

## Casper Smith Retires After 43 Years Of Service

Postmaster, Casper Smith has retired from the United States Post Office after 43 years of service to the community. A retirement party was given in his honor on Sunday, August 7, 2005 at the old Trinity Church building. Community members came to visit members came to visit and say "thank you" for
his kind service. People his kind service. People
reminisced about the past and looked at old photos and all the awards that Casper had received over the years.

Initially, Casper began his career in the postal service with two years in the United States Army. After his stint in the service, he began working at the Post Office in McLean, Texas in September of 1964.

When the original United States Post Office


The Smith Family - Wendi, Tami, Spooky, Robin, Casper and Jeanie
of McLean was moved the new building on Main


## McLean I.S.D. Board Hires Science Teacher and Girl's Basketball Coach

The MeLean
Independent School
District Board of
Education met for a
special meeting at $7: 00$
p.m. on Augrst 8, 2005 .
Board meabers present
were Billy Bybee, Chet
Bohlar, Terri Adams, Joe
Riley, David Fulier, Toni
Bohlar and Marshall
Hanes. Others present
were Superintendent
Jimmy Hannon and Leslie Da sey. All votes are ueanimous unless oth erwise stated.

Terri Adams called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and David Fuler gave the opening priyer.

The Board went into Ex scutive Session for the pu pose of hiring certified pe sonnel at 7:01 p.m. and returned to open
session at 7:07 p.m. Mr. Hannon recommended to hire Gene Gee for High School Science. Marshall Hanes made the motion, second by Joc Riley. Motion carried.
Mr. Hannon recommended to hire Benji Hausen for girl's Basketball/Teacher. Billy Bybee made the motion, See BOARD, pg. 10

## Council Gives $\$ 1000$ To Fire Dept

The City Council of McLean met in regular session Monday, August $8^{\text {th }}$ 2005, in the City Hall. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor and opened with an invocation by Mindy Reeves at 6:03 p.m. with the following members present: Bob Martin. Mindy Reeves, Molly McDowell. Teresa Simmons and Janet

Glass.Others present: Jim Aclams and Toni Bohlar. The minutes of the July meeting were approved with minor corrections to th: wording on the Private W ell Ordinance. Betty Taylor entered the meeting at this time at $6: 05$ p. n .

Clifford McDonald - was not present at the meeting so the Mayor explained
that the Fire Dept. needed pump repaired on one of the fire trucks and that they had an estimate from a local person of $\$ 1000.00$ to repair the pump if the shaft is not bent. If the shaft is bent, it will have to be sent to Amarillo to be repaired. Motion by Mindy Reeves. second by Teresa Simmons to have the pump repaired See COUNCII, pg. 10
was there. "There were a lot of changes at the Post Office during my 43 years," stated Casper.


Casper Smith holds up his 40 Years of Service Plaque during his retirement party.
In 1994, Casper became July
"I enjoyed the prople McLean, where he served the most," Cesper said. until his retirement in

I also enjoyed my years at the Post Office."

## HOGAB REMINIDERS <br> EMAIL YOUR News to itsiacentramedia.net. <br> THE ALANREED Community Association will meet Saturday, August <br> TIGER POOTBALL Scrimmage at Guthrie on August 13. <br> TIGER FOOTBALL Scrimmage against Lefors, here, August 18. There <br> SHOW YOU* Support for the Homse Team. Advertise oa the Sports Page. Call 779 2141 to reserve your space. $\$ 5.00$ a week

13, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. in the Alanreed Community Center. There will be a business meeting followed by a pot-luck meal.

THE SCHOOL BOARD will meet for a regular meeting on August 15,2005 at 7 pm in the Business Office.

THE CITY COUNCIL will have a special meeting on August 15 at 6 pm at City Hall.

SCHOOL BEGINS on August 17, 2005.
will be a Athletic Booster Club meeting at half-time

THE RELAY FOR Life will be on August 14 at Shamrock.

A REVIVAL WILL BE held August 11-13, 7 pm nightly, hosted by the Cowboy Church and the Arena of Life at the Assembly of God Church.

BACK TO SCHOOL Meal for the staff of McLean I.S.D. will be tonight at the City Park at 6:30 pm.

FORTHOSE Interested in Rodeo, call Robbie Sanderson at 779 2502 or Roni Anderson at 334-029.

