

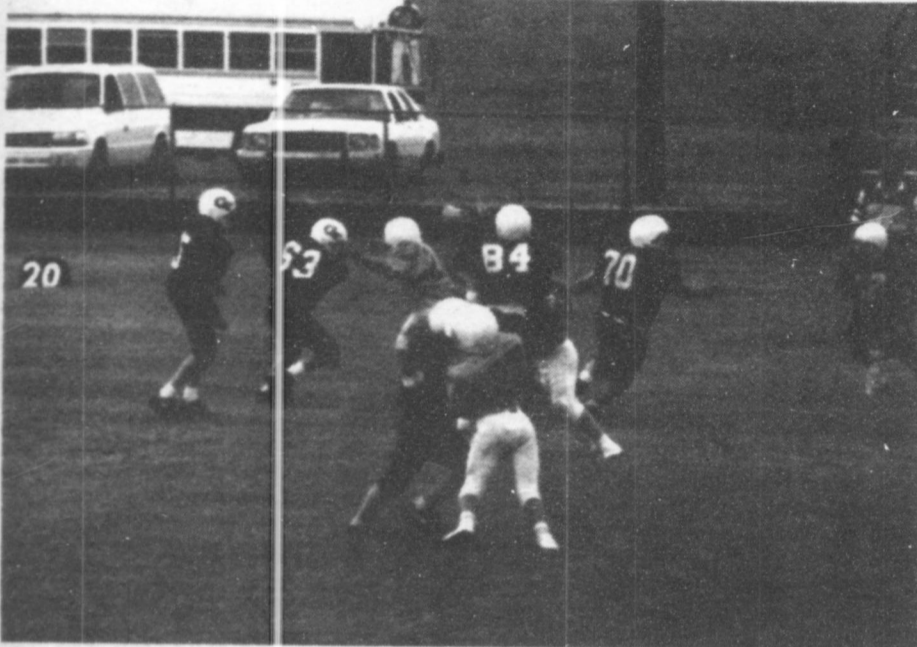
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The Groom Cubs led most of the game before Miami gained the lead. Penalties cost two touchdowns on the Cubs final drive of the game.



Corkey Hickey, No. 84, runs 61 yards against Vernon Northside last Friday night to score the first of his two touchdowns. Hickey ran for 123 yards on 12 carries.

Cubs Lose By 1, Coach Reid Commends Their Determination

The Groom Cubs lost out on a squeaker Thursday night when Miami snuck past by one point to win, 27-26.

"The boys showed a lot of determination and desire," said Coach Reid. "I am extremely proud of them!"

The Cubs were successful with their running game,

scoring 100% of their points from the ground. With good blocking by Scott Weinheimer, Sean Crowell, Michael Lewis and Brad Sustaire; Justin Ritter and Toby Burgin were able to score. Ritter chalked up three T.D.'s and a one point conversion, while Burgin tallied a touchdown and the conversion point. All the

members of the team saw some playing time for the hometown crowd.

"Unfortunately we had two touchdowns called back on the final drive due to penalties. The outcome (of the penalties) may have changed the outcome of the score, but didn't change the fact that the boys played a great game!"

Tigers Hold Off Northside 40-20

The Groom Tigers opened at home last Friday night against a small, but very well-balanced team from Vernon Northside. The Tigers were not able to put the game away until late in the fourth quarter, winning 40-20.

Groom led 27-6 when Northside ran a kickoff back 80 yards. This seemed to

add momentum to the visitors. As Northside was driving again, trailing only by a touchdown, Bart Britten intercepted a pass on the Tigers 10 yard line. This seemed to give the Tigers a spark, as they were able to shut them down the rest of the way.

Paul McLaughlin rushed for 162 yards on 20 carries,

scoring twice while Corky Hickey gained 123 yards on 12 carries, also scoring twice. Wesley Hall added to the scoring on a 12 yard pass from Bo Burgin. Linebacker Matt Fields was credited with 14 tackles to lead the defense.

Coach Terry O'Dell was certainly pleased with the

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Parents Speak Out At Meeting, Board Amends Dress Code

The cafeteria of Groom Schools was the site Tuesday night, September 8, of a full house of students and parents who turned out in hopes of convincing the School Board to amend the outdated dress code now held by Groom Schools.

School Board members Don Lyles, Gary Friemel, Adela Kotara, Dennis Babcock, David Britten and Tony Treadwell were present along with Superintendent Ken Sweatt to hear complaints and suggestions concerning the dress code. The board listened attentively as members of the audience explained today's fashions and the differences of short and skirt lengths facing Groom students.

Janet "Peaches" Homen, a school teacher and parent from Amarillo addressed the board and the audience of the advantages of allowing students to dress more comfortably. Homen said it had been proven through educational studies that if a child is comfortable, the ability to learn is higher. Therefore, she believed by relaxing the dress code, productivity by the students would increase.

President of the Groom School Board Dennis Babcock asked for other opinions or questions from the audience.

After much discussion by the audience, Board Member Ken Burger suggested a one-year trial period for the amended dress code, including students wearing shorts. This suggestion seemed to be satisfactory with those gathered, so Burger made the motion amending the dress code for a one-year

period, through the 1992-93 school year, allowing shorts to be worn of a length of mid-thigh or below. Don Lyles seconded the motion. The only no vote was given by Dennis Babcock. The reason given for his no vote was that when he went to school nobody wore shorts and the shorts did not look good.

Superintendent Ken Sweatt said that on school activities, when the school is responsible for the students, the dress code would apply.

Reactions by some of the proponents of the amended dress code were favorable of the vote but reservations were expressed on just how the school would handle the issue. Lynn Pool said she did not want to get rid of the dress code, only amend it. Nila Burgin was glad to see progress and the change. Greg Lambert said he never would have believed the board would

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C.E.D. 3

Raises Taxes

County Education District 3 members met last week. In the record setting meeting, which lasted about five minutes, members unanimously raised taxes that will generate \$11,556,476 in 1992-93. The increase will amount to about 12¢ per \$100 valuation difference between last years 76.91 cents to this years 88.81 cents.

The State Supreme Court has ruled that CED's are unconstitutional and given lawmakers until June 1, 1993 to revise the system.

The board also appointed Jane Stephens, Canyon ISD Assistant Superintendent as records officer for CED 3.

JV PLAYS McLEAN IN SILVERTON

Groom Junior Varsity football team will travel to Silvertown Thursday night for their season opener. "Groom will play McLean in Silvertown due to a lack of coaches for McLean," said Coach Jay Lamb. McLean Junior High will play Silvertown Thursday afternoon and because McLean has only one or two coaches, it was convenient for McLean if Groom would come to Silvertown, explained Lamb. Kickoff is set for 6:30 p.m. The next game for the J.V. is October 1 at Samnorwood.

