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2000 A.D.- A Year In Review

The times they are a changin'. When you look back at the last year you realize how fast time goes by. We all survived a Y2K bug that didn't even bite us and yet later in the year a love bug left it's mark on some of us.

The elections kept us

The elections kept us all guessing and a little frustrated nationally and locally. Charles Kessie and Richard Roach both bid for the District Attorney seat and not unlike the presidential election we had a close run-off and recount of our own with Roach winning. County and city elections were much easier to call. Frank Sparling was elected to the Gray County Constable seat. Jim McDonald, Bob Martin,

Joe Lamb, Joe Billingsley and Doyle Lee won seats on the City Council. The School Board saw the incumbents John Holland and Neal Odom back at the decision table.

Citizens of McLean also shared in the fame of the past year. Shaun Crawford was featured in a famous magazine. Garth Thomas was honored with the Flying Cross award from the Marine Corp. Billy Bybee raced his way to being one of the top Mogul Dragsters in the world for his division. The McLean Circle of Friends raised \$4000.00 for breast cancer and the EMT's of McLean delivered their first baby!

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Old Man Winter Drops 21 Inches Of Snow In McLean For the Holidays



Old Man Winter blew into town the day of Christmas and has decided to stay awhile.

Ice and snow made for treacherous travel with 21 inches reported in some places during the holiday season.

Churches housed weary travelers when accidents or road conditions would no longer permit travel. Fourteen people stayed at the Red Cross Shelter at the First Baptist Church during one point.

The National Weather

The National Weather Bureau is predicting a snowy and cold winter this year. Much of the country has already broken record low temperatures.

Board Hears Report On Ag Program Expansion

Independent S. District Board School of for regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. on December 18, 2000. Board members Mike were Darsey, Billie Ward, T.D. Simmons, John Holland, Odom and Bob Others present John Griffin, Glass. Superintendent, Blaze Herring, High School Principal, Leslie Darsey, School , Margaret ecretary, Milam

Absent from the meeting was Don Dorsey and Dick Crockett.

All votes were unanimous unless otherwise stated.

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by Bob Glass, President. Opening prayer was led by T.D. Simmons.

Minutes of the regular meeting of November 16, 2000, and the special meeting of November 30, 2000 were approved. Jimmy Hannon gave

Jimmy Hannon gave the Board an excellent presentation of vocational programs that are being used by Samnorwood schools, in order for students to learn a

particular trade. Some of the teaching modules that are available include, AutoCad LT (computer be out to aided design to give students a basic students a basic understanding of architectural mechanical di Electrical, Building), Building Residential Construction, Plumbing, Graphic Design (used to create graphics on the computer to print banners, logos, T-shirt or cap transfers), Computer animation, Video editing, Multimedia, 3D modeling, Digital photography, Desktop publishing (to create anything from calendars to yearbooks), Digital imaging (transfer digital photos to an object such as a coffee mug), Welding simulator cap transfers). Computer mug), Welding simulator, and 4 stroke engine (to assemble and disassemble Briggs & Stratton ine). There are 50 engine). The from, and teaching would take place in a technology lab. Depco Inc. of Pittsburg, KS lab. Depco Inc. of Pittsburg, KS provides all materials necessary to conduct the class, including the software, tables, and The fee for computers, hardware, furniture. such a lab, with 15 work

approximately \$92,000.00 McLean ISD would not be out that much money we have a building that could be used and some of our own computers. The entire computers. curriculum is written on a 6th grade reading level, which will help target a wide range of students. Students are tested daily, and held accountable each project; also, students work in pairs to accomplish each task. students choose to take a 2nd year of this course they may take 3 modules of their choice and work for 12 weeks on each (portfolios can be assembled to present to perspective employers to show experience). The Board was very impressed was Hannon's presentation and his enthusiasm. After the Christmas holidays, the Board will travel to Samnorwood to take a look at the program, before making their final decision. Mr. Hannon would need 24 credit hours of certification in order to teach these courses, and is very excited about teaching this type of vocational

study. Implementation of this new vocational course, could possibly be ready at the start of the next school year. The Board decided to

the Board decided to stay with Unicare as the Health insurance provider for the employees, and to split the difference of the premium increase with each employee covered.

each employee covered.

Mr. Griffin recommended McLean ISD continue to • for employee annuities that are in force from previous in which the policy, in individual under their spouse's insurance, then they were eligible to receive The Board an annuity. made the decision not to allow any new options on annuities, but to continue to offer the continue to of benefit health coverage, in hopes that the group would stick together, so as not to receive another premium

The Interlocal contract for EPSSA (Special Ed program with Shamrock was signed by Board President, Bob Glass, and had been approved at a prior board meeting. The 77th Legislative Session was for discussion purposes only.

Mr. Griffin suggested that McLean ISD do not apply for the PS9TIF Grant, for computer infrastructure with the school being responsible for local matching funds.