THE RED HAT CLUB "The Hattitudes" will meet with the Red Hat Club from Clarendon at the Red River Steak House, Thursday, August 11 at 11:30 a.m. After lunch, the two groups will view the art exhibit "Memories of Route 66" now showing at the Gallery in the Devil's Rope Museum.

## McLean Birthdays \& Anniversaries

August 11 - Britten Thacker and Sharon Shipman, Caleb Wolfe, Dee Ann Burkes, Linda Eggers.

August 12 - Atbrey Nicole Armbritster, Holly Thompson, Christo pher Hauck, Becky Orick Nunez, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Day (A).

August 13 - Bill
Thomas, Chloe McMullen.

August 14 - J. Boyd

## Smith, Caleb Wolfe,

## School Meal Menu

Aug. 17-19
BREAKFAST
Wednesday: Pancakes, Sausage, Toast \& Jelly, Juice, Milk
Thursday: Cereal, Tcast \& Jelly, Fruit, Juice, M lk Friday: Cinnamon Rolls, Toast \& Jelly, Juice, Milk
LUNCH
Salad, Corn, Fruit Cup, Milk
Thursday: Mini Corn Dogs, Fresh Broccoli, Cauliflower \& Carrots with Ranch Dressing, Baked Beans, Cookies, Milk
Friday: Hamburgers,
Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle,
Onions, Potato Wedges,


## Sweet Little Nothings

By Ashley Devore
(This story tells about a very special place that I used to visit when I was younger. It explains the life lesson that I took away from visiting the country and sperding time at my
Nana and Papa's house, Don and Glenda White.)

Coyotes howling and crickets chirping are the sounds I remember. Wild flowers and breakfast sausage cooking are the smells I remember. Cattle and miles of beautiful green plains is what 1 remember seeing. Home grown tomatoes and grapes right off the vines are what I remember tasting. Big hugs and tenders kisses are what I remember feeling.

The memories of sweer little nothings come from a place where you could escape from city life and enjoy all that nature wanted you to see. This was my home away from home, my summer house, my Nana and Papa's house.
Events of exploration and fun filled our days, having gone to the farm I learned the skills needed to tend to the garden in order for it to flourish. Weeding the garden, watering the garden, and feeding the garden became our daily chores. Preparing meals with the ripened fruits and vegetables became an evening ritual. Home grown vegetables and delicious fruit are a sweet littie nothing that can turn
an ordinary meal into a meal fit for a king.
I also came to realize here that you didn't need a swimming pool with a diving board to cool off. All you needed was a horse trough full of water or a water sprinkler to run through. I also learned that you didn't need toys to be entertained. A rock collection with some of earth's most unique rocks became more intriguing than that of any toy.
Catching minnows in the pond was more challenging that most Nintendo games. Watching the animals in the barn was more entertaining than any T.V show. The sunrises and the sunsets were more beautiful than any painting you could buy at the mall.

This is where I learned that no toy from the store, no matter the cost, could have left these kinds of lasting impressions in my heart.

This special summer get away to McLean, Texas gave me memories to cherish. It opened my eyes how the sweet little nothings in life can provide as much if not more satisfaction than the most complex. When in need of a vacation, take a trip to a place where life is easy going, the scenery is beautiful, and the entertainment is endiess. Leave the city and enjoy those sweet little nothings in the country.

## Devil's Rope Begins and Ends Month With Bus Tours

We began and ended the month of July with bus tours and had a motorcycle tour in the middle of the month. The tour on July 1 was a group from England and the United Kingdom countries. Micky was working the last day of the

[^0]month when the tour guide called from Shanrock to tell her they were on their way. She had time to call for reinforcements. Inez and Molly came to her rescue Molly came to her rescue and they had a very good day. The motorcycle tour was mostly people from England.

Tammy Morrow has started helping out part

News from the
Young at Heart
The regular meeting and lunciecon of The Young at Heart Senior Citizens was Tuesday August 2 . 2005.President Marjorie Fish welcomed visitors. Jake, Levi, Kent \& Angie Ware, who provided the entertainment. Three ballads on the guitar and fiddle, with vocal.

