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1998-99 Budget, Tax Setting Underway For Public Entities

Budgets are being considered and approved by public entities. The City of Groom met last Tuesday to approve their budget and set a tax rate for 1998-99. The Council approved a rate of .482034, a decrease from the previous budget of .001321.

"The City is in great shape," stated City Secretary Mary Sue Lyles. "We have a nice cushion in reserves for emergencies."

The only major increases include salaries to the tune of \$2900,

land fill and trash fees will be \$5,000. Several areas are also down. Insurance and bonds have decreased \$2,500. Water works repair cost are expected to be down \$3,600 as well as the community center cost.

Groom ISD tax rate has also been set. Home owners can expect to pay around \$1.48.

"We have cut the budget, but with property value down, we have to raise the tax to \$1.48 to compensate," stated Business Manager Joyce

Hutsell.

The Board will dip into reserves for approximately \$45,000. Some of the ways the board has reduced the budget is to do away with some staff positions. The school district has judiciously been working to reduce expenses, but is hampered by a decreasing enrollment and unfunded state mandates. The State of Texas Legislature is planning to consider raising teachers salaries, \$6,000 per year. Should that happen, it could

See Budgets, pg. 6



Top winners for the library's summer reading program were Chera Chavedo, Berkle Ruthardt, Bailee Ruthardt, Kailey Crump and Dakota Crump. See story, page 6.

St. Jude's Bike-A-Thon Held In Park



Cody Kling gets in the act with the rest of the bikers as they ride to raise money for St. Jude's Hospital.

The annual Wheels for Life Bike-a-Thon was held on Saturday, August 22, 1998 at the Groom City Park. There were 25 children who participated this year and collected donations to benefit the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee. Besides riding their bikes the children also got to hear first hand from Daniel and Andrew Thompson about their visit to St. Jude.

St. Jude was founded in 1962 by the late Danny Thomas to help build a place of hope for children and their families who were caught in a fight against catastrophic diseases. Since the hospital opened it has treated more than 14,500 children from across the United States

and 58 foreign countries. St. Jude has approximately 4,000 patients in active status and it's daily operating costs are approximately \$410,000, which are primarily covered by public contributions. Out of every dollar received at St. Jude's, 87% goes to current or future needs of the hospital. About 9.7% is used to raise additional dollars, and 3.5% is used for administration costs.

The folks at St. Jude and this year's coordinator, Jan Britten, would like to thank all of the young people who gave their time and effort to collect the donations for this very worthy cause. Thanks also to everyone who gave donations, to Julie Friemel for the rice crispy bars we enjoyed at the Bike-a-Thon, and the City for letting us use the park. May God bless you all for your generosity!

Participating this year in the Bike-a-Thon were Brody Britten, Katy Britten, Korri Britten, Morgan Britten, Sharri Britten, Tanner Case, Tyler Case, Amanda Chaney, Christopher Chaney, Joshua Davis, Taryn Davis, Brett Friemel, Miles Friemel, Trevor Friemel, Malorie Homen, Tiffani Homer, Brandon Jenkins, Ashley Murray, Trent Murray, Bailee Ruthardt, Berkle Ruthardt, Andrew

See Bike-A-Thon, pg. 5

Tiger's Scrimmage Silverton & Lazbuddie: Coach Reid Pleased With Team's Progress

Coach Larry Reid was extremely pleased with the Tiger's performance in last week's 3-way scrimmage with Silverton and Lazbuddie.

"It was what we expected as far as competition. Three good teams played very well for this early in the season."

The Tigers ran and threw the ball equally as well. They are working to increase the amount of throwing play.

"Last year we probably ran the ball 80% of the time," stated Reid. "This year we intend to

improve upon that."

He went on to say that the overall picture was encouraging. The Tigers will be playing Hedley at Hedley in a scrimmage this Friday. Both the varsity and junior varsity teams will attend even though Hedley has only one team.

"We will play everyone we can," stated Reid.

Amarillo Christian, Groom's first scheduled game, has cancelled. Reid is currently trying to find a replacement game. Watch next weeks paper for details.

Community Calendar

THERE WILL BE no school on Sept. 7, Labor Day at GISD.

LATE BREAKING GAME CHANGE

THE GROOM Varsity and Jr. Varsity will play Clovis Christian School at Groom on Thursday, Sept. 3 beginning at 6:00 pm. This game takes the place of the game scheduled with Amarillo Christian on Sept. 4 that was recently cancelled.

THE 1997-98 Groom ISD Yearbooks are here! Pick up your reserved copy at the school. They also have a few extras for sale.

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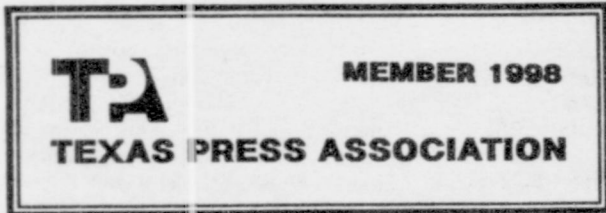


Ashley Murray, Tiffani Homer, Tyler Case, Tanner Case, and Trent Murray are ready to ride at Saturday's event.

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Local Happenings

Page and Irma Blackwell, Charles and Janyth Bowers and Glynn D and Sybil Harrell attended the annual dinner and meeting of the Circle of Friends in Panhandle Sunday evening at the home of Stephen and Chris May.

Visitors in the home of Theresa Hermesmeyer over the weekend were Ernest Hermesmeyer, Gene Hermesmeyer, Bob Hermesmeyer, and William Hermesmeyer.

The family gathered at Martin and Betty Hermesmeyer's home Saturday evening for a meal and visiting. Those attending were Theresa Hermesmeyer; Ernest Hermesmeyer, Glendale, California; Gene Hermesmeyer, Scottsdale, Arizona; Bob Hermesmeyer, Del Rio, Texas; William Hermesmeyer, Salina, Kansas; Roni Thompson and daughter, Sugarland, Texas; Randy and Andy Quirk and sons, Sunray, Texas; Gerald and Dani Hermesmeyer, Amarillo; Kathy Keller, Amarillo; Michael and Rene Hermesmeyer and son, Amarillo; and Ray and Alice Britten, Groom.

