rebecca became involved recently with horses that were badly burned during the wildfires of March 12, 2006. She has worked relentlessly doctoring and caring for the horses on a daily basis.

Now, 3 months later, the improvements can be seen.

The scares are healing and the horses are able to trot around in a horse pasture near the barn. The Spradling Ranch, located north of Alanreed, has donated the use of their barn and facilities.

Helping Rebecca in the recovery effort has been her daughter Lexi, who has been there from the first day. Also helping is Nicole McClendon.. They water, feed, and exercise the horses daily. Certified master farrier, Chuck Garner of Wellington, has donated his time checking and treating the horses hooves every two weeks. Others from the

community have helped donating their time and assistance.

Although the horses are out of immediate danger, full recovery is still a long way off. Chuck Garner explained, " It will take one year for a horse to rehoof with proper medication and nutrition."

The main concern according to Rebecca is the dwindling supply of hay and feed, the continue drought condition, and lack of funds. The green pastures are full of toxic plants such as oak, shinnery, and bare grass When asked about the beneficial rainfall of the last month Rebecca stated that the rain was wonderful, but it did not break the area drought conditions. Because of the drought area ranchers will need assistance throughout the summer.

" If anyone wants to donate to the American Humane Association, every dime comes immediately back to us in feed or supplies," said Rebecca.

For more information or to help out, call Rebecca at 806-681-5858 or 806-779-2496.



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Rebecca Simmons and Chuck Garner discuss the condition of the injured horse.

City Council To Interview Applicants For Director Of Public Works

The City Council of McLean met in regular session Monday, June 12th, 2006. In attendence were Mayor Bob Martin and Members Molly McDowell, Betty Taylor, Lavon Watson and George Shaw. Mindy Reeves was absent.

Others present: Allen Mixon, Toni Bohlar, Chet & Sally Bohlar, Johnny & Anita Day, Dwain & Peggy Baer, Bill & Lynn Reeves, Jackie Worsham, Mary Dwyer, Marjorie Fish, Pat Wilson, Ben Reeves, James & Rosa Troy, Bettie Warren, Wayne Bullis, Gary Jones, Wayne & Laura Morris, Earl McLain, Bob Glenn, Mr. & Mrs. Bryan Johnson and Patrick Phillips. The minutes of the May

The minutes of the May meetings were approved with changes. The Council appointed

Jackie Richardson to the Library Board to fill the vacancy left by Tammy Morrow. The Council voted to accept Amy Herrings resignation from the Library Board.

The Mayor called for Executive Session at 6:07 p.m. according to Section 551.071 for consultation with Attorney.

The meeting returned to open session at 6:50 p.m. with no action taken concerning the Executive Session.

The Mayor opened the following bids received on the tax property: For lots 37 & 38, Block 3,

Floral Addition, one bid was approved from David Bolin for \$100.00. For the South 10 feet of Lot

For the South 10 feet of Lot 8, all of Lots 9 & 10, Block 17, Original Town, McLean, two bids were received. James Stone won the bid \$351.50.

For the East 75 feet of Lots 18-20, Block 55, Original Town, McLean, two bids were received. George Shaw won the bid for \$300.00. Alderman Shaw abstained from voting.

For the East 70 feet of Lots 16, 17, 18, 19 & 20, Block 20, Original Town, McLean, three bids were received. Billy Bybee won the bid with \$1020.00. There were four applications received for Director of Public Works Roby Lynn, Allen Mixon, Bryan Johnson and Gary Jones. The Council decided to set up a special meeting Wednesday, June 21^e, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. to interview the applicants and consider hiring a Director of Public Works.

Dean Alderete was approved to be hired for mowing & weed eating on a part time basis. Betty Taylor was approved

Betty laylor was approved to be an authorized signor for the grant project, along with Mayor Martin, and Toni Bohlar, City Secretary. Alderman Taylor abstained from voting.