Enjoyed by all. There were 31 members and visitors present. Other visitors were Amanda Crawford, from Accolade taking blood pressures. Buck Bullis, Sara \& Kendalyn Richardson. grand daughters of Venice Wright, Brandon, Charlie \& Haley Stone, James \& Bcots Stone's grandsons family. Marjorie acknowledged the birthdays for August : Davie Gipson, Linda Eggers. Boots Stone Garth Thomas. Marjorie Fish \& Ed Bailey. The scheduled speaker Carol Carter, manager of Wal-Mart in Pampa was unable to make it at this time Ben Reeves ask the blessing for the food and a good meal was enjoyed by all present The account for raising funds for much needed repairs has been opened at The Bank of Commerce. All donations are appreciated and are tax deductible. The next regular meeting will be August 16 th a 12:00 p.m. with games every Thursday night at 6:30 p.m.
time. She is very knowledgeable and good help. She likes to stay busy and so the museum gets cleaned regularly. Welcome aboard, Tammy. In July, we had 545 In July, we had 545 visitors. They came from 36 states and 21 international countries. They numbered 193, coming mostly on tour busses. Countries
represested were Australia, Austria, Belgium, Cansda Denmark, England, France, Germaay Holland, Italy, Ireland, Japan, New Zealand, Norway, Netheriands, Spain, Scotiand, Sweder Switzerland, North Wales, Thailand, Monaco and Belize, a country in South America.
by Davie Gipgas

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Ketcherside, Jordan Herring. Robert Morrow. Trae Hannon. Jordon 1/cLain

## Junior Golf Tournament Held

On Thursday, July 28th, the McLean Golf Association held a junior tournament for local youth. Nine boys signed up to play and finished as follows: Hogan Ketcherside, 37;

Jace McLain, 49; Jordan Herring, 52; Jordan McLain, 53; Tyler Lamb, 66; Zachary Morrow, 70; Trae Hannon, 70; Robert Morrow, 72; and Braxton Cooper, 73

Prizes such as golf balls practice balls and golf accessories were given for each place. Big thanks to Andy Glass and the volunteers who arranged this tournament.

## Zane Richardson Starts On The Six <br> Man Basketball All-Star Team In Lubbock

Zane Richardson participated in the Six-Man All Star Basketball game held in Lubbock on Juls 22, 2005. Zane played and
started for the North squad which went on to even ually win 81-65 Zanc scored cipht point He had six rebounds, four

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assists and many hustle plays "Zane represented our school district with lass." Coach Herring said
Kids workout all week in Lubbock which culminates with the game at the end of the week on the Lubbock Christian University Campus.

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## LETS Rezeo ...

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We are trying to put together a High School Rodeo Club for the kids in McLean and the surrounding areas. If you want to rodeo or just be a member and have some fun. Please contact Robbie Sanderson (2) 806-779-2502 or Roni Anderson (4) 806-334 0296 and we will try to answer all your questions. cheerleaders learned new cheers, dances and jumps to improve their skills These skills will be put in place to encourage and represent the Cub and Lady Cub teams.

While at the camp, the cheerleaders did an cutstanding job in outstanding job in

Thursdav, August 11 , 2005-THE GROOM NEWS-Page MJH Cheerleaders Bring Home Top Honors


MJH Cheerleaders pose with their awards. Back: Torı Bybee and Jami
Hutchison Front: Rudy Rodriguez, Lindsey Ellis and Sheri Haynes
The McLean Junior school. They used the their competitors. They High Cub Checricaders skills they learned to also brought home traveled to Wellington this past week to cheerleading camp. The 2005-2006 cheerleaders are Ton Bybec. Jami Hutchison, Rudy Rodriguez, Sheri Haynes and Lindscy Ellis
While there the MJH bring home the top honor individual awards


The MfcLean City Park shows the proof of the down pour Sunday afternoon when the city received over an inch of rain in a little over an hour.


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## Council

for $\$ 1000.00$. All voting in favor.

Roofing Bids - The Mayor opened the following bids: Jas jer Roofing's bid for 2 ly fiberglass, \& rubber fo: 4 $1 / 2$ squares on the stop building at the cost of $\$ 1260.00$ and on the EMS \& Sewer barn, 41 squa es at the cost of $\$ 10,742.00$. with the total cost for both buildings $\$ 12,002.00$. Tony Hambright's bid for constructing a pitch metal roof on both buildings vas $\$ 21,700.00$. Motion by
Betty Taylor, second by Mindy Reeves to reject all bids. All voting in favor.
Public Budget Hearing There were no citizens present for the hearing. Review 2005-2006 budget A typographical error was found by Toni Bohlar during the review.
The Mayor explained th at some of the revenue in the Water Sewer and Gas fund will be from a probable rite increase in the coming months.