Community Calendar

A COLLEGE DAY has been planned for October 7th from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the M. K. Brown Auditorium. Seniors, Juniors and their parents are invited. Several different colleges will have catalogs and other information as well as representatives in attendance.

LADIES LEAGUE will meet in the home of Tina Painter on September 22nd at 7:30 p.m.

WORKDAY FOR Alpha Mu Xi at the baseball park, Saturday, Sept. 19 at 9:00 a.m. Meet at Anthony's Painting.

SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR GROOM FOOTBALL Groom Athletic Director Jay Lamb notes the new changes to Groom football.

Groom Varsity Samnorwood, October 2, 1992-There at 7:00 p.m., instead of 7:30 p.m.

Junior Varsity - October 1, 1992, Samnorwood, there at 6:30 p.m.

TAAS TESTS will be given on September 22, 23 and 24th to the third and seventh grades.

JR. CYO will host the after game party this week at St. Mary's Hall, from the end of the game till 11:00 p.m.

SOS MEETING Thursday, noon. Church of Christ is host.

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS meeting will be September 28 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Hall. Salad Supper. Bring your own.

YOUNG ADULTS of First Baptist Church Social on Saturday, September 26, 7:00 p.m. Baked Potato Supper, bring a topping. "Card Games" at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Whatley.

GROOM Cheerleaders will hold a Pep Rally Friday, at 10:15 in the High School Gym.

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Local Happenings

JUNIOR CYO TRIP TO WONDERLAND

The Junior CYO group spent Sunday afternoon at Wonderland Park. Those making the trip were Toby Burgin, Daniel Treadwell, Stephanie Ollinger, Marc Miller, Cody Britten, Brad Sustaire, Brin Burgin, Melanie and Jessica Friemel, Joe Britten, Tammy, Nick and Cassie Ashford, Angie and Karen Conrad, and Dusty Quisenberry. The group is selling bumper stickers for their fund raising activity. Sponsors are Debbie Ollinger, Nila and Donald Burgin and Pam Ashford.

GROOM BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

- September 17 - Mrs. Dan Steed.
- September 18 - Dick Conrad, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Weiberg (A).
- September 19 - Vivian Lacy, Mrs. Frank Babcock, Katie Rose Leven, Mr. and Mrs. Don Case (A).
- September 21 - Beulah Shockley, Tony Britten, Ashley Brette Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. John Mark Baggerman (A).
- September 22 - Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Sustaire (A).
- September 23 - Richard M. Crump, Mrs. John B. Koetting, James McCoy.

THANK YOU CARD

I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to everyone that helped to get the dress code amended for the '92-'93 school year.

I would also like to take this time to tell the high school students that it is up to them to help keep everyone in the guide lines that were set up concerning the length and type of shorts that can be worn. The School Board has given you one year to prove yourself. I hope you realize the trust they have given each of you.

I also realize not everyone will be pleased with our students wearing shorts, but I hope those that are opposed to wearing shorts to school will take the time and see just how well our students are handling this new amendment. I think you will be pleased!

Lynn Pool

GROOM SCHOOL MENU

- September 21 - Breakfast, Cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch, Nachos w/meat, cheese, refried beans, salad, tortilla pieces, applesauce, milk.
- September 22 - Breakfast, Pancakes, peanut butter, juice, milk. Lunch, Cheeseburgers, tater tots, pickles, onions, lettuce, tomatoes, brownies, milk.
- September 23 - Breakfast, Breakfast burritos, hash browns, juice, milk. Lunch, Turkey and noodles, cheese zombies, green peas, carrot sticks, bread, strawberry shortcake, milk.
- September 24 - Breakfast, Biscuits, bacon, gravy, juice, milk. Lunch, Lasagna w/meat and cheese, fried okra, salad, breadsticks, vanilla pudding w/cookie, milk.
- September 25 - Breakfast, Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk. Lunch, Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls, chocolate chip cookies, milk.

FHA NEWS

On Sunday, September 13, the FHA officers and the freshmen girls went to Amarillo. They visited and enjoyed a meal at Harrigan's.

Officers: President, Melinda Burgin; 1st Vice President, Karen Babcock; 2nd Vice President, Aimee Lyles; Sec/Tres., Amy Brown; Reporter, Andrea Payton; Historians: Krista Burgin, Darcee Lyles; Pianist: Stacy Fields; Girl of the Year Chairperson, Hallee Kotara; Advisor, Judy Babcock.

Freshmen members are Kay Case, Sandie Conrad, Sheri Koetting, Suzy Pool, Sabrina Shaffer, and Trisha Treadwell.

Celebrating Grandparent's Day at the Glynn D Harrell home were Bob and Louise Mulkey, Sara-Allyson Hightower, Robert Whitney of Panhandle, and Matthew Mulkey of Lubbock.

GROOM REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

In a regular meeting of the Groom City Council, on September 8, the Mayor called the meeting to order with the following members present: Mayor Jimmy Britten, Alderman Bill Homer, Jerry Thornton, R. E. Cornett, and Greg Lamb. Ronny Fields was absent.

The minutes of the previous meetings were approved as read.

R. E. Cornett moved to keep the same hospitalization plan. Bill Homer seconded.

Greg Lamb moved to keep same ratio of 1-1 retirement plan. Jerry Thornton seconded.

Dan Ashford attended the meeting to discuss water drainage problem at Sixth and Ware. The Council will look into the problem and see if they can suggest a solution.

Bill Homer moved to retain Brown and Grantham as auditors for yearly audit, R. E. Cornett seconded.

R. E. Cornett moved to purchase bookkeeping software from MDS for \$350.00 plus one day training.

Bill Homer moved to vote for Rutha Walters, Place 8, for TML Intergovernmental Risk Pool Board of Trustees.

Rip Snyder saying, expect a hard freeze in about 60 days, a big snow has just hit parts of Alaska, he believes it takes 60 days to move down into our country. Fall begins next week, so start getting out those blankets.


GROOM CHURCH OF CHRIST QUIZ

Members of the Groom Church of Christ, on Sunday, September 13, participated in the Panhandle Area Bible Quiz sponsored by the Church of Christ of the greater Amarillo area.

Those competing were as follows: Aaron and Alyssa Watson, Pre-reader division - Aaron was given first place; Angie Reed, Andrea Payton, Kim Fields, Roni Fields, Teenage division - They were given first place; Kent Watson, Kenneth and Francis Payton, Adult division - They placed first as well.

The Quiz occurs on a regular monthly basis throughout the school year. This month's quiz was hosted by the Bell Avenue Church of Christ of Amarillo.

