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Groom Gives Springlake-Earth A Run For Their Money At Area...

Tigerettes Claim Bi-District Title



1997-98 Bi-District Champs: (back) Karen Conrad, Jessica Kepley, Carrie Davis, Jessica Stapp, and Jodi Homen. (front) Tami Ashford, Angie Conrad, Mary Hutsell, Jessica Friemel, and Melissa Anthony.

New Library Planned For White Deer

Carson County
Commissioners' Court met
on February 23 with all
members present.
Minutes were read and approved and all claims
were approved.

discussion, it was decided that considering the recent moisture and the condition of county roads, the county personnel and equipment would be extremely busy repairing

Judge Roselius introduced two guests to the Court. Ralph Tice, Mayor of Skellytown, and Leslie Rohan of Panhandle.

Mayor Tice visited with the Court about hauling re-cycled asphalt from the west side of Carson County on I-40 to Skellytown. The City previously had several trucking companies lined up to make the haul, but the plans did materialize. Mayor Tice explained that the City of Skellytown would pay the salaries and fuel cost to the county if county trucks could be used to make the haul.

After a lengthy

discussion, it was decided that considering recent moisture and the condition of county roads, equipment would be extremely busy repairing the damage, and could not begin the project. It was also discussed that maybe material closer to Skellytown could be obtained in the future, and a shorter haul could be considered.

Trucks which were previously scheduled for the haul might also be available in the future.

Commissioner Britten asked the court's permission to advertise for bids for a new loader in Precinct #1. The request was approved.

Judge Roselius introduced Leslie Rohan, who in turn reviewed preliminary plans of the new proposed White Deer

Branch Library. court approved the hiring of Mr. Rohan as architect for the project. Rohan projected the cost of the 1,230 square foot building at \$73,000.00 to \$80,000.00. Architect fees will be 8% of the cost. Judge Roselius informed the court that the plans will be presented to the Library supervisor, Terri Koetting,

who will review the plans again with the building committee. Final approval should be in March. Individuals interested in contributing to the effort can contact the following committee members: Terri Koetting, Cathy Martinez, Elice Sailor, Beverly Warminski, Kay Haikuk, Cindy Brown, Brandy Hefner, and Nena Grilley.

Judge Roselius

reviewed with the court new regulations concerning the C.D.L.

(Certified License Drivers) program. The court approved the testing of 10% of the County's C.D.L. drivers as allowed by the new regulations. Previously, 25% of the drivers were tested.

The court received proposed by-law changes of the West Texas County Judges and Commission ners Association. Action on the changes will be at the March meeting in Odessa.

The court approved a request by District Judge McCoy to pay \$8.00/hour for a temporary court coordinator until the position is filled on a permanent basis.

Court adjourned until March 9, 1998.

Groom Tigerettes won the Bi-District Championship against Samnorwood in Wheeler Tuesday night, 53-47.

Samnorwood drew first blood, popping a 3-pointer. It was touch and go with the teams trading shots and keeping the score close throughout the first half. A technical foul followed by a time out seemed to fire up the Ettes, leading them to close the gap on a 10-point lead to 4 points at the end of the half, 22-26.

"The girls played with a lot of control and a lot of poise," stated Coach Yelverton. "We got into early foul trouble and injury trouble that put us a little behind," commented Yelverton, "but the bench stepped up and played well to keep us in the game."

In the second half, Samnorwood again got their licks in first scoring two points on the inbound play. Angie Conrad and Jessica Friemel quickly popped a couple of 3-pointers to tie up the score.

"It was a well managed lead, even if it

was narrow," stated Yelverton. "We had to stay in control of the tempo in order to maintain our advances."

The final buzzer found Groom winning 53-47.
Jessica Stapp earned 14 points for the Ettes.
Jessica Friemel had 12, Melissa Anthony earned 9, Angie Conrad 7, Karen Conrad 6, Mary Hutsell 3 and Carrie Davis 2.

Ettes Lose To Lady Wolverines

The Groom Tigerettes ended their 1997-98 season Thursday night with a loss to Springlake-Earth in the race for the Area Championship.

The Ettes surprised the Springlake-Earth team with a very competitive ballcame

ballgame.

"They were rated 10th in the state," commented a very proud fan. "We gave them a run for their money that I really don't think they expected."

Groom started out a little slow scoring only 4 points in the opening quarter to the Lady Wolverines 18 points.

"They had an awesome See Ettes, pg. 3

Community Calendar...

GROOM SCHOOLS will take TAAS Tests March 3-5th.

SPRING BREAK for Groom ISD will be March 9-13.

U.I.L. Contestants will compete in Canadian on Feb. 28.

ON MARCH 13 & 14, Groom Junior High and High School will attend a track meet in Lefors.

GROOM JR. HIGH will hold a track meet here, on March 7.

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Local Happenings

Allison Eatmon recently won a gold medal in a practice meet in Pampa. Eatmon along with other students competed against schools that ranged in size from 1A to 5A in the Spelling and Vocabulary competition.

Rebecca Yelverton's sister passed away last week after a long bout with cancer. She lived in the Houston area. Services were held on Monday, February 23.

Card Of Thanks

Our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to all our friends for the cards, prayers, and visits during and after the loss of our loved one, Earnest Adcox. We are sorry if we missed anyone. We also thank the Church of Christ for the lovely service. What would one do without friends and neighbors. We love all of you.

The family of E.E. Adcox

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Groom School Menu March 2-6

Monday Breakfast:
Cold cereal, oats,
muffins, juice, milk.
Lunch: Ham, scalloped
potatoes, green beans,
pull apart bread, cheese
cake, milk.

Tuesday Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk. Lunch: Lasagna, salad, fried okra, breadsticks, fresh orange slices, milk.

Wednesday Breakfast:
Breakfast burritoes, hash
browns, juice, milk.
Lunch: Chicken breast
nuggets, mashed potatoes,
green beans hot rolls,
strawberry shortcake,
milk.

Thursday Breakfast:
Biscuits, gravy, bacon,
juice, milk. Lunch:
Enchiladas, pinto beans,
shredded lettuce, Spanish
rice, tortilla pieces,
peaches, milk.

Friday Breakfast:
Donuts, cinnamon rolls,
juice, milk. Lunch:
Sandwiches, shaved ham,
bologna or tuna salad,
pickle spears, pears, milk.

Groom Birthdays Anniversaries

February 26 - Katy Leann Britten, Jo Ann Musser.

February 27 - Tracy
Jay Britten, Juandell
Ritter, Mrs. Kenneth W.
Babcock, Howard G.
Britten, Clinton
Wakefield.

February 28
Matthew Keith Fields,
Mrs. Harris E. Howard,
Gary Don Davis.

February 29 - Erma Ray Rutherford, Mary Spencer.

March 1 - Sharri Renee Britten, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Merrick (A), Mr. and Mrs. D.A. (Hap) Watson (A).

Watson (A).

March 2 - Kenny
Schultz, Kenneth Ray
Burger, Tommy Head.

March 3 - Dara D'Ann Whatley, Curtis Whatley, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Burgin (A), Mr. and Mrs. C. Wayne Stroope (A), Mr. and Mrs. Anthony C.(Tony) Britten (A), Mr. and Mrs. Harvey (Ed) Gray (A).

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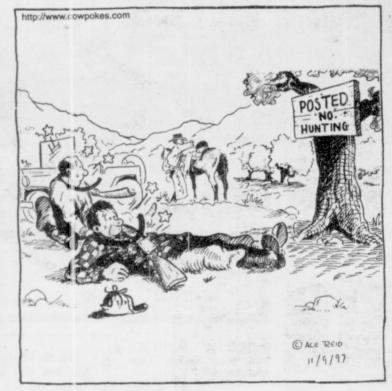
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Tigers Beat Adrian In Warm-up

played a warm up game Saturday against Adrian as they prepare for the

The Groom Tigers won 46-43 in a very exciting game.

