# Ebe Gram Aetus 



Pictured above is Brenda Gi ess, Director of Home Health Services; Norma (Dorsey) Slagle, Director of Rural Education; and

## Columbia To Open Rural Health Clinic In Groom

President of Groom Economic Development Corporation, Ben Ingham and Mayor Joe Homer recently announced that an agreement has been reached with Columbia Hospital to wrovide a Heath Care provide a Health Care
Clinic in Groom. Columbia Health Care Services, the largest in the country, are responsible for the hospital in Pampa as weil as far reaching homecare services. Branch offices in this area include

Amarillo, Borger, Childress, Physician's Assistant or a Clarendon, Dalhart, Dumas Family Nurse Practitioner. and Pampa.
Officials say that they are a Licensed Vocational hoping for an opening date Nurse and an office clerk. sometime in late June. The The care provided will be Clinic needs very little in the over seen by a physician, who will visit the clinic wart of the agreement is to who will visit the clinic part of the agreement is weekly. Some of the paint the walls. The main services provided will delay will be waiting for the include: Texas Department of - Medical histories and Health to certify the clinic.
Columbia will keep the Groom Clinic open two days a wsek, with a qualified
physical examinations. - Diagnosing and treating common health problems. - Treating an
monitoring chronic health problems such as diabete and hypertension.

Ordering and interpreting diagnostic studies such as lab work

- Family planning services.
- Well child care including screening and immunizations.
- Collaboration with physicians and other health care professionals.

See Columbia, pg. 6

## New School Board Members Take Office

New members of the Groom School Board wer sworn in last week in the regular session of the GISI board meeting.
Joyce Hutsell swore nev members Tim Case an Tony Britten, and returning member Barry Fields.
The Board offices were reorganized with Denni Babcock to continue a president, vice-presiden Tony Treadwell, anc secretary Adela Kotara.
Danny Chisum presenter the principal's report in which he reminded th school board members of a the upcoming end of the year events. He also reminded the board of the May 30 teachers work da luncheon in which year pins will be given.

See School Board, pg. 3


Re-Elected Barry Fields and Newhy-Elected Tim Case and Tony Britten prepare to take their oath of office at the recent Groom School Board meeting

Top Students Named For 1997


See the story on Salusatorian Couriney Burgin and Valedictorian Justin Ritter and other top students on page 3.
COMMUNITY CALETDAR

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Possible Tornado
1 Short Blast - All Clear

THE END OF THE Year Awards Assembly will be on May 22 nd at 1:00 pm.

A GIRIS Basketball Camp will be held in Groom from June 30 through July 2.

GRANDVIEW-HOPKINS annual barbecue will be May 22 at noon. Everyone may come, please bring a covered dish.

PARENTS OF Students need to get lunch bills paid up before the last day of school. Contact Joyce Hutsell or Donna Watso for the amounts owed. Also students need to turn in Library books.

UNITED METHODIST Church will host an appreciation coffee for Rev Jim Hawthorne next Sunday, May 25, 10:30 11:00.

More Community Calendars On Pg. 2

> TUESDAY PRICES AT ATTEBURY GRAIN CO. Wheat- $\$ 3.76$ Milo- $\$ 4.97$ Corn- $\$ 4.75$ ser to $75^{\prime}$ Rain Reported Thia Week

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## Walkurif

During ceremonies at
SWIMMING LESSONS Caprock High School recently, Distinguished Alumni Helen Britten accepted a plaque for her late husband, Dr. Robert Britten, Caprock '73.

On The Sick List
Ruby Denton Leldon Hudson


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## Birthdays \&

 AnniversariesMay 22 - Stirley Jean Fields, Diane Bruso, Richard Barkley.
May 23 - Charles A. Britten, Ray C. Britten, Courtney Renee Head. May 24 - Dale Brooks, Elizabeth Vega.
May 25 - Sharkne Lewis. May 26 - RJ. Kemph, Bryan C. Newton, Dale Stapp.
May 27 Patti McLaughlin, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Prather (A).
May 28 - Netie Fields, Mr . and Mrs. Dale Stapp

Amy Brown Graduates


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> Denai Downs, daughter of Curtis and Dondra, received a Bachelor of Science in Education degree with a Teacher's Certificate at the May 10 th commencement of the University of Nebraska, Lincoln.
> Denai was involved in many academic and extracurricular activities at UNL. She held many offices as a member of Phi Mu sorority and was named Active of the Year 1995-96. She served as a Red Letter Days Campus Guide for orientations, was a member of t f e t t d e t t Organizations Steering Committee, and the UNL Student Involvement Teams, and served on the Teachers' College Advisory Board for 3 years.

## Downs Graduates From University of Nebraska <br> Denai has sever

# More Community 

 CalendarsBEGINNING Monday, May 19, class will dismiss at 3:10 until the end of school.

THE ELEMENTARY Fun Day track meet will be Friday, May 23 rcl.

HIGH SCHOOL Graduation will be held at 8 pm on May 30.

THERE WILL be a Teacher's Work Day on Friday, May 30.

Denai has several interesting jobs including the Nebraska Department of Education and the Lincoln Public Schools Administration Office. One technically challenging job was helping a new company program two CD-ROMSand a 2 -volume multimedia encyclopedia of Husker football. She continues to heip a professor with research that is complied for use by educators across the country. Most of her time this summer will be spent interviewing and hopefully landing that first job as a Business Teacher.