Elishka Been and her friend, Lynn, both of Florida were recently visiting grandparents, Allie & Norris Hoyt. Elishka runs a miniature show horse supply business. She plans to visit other relatives in Pampa and the area before returning to Florida.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Donna,
 Sorry we missed you. Groom Day was great. The BBQ was delicious and the dance was very enjoyable.

C.B. and I were thrilled with all the handshakes and hugs we received. It was like a family reunion.

My former second graders had grown a little. C.B.'s Juniors and Seniors had not changed much.

Sincerely,
 C.B. and Lois Campbell
 P.S. I have one request for news. Please put girl's name not just Mr. and Mrs. Those of us that have been gone a few years forget who they married.

You do a good job helping us keep up with all the students.

Thanks,
 Lois Campbell

Groom Birthdays & Anniversaries

August 27 - James Barnett.
 Moraniec, Mr. and Mrs.
 Bill Bohr (A).
 August 28 - Mrs. Robert Leven, Jo Stapp, Roni and Brady Miller (A).
 August 29 - Matthew Barbara Homer.
 Britten, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Weller (A).
 John Homer (A).
 August 30 - Jack
 Barnett.
 August 31 - William Robert Leven, Jo Stapp, Roni and Brady Miller (A).
 September 1 - Barbara Homer.
 September 2 - Mrs. Jack Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Weller (A).
 September 30 - Jack Barnett.

On The Sick Or Recovering List:
 Evelyn Hubbard,
 Tammy Bivens, Oran Durham, Gary Friemel.

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Rip and Joy Snyder visited Saturday in McLean with Truman Goodlett, L.M. Rowan, Mrs. Glass, Essie Knowles and daughter and with Dorothy McKee.

Thank You Card

Thanks to everyone for their prayers and cards and to the ones that brought food to our home during my recovery from foot surgery.
 Nancy Brumley

The News Needs Your Input!

Where is your student attending college? The News is getting ready to publish a list telling what students are attending school, where they are attending, what their major and class are. Call us today! 248-7333.

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By Ace Reid



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Burton Earns National Student Scholarship

April Burton has been awarded a scholarship through The National Student Association Scholarship Program. Selection of recipients is conducted by an independent selection committee of educators, business people and civic leaders chosen by The College First Foundation. Consideration is given to leadership potential, dedication, commitment, academic achievement, ingenuity and desire. Also under consideration is career/education aspirations and goals, national test results, transcript evaluation, community participation and service, class standing, work experience, recommendation of a

teacher or other reference, and financial need.

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Budget, Tax Rate Approved

The Board of Trustees of the Groom Independent School District met in a special session on August 24, 1998 at 8:00 p.m. in its usual meeting place in the school administrative offices with the following members present: Barry Fields, Dennis Babcock, Brad Rogers, Tony Treadwell, Tony Britten, Clif Britten, and Tim Case.

Ben Ingham, Superintendent, Joyce Hutsell, Business Manager, and Principal Donnie Carroll were also at the meeting along with guest Curtis Downs.

(Unless otherwise noted, all votes on motions were unanimous.) Minutes of the August 11, regular meeting were

approved as read.

The 1998-99 budget was adopted as presented in the amount of \$1,431,541.00.

The maintenance and operation tax rate was set for the 1998-99 school year at \$1.48 per \$100 evaluation.

The board discussed policy DEC concerning personnel leave. No action was needed.

The Gifted and Talented (G/T) program was approved as presented. Ms. Addy and Ms. Childress will oversee the program.

The accessibility contingency plan was approved.

The teacher appraisal calendar was approved to start on October 1, 1998, See School Board, pg. 12

After-School Care Program Comes To Groom Students

Camp Fire KIDS CARE of Amarillo announces that they will be providing licensed after school care at Groom schools for children ages 5-13 (kindergarten through fifth/sixth grade).

The purpose of Camp Fire, Inc. is to provide opportunities for youth to realize their potential and to function effectively as caring, self-directed individuals responsible to themselves and to others.

Camp Fire of Amarillo is one of over 130 chartered councils of the national organization which headquarters in Kansas City, Missouri. Camp Fire was founded in 1910 as the first organization of its kind for girls. Membership has been open to boys since 1975 and is open to all races, religions, national origins, and economic backgrounds. KIDS CARE has provided quality licensed child care in Amarillo since 1989, beginning with one site and 40 children to 17 sites and over 400 children today. Groom will become our newest site, and 18th overall.

Our goal is to provide safe, affordable, and quality licensed child care to the community. Advantages to our program are: affordability, convenience, familiarity between parents, staff and children, the children stay at school in a safe environment until their parents pick them up, and financial assistance is available.

The children will come to the cafeteria right after school where they will be met by our well trained staff. They will be provided a snack, and then be given the opportunity to go outside, weather permitting. They then return to the

cafeteria to choose from such activities as art, homework, reading, manipulatives, blocks, board games, or other age-appropriate activities.

Fees are \$30.00 per week and \$25.00 per week for each additional children. A \$20.00 registration fee is required and good for one calendar year. Registration is currently taking place. If you already have a registration form, please return it to our office to ensure that your child(ren) may attend our program the first day.

We are also seeking to employ three staff members from the community itself. Staff members must be at least 18 years of age and have a high school diploma or its equivalent. Persons 16 or 17 must be enrolled in or completed a career program related to child care approved by the Texas Education Agency, or another state or federally approved child care career related program.

"Being a graduate of Groom High, I (Jason McCoy) am familiar with the advantages and values that a small town encourages. Camp Fire KIDS CARE looks forward to being one of those advantages. If you feel you and your children would benefit from our program, or if you would like more information about working for Camp Fire in Groom, please contact me, Jason McCoy, Child Care Director, at 373-7922. We would like to begin care no later than Monday September 14. The address is 2808 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79109. We look forward to serving the community."