Josh Evenson led the

scoring with 17 points. Bi-District bid. The boys Jimmy Chavedo added another 13. Weinheimer earned Daniel another 10. Treadwell added in another 3, Toby Burgin 2, and Chris Ollinger 1.

Groom JV & Junior High 1998 Football Schedule

Date		Opponent	Location	Time
09-10	*	Samnorwood	Groom	6:00
09-17				
09-24	**	Silverton	TBA	5:00
10-01	**	McLean	Groom	5:00
10-08	**	Follett	Follett	5:00
10-15	*	Ft. Elliott	Groom	6:00
10-22	**	Miami	Miami	5:00
		Lefors	Lefors	6:00
11-05	*	Higgins	Groom	6:00
		* Denotes JH Only	Game	
		** Denotes Both J		
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Groom Tigers 1008 Football Schodule

	1990 FOOLDA	ii Schedule		
Date	Opponent	Location	Time	
08-21	Lazbuddie (S)	Silverton	5:00	
08-28	Hedley (S)	Hedley	TBA	
09-04	Ama Christian	Groom	7:30	
09-11	Samnorwood	Samnorwood	7:30	
09-18	New Home	Silverton	7:00	
09-25	Cotton Center	Cotton Center	7:30	
10-02	McLean	Groom	7:30	
10-09	Follett *	Groom	7:30	
10-16	Ft. Elliott *	Ft. Elliott	7:30	
10-23	Miami *	Groom	7:30	
10-30	Lefors *	Groom	7:30	
11-06	Higgins*	Higgins	7:30	
	(S) Denotes Scrimn			
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Ettes

defense," stated Coach Randy Yelverton. "We "We had to make adjustments in offense. It took us a little while to make the changes, slipping behind in the first quarter."

The Ettes got their momentum going in the second quarter, narrowing the gap to 6 points at one time and ending the first half 17/25.

Groom continued to rally in the third quarter shooting from the outside. Springlake-Earth managed to extend their lead with their post game.

"The girls played with a lot of heart and with poise even though we were behind. I'm really proud of them. The Senior players can look back at their final game with pride. They did a fabulous job against an outstanding team. They kept their cool in the face of adversity. This is the kind of teamwork and sportsmanship that we try to impart to our younger players.

The final tally was Groom 40 - Springlake-Earth 59. High point scorer was Jessica Stapp with 10, followed by Mary Hutsell with 9. Angie Conrad earned 7, Jessica Friemel 6, Tami Ashford, Melissa Anthony, Karen Conrad and Jodie Homen each

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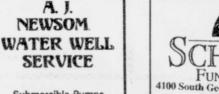
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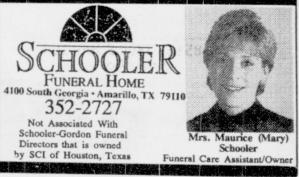
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Sixth Grade: Clay Owen Britten, Weinheimer, Carol Wilson.

Seventh Grade: Jill

Britten.

Eighth Grade: Cassie Ashford, Candice Bohr, Garrett Britter, Wyatt Britten, Luke Pavlovsky, Hugh Weinheimer.

Ninth Grade: Brooke Britten. Britten, Macie Michele Stephers.

Tenth Grade: Dustin Babcock, Travis Britten, Allison Eatmon, Sarah Hutsell.

Eleventh Grade: Karen Conrad, Josh Evenson, Fields, Jessica Stapp, Wyatt Weinheimer, Dara Whatley.

Twelfth Grado: Melissa Anthony, Tami Ashford, KayLynn Britten, Toby Burton, Burgin. April Jimmy Chavedo, Angie Conrad, Michael Stephens, Maggie Thomas.

All A's & B's Fourth Grade Malorie Homen, Brandon Jenkins, Jamie Moore.

Fifth Grade: Ashley Jackson.

Grade: Lorri Britten, Joaenea Horn, Howard, Jennifer Caren Jenkins, Britteny Martin.

Seventh Grade: Cody Brin Burgin, Babcock, Crowell, Doug Lauren Fields, Stephany Fraser, Amanda Martin, Amber

Eighth Grade: Staci Barnett, Cody Bivens, Karri Britten, Krisanne Davis, Clay Ritter.

Ninth Grade: Marci Babcock, Skye Brown, Courtney Sustaire, Grant Weinheimer.

Tenth Grade: Evan Crowell, Jessica Kepley, Wade Chris Ollinger, Ritter, Josiah Scott.

Eleventh Grade: Cody Britten, Marcus Miller, Jacey Richardson, Jamie Shuck, Daniel Treadwell.

Twelfth Grade: Jessica Friemel, Mary Hutsell.

Christian Mother's Hold Spring Fling

Christian Mothers met at the home of Julie Friemel on Monday, February 23 at 7 p.m.

After an opening prayer, President Alice Kuehler, presided over the business meeting. Alice and Joann Britten reported that the stove and ovens at the Parish Hall have been repaired.

The Spring Fling held, Sunday, February 22 was

attended by 78 people. A special thank you was extended to the Circle Chairmen for their work and to the Jr. CYO members and their sponsors for the preparations and serving of the meal. Tom and Doris were Britten selected as Family of the Year. The members extended congratulations to the deserving couple

and expressed a thank you to them for their support of our parish family throughout the years.

The Spring Deanery Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 2, 1998 at White Deer. The theme for the meeting will be Bearing the Fruits of the Spirit-Becoming a Community of Peace, Joy, and Love. A Silent Auction will be held and tickets may be purchased Kuehler. from Alice Any member wishing to attend the event, as a delegate or participant, should contact Alice.

Monetary donations were made to the Groom After Graduation Party, The Downtown Women's Center in Amarillo, the Right to Life postage expense, and the Mothers Christian Scholarship Fund. Anyone wishing to make donation Scholarship Fund may do by contacting SO treasurer, Marla Britten.

First Communion and Confirmation will be held on Saturday, April 25, at the 5:30 p.m. Mass with Bishop Yanta attending.

President Alice Kuehler appointed a nominating committee for the 1998-2000 officers consisting of Norma Jean Homer, Susan Britten, and Kay Britten. Members are asked to respond with a 'Yes", if contacted to be an officer.

For the second year in row members voted to hold a No Bake Easter Sale during the month of April. Donations may be given to Marla Britten or Alice Kuehler.

Members are asked to

continue to pray Monica Weinheimer.

Hostesses for Julie meeting were Friemel, Mary Treadwell, Kathy Webb, and Mitzi Moraniec.

Groom FFA Celebrates National FFA Week

Groom FFA celebrating National FFA Week along with the rest of the country.

Future Farmers America is a club that promotes the farming, agri-business, ranching, and animal sciences to high school members.

Local officers are Todd Gray, president; Toby vice-president; Blake Barnett, secretary; April Burton, treasurer; Kori Brown, reporter; and David Fields, sentinel.

These vocational agriculture students are the future leaders of the farming American industry. We are proud to salute them and all their members during this week of recognition.

Winkcompleck Earns Safe Driving Award

On Tuesday, February the Oklahoma Trucking Association in conjunction with the Oklahoma Safety Management Council, ecognized Mr. Dean Winkcompleck as the recipient of a Million Safe Driving

Mr. Winkcompleck has been an Owner/Operator, for Arrow Company of Tulsa, Oklahoma for the past ten years and has driven over one million, accident free miles. He tool and a general guide and his wife Helen, make by the city in anticipating their home in Groom, Texas.

If you relate the miles Mr. Winkcompleck has driven at Arrow to the number of times the same amount of miles would go around the Earth, he would have made 40 trips around the world. And that is in all kinds of traffic and weather conditions, without a single accident.

Panhandle Conservation District Hears Reports

The following news release is taken from the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District No. 3's publication.

newly-elected The Panhandle Ground Water District directors are Frank Simms, Precinct 2, Charles Bowers, Precinct Thompson, Jim Precinct 6, and Danny Hardcastle, Precinct 8.

District personnel are currently in the process of taking measurements 450 wells from throughout the District. These same wells are measured annually for the decline program. are tagged and the operators of the wells know that their well is being measured.