Cheering for Denai at graduation were her parents, brother-Collin, GranddadCountry Downs, GramDonałd, Nila, Bo , and Brin Burgin, and Ty Lambert.

## A.C. Graduates

Amarillo College hosted Commencement for 1,034 students May 9 at the Amarillo Civic Center Cal Farley Coliseum.
The commencement included fall, spring, and summer candidates for graduation.

Loretta Britten was a graduate in the Fall with a Certificate of Completion in Vocational Nursing.

Michele Anne Bohr was a graduate in the Spring with an Associate in Applied Science Degree in Associate Degree Nursing.

## Card Of Thanks

We want to thank all of you for your support through prayers, flowers, food and attendance at Cookie's funeral. You all made this bearable, helping us to remember all the good friends and good times we shared with all of you in Groom. You are all so much a part of our lives and through we don't live there anymore, the mernory of All of you will stay with us forever. Daddy loved Groom and he loved all of you in the community and especially in the United Methodist Church. He loved his church family, and I know he missed you I know he missed you dearly when he moved to
Aledo. Once more, thank you all so much, and just a few words to remember Cookie by, "Don't forget to turn the lights out when you leave."

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## Buck Babcock Receives Scholarship

By Amelia Sims
The Top O'Texas CattleWomen met May 6 at the Pampa Coronado Coffee Shop at 10:30 a.m. with the president, Darenda with the president, Darenda
Begert presiding. The Begert presiding. The
invocation was given by invocation was given by
Amelia Sims, then she read Amelia Sims, then she read
the minutes of the previous the minutes of the previous
meeting, which were meeting, which were
approved as read. Louise Coulter gave the treasurer's report.
Sandra Christner gave the results of the ten
applications for high school scholarships, and their essays. First place $\$ 500.00$ went to Carrie Michelle Urbanczyk of White Mene second place White Deer, second place $\$ 250.00$ was awarded to Buck Babcock of Groom, and the third $\$ 250.00$ went to Micah Goad of Wheeler.

Darenda showed us many leaflets and book listings from the Texas Beef Council that can be used for the beef programs. A food and cooking seminar is

## School Board

Principal Chisum reported on progressive programs such as the Shirley method and the Saxon Math Program. He stated that teachers are looking at a reader program that would be progressive from grade to grade, providing continuity for the entire program.
program.
In the superintendent's report, discussion was held concerning summer work projects. The board approved replacement of the press box as the current structure needs so much work. A figure of $\$ 1300$ was discussed as estimated by Metal Mart in Amarillo. In a unanimous decision contracts with Region XVI
were approved as discussed for shared and contracted services.
A discussion was held concerning technology needs. A possible update for administrative computers may be required in the next year or two. No action was year or two. No action was
required. equired.
The board unanimously approved the donation of $\$ 1,000$ to the summer youth program.
The board went into executive session at 9:20 pm to discuss personnel matters. They resumed open session at $10: 17 \mathrm{pm}$.
The board agreed to The board agreed to
accept the resignation of accept the resignation of
Donna Watson as a Donna Wats
teacher's aide.

Trooper Davis Reports on Two Accidents On Farm To Markets

By Trooper Gary Davis Well its been awhile since I've been able to write out the news. I've been to Ft . Davis, other places and I have not had time to write. Also, Donna told me to keep it short this week. For the month of April, Trooper Jeremy Wallace and myself, had a busy month. We made 205 traffic stops, which resulted in 150 citations, 96 warnings, 4 DWI arrests, and we worked 4 accidents. There were 3 misdemeanor criminal arrests and 2 Felony drug arrests.
On May the 14th, worked two accidents. The first occurred in Hutchinson County north of Borger. Larry Turley of Borger was southbound on TX 136 at

9:35 a.m., when he fell 9:35 a.m., when he reep and ran off the road. The 1990 Chevrolet overturned onto its left side against a fence. Turley was issued a citation for Fail To Drive In A Single Lane. The second accident occurred at US 60 and FM 2373 , the Pantex intersection, at $1: 20$ p.m. A 1995 Chevrolet pickup driven by Johnny Mann of Amarillo was setting in the crossover northbound. Mann pulled out and hit a westbound 1988 Ford driven by a Eva Nolan of Pampa. The driver and passenger in the Ford were taken to Northwest Texas Hospital by the Pantex ambulance. Mann was issued a citation for Fail To Yield Right Of way - Yield Intersection.

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planned for younger married women and also those living alone. The committee working on the seminar will be Louise Coulter, Sally Youngblood, Carolyn Buckingham, and Darenda Begert.
Darenda also showed a book "Lessons on Meat" from NCBA. Nadyne Williams moved we buy 12 of these books and put in the Public Libraries in our area. It was seconded and carried.
It was suggested that for Beef for Father's Day that we find out which cuts of
going to stress and that we have ways to cook each cut, and have a basket with ingredients to prepare a good, tender meat dish for Father. There will be more discussion later.

There were thirteen members present from Borger, Skellytown, Pampa, Panhandle, Lefors Shamrock, Canadian, Allison and Wheeler.

The next meeting will be at the Bar-4 Chuckwagon at Gatlins near Briscoe. More directions will be given to us by our president.