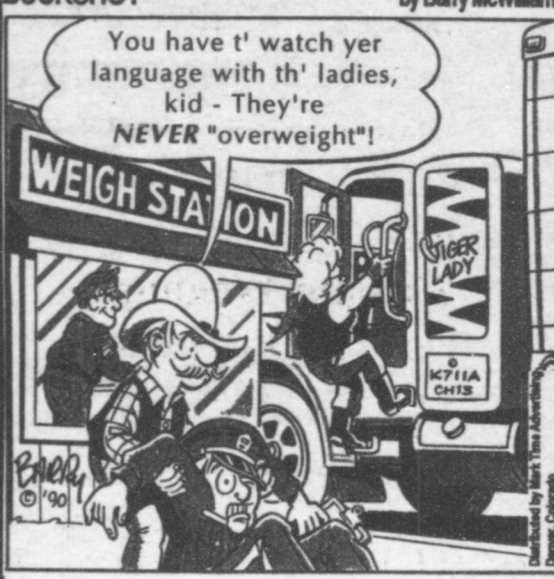
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Grandview-Hopkins Board Meets

The Board of Trustees of the Grandview-Hopkins I.S.D. met in regular session on September 8, 1992, at 8:00 PM in the school cafeteria. After approving minutes of the previous meeting and voting to approve the bills presented for payment, the board considered setting the tax rate for the 1992-93 school year.

After discussion, the board voted unanimously to set the tax rate at .47164. This rate is the effective tax rate, and will allow the Grandview-Hopkins I.S.D. to collect an amount of money equal to that collected last year.

In other business, the board voted to accept the superintendent's evaluation instrument and a time line for evaluation. The board also set the calendar for evaluation of teachers, and approved the appointment of W.T. Laurie as Other Appraiser, and Kenneth Sweatt as third appraiser should one be needed. Substitutes for the 1992-93 year were approved.

The board considered bids from various phone companies to update the telephone system, and approved the bid from Southwestern Bell to complete all necessary wiring. Bids to provide equipment were rejected as being too expensive, and the

board directed the administration to seek other suppliers for telephone equipment. In the last action of the meeting, the board approved on final reading Policy EAB, creating the local mechanism for Site Based Decision Making.

Board members also heard reports on the districts performance on the Academic Excellence Indicator System. Grandview-Hopkins ISD ranked third in its group, outperforming many larger districts in state rating criteria.

The next regular meeting of the Grandview-Hopkins ISD will be held at 8:00 PM on Tuesday, 10/13/92, in the school cafeteria.

Dean's List

Robert Miller (Welding Technology, from Groom, was recently named to Texas State Technical College - Amarillo Dean of Instruction's Honor Roll with a 3.5 or greater grade point average for the summer quarter.

Texas State Technical College - Amarillo is a non-profit technical college, created in 1970 by the Texas Legislature. The school offers 19 technical programs including three new programs: chemical technology, metrology, and telecommunications.

State National Bank

Receives 5-Star Rating

The State National Bank of Groom is pleased to announce that it has again been awarded Bauer Financial Reports' highest five-star rating. This is the 3rd consecutive quarter that The State National Bank has received this prestigious award ranking it at the top for safety, strength and performance.

The rating is based on the analysis of March 31, 1992 financial data as filed with federal regulators.

A five-star rating, the highest on a scale from 0-stars to 5-stars, indicates that The State National Bank's tangible capital exceeds 9.0% of tangible assets, its risk-based capital ratio exceeds 9.45%, delinquencies and repossessed assets are manageable, the institution is soundly invested and it earned a profit for the quarter ended March 31, 1992. For comparison purposes, the capital levels required for Bauer's five-star rating are nearly double those required by federal regulators.

Paul A. Bauer, President of the research firm, said, "The consistent strength and performance exhibited by The State National Bank is commendable. The State National Bank is a strongly capitalized bank that sticks to the basics and operates profitably."

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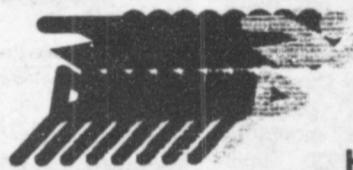
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14	Nick Ashford	Fr.	5'11"	161	84	Corkey Hickey	Sr.	6'0"	177
1	Craig Baker	Fr.	5'5"	108	50	Tom Lambert	So.	6'0"	180
21	Bart Britten	So.	5'7"	129	7	Ty Lambert	So.	5'9"	127
33	Bronte Britten	Jr.	5'9"	131	35	Paul McLaughlin	Sr.	5'9"	153
20	Bo Burgin	So.	5'9"	161	10	Scott McLaughlin	Fr.	5'4"	118
89	Harold Cave	Fr.	5'7"	167	25	Matt Miller	So.	5'8"	142
63	Bryan Crowell	So.	6'0"	159	5	Rhett Patterson	Sr.	5'9"	135
62	Brandon Crump	Fr.	5'11"	240	17	Jason Peters	Fr.	5'9"	195
70	Steven Daffern	Sr.	5'7"	157	64	Chy Phillips	Jr.	5'6"	200
60	Robbie Evenson	Jr.	6'3"	190	3	David Quisenberry	Fr.	5'8"	150
74	Matt Fields	Sr.	5'11"	236	34	Seth Ritter	So.	5'7"	130
24	Josh Gray	So.	5'5"	140	65	Eric Weinheimer	So.	6'2"	165
88	Wes Hall	Jr.	6'4"	186	22	John Weinheimer	Sr.	6'3"	171



BEAT MEADOW

Obituaries

J. S. Lacy

J. S. "Jake" Lacy, 77, of Groom, died Sunday, Sept. 13, 1992.

Services will be at noon Tuesday in Canyon Hills Church of Christ at Canyon with Dr. Ronald R. Lacy, Donald D. Lacy, minister, and Ken Watson, minister of Groom Church of Christ, officiating. Graveside services will be at 4:30 p.m. in Dreamland Cemetery in Turkey by Meyers-Long Funeral Directors of Turkey.

Mr. Lacy was born in Turkey. He married Vivian Covington in 1934 at Hollis, Okla. He was a medic in the U.S. Army during World War II and was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a member of the Church of Christ and the Turkey Volunteer Fire Department for 20 years. He was scout master of Boy Scouts of America Troop 70 for several years. He owned many businesses in Turkey. He was an X-Ray technician

at Groom Memorial Hospital for 15 years. He was preceded in death by a son, Vance Conroy Lacey.

Survivors include his wife of Groom; two sons, Dr. Ronald R. Lacy of Amarillo

and Donald D. Lacy of Canyon; two sisters, Dot Arnold and Telia Gilmore both of Turkey; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the John Abraham Foundation in Amarillo.

Leone Sears Jones

Leone Sears Jones, 85, died Wednesday, Sept. 9, 1992.

Services were Friday in First Christian Church in Pampa with Dr. John T. Tate, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery by Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Jones, born in Frederick, Okla., moved to Pampa in 1930 from

Kirkland. She married Moore "Cowboy" Jones in 1926 at Childress. She was a member of First Christian Church.