By measuring the static levels in these selected wells the district is able to ascertain the rate of withdrawal from Ogallala Aquifer. These measurements are also used to construct a water depletion map for people claiming water depletion for IRS tax purposes. These measurements are also sent to the Texas Water Development Board for their state-wide water level monitoring program.

currently compiling water within the District. The main purpose of the water assessments is to estimate each city's future water consumption and evaluate the adequacy of that city's current water supplies to meet future demands. assessment is intended to be used as a planning future water needs. It is

District

hoped these that assessments will allow ample time for development of additional future water sources, if they are necessary.

Virtually all the cities in the Texas Panhandle rely wholly or partially on the Ogallala aquifer municipal water. Unfortunately, the Ogallala aquifer is being depleted through groundwater mining. Most of the water that is withdrawn from aquifer is not being replaced by recharge. Therefore, alternate water additional sources or groundwater rights may have to be developed to replace the water derived form the Ogallala aquifer. In the interim, water conservation is essential to extend the life of the Ogallala aquifer.

Water The Texas Development Board \$750,000 approved a Agricultural Water Conservation loan to the District on January 15,

The money is to be used to provide low interest loans to area farmers and ranchers to install more efficient water conservation equipment. .sonAiss loan requires 20 percent down and may be made for up to eight years. Money will be lent recoverable parts only. The estimated interest on this loan should be between 6.1 and 6.3 percent.

Farmers and ranchers within the District are eligible to apply for a loan. The money will be lent on a first come, first served, basis.



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Programs Offer Eligible Low Income Consumers Assistance On Phone Bills

By the Federal Communications Commission

There are two special programs aimed at assisting eligible low-income consumers with their telephone bills.

One helps consumers with telephone connection fees and the other with monthly bills.

The programs are called ""Lifeline"" and "L i n k - U p" a n d information about them can be obtained from your local phone company and State Utilities Commission.

The ""Lifeline"" program provides between \$3.50 and \$7.00 per month to assist with monthly charges. The amount will vary depending on decisions made by the state commission, such as whether to provide state support.

But eligible low income consumers will receive at least a \$3.50 reduction on their telephone bill from the federal universal service support program.

The reduction applies only to a single phone line at the qualifying consumers' principal place of residence.

To qualify for ""Lifeline"" in states that provide state support, a consumer must meet the certain criteria established by the state commission.

In states that do not provide state support, to be eligible a consumer must participate in one of these programs: Medicaid; food stamps; Social Security Income (SSI); federal public housing

assistance; or the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

All qualifying consumers are eligible for single party service, access to emergency services, operator and directory assistance, and free "toll limitation services," if the carrier is capable of providing those services.

Toll limitation includes toll blocking (which prevents the placement of any long-distance calls) and toll control, which limits the amount of long-distance calls to a dollar amount by the consumer.

Carriers providing
""Lifeline"" may not
collect a service deposit
in order to initiate
""Lifeline"" service if the

qualifying low-income consumer voluntarily elects toll blocking.

The other program, "Link-Up," offers eligible low-income consumers:

* a reduction in the local telephone company's charges for starting service (the reduction is one-half of the telephone company's charge or \$30.00, whichever is less) and

* deferred payments with no interest on charges for starting service.

"Link-Up" does not reduce or eliminate any permissible security deposits.

The "Link-Up" reduction applies to a single telephone line at the eligible consumers' principal place of residence.

Consumer qualifications for Link-Up are the same as for ""Lifeline.""

Consumers should check with their state to see what they qualify for. For more information,

For more information, write the FCC Office of Public Affairs, Public Service Division, 1919 M Street NW, Room 254, Washington, D.C., 20554.

Study Guides Now Available On TABS

Additional help will soon be available to students who do not pass one or more parts of the statewide assessment, the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS). The Texas Education Agency (TEA) is developing the TAAS developing Study Guides to help students strengthen the mathematics, reading, writing, science, and studies skills social measured by TAAS.

According to Principal Danny Chisum he thinks the study guides are an excellent idea.

"We provide special instruction for students who may need extra help," he stated. "Our school has some of the best classroom instruction materials. We already had the Saxon math program in place. We have a new accelerated reading program and have begun the Shurly Method this year."

"These study guides are very inexpensive and will help familiarize the student and parent with the test."

The study guides are being created for third grade through exit level (high school). The exit level guide, "Working Through TAAS," was delivered to public schools in December so that students who have not passed the exit level TAAS, a requirement for graduation from all Texas public high schools, are the first to benefit from these materials. Study guides for third through eighth grades are expected to be available in summer 1998.

Mike Moses,
Commissioner of
Education, said, "The
activities in the study
guides cover the same
skills that are taught in
school and are tested on
TAAS. The guides help
students and their parents
understand each skill,
realize why it is
important, and see how it
relates to everyday life."

The guides may be used to help reinforce the skills of all students, including those who have performed successfully on TAAS. Moses said, "We believe that the best foundation for successful performance on TAAS is that curriculum provides students many opportunities to read for meaning, solve mathematical problems in a variety of real life contexts, and write for a variety of purposes and The TAAS audiences. Study Guides, based on same foundation, provide material that can be easily used inside or outside the classroom."

All high school students who do not pass one or more parts of TAAS will receive a free study guide from their

schools after the fall 1997 testing. Other high school students or their parents may obtain copies of the study guides for \$5.00 per guide after January 1, 1998 by calling 1-888-35-STUDY. The guides for Grades 3 through 8 will be available summer 1998.

TEA, in August 1996, selected an educational assessment publisher, Harcourt Brace Educational Measurement of San Antonio, to be its partner in developing the TAAS Study Guides. Together, TEA and Harcourt Brace Educational Measurement considered input from educators, parents, students, and content-area experts to develop the study guides.

On The Sick List
Al Homer, Evelyn
Hubbart, Monica
Weinheimer, Bertha
Knight, Bettye West.

More Local Happenings

Our new resident, Mr. Scott Shurley, is having James Hefley auction many of his life time possessions this week end in McLean. See page 14 for more information.

Memories of Saturday Night

THE THE

By John Reed Dear Editor:

I thought some old timers might identify with this:

I remember back when we took our bath on Saturday night

In the kitchen by the old wood stove, in the coal oil light.

You were lucky to be first in the tub.

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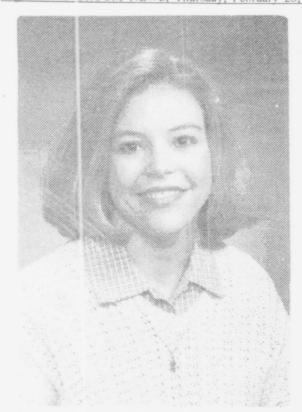
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Italy, student from Matteo Labidini, at Clarendon student High School this school

Tamara Ashford was chosen as the honoree High Groom from School.

She is an honor student at Groom High School and is president of the National Honor Society, vice-president of the Student Council, served as vice-president of the Junior Class and was a year-book staff member for two years. She has been active in UIL speech events and played basketball for four

three varsity team. She also played varsity golf, ran cross country and was a cheerleader two years. She is a member of Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Ashford is secretary-treasurer of her senior Girl Scout troop and a member for the sixth year of her church choir. Her parents are Jerry and Pam Ashford.

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ROUTE

Thursday February 26, 1998

School Board Approves Final Senior Trip For MHS; Hires Burch and Crockett

Independent Schoo District Board of Education met in regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on February 19 1998. Board members present were Jay Dec Fish, Bob Glass, Dor Dorsey, Billie Ward Galley, Eugene Neal Odom and John Holland. Others present were John Griffin, superintendent, Leslie Darsey and Margaret Milam, secretaries, Dick Crockett, elementary principal, and Edgar Bailey, high school principal. Visitors present were Cledon and Greg Billington, James and Candy Burch, Jacque Riley, Bill Layman, Anthony Albus, Jennifer Barker, Jeremy Ramsey,

and Jane Herndon. All votes were unanimous unless otherwise stated.