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## Brush \& Palette Hold

 Last Spring MeetingBy Nita Rammin 3
Brush and Palette met May 5 for their last all-day meeting until fall. Election of officers was on the agenda with the following being elected for the coming year. Dorthy, president; Nita president of reporting vice (or maybe that was vice-president and reporter); Pat as secretary-reasurer. As usual the food was delicious and varied. I was absent so being the friend she is, Evelyn was conned by you-know-who to take her trusty tape recorder so the "news" would be available to this reporter. She hid it in a box with a towel over it and cid just a super job . . . but she didn't check the batteries so it was not clear. Oh well Shirley went by the box one time and peered inside but luckily she didn't discover our secret.
Juandell, Pat, Evelyn, Shirley and Nita all went on the Spring Fling on April 23 rd. Boy, did we ever fling. We went to Clarendon to the antique shops and all of us discovered we have many valuable treasurers lurking around our homes. We then ate lunch at the Brass

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helper around. We do hope she joins us all time. For the first time in the history of Pat painting with us, she actually painted a really pretty cloudy sky on a (now get this) WOODEN saw blade. Don't you know that could really cut good? Then 10 and behold if she didn't paint it off and paint it over! She just never does thatl She related the latest that. She related the lates experiences of Beau Found out he doesn't lik to buy groceries and stay in the car. When she opened the door to put in the groceries, away he went with her hot on his heels. No more grocery shopping for poor little Beau. He poor littie Beau.
Evelyn was busy with he
Evelyn was busy with he needle work. It must hav been the day for mistakes because she very diligently needlepointed her design, then just as carefully snipped it out. Not once but 6 times. Nothing but perfection for her. She even made the pile of string she cut out neat.

The moon must have been in its forgetful mode. Pat had to make a trip Pat had tor brushes. She home for her brushes. She probably had her old grubbies with her but didn't want us to see them Shirley was all set to watercolor and after a couple of trips to search in her car discovered she had left her watercolors home. Being the generous person I am I let her borrow mine and thus saved the day.

We extend our sympathy husband.

We are looking forward to a good summer and to next fall when we meet again! Think about joining us.

Thank You Card
Skeet and I would like to express our heart-felt thanks for all the food, cards, and help shown us during and since our hospital stays and surgery!! What would people do without friends? Thanks again!
Skeet \& Eileen Brown

## A. J. Newsom <br> Water Well Service

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Andrea (Payton) Boucher Named To President's List At Tech I'resident's Lust University is proud to announce that Andrea Payton Boucher has been placed on the President's list for the 1997 Spring semester. To qualify for this honor, a student must maintain a 4.0 (A) grade point average with a minimum of 12 semester hours Andrea is a jute at Texas Tech University at Texas Tech University majoring in Secondary
Science. She is the Science. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Payton of Groom.

## Card Of Thanks

Our sincerest thanks to everyone who helped us with our 1997 Prom "Moonlight in Paris" We appreciate our sponsor appreciate our sponsors Mrs Julie Couch and Mren Mrs. Julie Couch and Mrs Tara Sloan for all their help and patience. We also appreciate everyone else who assisted us with ideas, manual labor and the loan of materials. We couldn't have done it without you They are: Bill Hinson you. They are. Bin Hinson, Kir Couch, State National Bank Alpha Mu Xi, City of Groom, Jim and Donns Burton, Julie Friemel, Kim Mizar, Pam Ashford, Marcia Conrad, Nila Burgin, Steve Hutsell, Charles and Kay Burk, Patti McLaughlin, and Burk, Patti McLaug
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(Above) Scharla Miller (Mrs. James Miller) enjoys the barbecue provided by Columbia Hospital for their employees during hospital week. Scharla is a nurse's aide at the hospital
(Below) Kenneth Payton, x-ray technician, also enjoys the meal with the rest of his co-wo-kers.


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Justin Ritter and Stephanie Ollinger Are Named Fighting Tiger/Tigerette
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*Classic Mustang: 1964-1967



## Columbia

Columbia has had a longstanding relationship with the community of Groom. According to their data, they have had 27 hospital admissions and 155 outpatients' visits at the hospital in 1995. Last year, they performed over 2,500 home health care visits in Groom.
Columbia accepts Medicare and Medicaid, along with rany other Insurers. A few of them are Blue Coss, Texas MDPhysicans, ARP IMS, American Medial Security Finerican Medical Security, Aetna/ProNet They are Aetna/rronet. They are currently negotiating with First Care to include clinical visits as they have an agreement with them concerning home care.
Other terms of the agreement incluce:

- The City of Groom will provide the utilit es, with the exception of a phone which will be provided by Columbia.
- Columbia vill use the
current furnishings and exam tables.
- Generar physical maintenance of the plant will be the responsibility of the City.
- Columbia will pay an annual lease of $\$ 7,200$ with a three year option.
Columbia estimates that the financial impact to Groom will be approximately $\$ 230,000$. over the next three years If at all possible, they plan to hire locally and have their physician's assistant live in Groom.
Columbia Medical Center of Pampa offers a full range of comprehensive Medical Services. Some of them include: 24 hour Emergency Room, Computerized Tomography Scans, Day Surgery Units, Extended Care Unit, Laparoscopic Surgery Laser Surger, Surgery, Laserg, Magnetic/Resonance Imaging, Nuclear Medicine, Occupational Therapy Obstetrics Unit, Pediatric Unit, Physical Therapy, Radiology, Respiratory
Therapy, Speech Therapy and Ultrasound.