Approve 2006-2006 budget - Motion by Tere sa Simmons, second by Molly McDowell to approve the budget with the correction of the error. All voting in favor.
Set Special Meeting for discussion of Ad-Valore $n$ Tax Rate - a. special meeting was set for $6: 00$ pm, Monday, August $15^{\circ}$. 2005 to discuss a possit le Ad-Valorem Tax rate.
Generator - Jim Adanis explained that he hid received numerous prices from out of state companies, but that he wis still waiting on quotes from a couple of more companies. This item will be cantied over to next months agenda.

Front End Loader - Jin Adams explained that o ir loader is to the point of non-repair: Fie is trying io work a deal with CAT in Amarilto for a used onett at someone is trading in, tut

The Council asked him have a look at it to see if it was worth buying and get back with them at the next meeting.

NIMS Resolution Motion by Mindy Reeves. second by Molly

McDowell, with all voting in favor, to approve the following resolution
'BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CTTY OF McLEAN: THAT the Mayor of the City of McLean is hereby authorized and directed to adopt for and on behalf of the City of McLean, the National Incident Management Sysiem, as the standard command and control system during emergency operations. Documents incorporating this system and incorporated in this Resolution as if fully set forth herein and shall be included in the minutes of the City Council.'
Director's Report - Jim Adams told the Council that he was still in the process of getting information on the gas well that we are interested in
purchasing. He explained that if we buy it we would own 21 \% of the well and the other $79 \%$ is royalty owners who would get monthly royalty checks according to the market valuc. The council asked him to get a 5 year history on the well consisting of the cost of maintaining it. the amount of gas it has madc and the amount paid out to the royalty owners for that period of time.
Other City Business there was no other business.

By unanimous consent the council agreed to pay the bills.
The meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

## "Relay For Life" Set For This Weekend

Ralph Depee, D.D.S.

M ember
Americon Association of Or hodontists

## Orthodortics For Children and Adults

## - Free exam and estimate of cost

- Free second opinion
- Insurance filed

Postmaster, Casper Smith tells of memories throwgh pictures in days gone by.

## Board

second by Chet Bohlar. Motion carried.

Mr. Hannon began discussing Chapter 41 Wealth Equalization steps that were necessary for the upcoming election. Toni Bohlar joined the meeting in progress at $7: 20 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Based upon Mr. Hannon's recommendation, the Board approved to order the election for Tuesday, October 11, 2005 for voter approval of Option 3 and Option 4 as selected by the MISD Board of Trustees as the way to reduce McLean ISD Property Wealth Per WADA. Motion made by Toni Bohlar, second by Joe Riley. Motion carried. Mr. Hannon has prepared a notice for the voters explaining Chapter 41 and what it means for the district. This notice will be published in the newspaper, posted around town, and a public
meeting will also be held in the cafeteria on Ocucter 3, 2005. The Boent expressed the impartacos for the future of Mclate schools that the votery understand what they ase voting for. members, administration and staff are eacourage to answer any questionas the the commanity may have.

The Board will hold a back to school gettogether with hambargers and hot dogs at the perix at 6:30 p.m. on Thursdey, October 11, 2005 school employees and families. This is an opportunity for everyoe to get scquainted with the new employees and teachers and to eajoy a stress free eveaing without having to cook.

Motion by Toni Bohlar, second by Billy Bybee to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Motion carried.

## Gray County Red Cross Merges With Hutchison County

The Southwest Service Area, Houston is pleased to announce the merger of the Gray County Area and Hutchison County Red Cross Chapters and a new name reflecting the merge. The new name is the Eastern Texas Panhandle Chapter of the American Rod Cross.
The two chapters began working to unite the chapters last February The chapters coming
chapter," says Jana Gregory, Chapter Executive Officer.
The Borger office will remain open as a branch office serving all of Hutchison County with Cindy Nickell as the branch operations officer. The Pampa office will be the main office and Jana Gregory is the Chapter Executive Officer for the entire chapter. Gregory suggests persons needing

together as one unit will increase their management's ability to better utilize resources. Being one chapter reduce duplication of reports and streamlines disaster response plans.
"We have taken two
strong chapters and united into one larger, stronger classes contact the clowest branch office with their request. Aryone needing disaster assistance shonld call the 24 hour number 1 . 800-297-2270.