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by President, Jay Dee Fish. Opening prayer was led by Bob Glass. Minutes of the regular meeting held January 14th were

approved.
The Board approved a

presented by Jennifer Barker, class president, and senior, Anthony Albus. The trip will be 3 days and 2 nights to Arlington. The motion stated that any/all sponsor changes be approved by Mr. Griffin.

A motion made by Neal Odom, seconded by John Holland that the current class of seniors (1998) be the last to have a senior trip and that all future school sponsored senior trips be eliminated was passed by the following votes, Jay Dee Fish, Neal Odom, Billie Ward, Don Dorsey and John Holland voted for the motion. Voting against the motion was Bob Glass and Eugene Galley.

The board agreed to visit with the City of McLean to acquire property for the proposed site of future gymnasium construction by Cledon Billington.

The board went into executive session at 9:13 p.m. and returned to open session at 12:20

Teacher/Coach James Burch was hired in a unanimous decision.

Elementary Dick Crockett's contract was renewed unanimously.

The board went into executive session at 12:25 a.m. and returned at 1:12 a.m. Motion was made by Eugene Galley to renew High School Principal-Edgar Bailey's contract. The motion died due to the lack of a second.

Board elections were called for and Molly McDowell was approved as Election Judge. She will choose her own

A Board amendment was approved to move budgeted money between functions.

West Texas Rural Counties Association was approved as the employee health insurance provider effective March 1, 1998.

It was approved to purchase additional computers needed.

The Financial Report B, and C were

See School Board, pg. 12



Holly Jasper, a student at Clarendon College, was a Homecoming Queen candidate for the 1998 ceremony which took place, February 12. Also pictured is Cody Sander of Woodward, Oklahoma who was a Homecoming King candidate.

Bud Simpson & Sue Cubine Named Valentine Royalty

By Heidi Gamble Saturday residents along with family and friends gathered for the Valentine's party. Residents crowned their 1998 Valentine's King, Bud Simpson, but was unable to crown their Sue Cubine, Queen, because she was in the She will be crowned as soon as possible.

Sunday many residents attendance was low for both Sunday school and church.

Monday afternoon residents gathered for Residents bingo. attending were Dorothy Patterson, Bud Simpson, Dick Wheeler, Teresa Richardson, Ora Billingsley, Ruby Ayers, Lopez Hauck, Don York, and Thelma Finson.

Tuesday morning resients enjoyed a social given by the Church of Christ. Only 12 residents felt up to coming out.

There were 7 from the church who came to Those were serve. George and Watson, Jim, Ella Mae and Becca Marjorie Fish, and LaRue Hambright.

In residents gathered for dominos.

On morning residents gathered Wednesday for the Morning felt under the weather, so Circle then moved over to watch "Price is Right" afterwards.

afternoon. In the residents gathered to watch another "Ma & Pa Kettle" movie. Those attending were Lula Sheegog, Dovie Simmons, Thelma Finson, Vernee Bowling, Emma Graham, Don York, Ruby Ayers, Hadda Moore, Varnie Lowe, and Lopez Hauck.

On Thursday morning residents played a game

National Honor Society To Host Ball To Aid Scholarship **Fund Saturday**

McLean High School chapter of the National Honor Society scheduled Scholarship Ball Saturday night at the Devil's Rope Museum. "Our idea was to have a prom for the adults in McLean," Rachel Galley, president of the group, said. "We wanted to provide an alcohol free, smoke free environment for people to come and dance to music they danced to in high school."

The group is limiting participation to those over the age of 25. want this to be a special party just for adults, Galley said. proceeds from the dance will fund the NHS scholarship fund. use all the money for a scholarship for one or two of our senior members," she said.

Tickets for the dance are available at the door. During the evening a prom queen and king will be crowned, and photographs of evening will be available.

McLean Reminders ...

Be sure to get your ticket for the drawing benefiting the McLean Fire Department. See Page 10 for details!

NEW HOURS FOR Family Healthcare Clinic of McLean Mondays & Fridays:

1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tuesday & Thursdays: of basketball. In the 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. & See Care Center, pg. 10 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Moriah McCracken Earns DAR Good Citizen Award

Pampas Chapter of the Daughters of American Revolution on February 22nd, at the Chamber of Pampa Commerce. They were chosen by their respective schools for exemplifying the DAR Good Citizen award requirements of dependability, leadership, service and patriotism. Presenting the program was the AFS exchange student from Italy, Matteo Labidini, a student at Clarendon High School this school

Moriah McCracken was See McCracken, pg. 14



Moriah McCracken

Care Center News



Vernee Bowling recently gets her hair done by Inez Trostle at McLean's Care Center.

This past Sunday there was a large attendance for both Sunday School and Church.

Monday morning many residents gathered to finish their Valentines. In the afternoon fourteen residents gathered for bingo. Those playing were Lopez Hauck, Don

York, Dick Wheeler, Dorothy Patterson, Ruby Ayers, Ora Billingsley, Mattie Bailey, Phyllis Bailey, Teresa Richardson, Truman Goodlett, Jessie Watson, Thelma Finson, Dovie Simmons, and Thelma Hopkins with Betty Lowe

and Josh Parsons helping.

You are cordially invited to the McLean national Honor Society Scholarship Ball

the 28th day of February Ninetern Hundred and Ninety-Eight at 7 o'clock in the evening

Devil's Rope Museum in McLean.

No one under twenty-five will be admitted to the Ball Admission: Dive dollars per person. All proceeds will go to the annual NHS Scholarship which is awarded to one Senior NHS Member The event is alcohol free and smoke free. If you are unable to attend, but would like to make a donation, please make checks payable to The McLean Honor Society P.O Box 69, McLean, Jx. 79057

Residents got together Tuesday to play dominos. Attending were Bug Simpson, Dick Wheeler, Ora Rowan, Billingsley, and Teresa Richardson.

Wednesday morning circle was enjoyed by seventeen residents. They enjoyed the donuts furnished by Linda Syfrett. Afterwards they gathered by the T.V. for the "Price is Right." In the afternoon the Wesley Class from the Methodist Church came to serve at an ice cream social. Residents enjoying the event were Lopez Hauck, Pansy Mounce, Dovie Simmons, Vernee Simmons, Vernee Bowling, Helen Glass, Thelma Finson, Dorothy Patterson, Ora Billingsley, M.L. Turner, M.L. Rowan, Mattie Bailey, Phyllis Bailey, Leon Tate, Silvia McClellan, Dick Wheeler, Mable Dickey, Ruby Ayers, Jessie Watson, Hadda Moore, and Ross Grogan. serving Ladies were Wilma Barker, Betty Lowe, Mary Powell, and Wanda Bailey, with Ruth Magee playing the piano.

Thursday morning residents gathered for a game of Ring Toss and bingo in the then Attending afternoon. bingo were Mattie Bailey, Ayers, Phyllis Ruby Bailey, Duella Beverly, Bud Simpson, Jessie Watson, Ora Billingsley, Dick Wheeler, Mable Don York, Dickey, Dorothy Patterson, Teresa Richardson, and Dovie Simmons.

morning the Friday foot doctor was at the home, so most of the residents were busy with

her in the morning. In the afternoon, residents got together for some games of dominos.

Care Center

afternoon those residents who felt better got together for bingo. Those playing were Ruby Ayers, Ora Billingsley, Thelma Finson, Hauck, Varnie Lopez Lowe, Dorothy Patterson, Teresa Richardson, M.L. Rowan, Dovie Simmons, Bud Dick Simpson,

Friday morning residents enjoyed talking about current events and they watched "Price Is Right" in the morning. By afternoon residents were getting tired, but some still gathered for

The birthday scheduled has changed to Febraury 28.