## If You Ask Me Nobody Did! <br> By Donna Buton <br> Slagle who is also a Groom

Wowl Rarcly does a reporter/ad sales person get the royal treatment! I went over to the Columbia Hospital to inte view them on the new clinic and talk to them about advertising last week. Usui lly when I do something like this, it means 30 to 45 minutes, tops, counting small talk and interruptions for phone calls.
If Columbia's health care is anything like the way I was treated, Groom is getting a heck of a deal! I was given the undivided attention of . . . not one but two . . . of their executives. I met Brenda Guess, whom I found out was the granddaughter of the late Mertie Schaffer, (she was just as sweet as pie and treated me as if I was an old friend) and the charming David Nedbalek, who is the diector of Support Services. I received a wonderful tour and met a wonderful tour and met several of the dircctors and department heads, one of which was Norma (Dorsey)
girl. The thing that struck me as I sat visiting with them is that they didn't talk much about the mutual agreement of how Groom would benefit. It was how thrilled they are at the chance to come to Groom. They truly seem more interested in our community than our pocketbooks.
Having some first hand experience in dealing with large hospitals, I know how frustrating it is when no one cares about anything except how you plan to pay. But it the enthusiasm and caring that I witnessed carries over into the day to day operations of the place. all I can say is "Wow!"
Mr. Nedbalek gave me a book that is published by Columbia. It is called "Miracles in Our Midst". It is put together by people who work for Columbia around the world It cells stories of miracles and testaments of miracles and lestaments of humanity witnessed by employees of Columbia. It is a very

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## Sixth Grade Girls End Basketball Season



The 6th grade girls basicetball team members are (back) Lainie Britten, Amanda Martin, Lauren Crowell, Karen Conrad, Kira Broadway, and Amber Moore. (front) Coach Stephanie Ollinger, Staci Britten, Brin Burgin, and Stephanie Fraser.
were Brin Burgin, Lauren Crowell, Stephany Fraser, Staci Britten, Amber Moore, Amanda Conrad, Amanda Martin, Kira Broadway, Lainie Britten, and Jill Britten. Their tournament scores are as listed.

Panhandle Tournament: Groom 26, Stinnett 20. Scorers were Lauren Crowell 10 points, Ainanda Conrad, Staci Britten, and Stephany Fraser 4 points each, Brin Burgin and Moore 2.

Groom 16 Oklahoma HP Storm 25.

Brin Burgin scared 9 points, Lauren Crovell 4 Amanda Conrad 2 and Amber Moore 1.
Groom 35, Clarendon 21 Stephany Fraser put in 10 points, Lauren Crowell 6, Brin Burgin, Ananda Conrad and Staci Britten each scored 4
Amber Moints,
More had 3, Kira Broadway and Aunanda Martin each had 2 points.
Groom 23, Highland Park 19
Lauren Crowell scored? points, Brin Burgin 4, Staci Britten and Amber Moore each had 3, Anvanda Conrad and Kira Brondway each 2, Amanda Martin and Stephany Fraser each had 1 point.

Fritch Tournament
Fritch Tournament 24 , Gruver 18
Aroom 24, Gruver 18 and Lauren Crowell each had 8 points, Stephany Fraser scored 6 and Staci Britten 2. Groom 17, Fritch 42
Jill Britten and Lauren Crowell each scored 6, Brin Burgin and Kira Broadway each 2 and Amanda Martin

## each

Groom 33, Stratford 28 Staci Britten scored 12, Jill Britten 7, Brin Burgin and Amber Moore each had 4, Amanda Conrad, Kira Broadway and Lauren Crowell each had 2 points.

Groom 25, Dumas 31
Lauren Crowell scored 11 points, Staci Britten 5, Jill Britten 4, Brin Burgin and Kira Broadway each 2, and Amanda Martin 1 point.


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McLean ISD recently announced its top students for the eighth grade class. Gabriel Vega is the eighth grade Valedictorian with an average of 90.67 . He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Cristobal Vega.

## Texas Dept. Of Public Safety Urges Caution <br> wreck; 6) Develop a safe

Memorial Day weekend is the gateway holiday to warm weather activities. There will be cookouts and campouts, swimming and fishing, hiking and biking. Nearly all of these will require traveling, whether it be a few blocks or several miles. The Texas Department of Public Safety urges motorists to take time to prepare for safe driving this holiday.

Trooper L.B. Snider, Public Information Officer for the D.P.S. Amarillo District offers the following sate đriving tips: 1) Have the vehicle properly tuned; 2) Driver should be rested and alert; 3) Use safety beits properly, with the lap belt low and across the hip bone and the shoulder belt over the shoulder for maximum protection, and have safety seats firmly secured; 4) Use headlights day and night, it is as important to be seen as to see; 5) Drive at a safe speed, the faster we drive the greater risk of serious injury or death from a

Lauren Williams is the
Salutatorian of the eighth grade with an average of 89.20. She is the daughter of Johnnie Williams of McLean and Iaura Holland McLean and Laura Holland of Amarillo.
space zone, allowing two (2) seconds for the vehicle ahead to pass a certain place before you reach the same if you are in a car or pickup and four (4) or more seconds if in a larger vehicie; 7) Keep calm, don't tet careless drivers rattle your composure and wreck your travel plans.
Saider reminds motorists that D.P.S. troopers along with officers from area agencies will be out this holiday weekend watching for errant drivers and motorists needing assistance. Snider adds that if a motorist needs assistance in a remote area and has Bocess to a telephone that they may call toll free \#800-252-5555 for assistance. When calling this number, please give as accurate ocation information as possible, such as road number or name, last town driven through, direction of travel and what assistance is needed. If it is an emergency, Snider recommends calling \#911 with the same information.