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## BID NOTICE

Groom ISD is accepting bids on the following bids on the following
supplics for the 2005supplics for the $2005-$
2006 school year 2006 school year: Unleaded gasoline and
diesel fuel delivered puap to vehicle tank. Bread supplies and milk (by the half pint, individual servings in individual servings in and chocolate milk) delivered to the school food services located at 304 W. $3^{34}$ Groom, TX 79039. Bids and inquires should be addressed to the Groom ISD at the above addreas and the following phome number (806) 248-7557. Bids are due by Aug 29.

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## Ranch Rodiso A Success

The Groom Day Ranch Rodeo was a big success and member of the the Route 66 Outdoor Entertainment Asseciation, Inc were very proud to show off their facilities that they have been working so hard to complete. According to co-ordinator Russell Baldwin The event was well attended with a little over 550 people paying
their adr uission fee. The two night event found cowboys from surrounding ranches competiag for prize money. The big wianer was the Cooke Ranch of Hedley, carning $\$ 3500.00$. Members of the team were Ralph Graves, Chad Detwiller, Stephen Rothwell. Tag Zuber, and Ryan Bradley. $2^{\text {mid }}$ place went to the Salt Fork

Cattle Co . of Goodnight, $\$ 2625.003^{\text {mis }}$ place was the Spur Rowel Cattle Co of Spur $1{ }^{2} 1750$ Mo Dennis, Tx and $4^{\text {m }}$ place was the Tule Ranch of Tulia earning prize money of $\$ 875.00$ The Top Hand was Wes Mason of the Ratter S of Clarendon. He was presented a trophy belt buckle donated by The Suckle National Bank of Groom. See RODEO, pg.
(Bottom) The ranch odeo team members from the Randall County Feedyard have their hands full with this critter who has a real menacing pair of horns.

## MAX WADE

PASSES AWAY
The News was sadden to learn of the passing of long time resident. former Groom News Editor and Justice of the Peace, Max Wade. Services at pending at press time.

## Groom Day Attendence Approaches the 900 Mark for Annual BBQ

Groom Day 2005 Mardi Gras has come and gone! What a wonderful event it was. So many peopie worked so hard to put on the event that it would be impossible to name all of them. Attendance seemed to be up this year. The BBQ fed close to 900 pcople, if you count the children and the take out meals.
Parade Director Dondra Downs reported that we had one of the larger parades of recent years. Winners were in $1^{1 t}$ place The Estecmed Class of 1950, in $2^{\text {nd }}$ place was the Red Hat Society, and in $3^{\text {rd }}$ place was Burl Painter's Mardi Gras Gotf Cart.
Th
Tennis Tournament is one of the events that Groom Day just cannet due without. Rain and lightning delayed part of it, but everyone enjoyed the friendly competition! Coordinator Shirley Fields reported the following:
$4^{\text {th }}$ and $5^{\text {th }}$ grade boys singles: $1^{\text {st }}-$ Brody Britten, $2^{\text {nd }}$ Tanner Case.

Junior High - Boys ingles- $1^{\text {n }}$ Tyler Baboock, $2^{\text {h }}$ Eric Torres, $3^{\text {ni }}$ Ben Thompson, $4^{\text {mi }}$

Jaceb Torres. Gir's Singles - $1^{\text {st }}$-Korr Britten, $2^{\text {nd }}$ Alanna King, $3^{\text {rd }}$ Rachael Hopkins Mixed Doubles - $1^{s}$ Rachael Hopkins \& Tyler Babcock, $2^{\text {ph }}$ Eric Torres \& Alanna King, \& $3^{\text {ra }}$ Korri Britten \& Jacob Torrcs

Women's Singles : 1 place Brin Burgin, $2^{\text {as }}$ Nila Burgin, $3^{\text {re }}$ tic Katic Britten and Sherri Britten.