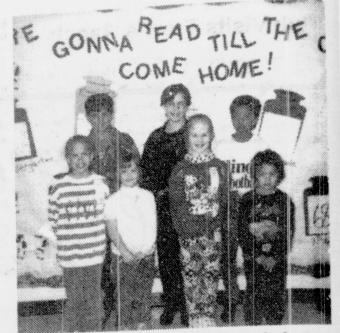
District Governor Addresses Lion's Club

McLear Lion's Club met February 16 at 6:30 p.m. at the McLean Lion's Club Building. The keynote speaker was District Governor Joe A. Walters of Friona. Governor Walters addressed the group about goals and concerns of Lion's Club.

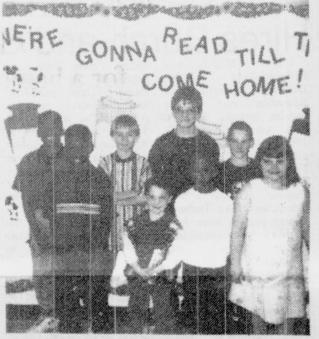
In the McLean Lion's meeting of February 2, Dr. Joe Lowry was a guest. Dr. Lowry is from Pampa and associated with Columbia Medical Center in Pampa.

Lion's Club has begun the practice of honoring McLean students. Those honored for February are Stalls, Shaley Hefley, Traci Seitz, Bonnie Hauck, Lorin Hall and Crystal McClellan.

Anyone interested joining Lion's Club is invited to attend a meeting. Lion's Club meeting. meets the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at the Lion's Club Building on Main St. The time is 6:30.



McLean Elementary Students of the week for February 9-13: David Tyosh, Tammy Syfrett, Lacee Wallis, Erin Bailey, Nicolas Odom, Antonio Montoya, Delinda Simpson, and Ben



McLean Elementary Students of the week for February 16-20: Mark Jeffries, Ben Thompson, Matthew Jeffries, Shay Nobles, Troy Pendleton, Zane Richardson, Dusty Moody, and Anthony Bailey.

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Club Visits Trew's Ranch

For their February 19th meeting the Pioneer Study Club traveled to the Trew Ranch. They met in the newly refurbished "Bunkhouse" which has now become a guest house. This was

originally part of the Charlie McMurtry Ranch and was known as "Red Camp" in the 1920's.

Camp" in the 1920's. Ruth Trew told the story of how she and Delbert got the materials and did the work of making the building a very interesting exhibit filled with antiques and sculptures. Ruth asked the members if they could tell what would be the hardest item to replace if a tornado should wipe out the house. The answer was a pork brains can. Ruth concluded by reading an essay by Delbert entitled

"Mr. Pack Rat" telling of their experiences with the unusual habits of said animal during their reconstruction of the building.

In the absence of the president, Vice-President, Beverly Odom conducted the business meeting. Bonnie Nell Fabian read the minutes which were approved and Margaret

Grogan gave a treasury report. The Senior Tea was discussed.

Ruth Magee hostess and served her famous carrot cake, olives, candies, hors'd'oeuvres, coffee and tea to: Jerry Corbin, Kristie Crockett, Mary Dwyer, Bonnie Nell Fabian, Margaret Grogan, Wanda Lamb, Sherrie Martindale, Zelda McClellan, Loyce Murray, Beverly Odom, Jenny Stubbs, Susie Thompson,

Mary Emma Woods, and Ella Mae Reyna. Lynda Lankford, and Thelma Stephens were guests.

Obituaries

Neva J. Ford
DUMAS - Neva J.
Ford, 82, died
Wednesday, February 4,
1998.

Services were in Amarillo. Mrs. Ford was born in Oklahoma. She had been a bookkeeper for many years at Elliott Office Supply before retiring.

Her husband, H.C.
"Bud" Ford, and a
daughter, Joyce Elaine
Willis, preceded her in
death. Mrs. Ford was
the daughter of long-time
ago residents of McLean,
Mr. and Mrs. Mike
Flowers, (now deceased).
She preceded in death
by a few days, her

sister-in-law, Jerry Flowers who passed away February 12, 1998.

Survivors include a son, Michael Lynn Willis of Dumas; a brother, L.E. Flowers; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family request memorials to the American Diabetes Association.

Jerry Flowers
Jerry Flowers, 75, of
Amarillo, died Thursday,
February 12, 1998.
Services

Services were in Amarillo. Mrs. Flowers

was born in Caddo, Oklahoma, and moved to Amarillo in 1922. She married L.E. Flowers in 1942 at Fresno, California. She was the daughter-in-law of long ago residents of McLean, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Flowers and the sister-in-law of Neva Ford who passed away on February 4, 1998.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Gary Flowers of Amarillo and Tony Flowers of Panhandle; a brother, Joe Craghead of Amarillo; a sister, Loneta Fuqua of Amarillo; and four grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the National Arthritis Foundation.

Let's Meet



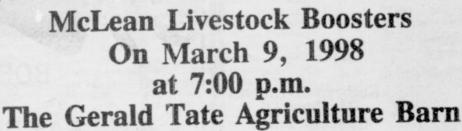
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McLean Briefs

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McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

February 26 - Charles Wynn, Thelma Stevens, Stella Lee, Nathanial Roberts.

February 27 - Dianna Hallum, Lillie Mae Williams, Ruben Flores.

February 28 - Mike

February 29 - Mike Harkins.

March 1 - Shane Coleman, Betty Mackie, Marvis Godfrey.

March 2 - David Swafford, Allison Hill. March 3 - Ann

Pierce, Glenda White.

March 4 - Norma Sue
(Hill) Bassett, Jacque
Riley, Herschel Wolfe,
Lee Ayn Jordan.

Arcade Hosts Pool Tournament

In the Fat Fender's Arcade pool tournament on Saturday the 21st, there were 20 entries.

The individual pool tournament was won by Kyle Payne. He also won the team tournament with his friend Aaron.

In the air hockey tournament, Landon Music was the winner.

Rev. Quinton Newton, owner of Fat Fender's Arcade, hopes to have a pool tournament every third Saturday from now on.

School Lunch Menu

March 2-6
Monday Breakfast:
Scrambled eggs, sausage,
toast, juice, milk. Lunch:
Hot dogs with chili,
cheese, French fries,
pickle spears, cake, milk.

Tuesday Breakfast: Hot or cold cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, hot rolls, milk.

Wednesday Breakfast:
French toast, bacon,
juice, milk. Lunch:
Chicken noodle soup,
peanut butter or tuna
sandwich, vegetable
sticks, crackers, fruit,
milk.

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January bills were approved to be paid as presented.

Adjournment came at 1:30 a.m.

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salad, breadstick, fruit,

milk.
Friday Breakfast:
Cinnamon rolls, fruit,
juice, milk. Lunch:
Smoked sausage, pinto
beans, cold slaw, Texas
toast, jello, milk.

Card Of Thanks
I wanted to send a special thanks out to the McLean Volunteer Fire Department for their quick response to my house fire. If it had not have been for the volunteers of this town, I would have lost everything. You guys

are wonderful.
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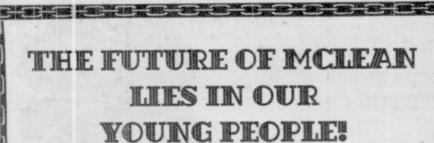
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Kathryn Herndon Daughter Of Clint & Dawn Herndon



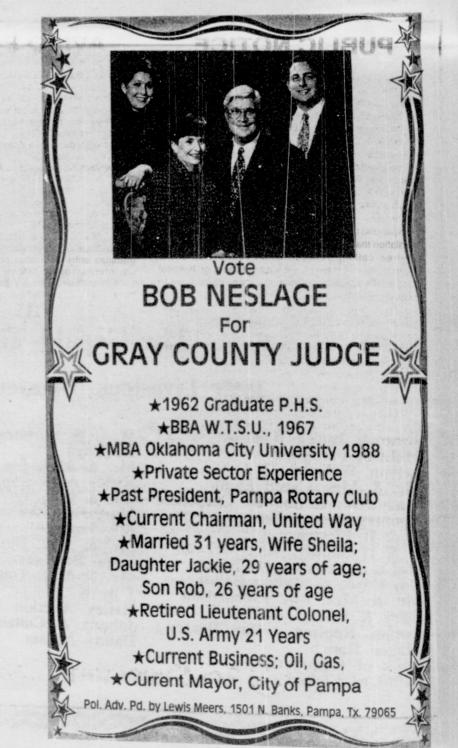
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Alanreed Dampened With .60 Inch Rain

Alanreed News By Lena Carter On the sick list this week was Anita Bruce.