Readers Complete Program


Editors Note: I apologize for not having last names with these pictures. This is the way they were tamed in and it was late and we were unable to find the information before presstime. year each class sets a yean Elementary have met their class goal for accelerated reader. Every have not met their "individual goals". (Standing) Amanda H., Victor V, Austin W, Sonny N, Tami M., Jessi D, Randi R, Shaley S., Jaci G., Dusty M., Victor V. (Sitting) Matt Gonny Nobert B., Trint C., Jennifer S., Nilki H., Slade T., Traci R., Kendall N., Asihley F., Cathy V. (Front) Brandon


5th grade class goal 1,348 points: (Standing) Jaci G., Thaci R, Dussy M., Jennifer G., Robyn W., Jay W., Slade T. (Hiddle) Kendall N., Ashley F, Delinda S., Jani S., Cathy V., Chase J., D.J. G., (Front) Cris V., Derek B.


K-3 Personal Goals: (Standing) David J., Russel AL, Ashley L, Charli T., Connie V., Justin W., Kay T. (Middle) John J., Chris W., Tanner W. (Front) Jacob W., Keslie W., Talitha N., Jacob

## KETCHUP On the

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THE DRAMA DEPT. at MHS will present an evening of theater at 7 pm auditorium high on school May 20.

ON SUNDAY, MAY 25 at 8:00 pm Baccalaureate will be held in the First Baptist Church.

MEMORIAL Services will be at $10: 30$ prn at the cemetery on Monday, May 26.

CIIY HALL \& Lovett Memorial Library will be closed on Monday, May 26.

THE FAMILY Health Care Clinic will be closed Friday, May 23 and Monday, May 26.

## THE FAMILY Health

 Care Center will be closed on Friday, May 23 and Monday, May 26.GRADUATION for McLean High School will be Friday, May 30.

KINDERGARTEN Graduation will be Thursday, May 22 in the High School Auditorium at 9:00 a.m.

FAMILY HEALTH Care Clinic has new hours: Mon, Wed., and Fri. 8:00-1:00. 2:00-5:00. Call for appointment.

ELEMENTARY Spring Concert will be Thursday, May 22 in the high school auditorium.

THE AWARDS Assembly will be Friday, May 23 in the high school auditorium.

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## Briefs

Jayiene Watlins, was recently named vice president-political for the 1997-98 Student Government Association at Frank Phillips College.

> McLean Bir hdays Anniversa ries
> May 22 - Jannie Barker. May 23 Ricky Littlefield, Effie Lou Everett.

> May 24 - Bob Hardin, Erin Martin, Don White.
> May 25 - Daphne Littiefield, Earnest Foshee. May 26 - May Frazier, J.T Haynes, Billy Williams, Saber Bohlar.
> May 27 - Jill Hefley, Grant Mann, Richard Brown, Walter Handlin.
> May 28 - John Bible,
> Russ Bockman.

Thank You Cand
Thank you for the food and friendship during my stay in hospital. Special thanks to Brenda Hembree and Sue Burrow.

Johnetta Graybeal

## McLean School Menu May 26 - May 30

 Monday Breakfast: Cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Peanut butter \& jelly or pimento cheese sandwich, chips, carrot \& celery sticks, fruit, milk.Tuesday Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Sloppy Joes, oven fries, pickle spears, dessert, milk.

Wednesday Breakfast: Cereal, fruit, toast, milk. Lunch: Grilled cheese or chicken salad sandwiches, oven fries, salad, dessert, milk.

Thursday Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, juice, milk. Lunch: Sack lunch, milk. (Last day of school)

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Twentieth Century Club The Twentieth Century Study Club met May 8 in the home of Cliffie Heasley for their monthly meeting. The meeting was opened by Cliffie and the club collect was said in unison, led by Lena Carter. Minutes were read by Laura Edleman and approved as read. The approved as read. The yearbook was discussed and next month's field trip. Roll call was "What I know about Alaska" and was answered by Relia Ayers, Lena Carter Edleman, Mary Groves Edleman, Mary Groves,
Oleta Harris and Cliffie Oleta Harris and Cliffie Heasley. The program given by Cliffie was a history of Alaska and very interesting.

Refreshments of sandwiches on home baked bread, fruit plate, chips and dips, nuts and candies, and punch were served by the hostess. This was the last meeting until September.

Tom Trostle Commends The Brownie Girl Scouts For Work Completed
The old saying is if you want it done right do it yourself. It's right every time if you want a clean, well done job, just call on Brownie Troop 126 Girl Scouts.