He stated that McLean ISD was not in a position to accept the grant at this time.

Financial Reports A, B and C were approved.
November bills were to be paid as presented

be paid as presented.

The meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

REMINDERS

THE JR. HIGH BB teams will host Lefors here, tonight at 6:00 p.m.

THE LADIES & Tigers will travel to Samnorwood Jan. 5. Games start at 6:30 pm.

CITY COUNCIL meeting Jan. 8 at 6 pm.

LADIES Bible Study at Pam Quisenberry's house tonight at 7:30 p.m.

THE PIONEER Study Club will meet Jan. 18. Patty Brass is hostess. BREAST CANCER Screening Clinic Jan. 9 at the library. Call 1-800-377-4673 for an appointment.

VFW AUXILIARY meeting at 7 pm on January 9.

4-H STOCK Show in Pampa at noon on January 6.

McLEAN Stock Show on Jan. 7 at 2 pm at the Ag Barn.

GIRL SCOUTS will meet Jan 10 after school.

Extention Service Honors Jerry Hawkins

College and longtim instructor Donley 4-H program supporter Jerry Hawkins received the Texas Agricultural Extension Service District's Friend of Extension

Hawkins was a former ag teacher in Groom school from 1960 - 1963. He was recognized during recent ceremonies at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Amarillo. He center in Amarino. He was cited for his contributions and leadership as a 4-H volunteer and resource youths

throughout the region.

A career educator and
mentor to area public
school and college students, Hawkins began teaching at Clarendon College in 1968. He developed the ranch management curriculum for the school's current ranch and feedlot operations program in 1973.

Hawkins' coach of the college livestock judging teams began in 1974. He started and now started and now supervises the school's horse and meat judging teams. His teams consistently win at state and national competitions.

"He is an ever-present person for area involved in 4-H 4-H, P and college-level organizations, said Dr. Bob Robinson, Extension's director for agricultural

McLean Birthdays & Anniversaries

January 4 - Earl Hustead, David Burrow, Patty Brass, Alicia Patty Brass, Alicia Reynolds. January 5 - Chelsie

January 6 - Wayne Morris, W.C. Simpson, Zack Seymour, Jaylene

Watkins January 7 Christopher Myers, Ruth
Boles, Deanna
McClendon, Leron Thompson, Charlie Irene Webb.

January 8 - Jim Ridgway, Monica

Ridgwa, Shipman. January 9 - Randy Kennedy, Venice Wright, Lacey Steel, Evan Cody Scott Crockett.

January 10 - Betty
Hustead, Charles Weaver,
Fern Boyd, Bailey
Weaver, Carroll Tolleson.

McLEAN JR. Livestock Show

Sunday, Jan. 7th, 2:00 pm 4-H & FFA Exhibitors GERALD TATE MEMORIAL Building COME SEE THE MANY fine ANIMAL projects and all the hard work of THESE YOUNG EXHIBITORS

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changes as well. The McLean Feedyard received the National received the National Brand Symbol. The Devil's Rope Museum welcomed 20 visitors from the Texas Tourism The Hop Council. changed owners. B&B officially changed it's name to Wood Group Turbine Components and Prairie Flowers went out

of business.
McLean I.S.D. went through changes and significant times as well. Blaze Herring was Blaze Herring was promoted to High School Principal. The school was awarded the TAAS Exemplary award for the

second year in a row and also the Distinguished School award. Pamela School award.

Greer and Brian
graduated Valedi Salutatorian and respectfully. received Hannon received Teacher of the the award from the PTA.
Teddra Simmons won McLean, Cesily Miss Cadra Homecoming Queen and Alexis Dampier elected Flame Queen.

The new gym continued to be a topic of discussion at each school board meeting. meeting. CIB installed the second new floor and other repairs were made. What a Year!

BRIEFS

Dale and Mary Lou Glass had almost all their

Christmas. John from John came

MariDale and Ray Davidson and kids where here from Plano. Sherry and Marvin Kramer and their children came from Skellytown, Jamie came in from Fort Worth. Terri and her family came from Clarendon Angie and her family Angie and her family couldn't make it due to



Eight year old Ashley Byron stalked and killed Eight year old Ashiey Byron staiked and Rilea ner first deer recently on a friends ranch hunting with her dad. The first kill landed Ashley a four point deer. She made the kill in one perfect shot. She is the daughter of Brian and Kelly Byron of Alanreed.

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The Loaves & Fishes of canned foods donated by McLean Elementary and Junior High students.

Kindergarten donated 41 cans; 1st grade 73 cans; 2nd grade 38; 3rd grade 42; 4th grade 39; 5th grade 124; 6th grade 51; 7th grade 124; 6th grade 51; 7th grade 25; and 8th grade 30 cans.