A resolution was approved for SPS Rate Filing Date Suspension, to delay the effective date of the rate increase. The Council voted to

The Council voted to advertise for bids to be opened at the July meeting. Allen Mixon informed the Council that the leak was fixed on First Street and they saved the City approximately \$5000.00 the way that they fixed it. He then informed the Council that the City's other part time employee would like a raise. This will

be put on next months agenda. A discussion was held concerning faded street signs. Other City Business - City Secretary, Toni Bohlar, informed the Council that she had received word at approximately 4:30 pm today that Mindy Reeves had been sworn in as Alderman by a Notary Public in Pampa,

Visitor Comments - the Mayor asked that any comments that the visitors wished to make be limited to 2-3 minutes each.

Texas

Mr. Wayne Bullis said that he knew of a fire hydrant on 7th or 8th and Kingsley that has been leaking for quite a while and creating quite a mess. The Mayor told Mr. Bullis that that particular fire hydrant was on the list to be repaired as soon as we could get to it.

Ben Reeves said that he wished to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers for Mindy and asked them to continue the pravers. He then asked the Mayor, if before the meeting on May 19th, had he talked to anyone other than the Council, making a job offer for a City position that has not yet been vacated. He then stated that he would like an answer for that and that if he couldn't do it now, he would like it placed on next months agenda. Mayor Martin replied that as far as he knew he had never offered a job to anybody. Ben said that this was a specific job and asked if he had mentioned a salary to anyone and Mayor Martin replied no, not that he knew of. Alderman Watson asked if he could be more specific and Mr. Reeves stated that there were specifics. Mayor Martin asked that this be put on next months agenda.

James Troy said that he would like to commend the City employees that when they fixed the leak on First Street and came on his property that they were very professional and did a nice job.

Bob Glenn said that the advertisement in the paper for a Director of Public Works did not mention the gas system and that someone would need to know something about gas and the gas regulations. City Secretary, Toni Bohlar, stated that it was her fault that she had forgotten to list the gas system in the requirements. By unanimous consent the Council agreed to pay the

bills



Page 10-THE GROOM NEWS, Thursday, June 22, 2006 Pampa Chamber of Commerce Holds Expo

City for Sale! The Pampa Chamber Com nerce would like to invite everyone to attend our 7th Annual Business Expo & Job Fair on Saturday, June 24th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium in Pampa. This year's gold sponsors are Centramedia, Great Plains Abstract & Title, Innovative Staffing Solutions, Pampa Communications, and Shepard's Crook Nursing. Our silver sponsors for 2006 are Brown, Graham & Co, Brown's Shoe Fit, BSA Hospice, Cable Ore, Dish Solution, Dobson Cellula. Systems, National Bank of Commerce.

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In addition to the dozens of local businesses who will be on hand to share their latest products, & services and technology

Services Held For McLean's Floyd Simpson Saturday

Floyd James Simpson, 87, passed away on June 13, 2006 in Wichita Falls, June Texas. Services were held on Saturday, June 17, 2006, at the First Baplist Church in McLean, with Church in McLean, with Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor of the Central Baptist Church of Pampa, officiating. Burial was in the Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean

McLean.

McLean. Floyd Simpson vas born June 27, 1918 in Wellington. His family moved to McLean in 1920. He married Mar ha LaVicia on March 3, 1940 in Sayre, Oklahoma. She moceded him in death in preceded him in death in 1992. He moved to 1992. He moved to Amarillo in 1946 and then to Pampa in 1958. He

owned and operated the Skelly Service Station for 28 years. He later worked

at Utility Oil from 1986 until 2000 when he moved to Wichita Falls. He wis a

member of the First Baptist Church of Pampa. He loved to cook and was a chef during his time in Amarillo.

Survivors include 1 son James Roy Simpson & wife Linda of Wichita Falls; 1 Linda of Wichita Fails, 1 sister, Jeanette Kennedy & husband W. C. of Pampa; 4 brothers, Edward Simpson & wife Helen of Purcell, Oklahoma, Kenneth Ross Simpson & wife Bonnie of Hobbs, New

Mexico, Frank Simpson and W. C. Simpson & wife Rae, all of McLean; 2 Grandchildren: Stephanie Childs & husband Sam of Austin and Debrah Bace Austin, and Deborah Ross & husband Brett of Wichita Falls. He was preceded in death by 3 brothers, Lloyd Simpson, Cecil Simpson and Bill Simpson, and I sister, Ruth Howard.