They did an excellent job of picking up trash on " 2 " miles of Highway 3143. All it cost was cookies and kool-aid. It was a great thrill to see the energy they still had after walking two miles. They wall said two miles. They all said they learned one main thing, Don't Litter!
Members of Brownie Troop \#126 helping were:
Erin Bailey, Amanda Fricks, Kristin Ellis, Stephanie Henson, Tamara Loya, Kristen Odom Brooke Seymour Shelby Brooke Seymour, Shelby Terry, Lacee Wallis, Anna Shackelford, and Kay
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were: Helen Taylor, Monica Shackelford, Stacy Smart, and Beverly Odom. Others who helped were: Amanda Loya, Cameron Taylor, Bailey Taylor and Inez Trostle.

In behalf of V.F.W. Post 8565 - Tom Trostle


City-Wide Softball Tournament Saturday, May 31st $\$ 5 \mathrm{Per}$ Person Contact Quenton Newton at 779-8905 with your name and team name

College Names President's List

Clarendon College's outstanding academic students have been named to the President's and Dean's lists. A total of 35 students achieved this honor.
The President's List, which highlights full-time students who maintained a 4.0 grade-point-average through the spring semester included Shelly Davenport, from McLean.
The Dean's Honor List is comprised of full-time students who maintained at least a 3.6 GPA for the spring semester. These students include John Dickey, Johnathan Galley and Holly Jasper from McLean.

Graduation
Services Held
Graduation ceremonies were held April 25 in the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Auditorium at Clarendon College.
Thirty-one men and women have successfully completed Clarendon's College's Ranch \& Feediot Operations Program, according to RFO Director Jerry Gage.

Members of the Class of 1997 included Seth Brown, Blake Crockett, Lee Shaw, and John Dickey all from McLean.

As part of the Bank of Commerce's commitment to serve the financial needs of the community we would like to take this opportunity to remind you of some of the service's available.

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Elderly Legal Assistance A Growing Concern To Texans

By Attorney General Dar Morales

Elder Law: A Growing Field
As your Attorney General, I have been increasingly involved in issues that affect senior Texans: the quality of long. term care, the prosecution of elder abuse, Medicaid fraud control, and Medicaid fraud that targets elders. I believe we owe our senior citizens respect, protection and the highest standard of care.

In the private sector, the legal profession has seen the emergence of a new specialty: elder law. Elder law differs from traditiona legal specialties in which the lawyer focuses on one body of law (taxes, insurance, of law (taxes, insurance,
criminal law, etc.). Instead, criminal law, etc.). Instead,
the practice of elder law the practice of elder law covers all potential specialties that affect one particular group of people senior citizens - many of whom live on a fixed income.
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Bible Study \& Prayer Meeting Wed. 7:00 pm

If you are a senior Texan, or if you are concerned about an elderly friend or family member, perhaps you have considered hiring an attorney. The following information may help you to decide whether an elder law specialist would be right for you.
Why is this new field growing?
In part, the growth mirrors changes in our population. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 33 million Americans are now over age 65, or roughly 13 percent of the nation's population. The fastest growing segment of this grown is people over of this group is people over age 85 . According to a report by the U.S. Senate Committee on Aging, nearly half of all senior citizens will spend time in a nursing home. While many of these stays are brief, such as for recovery after surgery, many others involve long-term residence.
The field of elder law covers a wide and growing range of topics. In addition to their tradition work in probate, wills, and trust and estate planning, elder law specialists are now involved in such diverse areas as:

- planning for disability or incapacity through living wills, living trusts, and durable power of attorney documents.
for Social Security, eligibility and Medicaid benefits. and Medicaid benefits. - long-term care, including patients' rights, quality of care, and longterm care insurance.
- elder fraud and abuse.
- grandparents' visitation


## rights.

- age discrimination at work.

- housing problems (mortgages, housing discrimination, etc.) - conservatorship and guardianships.
- retirement and pension
benefits. benefits.
Should you retain an elder law specialist?
Begin by asking if you have a problem that requires the services of an attorney, or if in fact you have a social services or medical question. If you medical question. If you are not sure, ask a trusted
friend, your clergy, or a social worker for advice You may also call the Legal Hotline for Older Texans at (800) 622-2520 for a free over-the-phone consultation Staff at the Legal Hotline can help you decide whether can help you decide whethe your problem merits retaining the services of an attorney.

Ask for referrals from local senior citizen groups, your clergy, other attorneys, and social service agencies. While the State Bar of Texas does not certify elder law specialists, its lawyer eferral service (800-252 9690 ) will provide you with the names of attorneys in your area for your consideration.

Before retaining an attorney, ask for references and check them out thoroughly. Ask how much experience the attorneys of elder law that they regularly deal with. Ask regularly deal with. Ask charged.
Senior citizens share common concerns: quality of life and control over their affairs as they grow older, the threat of serious illness and steep medical bills, maintaining an adequat maintaining an adequate and safeguarding

Unfortunately, most of us cannot know which of these concerns will be the biggest challenge we face in old attorneys report that clients come to them during times - crisis. It is wise to plan efore the need arises.
For more information on choosing an elder law Write to the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys at 1604 N . Country Club Road, call them at (520) 881-4005. You may also access this information on the Internet http://www.naela.com.