McLean Lunch Menu January 8 - 12

Monday Breakfast: French toast, toast and jelly, peanut butter, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Chili cheese burgers, French fries, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, pickles, apple crisp, milk. burgers, French ettuce, tomatoes,

Tuesday Breakfast: Tuesday Breakfast:
Yogurt/graham crackers,
toast and jelly, peanut
butter, fruit, juice, milk.
Lunch: Fish nuggets,
seasoned potatoes,
hushpuppies, cole slaw,
fruit, milk.
Wednesday Breakfast:

fruit, milk.

Wednesday Breakfast:
Pancakes, toast and jelly,
peanut butter, ham, fruit,
juice, milk. Lunch: Pork
chops, mashed potatoes,
gravy, green beans, hot
rolls, fruit, milk.

Thursday Breakfast:
Breakfast pizza, toast and
jelly. peanut butter, fruit

jelly, peanut butter, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Mini corndogs, pork-n-beans, salad, veggie sticks, fruit,

Friday Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, toast and jelly, peanut butter, fruit, Breakfast: milk. Pizza, com, cookies, milk.

Students of the Week Named



McLean Elementary-Jr. High Students of the Week December 11- December 15: Kindergarien Cassondra Ingle; 1st Grade Kelby McClellan; 2nd Grade Katy Acuna; 3rd Grade Amber Staton, 4th Grade John Jeffries; 5th Grade Logan Sparling; 6th Grade Samantha Krueger; 7th Grade Connie Vega; 8th Grade Mitchell Steward.

2000 McLean List Of New Babies 1-29: Jacey Ray Steel 2-19: Trenton Dean

Jasper

4-5: Aubrey Nicole Evans 8-31: Nicholas Edward Gipson 10-5: David Andrew

10-12: Bradley Magee



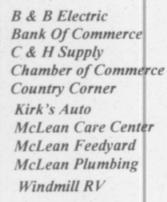


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Lou Vera Dilbeck Funeral services for Lou "Momma Lou" Vera Dilbeck, 58, of Lubbock were Tuesday, January 2, 2001 at Rosebud Baptist

Ainsworth Ainsworth officiating. Burial was In McLean, Texas under the direction Resthaven Funeral Home

Mrs. Dilbeck passed away on Friday, December 29, 2000 at her residence. She was born on October 13,

1942 in Lubbock. married Ray Dilbeck on July 13, McLean. 1959

She attended and was a member of Redbud Baptist Church. She was in the Caprock China Club. Mrs. Dilbeck was a Mary Kay Consultant and Nutrition for Life She was Representative. a licensed beautician.

Survivors include her husband of Lubbock; 2

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ons, Kenneth and Jeffrey Dilbeck both of Lubbock; 2 daughters, Rebecca Lindsay and Katherine Dilbeck both of Lubbock; Dilbeck both of Lubbock; 3 brothers, Dan and Don Taylor both of McLean, and Joe B. Taylor of Hereford; 1 sister, Lynn Taylor of Amarillo; 2 grandchildren; 1 great-grandchild, and nephews and nieces.

The family suggests memorials to Alzheimer's Association or a charity of choice.

Hilton Raymond McAdams

Hilton McAdams, died Raymond 90, of Sunday, December 24, 2000.

Services were Antioch Baptist church with the Rev. Eddie Johnson of the church officiating. Entombment will be in Memorial Park Cemetery by Colonial Funeral Chapel, 1010 W. Ninth Avenue.
Mr. McAdams

born in Cranfills Gap and had lived in Amarillo 60 years. He worked as a years. He worked as a conductor for Santa Fe Railway for 34 years. He was a member of United Union and Antioch Baptist Church.

Baptist Church.

He married Opal Knox in 1937 at Childress.
Survivors include his wife; a son, Weldon McAdams of Amarillo three grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

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Fred Cable

Fred Cable died on December 24, 2000 at McLean. Services were at United Methodist Church at McLean on Friday, December 29, 2000 with Rev. Thacker

2000 with Rev. Thacker Haynes, officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest cemetery at McLean.
Mr. Cable was born June 7, 1915 to Robe and Martha Cable in Morris, Oklahoma. He married Margaret Lavon "Mardy" Sherman, February 15, 1991. Mr. "Mardy" Sherman, February 15, 1991. Mr. Cable was a veteran, having served five year in the European Theater during World War II. He was very active in the Methodist Church, serving on the finance committee and as head usher. He was retired from the gas/oil industry and had been a refinery operator for Phillips operator for Phillips Petroleum.

Survivors several nieces and nephews and a host of

friends.

In lieu of flowers memorials are suggested to the McLean Methodist Church Memorial Fund.

Eula Mae Morrow

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Mrs. Morrow was born November 11, 1904 in Wellington, Texas to Wellington, Texas to John and Mary Green. She had lived in the McLean area for 20 years and was a retired beautician. She had been active in Eastern Star of McLean American Legion Auxiliary in Chula Vista, California and the Young at Heart Senior Citizens of McLean.

of McLean.
She was preceded in death by her husband Ernie Morrow, a granddaughter, Mollie granddaughter, Mollie Shannon and a daughter Margie Lee Shannon.