Howard. The family suggests memorials to Hospice of Wichita Falls, P.O. Box 4804, Wichita Falls, Texas 76308.

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The meeting is mandatory for parents of students in grades 6-12 who wish to participate in any extracurricular activity for 2006-2007 The community is welcome to attend

with you, the Expo will feature lots of good food. free weight and blood pressure checks, free child ID kit courtesy of the Potter Co Sheriff's Department, Coffee Memorial Bloodmobile information from the National Weather Service, and kids activities including a bounce house and picture taking. There will also be many door prizes, giveaways and samples.

Also this year, in conjunction with the Business Expo there will be the NAMI Bicycle Tour. The proceeds from this tour go to benefit the National Alliance for Mental Illness. The ride begins at 8 A.M. from the Coronado Shopping Center with sign ups to begin at 6 A.M. There are four different routes offered to fit your skill level. The fee is \$30 for any route.

McLean Receives Torrential Rain Fall



Tony Smitherman's carport was demolished by storms that ripped through the McLean area

McLean was barraged by

McLean weatherman, Sam inclimate weather, Friday,

Young At Heart

June 16. According to

Members of McLean's Young@Heart met Tuesday. June 6, 2006 for a pot-luck luncheon. There were 20 members present and one guest. Ashley Ferguson, granddaughter of Wayne Bullis, came to have lunch with her "Grandpa Buck".

Laura Garrison and Tersia Whitley from Accolade Home Health were there to do blood pressure checks.

Members on the prayer list are: Mindy Reeves, Rex Peacock and Rickey Stone, son of Boots and James Stone



Martin Named In Magazine

Elizabeth Martin, owner of Elizabeth's Junk to Treasures, on Main Street in McLean didn't realize she had become internationally known until recently.

Lejeun, Valerie journalist for the French magazine LE FIGARO. was in Elizabeth's shop recently and purchased a

wedding ring quilt. Shortly after that, Elizabeth received a copy of the magazine .Her shop was listed (in French, of course). The article had to do with Route 66. .The article also had a picture of The Old Phillips 66 Station and a picture of area Texas Highway Patrol officers at Red River Steakhouse.

Haynes, we had 1.7 inches or rain and winds in excess of 70 miles per hour. Hail was pea-marble size. McLean Fire

department was called to THE REAL OF THE PARTY OF THE PA

an accident scene west of McLean, Two 18 wheelers jackknife on I-40 due to The fire the storm. department re-routed traffic until I-40 could be reopened.



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Board Accepts Resignations From Coach & Board Member

With deep regret, the Groom Independent School Board of Trustees accepted the resignation of Head Football Coach and Boys Basketball Coach and Boys Basketball Coach Doug Galyean at their regular monthly meeting on June 13. Galyean had just completed his second year at Groom ISD. He will be going to teach at Cisco Junior College as Head Women's Basketball Coach. The job was offered to Galyean, due in part, to the previous association with the College, when he taught there from 1990-1994.

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"This was a difficult decision for us," he stated, "Groom has been so good to us. It has been a wonderful experience. This opportunity came up and it will get us closer to our family down south." The School Board will



Nellie and Burl Painter watching grandchildren play baseball on a wonder sammer evening.

John Koetting making some pretty fast moves after the wind sends his cap tambling down main street.

Joe & Barbara Homer estertained friends on Sunday evening.

Joe & Jean Miller of White Deer enjoyed hunch in Groom on Father's Day

Art Britten taking care of a bit of business at the post office.

Louise Conrad making her daily trek to the Church and the grocery store for a few supplies.

Men at the Methodist Church sporting some colorful boutonniere on Sunday.