Hutsell Selected For Scholarship

Mary Elizabeth Hutsell, a graduate of Groom High School, has been awarded a scholarship by the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation.

Hutsell received the Dr. Max Haddick Memorial Journalism TILF Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000, payable \$500 each semester of the first year. The Haddick Memorial Journalism Scholarship is

awarded to a student who has participated in an University Interscholastic

League Academic State Meet journalism contest and who has compiled an outstanding record of academic and extracurricular achievement.

This year the TILF awarded 315 new awards and will renew approximately 220 awards for a total of 535 scholarships for 1998-99 with an approximate value of \$863,000. Recipients may attend any approved college or university in Texas.

Hutsell placed second in feature writing and qualified in poetry interpretation at the 1998 UIL Academic State Meet. She was a member of the National Honor Society, Gifted & Talented Program, yearbook staff, Student Council, varsity basketball team, and the school band.

Hutsell plans to attend Angelo State University and major in journalism.

Card Of Thanks

Thanks so much, to whoever left the graduation gift on my front porch last week. I would like to thank you in person, but you failed to sign the card.

Also, I have not been as organized about sending "Thank-You's" since graduation was over. If I failed to send

you a card, I humbly apologize. But please know, that I really do appreciate everything.

Thanks to the whole community for their continued support through the years. Words cannot express my sincerest appreciation.

April Burton

Card Of Thanks

We would like to say thank you to everyone who has called, stopped by, sent cards, sent food, or said a prayer. It means so much to know there are so many caring people. The offers for helping at the farm have also made this difficult time much easier.

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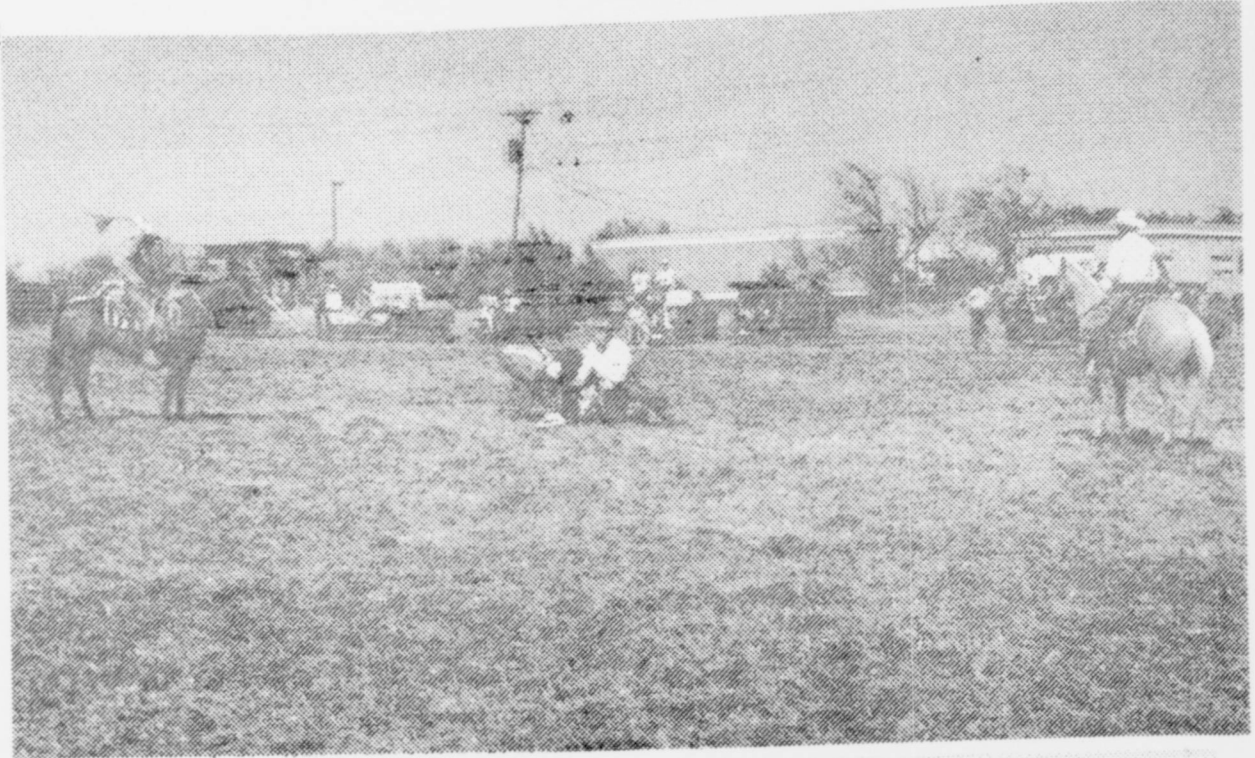
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Organizer Jan Britten with mom, Joanie Kling, watch the kids ride their bikes in the recent Bike-a-Thon.



(Top) Wesley and Cindy Miller's team won the Steer Dressing event at the Groom Day Rodeo.

(Right) Riding in the Groom Day Parade on horses are Larry and Jill Lamberson, Lance Lamberson and wife, Vicki.



City Sets '98 - '99 Tax Rate

The Groom City Council met in a special called meeting on August 18, 1998. Present were Mayor Joe Homer; Aldermen Jimmy Britten, Pete Ham, Don Case, and Ellis Stapp. Absent was Mary Margaret Brooks. Also attending was Mary Sue Lyles,

City Secretary. The 1998-99 Budget was presented and unanimously approved. The tax rate was set at .482034 per \$100 valuation, also unanimous decision. The meeting was adjourned with no further business.

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The public hearing will be held at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 2, 1998, in the Panhandle Ground Water office, 201 W. 3rd St., White Deer, Texas.