Survivors include one son, Buddy Sutton of McLean; 5 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; and 6 great-great-grandchildren.

memorials are BSA suggested to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, Texas 79065.

Mamie E. Pettit
Mamie E. Pettit, 96,
died Tuesday, December
26, 2000 at Dumas,

Graveside services will be Thursday, January 4, 2000 at Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean, Texas with Rev. Brian Quisenberry, Pastor of Texas with Rev. Br Quisenberry, Pastor First Baptist Church

McLean, officiating.

Mrs. Pettit was born August 30, 1904 at Jackson County, Texas. Jackson County,
She was a Dumas
resident since 1965. She
married Carl L. Pettit Sr.
on August 6, 1932 in
Oklahoma. He On August Sayre, Oklahoma. He preceded her in death in 1955. She was also preceded in death by daughter Alma Pettit in She was a She was homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church, Dumas.

Survivors include 2 sons, Carroll Pettit of Phoenix, Arizona and John Pettit of Riverside, California; a sister, Ann Robinson of North Dakota; caregiver, Marilyn Pettit of Dumas; 11 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Memorials are

suggested to Alzheimer Disease, Panhandle Chapter, 2200 W. 7th, Amarillo, Texas 79105.







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Sunday Bible School 10 am Worship 10:40 am & 6 pm Wed. Bible Class 7:30

First Assembly of God 4th & Main Pastor Quenton Newton 779-2221 Sunday School - All Ages 9:30 am Morning Worship 10:45 am Sunday Night & Youth Services 7 pm

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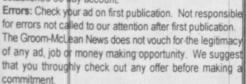


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City The Groom City Commission reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

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The Thomas J. Moraniec Sr. Family

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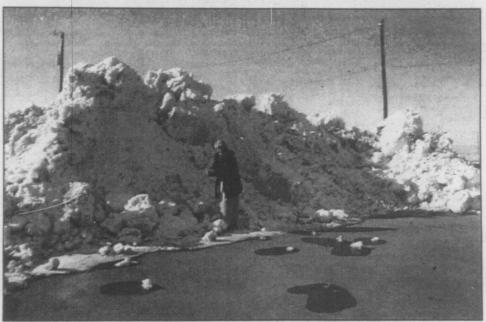
Santa Brings A White Christmas To The Panhandle; Near 20 Inches Accumulated

If you asked Santa for snow this year you must have been very, very, good. A winter storm began making its way across the Panhandle on Christmas Eve with sleet, drizzle and freezing rain. By Christmas morning highways north, near Dumas were a solid sheet of ice and conditions in the whole area began to deteriorate as the morning wore on. By nightfall snow was falling in ernest. All in all

approximately 16 inches fell with another couple falling after the fact. On and off throughout the Christmas-New Year holiday light snow or freezing drizzle made travel treacherous.

With the dawning of 2001, the world still is looking like a winter

ole area began to wonderland, although the mate as the morning weathermen have all promised a thaw by the was falling in time the paper is All in all published.



EDC's Joyce Hutsell may have stumbled across a new advertising logo to promote Groom. How does "Ski Groom" or "Groom Home of the Prairie Alps" sound?

School Finance Tops News In 2000

have led the headlines in new millennium. Groom school has had an -going problem making ends meet in recent years with decreasing student population and declining property Residents values roperty values.
Residents of the district passed a bond issue to help free up some of the regular budget from needed capital improvements. December, a group of concerned citizens met with school board members to discuss members to possible cuts. situation is expected to be resolved by the January or February January or Febru school board meeting. January 2000 came and

went without the dreaded millennium bug doing much if any damage. doing if any damage.
politicians made Local announcements to run for the March primaries. Groom's Community Clinic closed suddenly. Groom students Some distinguished themselves. Crump, Chris Ollinger, Crowell were named to the Six-Man Football All-State team. Justin Homen won the Swine Showmanship award at the Carson County Junior Livestock Show. Groom School lost a valuable School lost a with

retirement of Georgann Hinson.

Groom continued to put the city on the map with their accomplishments. Native son, Tracey Britten, was named "Coach of the Year" by the Texas Tennis Coaches Kerry Association. Kerry Jenkins was named Jenkins E.M.T. of the year by Panhandle Emergency Panhandie Medica Services (PEEMS). Groom Tigers the basketball district championship and the Groom Tigerettes won the Bi-District won the B Championship. agriculture concerns drought threatens the winter wheat crop with no measurable precipitation for 5 months

doing mage.

Groom students continue to shine with carrie Davis named MVP of the District and Candace Bohr, Krisanne Davis, Dewayne Gray and Dustin Babcock named as All-Stars.

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One Act Play made a feter a long

absence at Groom High School, with Dewayne Gray being named to the District All-Star cast.