Robert Newton out and about after a long illness has kept him in. have the difficult task ahead of finding someone who will fit into Groom as good as the Doug Galyean family.

Kathleen Barkley

regretfully, accepted the resignation of Board Member Kathleen Barkley, who has served about a year of her term of office. She is resigning to allow a family member be considered for a job at the school.

In open forum, Steve Hutsell asked Mr. Stevens if another science class would be taught for the next year. Mr. Stevens explained to the board that one of the requirements of the new legislation is that the freshmen of 2006-2007 would be required to have 4 years of Math, Science, and English. Stevens also explained that the graduation requirements would need to be amended to come up to the standard

would need to be amended to come up to the standard. Neal Brown, Groom's Region 16 ESC discussed with the Board the budget report and what amendmenis were needed. The Budget

a mendments were approved as recommenced. Brown also discussed with the Board the 2006-2007 Budget and the See School, pg. 6

needed. arena recently. Even though there were conflicting events in other towns, the members of the association reported a very good turn out in participants. The Hext

The Route

Entertainment Association held a rodeo at the new Rodeo Company provided the stock. The announcer was Terrel Coffey . Pickup men, Justin Eakins and

Mark Owens and Toby Hall discuss the facilities at the Arena with Association

Association Promotes Rodeo Events

members Mark Koetting and Bill Homer.

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Craig Gutherie did a good job at keeping the cowboys See Rodeo, pg. 6

Community Calendar

GROOM RED HATTERS will meet on June 29, 2006.

AN EMT class is slated to begin on July 11. Registration will be on June 26 at the Groom School beginning at 6:00 p.m. For more information please call 248-7963.

GROOM GYM will be open on Tuesday & Thursday this summer for Elementary children from 5 to 7 pan and Junior High and High School age kids from 7 pm to 9 pm. Open Sunday from 7 pm to 9 pm for Junior High and High School kids. June 12-June 30 from 8 am to Noon.

THURSDAY IS Ladies Night at the Groom Pool, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Fuesday's Lines World Cotton Prices at Carson Connty Gin is 4483

Court to Hear Library Re-Naming Proposal

The Carson County Commissioners will entertain ideas concerning the a proposal for renaming of the Groom Branch Library in measury of Mrs. Bertha Knight. The Court is inviting asyone in the area to submit their thoughts about the suitability of this proposal or to come in person to express their thoughts and opinions to the Court on July 10th at 10:00arm in the Court House in Panhandle.

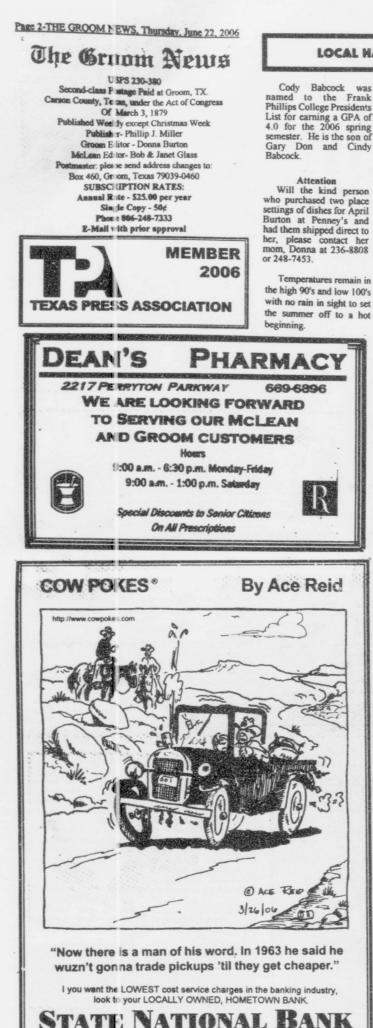
DON'T FORGET! The Groom Swimming Pool is open Tuesday -Friday from 1-6 and Saturday 1-5.





Andre Ingle, Cody Kling and Sonny Stegall enjoy the time they spend in the dugout waiting to bat at a recent Coach Pitch Baseball game.