Survivors include her husband; three daughters, Janis Cunningham of Perryton, Jolynn Davis Cash of Pampa and Joyce Hutsell of Groom; a son, Johnnie M. Jones Jr. of Las Animas, Colo.; three sisters, Gladys Mayo of Childress, Kathryn Savage of Pampa and Jeanette Roberts of Farmersville; nine grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the First Christian Church or a favorite charity.

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Tigers

outcome.

"We had a few misfires," he said, "That you could attribute to first home game jitters. But the boys regrouped well and showed intensity in getting Northside shut down. Wes Hall, Robbie Evenson, Corkey Hickey, Paul McLaughlin, Matt Fields, Bart and Bronte Britten did an excellent job playing a lot of ball. . . . We knew they would be a good team," he added.

Groom is now 2-0 on the season. State ranked Meadow will be in town Friday night for the Tigers third game of the season. Meadow is expected to give the Tigers more trouble than the previous team.

One of their top players qualified for state in the 100 meter dash last year.

Meadow is near Lubbock.

FHA AND FFA dues are now due from members. See your chapter officers for more details.

Theta Delta Meets

Theta Delta Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International held its first meeting of the year at 9:00 AM Saturday, September 12, at First Baptist Church in Panhandle with Marsha Richardson, First Vice-President, presiding. Twenty-four members were

present for a program of planning by all committees. Hostesses for the event were Bette Gill, Dorothy Broadway, Marjorie Ewing, Mary Ewing, Mary Ruth Smith, and Billie Ray Williams.

Groom members in attendance were Judy Babcock and Susan Burgin.

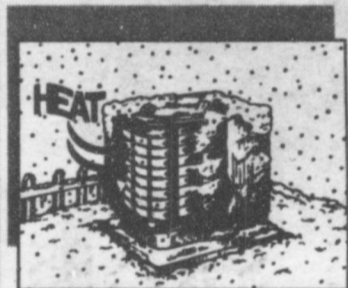


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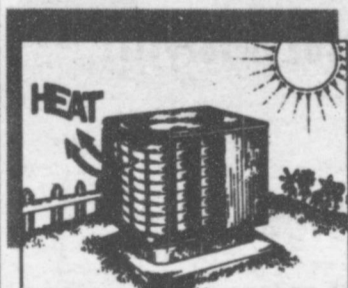
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Junior Girl Scouts Meet

Junior Girl Scout Troop #21 met at the Groom Community Center on Saturday, September 12 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Members in attendance were Courtney Sustaire, Frances Britten, Brooke Britten, Carrie Davis, Skye Brown, Sarah Britten, Karen Conrad, Kristie Walker, Michelle Stephens, and Katie Britten was a guest.

ceremony, the girls practiced folding the American flag. It was decided that the girls would take turns raising the flag in the mornings at school. The Juniors will, also, raise the flag before each home football game.

An animal peanut game was held, a walk to the park, and a delicious sack lunch was eaten at the park, followed by a nature scavenger hunt.

concerning "special grandmas." Each girl chose a "special grandma" and will visit, do errands, bake goodies, etc. for her during the coming year.

After reviewing the motto "Be Prepared" and the slogan "Do a good turn

daily," the girls decorated and sealed bookmarkers depicting these two aspects of their club.

Michelle Stephens will bring treats to the next meeting on Saturday, October 10 at 10:30 a.m. at the Community Center.

Leaders are Jan Britten and Kay Britten.

Happening

Mrs. Max (Linda) Summers was in Groom from Colleyville to assist her parents, Bill and Doshia Cornett, in going for medical care last week.

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Honor Roll

Larry Pool (Drafting & Design Technology, from Groom, was recently named to Texas State Technical College - Amarillo President's Honor Roll with a 4.0 grade point average for the summer quarter.

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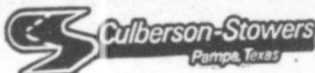
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Todd Gray, Jeremy Lewis, C. J. Whatley, Caleb Pool, Dusty Crump, Brandon Crump, Jason Prather, Josh Gray, Blake Barnett and adults - Charlotte Whatley, Craig Howard and Derek Heilman.

Carson Co. Sheriff's Report

Over the course of the past two weeks, the Carson County Sheriff's Department has investigated a case involving arrests for Indecency with a Minor. Two adult males were arrested for the offense and a juvenile was questioned. Both adults were arraigned and have posted bond for release pending further court action.

A case of Indecency with a Minor is currently under investigation in the northeast portion of the County.

Several reports of fights were investigated in Groom and White Deer. In one instance, shots were fired as a result of an earlier altercation in White Deer. The Carson County Sheriff's Department assisted the White Deer City Marshal in this matter and several persons have been charged with various offenses.

Deputies assisted Panhandle Police with a number of medical emergency, prowler, and domestic dispute calls. Carson County deputies were called to a convenience

store in White Deer to assist with a woman complaining of severe abdominal pain. The subject and her four-month-old daughter were taken to Pampa by the White Deer Ambulance Service.

Deputies were called to Conway to check on a transient who was complaining of hearing voices that were telling her to harm herself. The subject was transported to Amarillo by the Panhandle Ambulance Service for psychiatric care.

The Sheriff's Department is investigating the theft of a Sears rototiller from the Carson/Potter County line and investigation continues into a possible arson north of Skellytown. Deputies investigated a report of a missing juvenile from the Groom area. The juvenile later returned to her home.

A porcupine was found inside the Panhandle city limits and was captured by a deputy and released several miles outside the city. In White Deer, an opossum was found in a residential area.

A civil dispute was investigated on I-40 at the rest area. The parties involved did not wish to have any charges filed.

Four persons were booked in the Carson County Jail during the past week for DWI. One person was arrested for Possession of Marijuana and another for warrants from Potter County. There are currently six persons incarcerated in Carson County. Three are in for DWI, one for Possession of Marijuana, one for Failure to Appear and one for Parole Violation.

Local Girl In France

Lezlie Sweatt is currently in the Texas Tech Foreign Exchange Student Program. She will be residing at Lyon, France for the next year. Anyone wishing to write to her may do so at:

Lezlie Sweatt, De La Residence, Benjamin de les Sert #442, 145 Avenue Jean Juarez, 69007 Lyon, France.

Take time to let her hear from her hometown friends.

Parents

approve a change. Mrs. Babcock, principal of Groom School said the decision by the board would make her job a little easier.

In other business the board unanimously approved the following:

The teacher appraisal calendar

Jesse Baker as a third appraiser.

Stricter performance scores for the career ladder.

The District Attendance Committee made up of Marcia Davis, Charles Burk, Jay Lamb, June Gable and Judy Babcock.