The Easter Bunny visited Groom in April along with some much needed rain. "Holy week" events at the Cross of Our Lord Jesus Christ included a visit from Bishop John Yanta. Groom High School students competed in U.I.L. events, 6 qualified for Regional. Track teams aced the District and Area titles and Groom's band earned Sweepstakes status. In Many visited Toron in April 10 pt 10 pt

In May, Josiah Scott competed in State U.I.L. and earned a Bronze medal. Groom elementary students won their District U.I.L.

contest by a landslide.

Carrie Davis earned 4 medals at the state track meet, 1 gold, 1 silver and 2 bronze. Nineteen seniors and 14 eighth graders were in graduation exercises. Groom City Council swore in a new member, W.H. Ollinger. A group of 35 volunteers under the direction of Joe David Brown descended on the City and worked together to clean up city streets and vacant lots.

Mother nature had a little surprise in store for the Panhandle in June.

A "million dollar" rain broke the drought with the area receiving between 5 and 8 inches of rain in a 24 hour period. Work culminated on an updated ex-student directory that is a keepsake with all the keepsake wonderful pictures and memories of Groom School included. The book was a sell out and reprinting was necessary by Groom Day in August. Groom welcomed a new DPS officer and his family. Trooper Tony Rocha will soon provide Groom with another first as he soon to have a trained Drug Dog as his new partner. Groom's EDC placed attractive signs at the city limits and downtown to help direct travelers to amenities

See 2000, pg. 4

GROOM SCHOOL'S
BUDGET
WORKSHOP
WILL BE HELD ON
MONDAY, JAN 8,
7:30 P.M. IN THE
SCHOOL
AUDITORIUM.

COMMUNITY CALENDER

CHOW LINE IS Tuesday at noon.

THE GROOM School Budget Cut Workshop will be held on January 8th at 7:00 p.m. Concerned citizens are urged to attend to help board in deciding budget

THE JANUARY School Board meeting is planned for January 11 at 7:00 p.m.

GROOM Ambulance Service needs community minded people to take E.M.T. classes. Call 248-7963 for more information.

GROOM SCHOOL is beginning of T.A.A.S. tutorials in the afternoon. Students who are not in tutorials will be released at 2:55. Buses will run as usual. The school will provide alternate transportation to students in tutorials who would normally ride the bus.

GROOM VARSITY and Junior Varsity will travel to Shamrock for a tournament beginning on January 6th.

Attention:

State Representative
Warren Chisum will be
holding several town hall
meetings in the area.
Citizens are urged to
attend and discuss any
items that are of concern
including school finance.

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The Groom News
urges everyone who
attended the recent school
board meeting to make
time to attend.

The closest meetings are planned for Friday, January 5th at the White Deer Community Center in White Deer at 7:15 a.m.; Panhandle at 8:30 a.m.; The Clarendon High School auditorium in Clarendon at 10:30 a.m. A full list of all his town hall meetings is available at the Groom News Office.

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2000 List Of New Babies In Groom 1-1: Rikki Jean Pool Leighton MaKenna

1-15: Allen Thornton. Nathan Brice

Groom Birthdays Anniversaries Mrs. January 4 - Mrs. Nathan Weiberg, Daniel Hinson, Brandi Bates.

January 5 - Kori Brown, Todd Edward Gray, Armando Medellin, Bobby S. Ratterree. January 6 - Ronald Kori

January 6 - Ronald Kuchler, Virginia Baggerman. January 7 -

January 8 - Shannon D'Laine Fields.

January 9 January 10 - Mary Sue Lyles, R.F. (Bob) Pool, Jesse Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. R.A. Snyder (A), Mr. and Mrs. D.W. Ashford, Sr. (A).

Ruthardt Shaeli Jordyn 2-24: Emma Christine 3-23: 4-23: Daniel robert Dolce 5-26: Grace Elizabeth Kuehler Ethan Webb 7-2: Raymond Wesley Holsey Jr. 7-6: Corbin Michael

Ruthardt John Andrew 7-13-Neusch Kaiden Pierce 8-8: 8-23: Lauren Elizabeth Kuehler

10-18: Jaden Paige Reid 11-15: Maegan McKinzie 11-21: Trey Landon Stephens 11-26: Lauren K'Lyn

Appoint Committee

Carson County December 15, 2000 with the members and officers present as follows: Mike Britten, Kenneth Ware, Britten, Kenneth Ware, Jerry Strawn and Kevin

of the Minutes 2000 December 11, meeting were read and approved.

The court agreed to

appoint 10-man ppoint a 10-man committee to formulate the guidelines and regulations for the use of agricultural chemicals for County arson Howell Commissioner made the motion to

Carson County Commissioners' Court Carson County issioners' Court m on December 20, 2000 with the members and officers present as follows: Judge Lewis Powers, Commissioners Mike Britten, Kenneth Ware, Jerry Strawn and Kevin Howell. Minutes of the

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The motion passed to pay all claims.