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LOCAL HAPPENING

Cody Babcock was named to the Frank Phillips College Presidents List for earning a GPA of 4.0 for the 2006 spring semester. He is the son of Gary Don and Cindy Babcock.

with Mary Jo & Daniel Schacher, Jacob, Just and John Henry. Wyatt Britten **Receives** Award

Bill & Norma Jean

Homer were in Lazbuddie this past weekend visiting

Army ROTC Cadet Wyatt A. Britten has received the George C. Marshall Award during an awards ceremony at the Marshall Center in Lexington, Va. The award is named in the honor and legacy of General of the Army George C. Marshall, who served in World War II as the Army Chief of Staff and in the post-war era served as secretary of state and secretary of defense. The award is presented annually to the most outstanding senior Army ROTC (Reserve Officer Training Corps) cadets in military science studies and leadership values in each battalion at host universities or colleges. Top cadets participate in focus groups and round table discussions on the theme of the national security of the U.S. and the Army's security role in the international arena; and receive formal arena, and receive formal speeches from the highest echelons of the U.S. Army's leadership ranks.

The cadet is a student at the University of Texas, Arlington. Britten is the son of

Mike F. and Marla S. Britten of County Road 4, Groom, Texas. Card of Thanks

We would like to thank EMT Dee Smith, Sharon and Rick Prather and Lance Ollinger for their quick response to oar emergency very early Monday morning. Our family was treated with professionalism and respect. We believe that our town can only succeeded if we support our volunteers and work together. We truly together. We truly appreciate all the volunteers that make Groom such a good nmunity. Kenny Weller. & Christi

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Birthday & Anniversaries

June 22 - C. Wayne Stroope, Christi Reed, Mr. and Mrs. E.W. Lamberson (A).

June 23 -Kyndall Hill June 24 - Kelvin Ollinger, Brin Burgin, Dennis B. Cockrell, Ben Thompson.

June 25 - James Homer, Eric Gregory Davis, Blake Christopher Weinheimer.

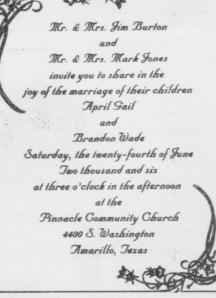
Wallace L June 26 -Bichsel, Janice Weinheimer Melissa

June 27 - Melissa Ritter, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Crowell (A) Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Anthony (A)

(A). June 28 - Jack Bivens, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Weller (A), Staci Dian Treadwell, Kenneth and Christina Weller (A).

NOTICE

The City of Groom will no longer take tree branches in the City Dumpster. In order to help get rid of branches, the City will be operating a tree chipping site on the fourth Friday and Saturday of the month. On Friday, June 23, and Saturday morning, June 24, 2008, the City will have the wood chipper in Groom to use to dispose of tree branches. The branches cannot be any larger than 4" in diameter, and the branches must be brought to the tree chipping site during the hours that the City personnel are We will not allow branches to be there. stockpiled. Please contact the City Hall at 248-7929 on Friday, June 23 for directions to the chipping site.





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Coach Pitch Baseball Draws Crowd





(Above Left) Jake Merrell awaits an infield hit in his position as short stop. (Above Right) Parents, grandparents, neighbors & friends and those interested in excitement all turn out for the fun and fellowship. (Center) Mason Miller get ready to leads his buddies to the field after their "at bat" ends.





Ministerial Alliance Holds **Battle of Bands**

Panhandle Ministerial Alliance, in association with KLOVE and Airl with KLOVE and Afri Radio, will present the "Breaking Strongholds" Battle of the Bands on Saturday, June 24th, from

9am to 6pm. The concert will be held at Paul Park, located at 12th and Franklin in Panhandle, and will include fifteen area Christian bands competing for prizes. Chip Clark will be delivering a non-denominational message between bands.

Admission is free, and vendors will be on site with food, beverages, and other items. Donations and a portion of the proceeds will benefit the Panhandle Assessment Center, an area shelter for abused and neglected children. Call Scott Kemp for more information at 274-1291 or 537-3150.