Men's Singles: ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Matt Johnson, $2^{\text {nd }}$ Larry Roskens

The Volleybal Tournament is also a mainstay of Groom Day This year the big winner was the team lead by Josh Crooks. The $2^{\text {nd }}$ place team was a Panhandle team that was lead by Jowannah Ruthard Powers.

The Cow Pattie Bingo game was a big favorite. This years big winner of the Lion's Club Pot was Jack Barnct, who is $\$ 250$ richer! The smalier Groom Day pots were for \$50. The winners were Michele Bohr, Colby Britten, Scott Fields, Denac Downs and Jacob Gibson.

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## Groom Community Calendar

GROOMISD Kindergarten Students will attend school only $1 / 2$ day for the first week of school.

GROOM DAY BBQ meat is now on sale at the Circle B Meat Market for $\$ 5.00$ per pound


Rt. 66 Outdoo Entertainment will be having a meeting August 15, 2005 8:00 p.m. at the Community Center. All members needed.

DON'T FORGET! Students need to be up to date on their vaccinations efore school starts. The Texas Department of state Health Services will hold clinics on the following dates and times:
8-9-05 in Clarendon at the Health Department from 9-12 and 1-4.
8-15-05 in Claude Elementary School from 9:30-11:00
8-24-05 in Panhandle from 1:00-3:00 p.m.

GROOM SCHOOI enrollment is scheduled for August 10-12.

## ATTENTION:

 STUDENTS \& Parents of Groom ISD. Please come to enrollment on Aug 10 or 11 prepared to prepay for school lunches and/or apply for Free or Reduced Lunches at that time.

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Jeannette Blackwell of Woodstock, Ga. spent last week with her parents, Bill and Norma Jean Homer. Her husband, John, came on Thursday They left out early Saturday morning. Family that came in for the weekend of Groom Day were: Mary Jo and Daniel Schacher, Brittney, Jacoo, Kinzi Jo, Justin and John Henry and a friend, Ryan Mason all of

Lazbuddie; Travis and Brenda Homer of Amarillo and Joannie Kling, Tiffani and Cody of Groom. They had a cookout on Suncay for Travis' birthday

Card of Thanks

## Many thanks to my

 daughters, Donna Crump and Marva Simon and their families for hosting my "Surprise" birthday party celebration. Thanks also to so many of my family who came distances to share the week-end with me and the many, many family and friends who called, sent cards, and stopped by making the event one to remember alweys. from Harlingen, Texas, Rex and Dawn Ruthardt Nathan from Groom. Clumbus, Ks. Vernon White, GregCOW POKES ${ }^{\circ}$
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Louis and Judy Ruthardt had a full house over Groom Day Weekend! Their guests included: Judy's sister, Dana Danner and her Granddaughter, Courney and their children, Kaillyn, Cade, Corbin and Cael from Amarillo; Judith Ingle and her children, Stephen, Cassondra and Andrew from McLean and Brice and Jeannie Ruthardt and their children, Megan and

Morrow Celebrates 80th Jeanne Morrow was the honoree at a surprise party to celebrate her $80^{\text {il }}$ birthday. Her daughters Donna Crump and Marva Simon hosted the event at Donna's home. Out of town guests included the following: Marva \& John Simon \& Bryce from Syncuse, Ks; her grandaughter Misty with Ben and Abby Sills of grandazghter Amy Simon, her sister Merilyn White \& her husband Dr.

White, Kenny \& Wendy White \& children Colly, Evyn, Chase \& MaKnna all from Wichita, Ks. Her brother James, wife Kathy Cooper, Jana \& Al Coberly of Elk City, OKda. Friends Kent Yokcey and Dean Hyde from Edmond, Dean Hyde from Edruond, Ok. Marshall Robertson
from Panhandle, Tx ; from Panhandle, Tx;
Sandy and Gay Ham of Amarillo, Stomey, Tawnya \& Huntex Cruayp of Rockwell, Tx, Hesther Kailey \& Dalota Cruanp of Seminole, Tx; Brasdon Crump of Canyon and a friend JoAns of Tucson friend JoAns of Tucson Ariz; Dusty Cnump asd
his friend Karen of his friend Karen of
Canyon, Pet. Ham of Groom and Shonda Rutharde of Amarilio.

Rewieder: Accordias to DPS Troopers it is still illegal to operate ATVs and Go Carts on City Strects and Highways.