## McLean Golf

 Association Holds Scramble ForReynold's Fund
On May 18 the McLean number 3 was Angie Golf Association put on an Billingsley. 18 hole golf scramble for Everyone had a great the Sherie Reynolds Relief time and Ruben Flores Fund Reynolds Relief und.
Twenty five players participated in the event. A special donation was given by Mrs. Myrtle Holloway. Prizes were awarded to several participants. Mont Joiner won for the men' longest drive and Sus Burrow for the and Sue Burrow for the women's longest drive. In the closest to pin number 5 competition in the men's division Bobby Richardson won and in the women's division for pin number 17 Mary Richardson won Longest drive won Longest drive on pin time and Ruben Flores thanks everyone for coming out to make this event a success.
Participating were Jessie and Joy Cooper, Clay Cooper, Sam Haynes, Bob Martin, Sue Burrow, Ruben

Flores, Flea Simpson, Joe Lucus, Bob Glass, Jake Lucus, Billie and Angie Billingsley, Bobby Richardson, Mary and Roy Richardson, Buddy Payne, Carey Richardson, Mike Acuna, Monty Joiner, Jason Thomas, Jr. Windom, Sid Lands, and Terrie Hall.

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## Alanreed News

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By Lena Carter
Denva Tidwell and Nora
Dragoo were in Pampa on Thursday.
Visiting their grandparent, the James Armbrister's, this week were Morgan and Hunter Morgan and Hun
Hambright of Canadian. Hambright of Canadian.
The Janes Armbrister The Janes Armbrister's
and Nora Dragoo and Rush Turner were dinner guests at the Bill Hambright's of Canadian Sunday.
Visiting vith Lena Carter on Sunday was Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bruce and Danny. Debra Wall er and Brandon Debra Waller and Brandon, Sam and Vici, Wes and Lynzee, Bryant and Jerrie Ann Carter all of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Carter of Pampa.

Visiting at First Baptist Church was Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bruce and Danny and Debra Waller and Brandon all of Anarillo and the missionary lady, Vonnie She brought the Sunday morning special music.
Bob Fish who underwent a heart by-pass last week is reported as doing well.
Visiting the Robert Bruce's on Sunday was son Bob and grandchildren Paul and Shawn Bruce of Pampa. Mildred Hill of Myrtle Beach, S.C. is visiting in this area at prisent. Anyone having any urea history they would like to give her, she would be pleased.

Denva and Debbie the basement after services. Tidwell made a trip downstate last weekend where their husbands were working.

Word was received here of the death of Estelle Green one of the 1929 graduating class of Alanreed Elementary Grade School. After graduation Estelle was married to Odel Hill.
The James Armbristers and Nora Dragoo were in Pampa on Saturday.
Visiting with Lena Carter Friday was Mildred Hill of Myrtle Beach, South Myrtle
Carolina.
Carolina
Nora Dragoo attended the birthday celebration for Rush Turner at McLean Friday. A barbecue hosted by his children Gary and Glenda and families.

Visiting at First Baptist Church Sunday was Edith Bybee and Willie Luttrel of McLean.
The Robert Bruces were absent from First Baptist Church Sunday off visiting. They and all the members enjoyed a potluck dinner in

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Mildred Hill reported she had visited recently in Florida with former resident, Edith Earthman Boyd. She was a daughter of longtime song leader, Ham and our piano player at First Baptist Church Mrs. Leona Earthman.

Dorothy Daniels suffered quite severe bruises when she fell from a ladder last week. Just in time for their planned McDonald reunion at Higgins this weekend. Good luck in healing Dorothy. The Da
The David Crockett have daughter Juliana and family visiting.

Former residents Truman and Virginia will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday, May 25 at Rocky Point Baptist Church Stephenville hosted by their daughter Teresa.

The Elmer Daniels were in Wheeler Monday for medical attention for Dorothy.

## McLean Care Center

Sunday morning the the piano.
residents enjoyed a Sunday school class held by members of the Methodist Church. Members Katie Graham, Maybelle Katie Graham, Maybecil Nash, Inez Trostle, a guest Sarah Cables and Mary Dwyer who played the piano. In the afternoon Brother Thacker Haynes, pastor of the Methodist Church came to hold a worship service.
Residents working in crafts Monday morning were Phyllis Bailey, Truman Goodlett, Helen Glass, Sue Cubine, Dorothy Patterson, Teresa Richardson and Imogene King. In the afternoon the following residents played bingo: Dick Wheeler, Bud Simpson, Jessie Watson, Sue Cubine, Dorothy Patterson, Eula Morrow, Teresa Richardson, Thelma Finson, Phyllis Bailey, Iena Bailey Puby Bailey, Lena Bailey, Ruby Ayers, Vernee Bowling Emma Graham, Florence Drake, Hadda Moore and Beryl Halbert. Volunteer helpers were Betty Lowe and Cliffie Heasley. Bananas were furnished by the Lions club.
Residents playing dominos Tuesday were Teresa Richardson, Imogene King, M.L. Rowan, Bud King, M.L. Rowan, Bud
Simpson, Dorothy Patterson, Simpson, Dorothy Patterson,
Dick Wheeler and Eula Dick Wh
Morrow.