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

Sid and Orvil Keese along with several other archers were Oklahoma Sunday for a

Lila (Massey) Hibler of Wheeler former resident here buried on was Saturday. Mrs. Hibler was a niece of the late Brooks and Jessie Magee, old timers here.

Cathy Dorsey was in Pampa this week for a Republican conference.

received approximately .60 inches

of rain from our recent showers.

The Twentieth Century Study Club met at the Red River Steak House in McLean for a delayed Christmas party, Feb. 12. were provided a table big enough for the entire club and all ordered some very good Those attending and enjoying the same

were Relia Ayres, Brooks, Laverne Lena Carter, Virginia Dalton, Mary Laura Edleman, Groves, Oleta Harris, Sherry Martindale, Ruth McLain, Cliffie Heasley, Mary Powel, Lillie Williams Laura's and daughter Linda. All the program was questionnaire on drastic changes in lives in the last century.

Rush and Nora Turner most of Rush's children at home last week as they were here for their Aunt Birtie Lee

Smith's funeral.

The First Baptist Church hosted a most enjoyable old fashioned singing at the church Saturday night, Feb. 15 with solos, duets and trios singing gospel music. Refreshments of cookies and coffee were served in the kitchen They also afterward. received a gift of a home organ last week.

Jim and Vonnie Bible attended the special dinner at First Baptist McLean Church Sunday.

Lady Tigers Lose In Practice Game

Friday night McLean's Lady Tigers matched up against Follett in practice game, which ended with Follett 42 and McLean 36. Rachel Galley led the Lady Tigers with 13. Amanda Cline had 9, Shaley Stalls 8, Lacey Steel 4, Lori Hefley and Lauren Williams had 1.

Tuesday night McLean met Silverton for the bidistrict game at the Clarendon Junior College The Owls came gym. away with a 43-30 victory.

"After half time we were within six points of Silverton... We didn't play a bad game. finished up the season 16-10," said girls' coach Paula Waters.

Two of the Lady Tigers were named All-District; Senior Shaley Stalls, daughter of Mr. Stalls; and Mrs. Randy and Junior Rachel Galley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Galley.

Three players made honorable mention: Hefley, Senior Lori daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Hefley; Junior Vanessa Glass, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lynch Glass; and Sophomore Amanda Cline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Sanderson.

Healthcare Clinic Hours Change

The following press release was received from Columbia Medical Center of Pampa.

The hours of Family Healthcare Clinic of Miami and of the Family Healthcare Clinic of McLean are changing.

In an effort to make our services available to the people of both towns we have decided to change the hours of the Family Healthcare Clinic McLean and Miami, effective immediately. The new Clinic Hours will be as follows:

Family Healthcare Clinic

Mondays & Fridays: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon Wednesdays: 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. & 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Family Healthcare Clinic

of McLean Mondays & Fridays: 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tuesday & Thursdays: 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. &

2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. We believe that the changes will result in better availability and allow us to provide the High same Quality

Healthcare to the people of both communities.



You May Be Over The Hill If.

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Dad let you pull off your shoes in the early spring and walk behind the turning plow and feel the fresh dirt between your toes.

When the man of the house "rolled" his own cigarette from a bag of Bull Durham that sold 6 bags for a quarter and Mom ripped and carefully washed the empty bags to be used in piecing quilts.

Or Mom made you go cut your own switch as double punishment for your infraction and "woe be unto you" if you didn't get a good one.

Or you had to "wind" up the old victrola when spring had the fixed so broken and times many it constant.

You announced you weren't feeling so good and Mom got down her big old "Doctor Book" and diagnosed your illness and treated you according to the symptoms.

Or you were set to work with a grubbing hoe, grubbing out sprouts on a piece of "new" ground Dad wanted to plant in.

Susan RIPPLEHORN
County Clerk

The county clerk is a manager and organizer responsible for directing the employees of the office, developing a yearly budget and then living within that budget, meeting the needs of the public on a day-to-day basis and keeping a very involved office running smoothly. I have an extensive background in bookkeeping, accounting, management and computer operations, and I believe these skills will make for a good county clerk. I also have a proven record of getting things accomplished and accomplished well. If you are

I'm Susan Tripplehorn and I would sincerely appreciate your vote!

looking for an organized manager to be your county clerk, then

Pd. Pol. Adv. by Susan Tripplehorn, Rt.2 Box 76, Pampa, TX 79065

PUBLIC NOTICE

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to charge an additional 26 cents per month per line to recover costs for providing Expanded Local Calling service (ELC) to certain Texas Customers.

The 26 cents per month surcharge would not be billed to custome s who receive ELC. However, customers who receive ELC and pay less than the maximum \$3.50 a month residential ELC charge or less than the maximum \$7 business ELC charge will have to pay the additional 26 cents per month charge

Expanded Local Calling was created in 1993 by Texas legislation that requires talephone companies to provide toll-free calling between small towns that share a community of interest such as a school or hospital district. The legislation allows telephone companies to recover costs not paid through customer charges by applying a surcharge to all other customers in the state who do not receive the ELC service or who do not pay the maximum ELC rate. The maximum monthly ELC rate allowed under state law is \$3.50 per line for residential customers and \$7 per line for business customers.

Southwestern Bell estimates that the 26 cents per month per line charge will recover the \$27 million annual cost of providing ELC service that is not recovered from ELC rates.

If approved by the PUC, the monthly statewide surcharge of 26 cents per line per month will begin with the April, 1998 billing cycles, with an agreement to refund all or part of the charge if the PUC does

not approve it. For questions about the reasons for the charge please call the Southwestern Bell Business Office

listed in your directory. The PUC assigned Docket Number 18513 to this proceeding. The deadline for intervention in this matter is March 31, 1998. Persons who wish to intervene or comment in these proceedings should notify the PUC by March 31, 1998. All requests to intervene should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX, 78711-3326. For information intervening, please call the PUC at 1-888-782-8477 or at 512-936-7120.

AVISO PUBLICO

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) presentó una solicitud ante la Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (PUC) para cobrar 26 centavos más al mes por línea para recuperar los costos por el servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) a ciertos clientes en Texas.

El cargo de 26 centavos al mes no se cobrará a los clientes que reciben ELC. Sin embargo, los clientes que reciben ELC y pagan menos del máximo de \$3.50 al mes por el servicio ELC residencial o menos del máximo de \$7 por el servicio ELC comercial, tendrán que pagar 26 centavos adicionales a su pago mensual.

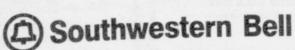
El servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) fue establecido en 1993 por la legislación del estado de Texas y requiere que las compañías prestadoras de servicios telefónicos ofrezcan llamadas de larga distancia gratuitas entre pequeñas poblaciones que comparten un interés común tales como distritos escolares y de hospitales. Esta ley permite que las compañías telefónicas recuperen los costos no pagados mediante cargos a clientes, a través de un cargo a todos los demás clientes en el estado que no reciben el servicio ELC o que no pagan la tarifa máxima del servicio ELC. La tarifa máxima mensual permitida por la ley estatal es \$3.50 por línea para clientes con servicio residencial y \$7 por línea para clientes con servicio comercial.

Southwestern Bell calcula que los 26 centavos al mes por línea cubrirán los \$27 millones del costo anual del servicio ELC que no está cubierto por las

Si la PUC autoriza el cargo mensual estatal de 26 centavos al mes por línea éste comenzará a partir de los ciclos de facturación de abril 1998, con el acuerdo de reembolsar todo o parte del cargo si la PUC no lo autoriza.