Employment of Bernice Gray as a full time bus route driver, at the district pay scale. It was noted that another driver is needed.

The 92-93 Substitute Teacher List and Policy was discussed.

President Dennis Babcock, directed Superintendent Sweatt to obtain bids on the proposed concession stand in the last bay of the new bus barn.

Jill Howard hosted the Youth Fellowship this week in her home on September 13 from 7 to 8 p.m.

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CED Raises Tax by 14¢

CED 14 voted 9-4 last week to raise 92-93 tax rates approximately 14¢ per \$100 valuation. Mandated by the state to increase taxes almost 12¢, this represented a 2¢ increase over and above the state requirement.

The County Education District collected \$490,000 in excess taxes last year and distributed the moneys based on the percentage of support as scheduled by the state.

Three of the 16 school district members were absent from the proceedings, McLean ISD, Spring Creek ISD and See CED, pg. 12

McLean Board Meets To

Adopt Tax Rate

McLean ISD School Board will meet to adopt a tax rate on September 18 at the school.

Shirley Johnson, business manager, told the McLean News Tuesday that she expects the board to approve the .48 per \$100 valuation, the same as last year, that the budget is based on, which along with the \$.894 the CED recently passed will provide \$5,769. per student.

The misleading part of all this is that when tax payers get their bill in the mail in October it will definitely be higher than last year.

Why...? Because the CED's have raised taxes by approximately 14¢. So the overall amount of taxes paid to educate the children of Texas will be increased.

The pressure is on local districts to keep tax bills down. Legally McLean ISD could increase local taxes up to 50.929 with no hearings and up to 63.868 with no rollback election.

Follett ISD. Those voting against the issue were Monte Lusby of Canadian, Susie Martin of Alanreed, Tom Grantham of Miami and Bill Wheatly of Darrouzett.

In other business CED 14 voted to unanimously approve administrative expenses consisting of \$471.52 to Waters, Holt & See Taxes, pg. 12

Homecoming '92 Underway



Holly Hefley



Karen Brass



Mindy Magee



Holly Jasper



Becki McCarty

McLean High School prepares for Homecoming 1992 as the football team goes head to head with the Silvertown Owls.

Students chose candidates for Homecoming Queen late last week in anticipation of Friday night festivities. They are: Freshman

Holly Jasper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Jasper; Sophomore - Karen Brass, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Brass; Junior - Mindy Magee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Magee; Senior - Becki McCarty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry McCarty and Senior Holly Hefley,

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Hefley.

The pre-game ceremonies and Queen coronation will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Spirit week at M.H.S. was celebrated by dressing different each day. Tuesday was 50's day. Wednesday was dress like your favorite

character day. Thursday is black and white day; and tomorrow, Friday is Black and Gold day.

A Homecoming dance will be held at the County Ag Barn from 10:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. Friday night. It will be sponsored by the Senior parents.



THE ASSEMBLY OF God Church ladies will host a "Joy Fellowship" meeting, Tuesday, Sept. 22nd at 6:30 p.m. at Fellowship Hall. Glenda Chase from Shamrock will be the speaker. All ladies are welcome to attend.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 19, All youth are invited to attend a fun night at the school gym from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. sponsored by Bro. Dean Williams.

THE McLEAN LION'S Club will host a hamburger supper, Monday, Sept. 21st at 6:30 p.m. at the park for all school employees and families.

PEP RALLY will be held at the gym, Friday, Sept. 18th at 3:00 p.m. Come out and support our high school students as they get ready for the homecoming game.

1992 YEARBOOKS on sale. Contact Kim Oldham at school.

SCHOOL PORTRAIT pictures will be Tuesday, Sept. 29. Pictures will be taken by Blunck Studios.

A COLLEGE DAY has been planned for October 7th from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the M. K. Brown Auditorium. Seniors, Juniors and their parents are invited. Several different colleges will have catalogs and other information as well as representatives in attendance.

Looney Gains 510 Yards For The Tigers

Christian Looney, all-state quarterback for the McLean Tigers, proved Friday night why he is an all-state selection as he scored nine touchdowns by either running or throwing the ball as the Tigers kicked Follett 61-36. Looney had 510 yards of total offense, gaining 156 yards on the ground and connecting on 15 of 24 passes for 344 yards. He also returned a blocked extra point for a score. Other Tigers having a hand in the scoring for McLean were David Cronister scoring on a 31 and 50 yard pass from Looney and Tommy Pennington scoring on a 16 yard pass.

McLean outrushed Follett 550 total yards to Follett's 387 yards. McLean had 18 first downs to the Panthers 10 first downs.

McLean's next game is Friday night here against Silvertown beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Silvertown beat Miami last week 56-12, making them 2-

0 on the season. Lance Holt of Silvertown rushed for 210 yards and scored five touchdowns for the Owls last week.

M - David Cronister 31 pass from Christian Looney (kick failed)

M - Tommy Pennington 16 pass from Looney (kick

failed)

F - Danny Neptune 33 pass from Tyler Terrel (kick failed)

F - Cade Elmore 13 interception return (Aaron Trenfield kick)

M - Looney 3 run (kick failed)

F - Danny Howard 61 pass from Terrel (Trenfield kick)

M - Chronister 50 pass from Looney (kick blocked, Looney returned for PAT)

M - Brandon West 30 pass from Looney (Will Shaw pass from Looney)

F - Trenfield 40 pass from Terrel (kick failed)

M - Looney 14 run (Looney kick)

M - Looney 11 run (Looney kick)

F - D. Howard 34 pass from Terrel (Trenfield kick)

M - Looney 35 run (Tommy Pennington pass from Jeremy Thomas)

M - Looney 1 run (kick failed)

First Downs M - 18, F - 10; Yards Rushing M - 200, F - 133; Yards Passing M - 344, F - 254; Total Yards M - 550, F - 387; Comp-Att-Int M - 15-24-3, F - 10-20-3; Punts-Avg. M - 1-30, F - 1-35; Fumbles-Lost M - 0-0, F - 1-1; Penalties M - 3-12, F - 5-32.



Shaw Enters Contest

Will Shaw of the McLean FFA Chapter participated in the Texas Cattle Feeders Assn. Jr. Fed Beef

Challenge. The event was held August 29 at the Amarillo Livestock Auction and the WTSU campus.

Will fed a pen of four steers for 140 days preparing them for the carcass contest. Expense records were kept and a complete record book was turned in with the steers

showing average daily gain, cost per pound of gain, feed conversion, break even, etc.

Scholarships for \$2,000. and \$1500. were awarded to the top two contestants overall. Also several cash awards were given in each category of the contest. Will was awarded \$500. cash for the best pen of carcasses and had the second best individual carcass. His steers graded choice with a 1.72 yield grade.