FOR the proposal: John Spearman, Frank Simms, Phillip Smith, Jerry Green, Jim Thompson, Robert A. Clark, Danny Hardcastle
AGAINST the proposal: none
PRESENT and not voting: none
ABSENT: Charles Bowers

The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average residence homestead value	\$31,444	\$31,553
General exemptions available	\$0	\$0
<small>(amount available on the average homestead, not including senior citizens' or disabled person's exemptions)</small>		
Average taxable value	\$31,444	\$31,553
Tax rate	0.012347/\$100	0.012347/\$100
Tax	\$3.88	\$3.90 (proposed)

Under this proposal, taxes on the average homestead would increase by \$0.02 or 0.52 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by \$0.00 per \$100 of taxable value or 0.00 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

More Local Happenings

Allie Hoyt recently returned from an extended visit in Oklahoma City with daughter, Jerry Been and family. She traveled to Chicago to attend an animal supply marketing show with Jerry and her staff.

Rip and Joy Snyder visited in Claude rest home with Ona and Les Neal, Mr. and Mrs. William Neal from Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pool and Bertha Knight.

"Long time Groom resident, Lucille Case, returned Wednesday to have lunch at the Grill. She was joined by her daughter, Mary Dell Burke, her granddaughter, Karan Alan, and her great-granddaughter, Mia Alan. Lunch at the Grill was great - as always - and a good time was had by all."

Bike-A-Thon

Thompson, Daniel Thompson, Ashley Williamson, and Bethany Williamson.



Girl Scout Sign-Up Day To Be Held On Aug. 29 At City Park

Texas Plains Girl Scout Council kicks off its 1998-99 year with a council-wide registration Saturday, August 29! If a girl isn't in her home town she can register at any registration location she encounters and be assured that her registration will make it to the correct leader. The cost is \$7.00 for national registration, and financial assistance is available.

In Groom, girls age 5-17 can sign up Saturday, August 29 from 10 a.m. until 12 noon at the Groom City Park. There will be a watermelon feast, a treasure hunt and many other games. For more information contact Kerry Jenkins at 248-7255 or Denise Bertrand at 1-800-687-8740.

For registration centers, please contact TPGSC at 356-0096 or 1-800-587-4475.

In Girl Scouting, programs are based on girls interests and needs. Girl Scout activities help girls develop their fullest potential and become competent, resourceful women.

Parents are often curious about the need for an all girl organization. Many studies have shown that in mixed groups girls

have fewer opportunities to participate and receive less adult attention than boys. The Girl Scout program, on the other hand is designed specifically for girls. Girls are encouraged to

try new things, to become decision-makers and develop leadership skills. They can take

risks and learn from their mistakes in a supportive environment without the social pressures to conform to stereotyped expectations.

There are four programs emphasis for all GS Program: Developing self-potential; Relating to others; Developing values; and Contributing to society.

Adult volunteers are also needed as troop leaders, service unit members, program consultants, troop committee members, sponsors, and a variety of short term projects. Even if you have only a little time to give, it will make all the difference in the life of a girl. Girl Scouting is making a difference in the future by making a difference in the lives of today's girls through the care and support of adult volunteers.

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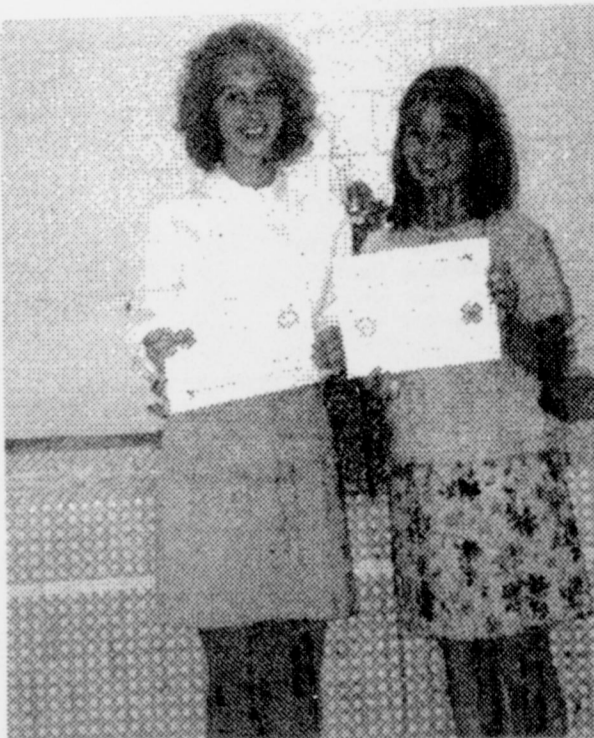
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Summer Library Program Names Top Readers

The summer reading program was completed August 10th at the Groom Library. Friends of the Library rewarded each top reader in their division with a book for their grade level. Chera Chavado won the 5th & 6th grade division with 460 points and received the Velvetene Rabbit. Berklee Ruthardt read 210 points, for the 3rd &

4th grade division and received Cross-Country Cat. Bailee Ruthardt won with 200 points for the 1st & 2nd grade division and received Little Rabbit's Loose Tooth. Kailey and Dakota Crump both won the pre-school and kindergarten division with 400 points and received Bears, Bears and More Bears.



It's A Girl!

Sabrina and Louis Leven are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Cassie RayLynn. She was born on August 22, 1998 at 3:53 p.m. She was 19 1/4 inches long and weighed 6 pounds and 4 ounces.

Cassie is the new little sister to Heather, William, Ellen and Katie. Proud grandparents are Monte and Sandi Schaffer and Barbara and Herman Leven, all of Groom. The great-grandfather is Robert McPherson of Pampa.

Groom 4-Hers Receive Gold Star Awards

Brooke Britten and Macie Britten were recently honored by receiving the Gold Star award at the Carson County 4-H Banquet.

Gold Star is the highest award given to senior 4-H members completing projects and record books.

Macie's accomplishments this year include 1st at state in Clothing, 4th at state in

Stage Design.

Brooke's accomplishments this year include 1st at state in Method Demonstration, 4th at state in Stage Design, 7th at state in Clothing, and 2nd at state in Fashion Review, Record Books, and Best Senior 4-Her in Carson County.

The girls will be honored at a Gold Star banquet in October.