Commissioner the court's asked permission to trade two old tractors for a new one at a cost of \$8000.00 and to sell a

Robert Kuehler, Amos Britten and Gary Friemel, from Frank Simms, Groom; Aubrey Russell Urban. Panhandle; Ray from Raymond Blodgett, Ray Norton, Bobby Blodgett and Hodges White Deer.

Commissioner Britten seconded the motion, motion carried. The panel will meet at 10:00 a.m. December 18, 2000 commissioners' in the court room.

Court adjourned until December 20, 2000.

Bushog mower Precinct #4. The n The motion carried to allow these transactions.

Judge Powers announced to the court that the county has received the PILT payment for 2001 in the nount of \$9996.90.

Discussion was held on tax abatement. Action on this matter was tabled until County Attorney Scott Sherwood has time Attorney to prepare a resolution to permit the County to take applications for

Court adjourned.

Co. Commissioners Local Happenings

GROOM VARSITY will play Samnorwood on January 9, here.

GROOM Jr. High teams will play McLean, there, on January 8th.

GROOM STUDENT Council will host a Blood Drive at the School Auditorium on January 11, from 2 pm

Christmas guests in the home of Bill and Norma Jean Homer were Daniel and Mary Jo Schacher, Brittney, Jacob, Kinzi and Britiney, Jacob, Kinzi and Justin of Lazbuddie, Travis Homer and Brenda Appel of Amarillo and Doug and Joannie Kling and Tiffani and Cody of Groom. Santa came by to see the kids on Santadest Saturday.

Christmas Day visitors in the home of Glynn D and Sybil Harrell were Beverly and Jim Ingram of Amarillo, Kemp Ingram of Scottsdale, Arizona, Glynn and Kim Ingram, Melyssa, Stephanie and Holly of Rowlett, Louise and Bob Mulkey, Steven Hightower, Robert and Whitney and Jeremy Mulkey of Panhandle, Matthew Mulkey of Weatherford and Anise Bruce of Fort Worth.

Cody Britten of Groom was named to the President's Honor Roll at Frank Phillips College for the 2000 fall semester.

To be eligible for the President's Honor Roll, a student must maintain a 4.0 grade point average while enrolled 12 or more semester hours.

Porshia Thurman of Amarillo and her son Billy and family of Austin, Texas visited Austin, Texas visite Bertha Knight Saturday.

was held on New Year's Day in the home of Doug and Joannie Kling and Tiffani and Cody. Guests were Bill and Norma Jean Homer. They celebrated the New Year and Codyle birthday.

Helen Witt returned ome Friday after cending the Christmas home Frida spending the holidays in the home of Lynell and Ben Peek in Clarksville, Others enjoying Christmas there were Jay, Melody, Rheagan, Rachel and Rheagan, Rachel and Rowdy Witt of Venus, Texas, and Danese, Camellia Katreena and of Searcy, McGill

Arkansas Peek of Amarillo.

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Area Obituaries

James William Sonderman

Monsignor William Sonderman, 80, died of Pannande, Saturday, December 30, 2000, in Amarillo. Vigil services were

Tuesday in Brentwood Chapel at Schooler Funeral Home, 4100 S. Georgia St., in Amarillo. Mass was celebrated Wednesday in St. Mary's Church Catholic Umbarger by Bishop L.T. Matthiesen, Mon Harold Waldow Monsignor Harold Waldow and Monsignor Joe Bixeman. Monsignor Sonderman

was born in Dayton, Ohio, and ordained a Ohio, and ordained a priest in Cincinnati, Ohio. for the Diocese of Amarillo. His appointments for the Diocese included: Chaplain of St. Francis Convent; rector of Sacred Heart Cathedral; pastor of St. Mary's; pastor of St. Francis; pastor of Blessed Sacrament; Vicar General; Chancellor; and Diocesan Consultor.

He was also assistanted pastor of St. Joseph's at Rowena and of St. Anthony's at Dalhart, chaplain of Loretto Hospital at Dalhart. Hospital at Dalhart, pastor of St. Peter and St. Paul at Dumas; pastor of St. Francis Xavier at Hermleigh and St. John the Evangelist; pastor of St. Alice at Plainview; pastor of St. John's at

Borger; pastor of Mission of St. Ann's at Stinnett; and pastor of St. Mary;s at Umbarger. Monsignor Sonderman

had been assistant editor for the West Texas Register in 1957 and was named a Prelate of Honor with the title of Monsignor in 1985. He later retired to St. Joseph's Home for Priests at Panhandle.

at Panhandle.
Survivors include a sister, Louise Hunt of Elm Grove, Wis.; and a brother, Donald brother, Donald Sonderman of Northville, Michigan.