IT'S A BOY
Tracy and Katrina Homer of Tition, Ga . proudly announce the arrival of James William. He was born August 2, 2005 at 12:53 p.m. He weighed 7 ibs .13 ozs . and was 20 and $1 / 2$ inches long. He is welcomed by his big sister, Kendall. Proud grandparents are Bill and Norma Jean Homer of Groom and Jim and Jo Bell of Tifton Georgia. Great grandmother is Lois Rodewalt of Tifton, Ga .

## GROOM BIRTHDAYS \& ammiversaries

August 11 - Mrs. Dale Brooks, Ruby Denton, Judy Babcock, Evan Crowell, Jonathan Shane Robinson, Tim and Robinson,

August 12 -Daniel Treadwell, (A), Mr. and Mrs. Gordon W. Schaffer (A).

August 13 -

August 14 Christopher Burger, Alexis Kosechata. August 15 - Dorothy Thompson, Mr. and Mrs Curtis E. Whatley (A).

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\text { August } 16 \text { - Mrs }
$$ Steven Hutsell, Mr. and Mrs. David Lee Britten August 17 -

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The regular meeting of the Carson County Comnissioner's Court will hold a public hearing on the proposed budget, adopt the budget, in the County Commissioners Court Room of the Court House, on August 22, 2005 at 9:00 a.m.

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## Groom Day Snapshots...

 Wendt of Phoenix makes a special trip to Te cas every year, just to be in the parade in Groom'


The competitive spirit is alive and well in the Ollinger family team, but win, lose or draw, noone has more fun in the process!


Gone is the bouffant haindo's of the the mid 60's... but the rebel spirit lives on as the Class of 1965 celebrate their "40 ${ }^{\text {t" }}$ Recunion!


Leading the parade is Mounted Honor Guard consisting of
Leading the parade is Mounted
equestrians Ellis and Dale Stapp.

Groom
Winners of the big rafle for the lap top computer were North Texas Gas in Dalhart and Buddy Weller won the digital camera.

Congratulatiens to the

## Rodeo

Event winners were as follows; In Sorting and Doctoring, the winner was the 61 Ranch of Miami earning $\$ 500.00$. In the Wild Cow Milking contest the Cooke Ranch of Hedley earned $\$ 500$ for $1^{*}$ place. In the calf branding contest the Salt Fork Cattle Co of Goodnight won earning $\$ 500.00$
Winning the "Business Mans Roping" event was the Route 66 Steakhouse represented by Dusty Moody and the 61 Ranch of Miami. They earned $\$ 300$.

Last but certainly not least, the event that is always a favorite, the Stick Horse Race! Holton Hustedler won the event with a time of 9.25 seconds and earned $\$ 15.00 \quad 2^{\text {nd }}$ place was Logan Campbell of Claude and $3^{\text {rd }}$ Ashley Steel of Groom.


The blow up giant bouncing inuck was a very big hit with the "Elementary and Under'sel.



Bettye West provides an valuble service giving the Groom Day T

# WELCOME BACK! 

Note From The Superintendent Dear Parents,

ON WEDNESDAY THE

## GROOM ISD CLIP $\&$ SAVE

 Because of $17^{\mathrm{m}}$. We will be back in circumstances beyond our school on Thursday and control, we will have to do Friday for regular classes. things a little different I know it is a little strange this year. We will start to break up the week like school on Monday the that, but it is something $15^{\text {mi }}$. We will go to school that we had to do. Sorry on Monday and Tuesday for any inconvenience that but we will be out of this might cause.school on Wednesday so Thanks

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| that the teachers can | Tery Stevens |
| attend the At-Risk | Superintendent |
| Conference in Amarillo. | Groom IS | Conference in Amarillo. Groom ISD

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| 2005 GROOM JR. High School |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cubs Football Schedule |  |  |  |
| Date |  | Location | Tme |
| Sep 2 | Hol Cross | Holy Cross | 4:30 |
| Sep 8 | Hig_ins | Higgins | 5:00 |
| Sep 15 | Saninorwood | Groom | 5:00 |
| Sep 22 | Hecley | Hedley | 5:00 |
| Sep 29 | Hap py | Happy | 5:00 |
| Oct 6 | Open |  |  |
| Oct 13 | Silvarton | Groom | 5:00 |
| Oct 20 | Vallizy | Valley | 5:00 |
| Oct 27 | Hecley | Groom | 5:00 |

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## Groom Mourns The Loss Of Al Homer <br> Groom - Alfred Anton

Homer, 92, passed away on August 2, 2005
A Rosary Service was held at $7: 00$ p.m. on Thursday August $4^{\text {m }}, 2005$ at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Groom with the Rev Jose Palathara officiating.