Para preguntas relacionadas con este cargo, por en su directorio telefónico.

La PUC asignó el número de registro de 18513 a este procedimiento. El plazo de intervención sobre este asunto terminará el 31 de marzo de 1998. Las personas que deseen intervenir o hacer comentarios sobre este procedimiento deberán notificar a la PUC antes del 31 de marzo de 1998. Todas las solicitudes de intervención deberán enviarse por correo a Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. Para mayor información sobre la intervención, por favor comuníquese con la PUC al 1-888-782-8477 o al 512-936-7120.



Helpful Hints

Pour 1 part rubbing alcohol and 2 parts water in a ziplock bag. Put in freezer for several hours and it will make a cold slush that will never freeze solid. It's great for bumps and bruises.

Rub Lemon Pledge into ceramic tile with a soft cloth to repel soap scum, water deposits, etc.

Tilex works great as a stain remover on light colored shirts. Rub it in and throw it in the wash.

Two liter soda pop bottles with the tops cut off make great containers for plastic grocery bags. Keep one by each garbage can.

A few drops of food coloring in the bathwater can make the most reluctant kid excited to take a bath.

Corn cobs (with corn cut off) or the bottom half of big, fat carrots make great things for teething babies to chew on and less messy then teething crackers.

Spread vaseline windows or mirrors when you are painting around them. Paint won't stick and clean up is as simple as wiping the glass with a cloth.

Hair spray will remove

scuff marks on shoes and linoleum floors. Also

works great to remove ink stains from clothes. A two parts water and one part ammonia mixture works great to get stains out of carpet.

Rub Vaseline on lipstick stains, then rub in liquid dish or laundry soap before washing.

your child If accidentally drops coins (or other similar objects) in the toilet while using it - go ahead and flush the toilet, the coins won't go down.

Bleaching a pair of black sweats will create brown ones (for school plays, costumes, etc.).

Use empty toilet paper tubes to neatly bundle several electric cords.

Peanut butter remove gum from hair. Ice also works.

Kids, school, work and life can be hectic. Take time out of your busy day to watch a television program with vour husband that you both enjoy. Not only do you get to spend time with your husband, but it also gives you something to talk about.

Little Dribblers Kick Off BB Season

The Little Dribblers basketball season got underway this weekend, starting with the Wheeler Tournament.

Coaching the 5th & 6th grade girls and 6th grade boys teams will be Kathy Hembree. Quinton Newton will coach the 3rd & 4th grade girls, and Marshall Hanes will coach the 5th grade boys.

On Thursday, the 3rd and 4th grade girls went up against Wheeler and were defeated 28 to 4. Talitha Newton scored all On points. Saturday, this team played Samnorwood and made 6 points to Samnorwood's 20. Talitha Newton had 4 points and Kendall Newton had 2.

On Saturday in the 5th & 6th grade girls first game, Wheeler won 20-6. Jennifer Greer had 2 points, Jessica Kemp had 2, and Felicia Hankins put in 2. Later that same day, this team defeated Allison 22-18. Jennifer Greer led with a whopping 14 points; Jamie Seitz added 4; Ferguson and Skyler Felicia Hankins each contributed 2.

In their final game, the 5th grade boys were

defeated by Ft. Eliott. In the second game, the game was won bv McLean 33-8. Zane Richardson led the scoring with an amazing 16 points. Terrence Fite and Lucas Seymour each put in 5, Tyler Hanes, Andy Ritchie, and Jeremy Tidwell each added 2. Colt Patterson, Brian Graybeal and Mitch Steward each played and contributed to the win.

In one game on Saturday, the 6th grade boys team were defeated 35-6. D.J. Graybeal led with 4 points and Jay Wallis added 2.

The 6th grade boys rallied against Mianii winning 26-11. Slade Terry and Jay Wallis led

the scoring.

Against Miami in the girls 5th & 6th grade game, Miami won 31-6. Kendall Newton led with 4 and Jennifer Greer put in 2.

Against Samnorwood, McLean fell short, 34-Jennifer Greer 21. scored 6, Dusty Moody and D.J. Graybeal each had 4 and Jay Wallis, Reo Dennis, Tyler Hanes, and Lucas Seymour each had 2 points.

Come on out and the little support dribblers!

I Remember When . .

In the early 1940's during World War II, my father (Milton Carpenter), mother (Maude), and myself (Effie Lou), being ranch raised and somewhat "country" in our thinking as well as our actions found a large skunk den. Due to the times we live in, skunk hides were selling for \$3.00/each which was considered a tidy sum. Therefore we decided to dig the skunks from the den, and make some money. We had a small dog named "Chigger" that helped us. He would go in the den and drag them out one at a time and after each he would rub his nose in the grass first one side and then the other, then sneeze. As it turned out there were twenty one smelly little varmints in this den. That must have been a record. The first few

skunks smelled terrible. but the more we dug the less odor the animals seemed to have. After awhile they didn't smell at all. After selling the hides we felt rich and decided to celebrate by taking in a movie that At that time night. McLean had two movie theaters, so we had a

choice. We bathed going to the movies to wash off any skunk scent, and we thought we smelled great but when we took our seats in the theater, I found it very funny that everyone around us started to get up and move out. Evidently we didn't smell as pure as we thought. but after all you don't dig up twenty one skunks and come out smelling like a rose.

Effie Lou (Carpenter) Everett

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McCracken

chosen to represent McLean High School for this prestigious award.

Valedictorian McLean High School, Moriah has learned to budget time, balancing school work, activities and an after-school job as a receptionist and data clerk for B&B Turbine, Inc.

A participant in UIL, she was a regional winner two years and state qualifier one year in ready writing, a regional qualifier in feature and editorial writing for two years and a district winner in extemporaneous She speaking. is yearbook editor for the second year. She has served as a Student Council representative as well as a reporter for She won Girl Scouts. third place in the West Texas Romance Writers fiction essay contest last fall. She received allstar cast awards for zone competition in UIL oneact play and is a member of the drama club. She

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National Honor Society and as an officer attended the National Leadership Camp.

McCracken is Club 1997-98 Lions She is Sweetheart. active in her church and has helped with the adopt an angel program, raking leaves for elderly citizens and participating in canned goods drives. She is the daughter of Roger and Janet McCracken.

Women's McLean Basketball Team Wins

The McLean Feedyard's Women's basketball team played Pampa's Babb Construction team for the second time this season on Tuesday.

This time, though, McLean came away with

the victory, 45-38. Scoring for McLean were Alicia Reynolds 10, Angie Billingsley 9, Dee Ann Burkes 7, Sally Seymour 6, Shandee Tolleson 4, Rose Steel 3, Paula Waters 2, Leslie Darsey 2, and Sheila McFatridge 2.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1998 10 A.M. SCOTT SHURLEY AUCTION

McLean, Texas

Located in McLean, Texas. From the intersection of I-40 and Fm 273, take the south service road and go one rille east and half-mile south to the Gerald Tate Ag Barn. Watch for signs. Scott Shurley Auction. Mr. Shurley sold his house and is moving. All auction items are currently being used and in good condition.