Groom School Menu August 31-September 4

Monday Breakfast: Cold cereal, muffins, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, vanilla pudding w/cookie, milk.
Tuesday Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk. Lunch: Lasagna, salad, fried okra, bread sticks, pineapple, milk.
Wednesday Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, hash brown potatoes, juice, milk. Lunch: Chili cheese dogs, tator tots, pickle spears, carrot sticks, fruit cocktail, milk.
Thursday Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken fajitas, sauteed onion and green pepper, peaches, milk.
Friday Breakfast: Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk. Lunch: Sandwiches, shaved ham or turkey, pears, milk.

Budgets

have dire consequences for Groom ISD.

Carson County is boasting a reduced budget this year. The 1998-99 fiscal year budget of \$1,847,041 for the general fund will be considerably lower than the present budget of \$2,053,149.

The reduction is due to county projects that have been or will be completed this year.

The new budget will provide an increase of funds for law enforcement, county law library, and some office furniture and equipment. The proposed rate is .31916 per \$100 valuation. The current rate is .3228.

The Appraisal District also sets a budget. Their's too, is slightly lower. Officials noted that some line items have been paid off, while some have actually been less or costs have been cut. The only significant increases are for salaries and accounting and auditing. Their budget has been set for \$239,990.

Area Obituaries

Daniel Harrison Farley, Sr.

Daniel Harrison Farley, Sr., 86, died Wednesday, August 19, 1998, at Weatherford.

Services were Saturday in the Groom United Methodist Church with Rev. Tom Moore, pastor, officiating. Burial was in the Groom Cemetery by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Farley was born in Berkey, Ohio. He had been a resident of Pampa from 1957 until 1966, when he moved to Kuwait for three years while working for Cooper Bessemer Oil Co. He returned to the United States in 1970 and lived in Odessa. He had lived in the Groom area from 1972 until moving to Granbury in 1989.

He was a Navy veteran of World War II, a member of the First United Methodist Church and the Groom Masonic Lodge 1170 AF&AM.

He married Sarah L.

Barber in 1956 at Raton, New Mexico. She preceded him in death on March 28, 1994. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving during World War II, and was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Groom. He was a member of the Groom Masonic Lodge #1170 AF&AM.

Survivors include a son, Daniel H. Farley, Jr., of Weatherford; a stepson, Ben Collard of Granville, Ohio; three step-daughters, Nancy Hilliard of Flower Mound, Jean Collard of Austin and Ann Burke of Streatham, N.H.; a brother, Robert Farley of Lake Charles, La.; a sister Ruth Campbell of Malabar, Florida; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the American Cancer Society.

Lona Dean Craig

A former Groom teacher recently passed away. Lona Dean Craig, 90, of Houston died Sunday, August 16, 1998 in Missouri City, Texas.

Services were held in the Chapel of Memorial Oaks Funeral Home at Eldridge, with Ron Morris of St. Lukes United Methodist Church officiating.

She was born on May 19, 1908 in Sherman, Texas to A.R. Dean and Mae Harrell Dean. Her grandfather Dallas A. Harrell was one of the first settlers in the Texas Panhandle.

Craig graduated from

the University of Texas in 1930 with a degree in home economics. She taught school in Groom and her husband, Buddy, was a coach. Their children grew up and graduated in Groom. He preceded her in death in 1969. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

She is survived by a daughter Bedine Rea; two sons, Dan Craig and Bob Craig; 15 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

The family request memorials be sent to the American Cancer Society for Breast Cancer Research.

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McLean School Board Awards Insurance Bids, Tax Title Bids

The McLean Independent School District Board of Education met in a regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on August 17, 1998. Board members present were Bob Glass, Dor Dorsey, Neal Odom, Mike Darsey, John Holland, T.D. Simmons, and Eugene Galley. Others present were John Griffin, Superintendent, Leslie Darsey, Secretary, Coach Paula Waters, Dick Crockett, Elementary Principal, and Ed Bailey, High School Principal.

All votes were unanimous unless otherwise stated.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President, Neal Odom. Opening prayer was led by John Holland. Minutes were read and

approved of the regular meeting held July 21, 1998, and special meetings held on August 10 and 11, 1998.

Coach Paula Waters had selected colors, tile, etc. for the interior design of the new gym. The board was pleased with all of Ms. Waters choices, and the extra time she spent in making these decisions.

At this time no action was taken on the issue of the concrete flooring at the gym site. Pending decisions will depend upon reports from structural engineers who have carefully examined the cement slab in question. The board is very aware of the project and will take action if necessary to ensure that McLean ISD only receives top quality

workmanship in the construction of the gym.

A tax title bid was accepted from Ray Kirkland in the amount of \$75.00 for Lots 47 & 48, Block 3-Floral Addition.

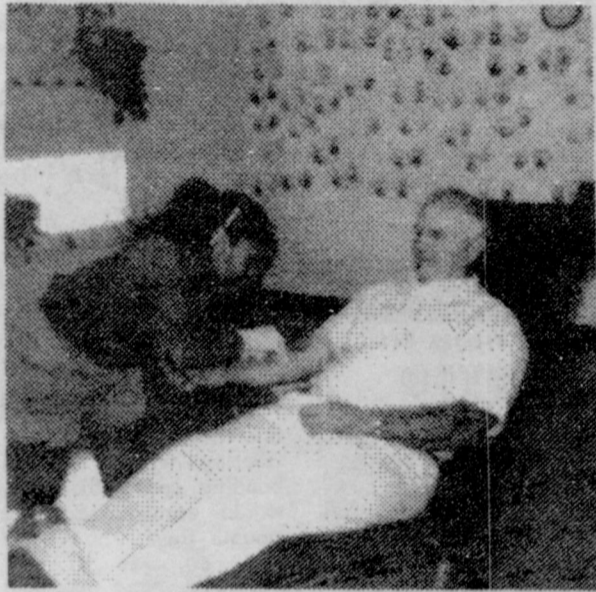
McLean ISD's accreditation report was approved, which was rated "Recognized" by the Texas Education Agency.

August 20th is the accepted date for the public tax hearing and August 24th for the vote on tax rate adoption.

Mr. Griffin recommended the following insurance bids to be accepted.