Mary Lou Glass, McLean, Sherri, Rachel, and Sandie Kramer from Skellytown attended a baby shower for Angie Burrus at Canyon on Saturday.

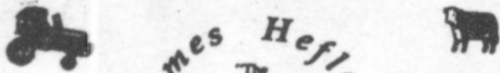
The Texas Lottery paid off to McLean's Leroy Blaylock on Tuesday morning when he purchased two tickets at Puckett's Grocery. Leroy won \$500.00.

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STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTS OFFICERS
Students at McLean High School recently elected the Student Council. Officers are: President, Holly Hefley, Vice-President, Christian Looney and Treasurer Peggy Adams.

Trevor McDonald, son of Jim McDonald and Cherry Johnson, graduated from West Texas State University August 21, 1992 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice. McDonald was a 1987 graduate of McLean High School.

McLEAN BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES
September 17 - Relia Ayers, Sondra Bybee.
September 18 - Rebekkah Kniffen, J.L. Mann, J.B. Brown, Elaine Sims.

September 19 - Tuffy Sanders.

September 20 - Joy Brown, Stacie Smith.

September 21 - Tina Michelle Kennedy, Melody Collins, Quinton Brown.

September 22 - Stacy Howard, Wanda Lamb, Mark Morris, Carolyn Coleman, Susan Williamson.

September 23 - Ron Shank, Tammy Melton, Fayette Bell Barton, Katicia Littlefield, Sharon Haynes, Willie Nicholass.

THANK YOU CARD

We wish to express our sincere gratitude for all the prayers, phone calls, food, flowers, and financial support during the illness and loss of our daughter and granddaughter, Cayla Faith Armbrister.

Special thanks to the ladies of McLean and Alanreed for the food they served, also to the Alanreed and McLean Community for their loving, caring spirit.

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Public Notice

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, in accordance with the rules of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC), hereby gives notice of the Company's intent to implement a new schedule of telephone rates in Texas for optional Custom Calling Services and Touch-tone service, effective March 15, 1993, unless otherwise determined by the PUC.

These proposed rates will not increase or decrease the Company's overall revenues; the net effect will be neutral to the Company's annual revenues.

The Company proposes to decrease the rates for Touch-tone service for residential customers from \$1.00 to 68 cents, and also to reduce the Touch-tone rates for business customers from \$1.75 to \$1.70. In addition, the Touch-tone rates for business PBX trunks will be reduced from \$3.15 to \$2.18.

This proposal to decrease the rates for Touch-tone service does not change the commitment that the Company made in the Docket No. 8585 Stipulation to reduce the rates for Touch-tone service in 1993.

The Custom Calling Services affected by the Company's application are optional telephone service arrangements that provide the following features: Call Waiting, Call Forwarding, Three Way Calling, Speed Calling-8 and Speed Calling-30. Following are the feature combinations and their current and proposed rates.

One Feature per line	Residence		Business	
	Current Rate	Proposed Rate	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
Call Waiting	\$2.10	\$2.85	\$2.65	\$3.25
Call Forwarding	2.10	2.10	2.65	3.50
3-Way Calling	2.10	2.10	2.65	2.50
Speed Call-8	2.10	2.10	2.65	2.50
Two Features per line				
Call Waiting, Call Forwarding	3.75	4.25	4.75	6.00
Call Waiting, 3-Way Calling	3.70	4.25	4.75	4.75
Call Waiting, Speed Calling-8	3.70	4.25	4.75	4.75
Call Forwarding, 3-Way Calling	3.70	3.50	4.80	5.00
Call Forwarding, Speed Calling-8	3.70	3.50	4.75	5.00
3-Way Calling, Speed Calling-8	3.70	3.50	4.75	4.00
Three Features per line				
Call Waiting, Call Forwarding and 3-Way Calling	5.30	5.65	6.90	7.50
Call Waiting, Call Forwarding and Speed Calling-8	5.30	5.65	6.90	7.50
Call Waiting, 3-Way Calling and Speed Calling-8	5.30	5.65	6.90	6.25
Call Forwarding, 3-Way Calling and Speed Calling-8	5.30	4.90	6.90	6.50
Four Features per line				
Call Waiting, Call Forwarding, 3-Way Calling, Speed Calling-8	6.90	7.05	9.00	9.00
Speed Calling - 30 code capacity	3.20	3.20	4.25	3.20

Most of the Company's residence and business customers who subscribe to Custom Calling Features and Touch-tone service will be affected by the proposed rate restructuring.

It is expected that the restructuring of Custom Calling Features will result in a rate increase for approximately 2.9 million residence customers and 280,000 business customers. The reduction in rates for certain Custom Calling Services and Touch-tone Service will affect approximately 4.3 million residence customers and 1.7 million business customers.

This rate restructuring is expected to have a "revenue-neutral" effect on the Company's annual revenues. The proposed rate restructuring of Custom Calling Services will increase the Company's annual revenues by \$19.8 million; while the reduction in Touch-tone rates will decrease the Company's annual revenues by \$19.8 million.

This proceeding has been designated Docket No. 11382. Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in this proceeding should notify the PUC as soon as possible. The deadline to intervene is October 30, 1992. A request to intervene, participate or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. Further information may also be obtained by calling the PUC Public Information Office at (512) 458-0256 or (512) 458-0221, teletypewriter for the deaf.


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McLean Care Center News

The residents attended Sunday school. Their leaders were Mary Frazier, Maebelle Nash, Jerry Stubbs and Ella Mae Massey who sang and played the piano for them. In the afternoon Bro. Q. D. Bevil pastor of the Baptist church was here to conduct services.

Residents playing bingo Monday afternoon were Polly Burnett, Adelle Walker, Lorena Bailey, Dick and Mattie Wheeler, Leon Burch, Thelma Hopkins, Eula Morrow, Teresa Richardson, Kittie Hessay, Annie Eudey, Clyde Trusty, Mary Sligar, Winnie Hayes, Ellen Jordan and Nora Moore. Our volunteer helpers were Avalee

Crockett and Sylvia McClellan. Bananas were furnished by the Lions Club.

Tuesday afternoon Lena Carter was here to assist in dominos, those playing were Imogene King, Adelle Walker, Polly Burnett, Teresa Richardson, Leon Burch and Eula Morrow.

Wednesday afternoon members of the Baptist church were here for a Sing-A-Long.

Tuesday afternoon Lena Bains from Pampa held an ice-cream social for the residents celebrating Mary Helen Bostons 93rd birthday. Ladies serving were Inez Trostle, Imogene King, Gayla Long, Betty Littlefield and resident Imogene King.

Alanreed News

Lena Carter visited in McLean Tuesday with Virginia Dalton and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Carter of Rotan, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Carter also visited in the McLean Care Center with Edna Carter and Jewel Warner.