Tigers Catcher Hannah Kelly gives the sign for the pitch

The man who doesn't read good books has no advan-tage over the man who can't read them. —Mark Twain

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Cody Kling is the first person to buck out of the new chutes at the Rodeo held recently. He placed the 1^{n} in the Mutton busting and won the donkey riding event both Saturday and Sunday.



Blain Lewis stays on top of his wild ride in the Mutton Bustin contest at recent rodeo. He is the grandson of Hal and Sharlene Lewis

Groom Tigers 2006 Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Aug 19	Follett (s)	Follett	11: am
Aug 25	Hedley (s)	Hedley	TBA
Sep 2	Follett	Groom	3:00
Sep 8	Lefors	Lefors	7:30
Sep 15	Woodson	Groom	7:30
Sep 22	Miami	Miami	7:30
Sep 29	OPEN		
Oct 6	Holy Cross **	Groom	7:30
Oct 13	Ft. Elliott	Briscoe	7:30
Nov 3	McLean *	Groom	7:30
Nov. 10	Motley County *	Matado	r 7:30
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(S) Scrimmage ** Homecoming * District 7-1A Games





Kelton Weller Named Knight Of The Realm In Honor of Birthday

On his 15th birthday, Kelton Weller was endowed with the tile of Sir Kelton of the Knights of the Realm. The honor was bestowed by King Alfonso at the Medieval Times Castle in Dallas, Texas. Sir Kelton was accompanied by his mother, Aunt Rhonda and Gramie and was treated to a royal feast and tournament. Competitors displayed their skill in h or s e m a n s h i p, swordsmanship and jousting. Costumes, weapons and armor were historical replicas including the shining steel swords directly from Spain. The feast included delicious roast chicken, potato, soup and bread with no silverware provided or allowed.



Carson County Sheriff's Report

was

By Sheriff Tam Terry By Sheriff Tam Terry Juan Alberto Cuellar, 24, of Tucson AZ was arrested on June 5, 2006 at the 108 MM on I-40 by Trooper Darin Bridges for Criminal Mischief. He was released on \$1,500 bond.

Carlos Santos, 46, of Bellflower, CA was arrested on June 12, 2006 at the Courthouse in Panhandle on a felony charge of engaging in organized criminal activity. Patrick Ricks Rainey, 25, of Norwalk, CA was

arrested by Troop Mike Smith on June 6, 2006 for felony charge of ssession of marijuana. was released on 2 \$10,000 bond

Shawn Darae Doggette, 26, of Huntsville, AI was arrested by Trooper Mike Smith at the 106 mm on I-40 on June 6, 2006 for a charge of felony possession of marijuana. He was released on \$10,000 bond. He was

Ashley Lasha Brandon, 22, of Burningham, Al, on June 6, 2006, was arrested by Trooper Mike Smith o a felony charge of possession of marijuana. She was of marijuana. She was released on \$10,000 bond.

Travoy Jernaine Pete, 35, of Richmond, CA was arrested, at the 113 mile marker by Trooper Oscar Esqueda on June 8, 2006. He was charged with felony violations of ion of Marijuana 4oz to 5 lbs and Possession of a controlled substance, 2

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grams to 400 grams Terry Wayne Carpenter, 41 of Amarillo way 41 of Amarillo was arrested on June 9, 2006 by Trooper Dennis Brassfield at the 100 mile marker Service Road. He was charged with a misdem canor theft, \$500 -

\$1,500 Junior Ray Jones, 17, of Panhan le was arrested by Officer Tanner Blackburn at Allsups in Panhandle for a violation of consumption of alcoho? by a minor on June 10, 2006.

Ulises Soria-Olveda, 18, of Pampa was arrested on June 10, 2006 on Hwy on June 10, 2006 on Hwy 60 at the Gas Plant Road. by City Marshall Darell Luster on charges of carrying an unlicenced weapon and theft of service, \$20-\$500. Mark Sconcel 48

Mark Sponsel, 48, was arrested by Trooper Scott Smith, 1.2 mile east of FM 2161 on Hwy 60 on June 10, 2006 for Driving While Intoxicated.