Wednesday morning thirteen residents gathered int he dining area for a donut circle. The donuts were furnished by Leta Mae Hess. In the afternoon members of the Methodist Sunday School Class gave the residents an ice-cream social. Members attending social. Members attending
were Sam Haynes, Carl were Sam Haynes, Carl
Dwyer, Grace Glenn and Bonnie Fabian who played

## Words Of Wisdom

Those we hold most dear never truly leave us... They live on in the kindnesses they showed, the comfort they shared and the love they brought into our lives. (Norton)

## Obituary

## Orva Leone Babbitt

 Orva Leone Babbitt, 98, died Saturday, May 17, 1997. Services were in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Thacker Haynes officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery under the direction of Lamb Funeral Home of McLean.Mrs. Babbit was born January 20, 1899, at Brison in Jack County, Texas. She married Loren H. Babbitt on August 8, 1917, at Lawton, Oklahoma. She had been a McLean resident since 1922, moving from New Mexico. She was a Presbyterian.

Survivors include three daughters, Lorene Shults of Albuquerque, N.M., Edna Leona Snyder of McLean, Leona Snyder of McLean, $\begin{array}{ll}\text { and Kay Simons of } \\ \text { Acworth, } & \text { Ga.; nine }\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Acworth, } & \text { Ga.; } \\ \text { grandchildren; } & 10\end{array}$ greatgrandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Thursday morning Inez Trostle came to style the ladies hair and several ladies had manicures. In the afternoon they played bingo.

Residents playing were Emma Graham, Thelma Hopkins, Leon Tate, Eula Morrow, Teresa Richardson, Phyllis Bailey, Hadda Moore, Dick Wheeler Bud Moore, Dick Wruman Goodleth, Simpson, Truman Goodiett, Dorothy Patterson, Ruby Ayers, Jessie Watson and Mable Dickey. The volunteer helper was Betty Lowe.

Saturday was the birthday party. Loyce Murray came to play oldies on the piano. Corsages and boutonnieres were furnished by Lamb were furnizhed by Lamb
Florist. Ladies serving were Florist. Ladies serving were Heidi Gamble, Linday Syfrett, Betty Lowe and Mary Dwyer. Several residents danced and also did the Hokey Pokey.

McLean Care Center
News
Ladies from the Methodist Church have started a Sunday school class at 9:00 a.m. Twenty one residents attended Sunday. Ladies attending were Inez Trostle, Molly McDowell, Mary Dwyer Evelyn Pennington and Maebelle Nash. In the Maebelle Nat. the afternoon Bro. David Drennon, pastor of the First Baptist Church was here to

Residents
Residents working in crafts Monday morning were Phyllis Bailey, Truman Goodlett, Imogene King, Teresa Richardson, Helen Glass and Dorothy Patterson. In the afternoon the following residents played bingo: Betty McCurley, Hadda Betty McCuriey, Hadda Moore, Theima Finson, Theima Hopkins, Emma Graham, Florence Drake, Teresa Richardson, Ora Billingsley,

Phyllis Bailey, Lena Baiky, Vernee Bowling, Ruby Ayers, Dick Wheeler, Bud Simpson, Truman Goodiett Dorothy Patterson, Sue Cubine, Eula Morrow and Jessie Watson. Volunteer helpers were Betty and Marth Va Low Bananas were furnished by Bananas were
the Lions club.

Tuesday morning Truman Goodlett held her first resident council meeting Secretary, Phyllis Bailey read the minutes from the previous meeting, items were discussed. Residents attending were M.L. Rowan, Pat Seymour, Teres Richardson, Thelma Finson, Theima Hopkins, Leon Tate, Syivia McClellan, Helen Glass, Dorothy Patterson and Eula Morrow. In the afternoon Eula Morrow, Bud Simpson, Dick Wheeler, Teresa Richardson, Imogene King and Dorothy Patterson played dominos.

Wednesday morning 17 residents attended the donut social. The donuts were furnished by Leta Mae Hess. In the afternoon they watched a video movie "Andre", pop corn was served.

Thursday morning Inez Trostle came to style the ladies hair and several ladies had manicures. In the afternoon everyous enjoyed the Mother's Day party Loyce Murray played many favorites on the piano. The angel food cake was furnished by Betty Lowe and Evelyn Pennington decorated the chocolate cake. Ladies serving were Betty Lowe and Heid Gamble.

The birthday party for the month of May will be Saturday, May 17, 1997 at 2:30 p.m. Residents celebrating will be Lula Sheegog, John Haynes, Polly Burnett, Beryl Halbert, Emma Graham and Ora Billingsley.

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Specifications can be obtained from the office of the County and District Clerk, Carson County Courthouse, Panhandie, Texas.
This procedure and notice is in accordance with Chapter 262 of the Local Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated which requires publication of this notice for at least
three consecutive weeks immediately preceding the
day of the scheduled bid opening. Bids are to be delivered to Jackie West, County Auditor of Carson County, Texas, prior to 10:00 a.m. on Monday, June 9, 1997, the date and time at which such bids shall be publicly opened, read and onsidered by the Commissioner's Court. The Court shall award the contract to the responsible bidder who submits the bidder who submits the lowest and best bid, or reject all bids and publish a new notice or take such other action as is authorized by said Local Government code. Additionally, the award of the contract, if at all, shall be made to the esponsible offeror whose responsible is determined proposal is determined to e the lowest evaluated offer resulting from negotiation, taking into consideration the relative importance of price and other evaluation factors in 262.030 of said Code. Section 262.030 of said Code.

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