Bob and Jan Kesse of Ft. Worth visited his mother and brother here on Saturday.

Virginia Dalton of McLean and Lena Carter visited in Pampa Friday with the Jerry Carters and Wayne Leathers.

Dixie Crockett was shopping in Pampa on Friday.

The R. D. McLains were in Amarillo the first of the week for medical attention for R. D.

Ruby Dorsey took son Jay back to the hospital last week for further evaluation.

Visiting the R. L. Leaders this week was

Peggy's sister and her family from Waxahachie.

Visiting Lena Carter on Saturday was Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bruce of Amarillo.

Word was received here this week of the death of Homer Smith. Mr. Smith was the son of Pearl Smith who farmed south of town and raised her family. He was a cousin of Laurence Lee of Pampa, Ray Lee of McLean and brother-in-law

of Jake Bible.

The Robert Bruces were in Pampa on Friday where grandsons Shawn and Paul returned home with them. They attended First Baptist Church with them.

Visiting Venice Wright over the Labor Day weekend was her daughter, Elizabeth Wheeler, and grandson's Wayne and Devin from Amarillo.

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Ruby Myers was admitted to the Shamrock Hospital this week.

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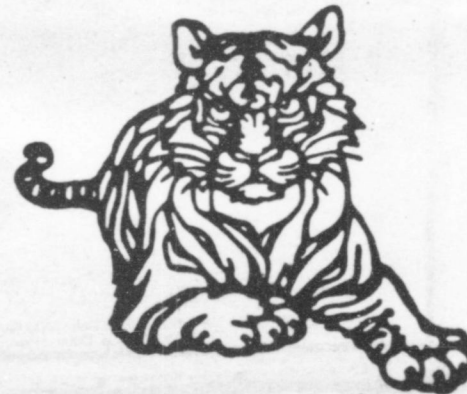
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10	Jeremy Thomas	11	5'8"	135	34	Andy Glass	9	5'9"	126
11	Monty Joiner	9	5'4"	93	35	Toby Smith	10	5'8"	130
12	Christian Looney	12	6'2"	182	40	Chris Martin	9	5'7"	117
13	Dennis Ward	11	5'9"	144	44	Lee Shaw	9	5'10"	203
15	Tom Pennington	12	6'0"	195	53	Brandon West	10	5'9"	145
20	David Chronister	12	5'9"	136	58	Jonathan Galley	9	5'8"	126
18	Will Shaw	11	6'0"	177	62	Seth Brown	9	5'9"	127
21	Toby Northcutt	11	6'0"	177	64	Britten Shipman	10	5'10"	170
22	Casey Carter	9	5'9"	125	77	Josh Acuna	10	5'9"	174
28	Johnny Walker	12	5'7"	156	90	Clay Reynolds	12	6'0"	150
30	Jeremy Crutcher	9	5'8"	130					

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TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB MEETS

The Twentieth Century Study Club met September 11th in the home of Lena Carter to resume their usual club year. A lovely covered dish dinner was enjoyed by all and a business meeting followed presided over by

President Lena Carter. The club collect was recited in unison led by Avalee Crockett. There were no minutes. Dues for the year were collected. Installation of officers followed by installing officers with Mary Groves presiding. The following answered as officers President, Lena Carter; Vice President, Avalee Crockett; Sec./Treas., Rose Hall; and Parliamentarian, Laura Edleman. Roll Call was a round table discussion of summer activities. Answering roll call and enjoying luncheon were Relia Ayres and guest

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Public Notice

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company has asked the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) for approval to offer new optional call management services called Caller Identification Service (Caller ID) and Anonymous Call Rejection (ACR).

Caller ID is a new optional phone service which allows subscribers to see the phone number and/or name of most local calls before they answer the phone. Caller ID also allows the recording of the date, time, name and/or phone number of calls. Currently, Caller ID would work only on most local calls, not long distance calls. It would also require that a separate display unit be connected to the telephone. These units that attach to the telephone will be available from various retail vendors, including Southwestern Bell, at a cost starting at approximately \$50.

Southwestern Bell is also proposing that all customers be able to "block," or stop their name/number from being transmitted and displayed on a Caller ID device, free of charge. You would have this option of "blocking" your name/number on each call free of charge. There would be no need to subscribe to this service. All customers would have this capability when Caller ID is introduced in their area.

If you want to block your name or number, you need only press *67 on your touch-tone pad (or dial 1167 from a rotary phone) before dialing the telephone number. The person you're calling would see displayed a message such as "private" or "anonymous" on their Caller ID display unit.

Southwestern Bell also proposes that qualified domestic violence and law enforcement groups have the option of free per-line blocking, or free per-call blocking.

Anonymous Call Rejection (ACR or "block the blocker") allows subscribers to automatically reject all calls that have been marked anonymous, or "blocked" by the person calling. It is not necessary to subscribe to Caller ID Name/Number to subscribe to ACR. With ACR, your telephone will not ring if the person calling you has "blocked" his/her name or number. The person calling whose identification is blocked will receive a message to hang up and call back with caller identification unblocked. Following are the proposed monthly rates for Caller ID and ACR.


Proposed Rates (monthly)*	Residence	Business
Calling Number only	\$6.50	\$ 8.50
Calling Name only	\$6.50	\$ 8.50
Calling Name & Number	\$8.00	\$12.00
Anonymous Call Rejection	\$3/\$1**	\$3/\$1**

* These rates are in addition to the initial installation charges and monthly basic service rate. For residence customers, installation charges are \$2.70 per feature, with a maximum charge of \$5.40. For business customers, the charges are \$5.40 per feature, with a maximum charge of \$10.75.

** Anonymous Call Rejection is \$3 per month if purchased without Caller ID and is \$1 per month when purchased with Caller ID Name or Number.

This proceeding has been designated Docket No. 11362, and a hearing on the merits has been scheduled for November 16, 1992. The PUC has jurisdiction to consider this matter pursuant to Sections 16, 18, 37 and 38 of the Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA). This application was filed pursuant to the provisions of the PUC's Substantive Rule 23.24. Among the issues that will be addressed in this proceeding is the legality of the Caller ID device and service under Texas wiretap laws.

Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings should notify the PUC as soon as possible. The deadline to intervene is October 26, 1992. A request to intervene, participate, or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. Further information may also be obtained by calling the PUC Public Information Office at (512) 458-0256 or (512) 458-0221 teletypewriter for the deaf.


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Groom School District's Budget Compared

Despite widespread reports last Fall of school budget cuts, trustees adopted the largest spending increase in history - \$1.8 billion more. Classroom teachers received one dollar in six of the additional spending.

Spending was \$1.4 billion more than budgeted revenue, and trustees increased school taxes by a billion dollars. However, when the beginning balance of \$4.2 billion is included, resources far outpaced expenditures.