Vehicle coverage was awarded to Texas Farm Bureau bidding \$2,762.00.

See Bids, pg. 9



Crockett Gives The Gift Of Life

Coffee Memorial Blood Bank arrived at the McLean School Cafeteria with one thing on their minds, the gift of life. Many people in the McLean area gave blood, a gift that is often in short supply. Pictured is Dick Crockett, Principal at the McLean Elementary and Jr. High.

McLean Reminders.

HUNTER SAFETY
Class will be Aug. 14-15; Shamrock City Hall Annex; 12 yrs and over \$10. For info. call 256-3522.

ACADEMIC BOOSTER Club meeting will be at 7:00 pm Thursday, Aug. 27.

HIGH SCHOOL BELL TIMES:
1st Bell 8:11 a.m.
1st Period begins at 8:15 a.m.
Last Bell 3:30 p.m.

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1st Bell 8:00 a.m.
Classes begin at 8:15 a.m.
Last Bell 3:30 p.m.
Bus Recess for Kindergartners is 2:30 - 3:30.

MHS TIGER'S WILL have a triangle scrimmage at the home field on Friday night, Aug. 28, 5:00 p.m. with Higgins, Samnorwood and McLean.

PIONEER STUDY Club will begin a new year with a brunch and tour of Ye Olde Home Place Bed and Breakfast in Shamrock. Meet at the McLean Bank of Commerce on Saturday, August 29 at 9:00 a.m. to carpool.

MCLEAN SCHOOL will hold it's Open House on Sept. 10th, 7-8 p.m.

TRINITY BAPTIST Church will hold a revival on Aug. 30 - Sept. 2, with the Seminars on marriage, parenting and family beginning at 5:30 and revival at 7:00 p.m.

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Susan Weaver New Teacher At MHS

Susan Weaver is rounding out the list of new teachers in the McLean Independent School District for the new year.

Ms. Weaver is a West Texas A&M University graduate with a degree in history.

Her duties at MHS include teaching English, U.S. History, World Geography and yearbook.

"I'm looking forward to getting settled in and getting my routine established. I hope I can help the kids reach their potential and realize their goals. I'm glad to be working with the kids and my experience so far has been good."

Ms. Weaver has three children; Annie, a junior; Robyn, a 7th grader; and Bailey, three years old.



Her hobbies include walking, and watching reading, cross stitching, baseball.



Lady Tigers Attend OSU Basketball Camp

Girls' coach Paula Waters recently returned from Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, Oklahoma with seven of McLean's Lady Tiger basketball players.

At OSU, the girls attended camp. Lacey Steel, Rachel Galley, Amanda Cline, Nikki Hefley, Sara Beth Hall, Randi Jo Riley and Jessi Fish all went through conditioning, weight lifting, guard work, post

work, games, and offensive and defensive drills.

"All the girls came home sore and tired, but they had fun. We're going to do more of the same in our basketball training this year," Coach Waters said.

While at OSU, Amanda Cline won the three point shooting contest and Jessi Fish was on the championship team.

1998 Tigers Earn Kudos In Scrimmage

The McLean Tigers played well in the scrimmage against Follett last Friday night. The varsity team scored three touchdowns to Follett's one in the year's first action.

Varsity team members

for the new season include

The 2nd team varsity played against Follett's Junior Varsity and against Ft. Elliott, tying the score on both with one touchdown each.

"We are very encouraged by the players

and expect to have a great season," said Coach Herring.

McLean will host Higgins and Samnorwood in a triangle scrimmage at 5:00 p.m. on Friday night. Come out and support the home town teams!

Briefs

Jerry and Troy Corbin have recently returned from Ft. Lauderdale and the Bahamas. They had a great time.

Dee Ann and Skee Burkes were in Prescott, Arizona over the weekend for Dee Ann's father's surprise 50th birthday party.

Shandon Stalls came home from college in New Mexico over the weekend.

Sunday Garth Thomas celebrated his birthday with friends and family and cake and ice cream.

Stephanie Burnett and her daughter Shelly spent a few days with her brother and sister-in-law, Jay and Juliana Burnett.

Gaylord and Missy Van Brocklyn have moved here from San Diego. Their daughter Deanna is a senior at McLean High School.

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- McLean Birthdays Anniversaries**
- August 27 - Gregg Mann, Robin Corley.
 - August 28 - Marjorie Fish, Chris Littlefield, Kathy Bailey, Laverne Brooks, A.M. Dean, Bill Stubbs, Kevin L. Smith.
 - August 29 - Johnny Day, Don Crockett, Clifford McDonald, Rae Simpson.
 - August 30 - Tony Hambricht, Jackie Worsham, Lance Hallum, Keith Robinson.
 - August 31 - Buell Wells, Faye Houdyshell, Cindy Jenkins.
 - September 1 - Mark Bailey, Robbie Wilson.
 - September 2 - Tom Pennington.

Board Holds Special Meeting, Gym Concrete Discussion Held

The McLean Independent School District Board of Education met in a special meeting at 7:00 p.m. on August 24, 1998. Board members present were Bob Glass, Don Dorsey, Neal Odom, John Holland, and Mike Darsey. Absent from the meeting were T.D. Simmons, and Eugene Galley. Others present were John Griffin, Superintendent, Ed Bailey, High School Principal, Leslie Darsey, Secretary, Tadhi Hayes, Structural Engineer, Cleod Billington, Steve, and Gabe from CIB, and Mr. and Mrs. O.O. Tate.