Aleja ndro Martinez Ochoa, 21, of Phoenix, AZ was arrested on June 13, 2006 for unauthorized use of a vehicle at the 106 mile marker on Interstate 40. The subject was taken to the border patrol for fingerprinting and his real is Jose, Ramon name Armas-Martinez.

Daniel Richard McClellan, 25, of Gulfport Ms. was arrested on a felony possession of a controlled substance on

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PAUL ELMS

June 15, 2006. Misty Michelle Minyard, 33, of Amarillo was arrested on June 16,

2006 on a charge o forgery of a financial instrument. Ignoacio Mejia, 23 of Pampa was arrested 1 mile east of Panhandle, TX on June 17, 2006 for driving while intoxicated. Jeremy James Tidwell,

19, was arrested in Panhandle for two misdemeanor counts of deadly conduct. Those who are currently

in jail are as follows: Rosalio Rodriguez Barraza, arrested 2/23/06.

Jerym Jerome Dunken, arrested 4/2/06. Mamuel Erique Gutires,

arrested 5/26/06. Robert Walter Hereder arrested 5/27/06

Arturo Magana Herrera arrested 5/31/06

Curtis Wayne Matlock arrested 5/27/06. Richard Daniel McClellan arrested 6/15/06

Misty Michelle Minyard arrested 6/16/06 Alejandro Martinez Ochoa arrested 6/13/06.

Javier Osornil Pena arrested 4/01/2006.

Gene Wesley Rogers arrested 5/21/2005. Gary Dor arrested 4/4/06. Don Salazar

Carlos Santos arrested on 6/05/06.

Craig Thomas was arrested on 1/16/06. Emmanuel Vasquez-Martinez was arrested on

May 26, 2006 Manuel Jesus Velgara

is not in the national was arrested on 1/5/06 security United States to set an

Pampa Center Opens Registration

The Summer II term at The Summer II term at Clarendon College Pampa Center begins on July 17. Anyone wishing to register for this term may do so now through July 17. The courses are offered Monday Thursday and through Include: English Comp I & II, Microbiology, Web Site Design, Fundamentals of Criminal Law, Non-Western World Literatur State Government, US History, General Psychology, Human

Growth and Development, Micro-Economics, Interpersonal Speech and Social Issues,

(Washington D.C.) By a vote of 256 to 153 (with 5

members voting Present), the U.S. House of

Representatives today

approved a resolution declaring that "the United

States will prevail in the Global War on Terror, the

from the terrorist adversary." Congressman Mac Thornberry (TX-13), who withd in form

who voted in favor of the

resolution, said it is important for the nation's

political leaders to show

resolve to the

"They (the terrorists)

know they cannot beat us militarily, and that is not their objective. They are

sophisticated enough to know that the way they can

beat us is to influence our

political decisions, to impact our political will,

Thornberry said during the House debate on the resolution. He described Al

Qaeda as a technologically

organization

uses the Internet and the

news media to try to

undermine our nation's

The terrorists · know

"that one horrific act of

cruelty shown on video will

get far more attention than

a thousand acts of kindness

or patience from our soldiers," he said. But, he

added, our political leaders must resist Al Qaeda's attempt to manipulate

A key portion of the resolution declares "that it

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Social Issues, The complete Pampa Center schedule for Summer II and Fall semesters are available by calling 806-665-8801 or

e m a i l david.bradford@clarendon college.cdu. Please note that the Center id Closed Friday during the su term.