The figures come from the latest issue of Bench Marks 1991-92 School District Budgets in Texas, an annual publication of the Texas Research League, an Austin-based, educational corporation engaged in governmental research.

An average of \$3,979 per student for current operations was budgeted last year plus \$337 for repayment of debt and \$617 per student for capital outlay.

Groom ISD's budget provided \$5,328.37 per student for current operations, \$0 for debt service, and \$556.11 per student for capital outlay based on the 232 students enrolled in October 1991.

The average base salary for classroom teachers paid by Groom ISD in October 1991 was \$24,907.00 plus supplements for the career ladder. The average for administrators was \$37,840.00, and \$23,732.00 for other professional

support employees (librarians, counselors, nurses, supervisors, etc.).

Four dollars in each five were spent for salaries. Statewide payroll expense averaged \$3,236 per student, as compared to \$3,829.23 in Groom ISD. Payroll expense is determined by salary levels and staffing patterns.

Taxpayers provided one teacher for 12.0 students in Groom ISD while the statewide pupil-teacher ratio was 16.3 to one.

School districts and county education districts imposed a property tax at the rate of \$1.274 per \$100 of appraised value, which value averaged 98.8% of market value (selling price). The "true tax rate" was \$1,259 (\$1,274 times 98.8%) statewide. Locally, the Groom ISD imposed a rate of \$1.25 including \$.769 by the county. Property was appraised at 109.9% of its market value making the true rate \$1.374 per \$100 of market value (selling price).

The report points out that the calculation of a true tax rate based on market value rather than on appraised value is necessary to make a valid comparison of tax levels with other schools.

The tax on a house that would sell for \$80,000 in Groom ISD would have been \$1,013.00. If the homeowner were eligible for homestead exemptions, the tax would have been \$826.00. That compares with statewide average tax

bills of \$998 and \$793 respectively for an \$80,000 house.

Last year Groom ISD's revenue from the property tax decreased by 7.8 percent for 1991-92 as compared to a 12.0 percent increase statewide.

Local property taxes plus state aid totaled \$5,246.00 per student in Groom ISD as compared to \$3,969 statewide.

The state and the county education districts will fund the total cost of the foundation program, which averaged \$2,784 per student last year and was \$3,624.00 in Groom ISD. Local school districts can levy property taxes to enrich the foundation program. Enrichment last year

averaged \$831 per pupil to which the state added an average of \$354 per student to guarantee the tax yield in property-poor districts. Enrichment by the Groom ISD was \$1,145.00; the state guarantee added \$477.00.

For the coming school year, there will be \$1.3 billion more for 1992-93 school budgets without any tax increase by school trustees other than the 10-cent increase by county education districts. That will consist of \$627 million from the county tax plus \$684 million more state aid already appropriated by the legislature, the report concludes.

Local Happening

ALAMO CATHOLIC has been dropped from the JV Football Schedule and replaced with Valley on October 8, 6:30 p.m., here.

Taxes

Fields; \$8,700 to Pampa ISD and \$1,717 to Borger ISD.

The question of renewal of board liability insurance was cause for discussion and another split decision.

Lusby of Canadian felt it was a waste of taxpayers dollars since CED's have been declared unconstitutional. Others felt it was a risk they couldn't afford to take. The issue was passed with Lusby, Neas of Borger, Thompson of Higgins and Sullivan of Lefors voting against.

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TOP OF TEXAS STYLE SHOW

The "Top of Texas" Cattlewomen will be having their fall Brunch and Style Show on September 19, 1992 at 10:00 a.m. The Style Show will follow the Brunch.

Modeling for McLean's "Corinne's Style Shop" will be Judy Morris, McLean, Jan Haynes and Pam Crockett from Pampa.

Narrator for the event is Annetta Brown from Wheeler, Texas.

Briefs

Visiting in Dallas on Saturday, -September 5th were Colleen and Johnny Mertel from McLean. They visited their daughter, Teresa and Gary Phillips and grandchildren and attended the Dallas Cowboy vs. Washington Redskins football game on Monday night. They returned to McLean on Tuesday.

Leta Mae and Farris Hess were at A&M to attend the football game with Tulsa on Saturday. They visited their granddaughter Hillary Hudson who is a junior. They also visited a friend at Victoria before returning to McLean.

Sharp Shooters

Compete In Raton

A group of Carson County Sharp Shooters traveled to the NRA Whittington Center, located near Raton, New Mexico on September 12 and 13 for a Smallbore Prone Match.

This match was held for the special purpose of raising funds for a smallbore range at the Whittington Center.

The covered, paved firing points and the facilities were impressive to the young shooters and sponsors.

On Saturday shooters shot in 11 matches; 100 yards, Dewar 50 meters and 50 yards. Michael Lewis placed first the first day with a total of 1546.055, Jeremy followed in second with 1472.030, and in third was C. J. Whatley with a total of 1402.011. Todd Gray finished with a total of 1288.013.

Sunday was another competitive day with the same target range, except any sights could be used. Michael placed first with a total of 1592.079, followed by Jeremy in third with a total of 1534.055, C. J. in fourth with 1459.026 and Todd in seventh with 1370.012.

Next weekend several from the Groom Sharp Shooter club will be competing in the Smallbore Outdoor Prone State Championship to be held in Amarillo.

First Baptist Church of Groom hosted the after-game fellowship Friday evening in the Fellowship Hall. A good crowd of Junior High Students were on hand for nachos and games.

Michael and Jeremy Lewis went to Camp Perry in Ohio, the week of July 12. The boys competed in the NRA National Match. Michael fared well in the highly competitive competition.

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ORDINANCE NO 247

An ordinance fixing the tax rate and levy in and for the City of McLean, Texas, for the year of 1992, upon taxable property in said city of McLean, Texas, for the purpose of providing for the General Fund for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1993, providing for a penalty, providing that in the event any provision of this ordinance be held unconstitutional and invalid; that such holding shall not affect the remaining provisions thereof; and repealing all ordinances and parts thereof in conflict herewith:

Passed and approved on its first reading this the 10 day of September, 1992.

Approved: Sam A. Haynes, Mayor

September 17, 1992

"Special Day of Prayer"

A "Special Day of Prayer" for state missions was held at the First Baptist Church on Monday, September 14. Those present were: Billie Bivens, Juandell Ritter, Marion Kendrick, Charlotte Whatley, Yvonne Barker, Mildred Burgin, Bertha Knight, and Peggy Cave.

CED

Follett ISD. Those voting against the issue were Monte Lusby of Canadian, Susie Martin of Alanreed, Tom Grantham of Miami and Bill Wheatly of Darrouzett.

In other business CED 14 voted to unanimously approve administrative expenses consisting of \$471.52 to Waters, Holt & Fields; \$8,700 to Pampa ISD and \$1,717 to Borger ISD.

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