All votes were unanimous unless otherwise stated. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President, Neal Odom. Bob Glass gave the opening prayer. The board voted to accept the recommendation of Structural Engineer, Tadhi Hayes, P.E., (independently hired by McLean ISD) which would allow CIB to fill the cracks in the cement flooring with a special bonding epoxy that they would grind down to a smooth finish. A proposal by Mr. Billington was accepted

which would extend the 2-year warranty on the structural flooring of the new gym, to an additional 12 months. The legal language of the additional 12 months would address only potential, future flooring problems related to the slab. The acceptance of this proposal is subject to legal examination and review by Tadhi Hayes, P.E. (Structural engineer independently hired by McLean ISD), and McLean ISD Board of Trustees. The effective tax rate was set at \$1.45 on an unanimous vote. The audit engagement with Gordon Maddox was signed. The 1997-98 budget amendments necessary to balance funds for the year end close were approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

were in Oklahoma on business last week and a little fishing. The Robert Bruce's were in Pampa on Friday. Anita Bruce has been entertaining us with pictures of her granddaughter, Nikkie's recent wedding. Oh grandmas! Mr. and Mrs. Rush Turner and Edith Bybee visited the Jim Armbristers one evening last week. The cemetery has been mowed again and is in good shape. Denva Tidwell with her daughters and grandchildren spent last week at Six Flags and Sea World. Son Ronnie was seen doing some repair work on Denva and Bill's home while the family was gone. Visiting at First Baptist Church Sunday and enjoying lunch with us was Mr. and Mrs. Jake Bible of McLean. Visiting the Bill Tidwell's here this week is Bill's mother from Arizona. The Cross at Groom became the scene of its second wedding Saturday evening when Jim Bible (recently licensed) united one of I-40's regular truckers and his fiancée in marriage with another trucker as his best man. Jim Bible and Robert Bruce attended the annual fish fry at Pampa given

by the Baptist Association last week. Verna Carver and family of Lamesa were here at her parents' the Bill Tidwell's during the weekend. **You May Be Over The Hill If** By Lena Carter Your reader was a McGuffey reader. The Charleston dance was considered scandalous. If you remember your first "talking movie" and how strange it sounded. When hopefuls could buy a gold wedding ring for less than \$10.00. You can remember when the American Army boys were called "dough boys." The Walkie Talkies between you and your pal was two tin cans connected with a long cord. One of your chores was picking the seeds out of "leftover cotton" so Granny could card it for winter coverings. Oleo came in nice white blocks and you had to stir in the enclosed coloring. You sat for hours keeping long strips of old dresses etc straight while Granny plaited them to make rugs for the floor.

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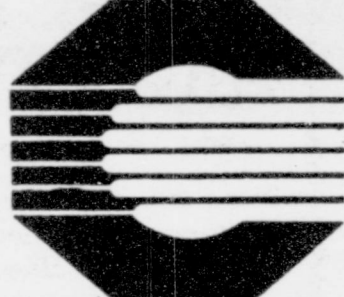
Alanreed News

By Lena Carter
A visitor at First Baptist Church Sunday was Al Anderson of Minnesota, passing through. The name Alanreed got his attention as he mentioned that was his best friends name, so he stopped. Nice. Jim and Vonnie bible

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Other bids for vehicle coverage were \$3,516.00 by Simpson Insurance Agency; \$2,553.00 by National American Insurance Co. Texas Farm Bureau was chosen over the lowest bidder due to the fact that there is a local representative in McLean, and McLean ISD received excellent service from Farm Bureau last year.

Property & Casualty was awarded to Simpson Insurance Agency bidding \$14,075.00. National American bid \$15,690.00, and TASB bid \$9,536.00. Simpson Agency was chosen due to the availability of the agent and prior service reputation.

Unemployment coverage went to TASB with a bid of \$2,146.22. One other bid was submitted by HHC for \$1,307/85. Previous coverage has been carried by TASB with good service.

Worker's compensation coverage went to Texas Educational Entity Cooperative with a bid of \$12,549.00. Other bids submitted were \$15,502.00 by TASB; \$10,115.00 by HHC; and \$13,171.00 by H.R.I. TEEC was chosen, as they had provided good, quality service throughout prior years.

Emergency student transfers were approved for Pamela Greer and Jennifer Green.

The 1998-99 budget was adopted.

An executive session was called at 9:35 p.m.

and the return to open session came at 10:40 p.m. No action was taken.

The Financial Reports A & B were approved and approval was granted to pay all bills as presented.

Minutes of Special Meeting MISD Board

The McLean independent School District Board of Education met in a special meeting at 7:00 p.m. on August 20, 1998. Board members present were Bob Glass, Don Dorsey, Neal Odom, and Mike Darsey. Absent from the meeting were John Holland, T.D. Simmons, and Eugene Galley. Also present was John Griffin, Superintendent.

The purpose of this meeting was a public hearing upon the 3.78% tax increase. As the board did not have any visitors concerning this issue, they discussed the tax rate of \$1.45, and will meet August 24th to vote accordingly.

Adjournment was at 8:00 p.m.

McLean Elementary Students Of The Week

students of the week for August 17-21, are Katrina Thomas, Kindergarten; Caleb Crawford, 1st grade; (not pictured) Emory Crawford, 2nd grade; Katie-Lane Thompson, 3rd grade; Tamara Loya, 4th grade; Kevin Smith, 5th grade; Andy Ritchie, 6th grade; Dusty Moody, 7th grade; Sonny Northcutt, 8th grade.

Amy Martin & Eli Cox Exchange Vows

Amy Michelle Martin and Eli Robert Cox III were married June 6 in the First United Methodist Church in Wolfe City.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Glenda Martin of Lone Oak, the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Vice and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Clifford of Quinlan, Texas. She is also the great-granddaughter of the Late Ott and Muriel Moore of McLean.

The groom is the son of Dr. and Mrs. E.R. Cox Jr. of Wolfe City, the grandson of Mrs. E.R. Cox and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Norton.

Escorted by her grandfather, Herb Vice the bride was given in marriage by her mother. She wore a gown of satin with lace and pearl appliques in a victorian style.

Amy Harper was the matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Jaime Smith and Mindy Robinson. Alexandra and Victoria Norton the

groom's cousins, served as flower girls. The ring bearer was Colton O'Neill, cousin of the bride.

Cody Cox, brother of the groom served as best man. Groomsmen were Chris Samples and Jason Caldwell. Ushers and candle-lighters were Robert Templeton, Ken Byre and Eric Dooley.