The Funeral Mass was held at $10: 00 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$., Friday August 5*, 2005 at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Groom with the Rev. Patrick Carathers officiating.

Burial was held at the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Groom, Texas.

Mr. Homer was born August 5, 1912 to Mary and Killian Homer in Rhineland, Texas. He moved to Groom where he

Kociting married Agnes Kocting in 1939. She preceded him in death in Jant ary 2004.

He did custom harvesting work until 1955 when he purchased the Texaco station in Groom, operating it in 1973. He was until engiged in farming. He was a member of the Groom Lion's Club. He was instrumental in organizing and starting the Groom Ambulance Service. He was a vervice. He was a voluateer driver for 21 years. He was elected mayor of Groom in 1981 and served 5 terms until he retired. He also assisted Agnes in cutting the squares for the lap quilts that she made and donated to the many


Aifred A. Homer You are invieed
to a Birthday Parey for
Alexis Kosechata
on Ausust 24,2005 at 3:00 p.m.
in the Municipal Park.

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nursing homes in the area. Homer and wife, Doris, of He was a member of the Groom, Joseph Louis Immaculate Heart of Mary Homer and wife, Barbara, Catholic Church of of Groom and Jerome Groom and the Men's Donald Homer of Club. He enjoyed selling "books" of raffle tickets, playing dominoes, gin nummy and hearts. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather.
He was preceded in death by his wife, his parents, one brother and two sisters.
Survivors include: three daughters, Rose Mary Eakin and husband, Jim, of Pampa, Ruth Helen Williams and husband, Don, of Amarillo and Ritz Agnes Lister and husband, Mike, of Cedar Hill; four sons, James Alfred Homer of Clarendon, John Edward

Portand, Oregon; two sisters, Helen Hall of Akron, Colorado and Pauline Brady of Sun City California; two brothers Hub Homer of Parmpa and Phil Homer of Munday, Texas; 18 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildres and 2 great-greatgrandchildren.
The family suggests memorials to the Groom Ambulance Fund, 1001 E. First Street, P.O. Box 217 , Groom, Texas $79039^{\circ}$. Groom, Texas
Odyssey Jefferson, Amarillo, Texas 79101 and Craig Methodist Retirement Center, 5500 West $9^{\text {a }}$ Ave, Amarillo, Texas 79106.


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Route 66 Outdoor Entertainment Association Inc. would like to say THANK-YOU
for all the Donations and supplies to help with Groom's Day Rodeo. It was a great success!!! THANK-YOU to all the Association meinbers for volunteering and HARD WORK which was done, pointing, welding, lawns and athe well groomed arena. GREAT JOB!!!
Buddy Weller was the Lucky Winner of the Digital Camera Rafflel Special Thanks to the following:
Mr. Jim West, Mr. \& Mrs. Russell Baldwin \& Crew. Johnny Brooks. Dale Brooks, John Ailen Homen. Chris Britten, Digger Howard, Leroy Littlefield, Randy Norris, Joe Hutchison. Tony Schaffer. Tadd \& Jennifer Howard Mr. \& Mrs. Dean Burger, Mr \& Mrs. Ken Burger. Mr. \& Mrs John Homer, Lindo \& Andrew (Donny) Sater. State National Bank, s \& H Grocery, Route 66 Steak House Circle B Meats, Morrison Supply. Brumley Insurance Groom Volunteer Ambulance Service and the Citizens of Groom for their support.

## NTIardi Eras 2005 Was đ̛ Success!

The Groom Day Committee would like to thank each and every volunteer for your donations of time, money and incredible talent that helps to make Groom Day a success. All the work you put into the celebration make it look easy to accomplish and each of you know different. We would also like to thank each of you fro yur general good will you show everyone as you work so hard.
Thank you to all the people who show up to clean up and put everything away. It was done in record time! This is an incredible community.

Thank you,
Jhie Sroom Day Committee



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