FURNITURE & HOUSEHOLD

& heater w/ 8

crawers & 3 storage

coors, large headboard, & 3 sets

of sheets

1- Queen Ann

1- Full length mirror

on stand 1- Bookcase

1- TV turn stand

1 - Dining table w/6

1 - Set Franciscan

1-27" Zenith TV

- Carved Oak

- Set Mikasa Rondo

1-2 piece solid

52") 1-Corner Hutch w/

doors

-Howard Miller eight

day Clock

1-Set Pope-Gosser 1-Service for 8

stainless Stee Flatware 9- Cisco Coffee Cups 1- Heated vibrator

1- Portable TV (Black & White)

2- Fans 1- Nice Camelback

Couch & Loveseat 1- Occasional Chair

1- Fireplace set

1- Tiger Statue

1- Pair Wooden shoes 1- Lot Colored & Clear

Glassware 1- Lot cooking &

serving utensils

1- Lot coffee pols

1- Lot bedding

1- Lot towels & wash

2- Hudson Bay 1- Lot handmade

1- Lot afghans 1- Lot blankets 1- Lot pillows

2- Snuggles 1- Roll away bed 2- Clothes Rack

1- Pressure Cooker

- Pressure Canner 1- Fur collar 1- Lot Books COLLECTABLE GLASSWARE 1-10 Gal. Cream Can

1- Lot Avon Collection

1- Hobnail Milk Glass

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1- Collector Plates 1- Lot Currier & Ives

DEPRESSION WARE 1- Lot Royal Ruby Bubble

1- Lot Forest Green 1- Lot King's Crown - Lot Blue Bubble

1- Lot Cream & Sugar

1- Lot Salt & Pepper sets ANCHOR HOCKING

1- Lot Anchor Hocking Early American Prescut

1- Punch Bowl set - Lot Candy dishes 1- Loet Snack Sets

1- Lot Vases SHOP

toolbox 2- Electric drills

1- Set Craftsman open end/box end vrenches (7/8" -11/4") 1- Lot hammers

1-Lot Craftsman Wrenches 0 3/8 -3/4 1- Set 1/2 drive sockets 1- Lot bits (up to 7/8)

- Grease gun

1- Lot punches &

1. Lot misc. Tools 2- Hyd. Jacks

1- Small floor jacks 2 - Air Hose 1- Craftsman 2 hp compresser 1- Furniture moving

dolly 2- Skill Saws 1- Flectric motor 1- Paint Compressor

& motor 1- compresser (paint) 1- Stanley Miter saw 1- Electric Grinder

LAWN & GARDEN 1- Craftsman 12 hp riding lawn mower with grass catche 1- Craftsman 22" self-

with catcher & shute 1-Ryobi gas 1-Blower Vac with bag 1-Lot misc. Lawn &

garden tools 1- Walking sprinkler small block & tackle 1- FIBQ grill 1- Water Can



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the classifieds

Classified Rates: 20¢ per word with a minimum of \$5.00. A "Card of Thanks" is \$5.00 up to 20 words. Wedding Stories are printed free of charge up to 300 words, after 300 words the rate is 20¢ per word. There is no charge for pictures as space permits.

Payment: Required at the time of placing the ad. Advertisers with an established account may be billed on 30 day accounts. An extra charge will be incurred if tear sheets are required.

Errors: Check your ad the first time it comes out. Errors or mistake that are not corrected after the first printing are the responsibility of the advertiser.

The Groom-McLean News does not vouch for the legitimacy of any ad, job or money making opportunities. We suggest that you throughly check out any such offer before making a commitment.

Windbreak Tree Sale McClellan Creek Soil & Water Conservation District Delivery in March. For more information call 537-

Jim Davidson Century 21 Pampa Realty, Inc. Business 669-0007 Home 669-1863

FOR SALE: 1992 White Mitshubishi GS 16 valve w/tinted windows, sunroof. Call 779-3224 McLean for info.

FOR SALE: 14x80 mobile home, lot and 8x20 storage shed, fenced backyard. Carla or Chief Koetting. 248-9010 or 248-7531.

FOR SALE: 1992 Ford Conversion Van; TV-VCR-Nintento, real nice. \$15,000.00 or best offer. Low mileage. Also for sale: Hopeap Topper for small pickup. \$100.00. Call 248-7075 after 3:00 p.m. Groom.

WEST is POINTS temporarily closed due to Watch for our reillness. opening.

WANTED: Grass for lease. Also, Have Cows For Sale. 779-2044, Frank Worsham,

FOR SALE: 3 bedroom house, new carpet, new roof. 220 Cypress, McLean. Call 806-351-1300 or 352-7167 or 779-2388.

> POSITIVE FEED, INC. Cow Tubs 80 and 225 lbs. Horse Tubs 40 and 80 lbs. DANNY ASKEW 874-5001 or 874-3844

NEED YOUR HOME cleaned or ironing done? Call Patcine Jenkins, 248-

FOR SALE: A light blue Call 248sleeper sofa.

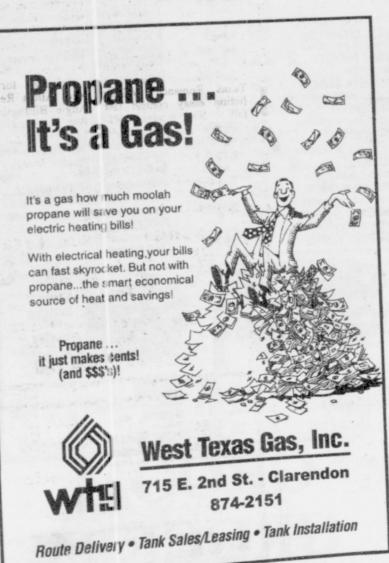
FOR SALE: '97 F-150 V6; standard; 32,700 miles; 248-7615 after 6:00 p.m.

FOR SALE: Electronic over hydraulic 12-volt bale New condition. loader. Call 806-898-7801 or 806-248-7030.

SURE TO use the coupons in Allsups ad, for big savings and to let the home office know that Groom like in people coupons!

FOR SALE BY OWNER: 1 or 2 bedroom house, 1094 sq. ft. at 107 Oak, Panhandle. Large 20x30 ft. double garage on large corner lot \$25,000.00 or will consider any reasonable offer. Owner will pay all or part of allowable closing cost. Call 537-4042 or Pager 345-0207.





CALL DANNY or Terry at Positive Feed, Inc. in Clarendon for all your feed needs at 874-5001 or 874-

Legal Notice NVITATION FOR BIDS

Scaled proposals addressed to Joe Homer, Mayor of the City of Groom, will be received at his office in the City Hall until 7:00 P.M. Tuesday, March 10, 1998 for the construction approximately 55 blocks of street sealcoating entitled:

SEALCOATING - 1998 At this time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Documents, Contract including Plans and Specifications, are on file and may be examined without charge in the offices of the City of Groom, 203 Broadway, Groom, Texas, telephone (806) 248-7929, and the offices of Brandt Engineers, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 4537 Canyon Amarillo, Texas 79110, telephone (806)353-Contract documents, 7233. including plans and specifications may be om Brandt from procured Engineers, Inc., at the above address as follows:

Cost: \$30.00 per set --Non-Refundable.

cashier's check. certified check or acceptable bidder's bond, payable to the City of Groom in an amount not less than five (5%) percent of the bid submitted, must accompany each bid as a guarantee that, if awarded the contract,

the Bidder will, within fifteen (15) days after receipt of Notice of Award, enter into a contract and execute bonds on the forms provided in the Contract Documents.

Performance and Payment Bonds will be required.

In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating proposal prices, the City of Groom reserves the right to adopt the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject any or all bids, and waive formalities. No bid may be withdrawn within thirty (30) days after date on which bids are opened. CITY OF GROOM

JOE HOMER, MAYOR

BRANCH GROOM Library hours will be 1:30 to 5:30 Monday through Thursday and Friday 9:00 - 1:00, Friday 9:00 effective February 1.

GROOM GROCERY is our hometown grocery. Shop locally, support the Groom businesses. are all here working together

1998 Political Calendar

The Groom News is authorized to present the name of the following candidates for offices, subject for office, subject to the Elections to be held on March 10, 1998. A fee of \$35.00 has been paid by each candidate for listing in this column from now till the final election in November.

CARSON COUNTY Co. Judge

Democrat: Jay Roselius Republican: Lee Y. Cockrell Lewis Powers

Co. Treasurer Democrat: Jeannie Cunningham

Dist. & Co. Clerk Democrat:

Sonya Millican

Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Democrat: Bill Hinson

GRAY COUNTY 31st District Court Judge Democrat: M. Kent Sims

223rd District Court Judge Democrat: Lee Waters

Dist, & Co. Clerk Republican: Gaye Honderich Susan Winborne Susan Tripplehorn

Justice of the Peace Precint #4 Mary Ann Carpenter

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