Carson County Sheriff's Report

Report
According to Sheriff
Gary Robertson there
were four persons booked
into the Carson County Jail during the week of December 25 through December 31, 2000. persons incarcerated in Currently there are eleven additional prisoners being held in other jurisdictions. The Sheriff's Department hopes that the Year 2001 is a safe and happy time

for you and yours.

Arrests this week

include:
Scott E. Wells
(Denton), 31, Driving
While License Suspended
& Fail to Appear

Denton County. Kelly B. Baker (Pampa), 42, Driving While Intoxicated, 1st.

Robert reag-46. Driving While Intoxicated, 1st. Yates A. Yates Robert Yeager (Fritch), While

Derek A. Yates (Stillwater, Ok), 22, Making Alcohol Available to Minors.

2000

July found changes taking place in the business community. community. Brumley-Bates Kim joined her parents in the family business, Brumley Insurance. Stacy Ford opened a much needed child care facility. The Cross broke ground for a The new visitor's center and

installed a new Station of the Cross.

In August, Groom Day
"Reunion 2000" was a
big success. The Groom
News put out a special edition to commemorate edition to commemorate the new millennium by Groom would fail to looking at the past. Groom School kicked off a new year with 168 students and regaining "Exemplary" status on the T.A.A.S. tests. Groom EDC awarded one of their free lots to a member of the Musser family. Jim Moraniec opened the old Ranch House cafe as a

"Donations Only" restaurant.

September found Groom with a couple of very sad events. A young life was cut short when Trisha Broadway lost her life in a one car roll over. The Judy roll over. The Judy
Eatmon home was
destroyed by fire, but
Judy and her daughter,
Allison, escaped the blaze
unharmed. Heary Fields, a 1935 graduate was named to West Texas A&M Hall of Fame.

October found royalty named at Groom's homecoming with Brooke Dewayne Britten and Gray crowned Queen and King. Football season was in full swing and the Board began talking the Board began talking about the cuts that will need to be made in the coming year to balance the budget.

Voters went to polls in November what was . memorable election ('nuff said about that!) A new District Attorney elected, Stuart The Tigers entered the Football Quarterfinals for

advance past the Highland Hornets. Brooke Britten advanced to the State competition.

December found Groom preparing for the holidays. Grant Weinheimer and Dewayne Gray were named to the All-District football team

as MVP's. Weinheimer, Gray and Clay Ritter were named to the All Region Team. Groom Region Team. Elementary and Junior High students earned District U.I.L. first place trophies in the new fall meet. Concerned citizens continue to meet with the school board over budget cuts and the Justin Magee home is named the most beautifully lit

holiday decorated home. kept Mother Nature things interesting with a final end to the with a record 16-20" for the beginning on Christmas

Day. What ever 2001 has in store for us, we at the News have faith that the students at Groom School will continue to excel, the weather will eventually change and the next issue's headlines are just around the corner. Happy New Year to all our faithful readers.

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Brush and Palette Hold Holiday Party

By Nita Ramming
'Tis the Season to be
Jolly, and jolly Brush
and Palette members
were on Wednesday,
December 13th, as we
met in the home of
Dorthy and Jess
McMullan for our annual
Christmas Bash. The
morning broke with a
sciff of snow on the
ground making it seem
more like Christmas.
When we arrived Dorthy
was buzzing around like
she was going to have a
big bunch of celebrities
from Florida for lunch.
Alas, it was just us.
We had a variety of
pot luck fare. Pat made

a hominy dish and had to improvise for some of the ingredients, but it was very good. Shirley brought a salad with corn, beans and lots of other things in it. Charleen made macaroni and cheese, Toni brought a vegetable relish plate with dip. Crab salad was my choice to bring. Dorthy filled in with ham and rolls and the drinks, tea and coffee, if you please! She made THREE pies. Sometimes we do make pigs of

ourselves but she was really going to fatten us up. She sent Rick a big plate full of pie. He ate it all and didn't share a bit.

Now this bunch of

gals seem to think my job in club is reporter and game director forever. So...a Christmas evergreen shrub is? Or what falls from heaven unassembled? Ask one of the artists. Finally we resolved to using the

resolved to using the number to hurry things along a bit since Charleen had to leave at three.

Another type of bingo we played was Claus. This is much easier to do but not near as much chattering goes on about it. Each member brings 3 or 4 "prizes" for the games. We had so many prizes we finally just went around the table and let each one pick one until they were all gone. The treasures were earrings, broken frames, wooden cutouts, a tiny birdhouse (Pat always brings good stuff), a cookie jar lid, a tiny straw hat that would about fit a mouse, and

lots of other neat treasures. Some of the things have been recycled for a few years

for a few years.