Nuptial music was provided by Virginia Dooley and soloist Mike O'Neill, uncle of the bride.

Houseparty members were Leslie Lemons, Haley and Kelsey Moore. Following a trip to Crested Butte, Colorado, the couple will reside in Wolfe City.

The bride graduated from Lone Oak High School in 1995 and attends TAMU-C pursuing her teaching degree.

Cox graduated from Wolfe City High School in 1993 and TAMU-C in 1997 with a degree in business. He is self employed.



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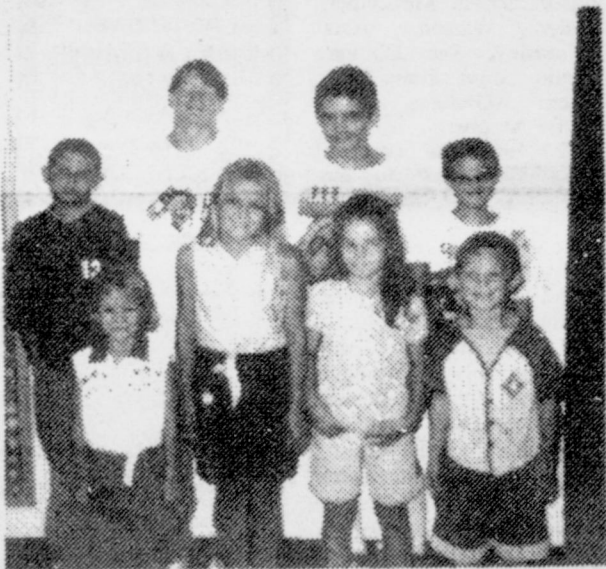
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McLean Care Center

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Rowan, Dorothy Patterson and Bessie McClemore. In the afternoon the Assembly of God had church for the residents. Those attending were Thelma Finson, Pat Seymour, Varnie Lowe, Phyllis Bowling, Ora Billingsley, Truman Goodlett, Jessie Watson, Bessie McClemore, Ruby Myers, Dick Wheeler, Christine Shipley, Dovie Simmons, Don York, Florence Drake, Duella Beverly, Glenda Martin, Gladys Andrews, Sue

Cubine, Ruby Ayers, and Dorothy Patterson. Monday began with crafts in the morning. The residents participating were Phyllis Bailey, Bessie McClemore, Truman Goodlett, Dovie Simmons, Sue Cubine, and Helen Glass. In the afternoon the residents enjoyed bingo. Those attending were Don York, Eula Morrow, Dovie Simmons, Dorothy Patterson, Ora Billingsley, Ruby Ayers, Thelma Finson, Sue Cubine, Jess Coleman, Truman Goodlett, and Gladys Andrews. Betty Lowe helped with bingo.

circle was attended by M.L. Rowan, Joe Taylor, Don York, Ross Grogan, and Jess Coleman. Current events was discussed by Ruby Ayers, Vernie Bowling, Dovie Simmons, Bessie McClemore, Dorothy Patterson, M.L. Rowan, Duella Beverly, Gladys Andrews, Marjorie Turnage, Florence Drake, Phyllis Drake, Ora Billingsley, Jess Coleman, and Thelma Finson. In the afternoon was crafts in the sun room. Later dominos were enjoyed by Dick Wheeler, Ora Billingsley, Dorothy Patterson and Dovie Simmons. Saturday afternoon the residents enjoyed a movie.

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McLean School Menu, Aug. 31

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Commissioners Approve Budget, Adopt Tax Rate

The Carson County Commissioners' Court met on August 24, 1998 with all members present. Minutes were read and approved and all claims were approved. Commissioners were

asked to inventory the county road signs in their precincts. Signs which need to be replaced will be ordered after an inventory is complete. Discussion concerning

road material to be requested from TXDOT was held. A request will be made for material to be used in Precinct #1.

Discussion was held concerning the correct disposal of herbicide and pesticide chemical containers, which have been used in the precincts. Containers

must be rinsed with water, punctured, and discarded.

A budget hearing was held concerning the '98-'99 budget. After discussion of the proposed budget of \$1,847,041.00 to operate for the new fiscal year. Amendments were made in the County Law

Library and for a full time secretary for the Justice of the Peace, Precinct #2. The amendment's added approximately \$11,050.00 to the proposed budget. The court approved the proposed budget and amendments as presented. The court adopted the tax rate of .31916/\$100. The

tax rate along with other projected income would generate \$1,865,470.00 for the general fund, with a budget expense of \$1,858,091.00. The rate is lower than the present

tax rate of .3228/\$100 value. "We are pleased with the new budget. We feel we have given areas of our county business the financial support that is needed and have eliminated expense in other areas, while keeping our tax rate in line with the present rate. Our tax rate is one of the lowest in the state," said Jay Bob Roselius.

In other business, Judge Roselius reported that the tax office had recently received the P.I.L.T. payment of \$8,122.00. The payment represents a Payment-in-Lieu of taxes on the property, which the D.O.E. Pantex Plant occupies. A payment is made annually to the County, Panhandle I.S.D., and the Ground Water District. All payments total approximately \$40,000.00.

The court released a \$100,000.00 safekeeping receipt from the State National Bank of Groom. The bank replaced the amount with a new pledge of the same amount.

A discussion was held concerning the recent train derailment on the west edge of Panhandle. The various phases of response were discussed. Commissioners' were advised of a August 27th meeting at the War Memorial Building concerning rail accidents, hazardous material spills, and leaks. Representatives of the Railroad, Response Teams, and State Emergency Management personnel will be attending along with local responders.

The court approved a \$12,500.00 contract for "on line" Data Processing with Pritchard Abbott, Inc. the contract will be for a one-year term and will provide the Tax Office with data processing services.

Court adjourned until September 14th.

We have Groom Day pix for sale at The Groom News office.

School Board and to end on March 4, 1999.

Approval was granted for the health class taught in junior high school in compliance with TEKS high school curricula for fulfillment of high school credit beginning with the 1997-98 eighth grade class.

It was approved to pay all bills and to amend the budget to allow for payment as needed.

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