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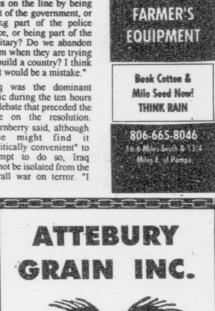
arbitrary date for the withdrawal or redeployment of United States Armed Forces from Iraq." Thornberry strongly

agrees. Thornberry said the come for time will historians to evaluate the decisions made concerning Iraq. But, "the truth is, however you feel about where we are, we are where we are. And, the question is, do we leave a job half done? Do we leave early and leave those Iraqis who are willing to put their lives on the line by being part of the government, or being part of the police force, or being part of the military? Do we abandon them when they are trying to build a country? I think that would be a mistake."

Iraq was the dominant topic during the ten hours of debate that preceded the vote on the resolution. Thornberry said, although some might find it it "politically convenient" to attempt to do so, Iraq cannot be isolated from the overall war on terror.

believe it is clear from their own words, the terrorists see Iraq as the central front in our war against them now and into the future." Thornberry also said a

document recovered after last week's air strike on Abu Musab al-Zaruawi's Abu Musao ar Largartic house shows the terrorists are frustrated by the accomplishmenis of the accomplishments of the U.S. military and its allies. The document, "says things are going pretty well for us and not so well for them," said Thornberry, adding, think it is a little early to give up."



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School Budget Approved will be installed at the

impact that the new school funding laws would have on the Groom ISD Budget.

The Board approved Superintendent Stevens to purchase textbooks using the EMAT for the 2006-2007 School year.

A discussion was held concerning the bid process for the abatement and carpet removal process.

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Superintendent Stevens also discussed the process for replacing carpet.

S u p e r i n t e n d e n t discussed the resignation of Mrs. Potts and discussed t h e T A K S Coordinator/Career Guidance position for Groom ISD.

Stevens discussed the summer work being done at the school. New lights

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lights were damaged by the hail and would need to be replaced Rodeo safe

Judging the events were Royd Doyle and Rhett Cobb.

Results are as follows:

Bareback - 1st place David Browder, 2nd place David Browder, 2 place Jody Richardson. Saddle Bronc - 1st place Dean Wadsworth, 2nd Trell Etbauer, 3rd Eddy

Calf Roping - 1st place Lex Christie, 2nd place Dillion Lewis, 3rd Roger Branch

Breakaway - 1st Darcy Eickhoff, 2nd Tamra Miller, 3rd Kelsy Foreman. Steer Wrestling - 1st

Tanner Winkler, 2nd Matt tennis courts. He advised that some of the football Reeves, 3rd Gid Allen. Dusty Mansfield of Groom

Dusty Mansfield of Groom competed. Team Roping - 1st Billy Stephen & Ben Blue, 2rd J.D. Clune & Mickey Gomez, 3rd J.D. Clune & Brandon Brown and Burnell Geenhalgh and Jody Padilla. Tim & Dusty Mansfield of Groom competed

Competed. Bull Riding - 1st Bobby Don Hendrix and Dan Williams, 3rd Curtis Atwood. Junior Barrels- Friday

Junior Barreis- Friday. Kailtin Eakin. Saturday: Carley Christian & Madison Haley. Donkey Riders Cody Kling & Cole Osborne Mutton Bustin - Klyer

McClendon, Blaine Kirkland, Cody Kling, Ashlyn Homer, and Aubree Homer.

Only one injury was reported. David McLean

of Amarillo was a bull nder who was sustained injuries

Groom School Calendar 2006-2007

August 11 August 14 August 15 August 16 August 17 September 4 September 30 October 9 November 10 November 22-24 January 2 January 3 January 12 January 19 February 19 February 23 March 12-16 April 6 & 9 April 13 May 11 May 28 May 31 June 1

Teachers Workday Teacher In-Service Teacher Workday Teacher In-Service 1st day of Classes No School, Labor Day End of 1st six weeks Columbus Day End of 2nd six weeks Thanksgiving Holiday December 20-Jan 1 Christmas Holiday Teachers Workday Classes Resume End of 3rd Six Weeks & End 1st Semester. Teacher In-Service Holiday - No School. End of 4th Six Weeks Spring Break Easter Break End of 5th Six Weeks Snow Day No School Work Day End of 6th 6 weeks Teacher Work Day

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