Next came the gift exchange. The gifts are to be hand-made and this is always our favorite thing. We matched our number to the gift number and then the paper flew. Jess made Dorthy's gift for her and guess who was the lucky one to get it? Yep, it really looks pretty really looks pretty really looks pretty hanging in my bathroom. He made a shadow box of sea shells that is gorgeous! Toni got Toni got s. She said some cookies her family would be real happy because they never get cookies that have icing on them. Pat's gift was a bird house and a jar of something. Charleen, Dorthy and Shirley had gifts too but that remains a mystery to me because my attention story cross word puzzle seemed to fit the seemed occasion using the Bible story words. Toni came through first as usual. Then the rest struggled with the answers for a while. Now anybody should know what Jesus'

bed was made of and what Mary rode. It seemed real easy for me, but then it should since I made it.

Finally, we got started on the Christmas Bingo. Now this is really fun. It is all pictures with no letters at the top to tell you which column. Therefore you must look all over your card, plus the fact that I don't call the number but have a phrase to tell which picture. Sometimes a song warbles from my mouth. Finally they were begging me to quit the serenading. Do you know what an ornamental was on my gift. Sorry, gals.

Jess and the kitty came in a little after lunch. You know he says he doesn't like Iddy Kitty but he fed her bites of his sandwich and talked to her a lot. He would not eat the stuff we brought. Anyway when I started to leave he tried to get me to take the cat, but Dorthy wouldn't have it. She is really a cute kitty with a tail about 3 inches long that sticks up sort of over her back.

Junadell and Evelyn were missing this year. We did miss their "presents" (presence) but all in all we did have a holly jolly time. Hopefully all of us will begin the new year with enthusiasm and creativity and gets lots of things painted.

On November 27th we had our Fall Ball excursion. We journeyed to Kenneth Wyatt's Art Gallery for his Christmas open house. He has some beautiful paintings, sculptures, jewelry, Christmas cards, and other things. If you have never visited his gallery, take some time to do it. You are sure to enjoy it. We had some more \$3 a dip ice cream at the Marble Slab, shopped at Hobby Lobby and that was about all the Fall Balling we did. We were home before dark.

This Christmas season as you reflect on the real meaning of Christmas, may you have peace in your heart and thanks for God's gift of His Son so that we might have life everlasting.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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time. Edna Mae Helton
us will BORGER - Edna Mae
ear with McCleery Helton, 80,
creativity died Friday, December
f things 22, 2000, in Amarillo.

Services were
December 28 in First
United Methodist Church
with the Rev. Jim Terry,
pastor, and the Rev.
David Purl, pastor of St
Andrew United Methodist
Church, officiating.
Burial was in Westlawn
Cemetery by Brown
Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Helton was born in Canadian and had lived in Borger for 54 years. After graduating from Canadian High School in 1936 and West Texas State Teachers College in 1941, she taught at Sam Houston and Stephen F. Austin junior high schools in Borger until her retirement. She was a member of First United Methodist Church, ASAUS and the Retired Teachers Association.

She was the wife of former Groom resident, Carrol D. Helton and sister-in-law of Nettie Fields.

Survivors 'include her husband, Carrol D. Helton; three daughters, Carolyn Richmond of San Antonio, and Janet Byars and Mary Kay Kuhrts, both of Amarillo; and five grandchildren.

GROOM CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2000

		YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2000							
			GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES				TOTALS (Memorandum Only)		
Data Control Codes			100-199 General Fund	200-499 Special Revenue Funds	600-699 Capital Projects Fund		August 31, 2000	August 31, 1999	
5700	REVENUES: Local and Intermediate Sources: Investment Income Other Local and Intermediate Sources Total Local and Intermediate Sources	3	22,138 765,635 787,773	\$ - 23,733 23,733	\$ 5,969 - 5,969	\$	28,107 789,368 817,475	\$ 24, 801,	
5800 5900	State Program Revenues Federal Program Revenues		625,838 1,184	67,584 54,313	-		693,422 55,497	411,	
5020	Total Revenues EXPENDITURES:		1,414,795	145,630	5,969		1,566,394	1,286,	
0010	Current: Instruction and Instructional-Related Services Instructional and School Leadership		801,878 82,163	89,093 1,206			890,971 83,369	750, 79,	
0030 0040 0050	Support Services - Student (Pupil) Administrative Support Services		123,138 141,619	85,391			208,529 141,619 138,324	202, 137, 133,	
0060	Support Services - Nonstudent Based Ancillary Services Debt Service		138,324 1,000 23,000		28,634		1,000	1,	
0080	Capital Outlay Intergovernmental Charges		16,571		183,451		183,451 16,571	370, 24,	
6030	Total Expenditures		1,327,693	175,690	212,085		1,715,468	1,701,	
1100	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		87,102	(30,060)	(206,116)		(149,074)	(415,0	
7020 8030	Other Resources Other (Uses)		(30,474)	30,474	600,000		630,474 (30,474)	220,	
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues & Other Resources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses		56,628	414	393,884		450,926	(228,0	
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	-	546,483	1,132	(367,907)	_	179,708	407,	
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$	603,111	\$ 1,546	\$ 25,977	\$	630,634	\$ 179,	