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Top Row: KayLynn Britten, Jessica Friemel, Mary Hutsell, Todd Gray, Jeremy Pair, Maggie Thomas. Middle Row: Toby Burgin, Angle Conrad, April Burton, Jamie Shuck, Tami Ashford, Mary Ray. Front Row: Amber Weller, Alberto Vega, Jeremy Lewis, Michael Stephens, Jennifer Britten, Amy Rambo.

City Of Groom Awarded \$250,000 Grant By HUD

U.S. Senator Gramm recently announced that nearly 100 cities and counties in Texas are receiving Community Development Block grants totaling \$26.9 million to help finance various water, sewer or street improvements.

Groom was awarded a Community Development Block Grant of \$250.000. The funds are provided

by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Affairs and will be by the administered Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs through the Texas Community Development

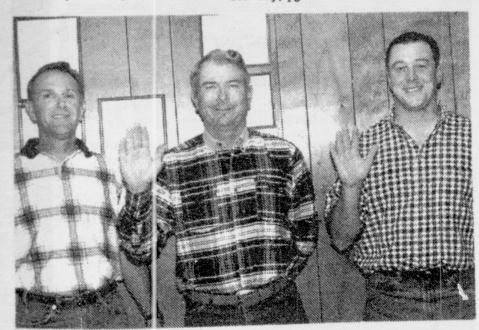
Program.
"I am pleased that some of the tax dollars sent by Texans Washington are being returned to benefit area by citizens improvements to the areas where we work and live every day," Gramm said in making announcement.

" M y strong commitment is to assure a fair return to Texas taxpayers on the money we pay in federal taxes,' the senator said.

Community The Development Block Grant program, one of HUD's largest, is designed to See City, pg. 2



The Groom Music Department held their annual "Evening in the Park" last week. Among their many activities and performances Band King and Queen were announced. They are Mary Hutsell and Evan



Newly elected Groom ISD school board members Cliff Britten, Denny Babcock, and Brad Rogers recently took the oath of office administered by Joyce Hutsell.

Commissioners Approve Motor Grader Purchase, Hire Diane Forbes

Carson County Commissioners' Court met on May 22, 1998 with all members present. Visitors in court were Gene Hurt with Yellowhouse Equipment, Kyle Kelting with AIS, Troy Johnson with West Texas Equipment, Elyse Sailor, White Deer, Terri Koetting, County Library Supervisor, and Leslie Rohan, Architect.

Minutes were read and approved and all claims were approved.

Barbara Cosper, Carson County Tax See County, pg. 19

Commencement **Exercises Set For** Friday For Seniors, **Eighth Graders**

Eighteen seniors and fourteen eighth graders participate in graduation exercises this Friday in the Groom School Auditorium.

The Eighth Grade services are scheduled for Of the 6:00 p.m. fourteen students, eight honors students. Graduating from Junior High are Cassie Ashford, Nichole Barnett, Cody Candace Bohr, Bivens, Karri Garrett Britten, Britten, Trey Britten, Britten, Wyatt Ross Brooks, Krisanne Davis, Stacie Martinez, Luke Pavlovsky, Clay Ritter and Hugh Weinheimer. They are the Class of

Ending their High School careers will be the Class of 1998 at 8:00

p.m. They are Melissa Anthony, Tami Ashford, KayLynn Britten, Toby Burgin, April Burton, Burgin, April Burton, Jimmy Chavedo, Barbara Cockrell, Angie Conrad, David Fields, Jessica Friemel, Todd Homer, Tony Hutsell, Martie Phillips, Michael Stephens, Maggie Thomas, Walker, and Andy York. Of the eighteen graduating seniors, ten graduate with honors, eight graduate with the advanced transcript and seven are members of the National Honor Society.

Celebrations will follow as the Drug Free/Alcohol-Free After Graduation Party Committee holds an

all night party for high

Groom Library Sponsors Summer Reading Program

The Groom Library of this program. Story will begin the Summer Hour will be June 9, 16 Reading Program on June and 23 from 10:00 -1 and end on August 10.

Children from preschool through 6th grade be from June 1 to June are invited to be a part

11:00 a.m. Bookmark Contest will

Community Calendar...

VOLUNTEERS needed to maintain the ambulance service in Groom. Medical training will be provided. interested contact Kevin Kerlee, Doug Kling or Jay Lamb.

ALL GROOM ISD Library Books and lunch bills must be taken care of before report cards will be released. Final report cards will be mailed by Wednesday, June 3rd.

GROOM LIBRARY Story hour will be at 10:00 am on June 9, 16 and 23. Bookmark contest June 1 - June 29.

GROOM THE Swimming Pool opens June 2. Hours are 1:00 to 6:00 Tuesday through Saturday.

BASEBALL Umpires needed desperately for Groom Little League. Call Kathleen at 248-7070.

GROOM SCHOOL Board will meet June 9 at 8:00 pm.

THE GROOM City Council will meet on Friday, June 12 at 8 pm.

GET YOUR AD in for the City wide garage sale. June 6th is the date for the sale!

TUESDAY PRICES AT ATTEBURY GRAIN CO. Wheat-\$2.68 Milo-\$3.65 Corn-\$4.15 Soybeans-\$5.58 No Rain reported this week

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Groom Birthdays Anniversaries

May 28 Nettie Fields, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Stapp (A). May 29

May Cooper-Knowles, Donna Burton, Anthony Lopez, Julie Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Treadwell (A), Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burton

May 30 - Evelyn Hubbart, Norma Jean Homer, Stacie Martinez, Juan Lopez.

May 31 - Billy R. Fields, Stanley Anthony, Sean Crowell, Pete Ham, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Littlefield (A), Mr. and Mrs. K.W. Jackson (A),

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Babcock (A). June 1 A.J. Newsom.

June 2 Lisa Kuehler, Shuck, Dane Howard, Patrick Britten.

3 June Treadwell, Mr. and Mrs. awards, scholarships and Donald Conrad (A), Mr. and Mrs. Charles Donald Fields (A), Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Britten (A).

City assist communities in carrying out a wide range of development activities aimed at neighborhood revitalization, economic development improved community

facilities and services.

Local Happenings

Weinheimer, a freshman agribusiness major, was awarded the Outstanding Freshman award and the Greg and Denise Mills Scholarship for \$500, at the awards banquet at West Texas A&M University, Division of Agriculture.

Buck Babcock, agriculture sophomore business and economics major at West Texas A&M University received Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scholarship of \$200. The West Texas A&M Division of Agriculture recognized students at its annual awards banquet April 24.

The West Texas A&M University Department of English Modern and - Trisha Language graduate teaching assistantships banquet on May 7.

Aimee Lyles, a senior English major, awarded the Maria D. Tarrab Memorial Scholarship.

Aimee is the daughter of Don and Mary Sue Lyles.

PLEASE Trash Groom! Please don't throw your drinking cups out of your car! Use a dumpster! That's what they are for!

Kotara - Craft Exchange Vows

Lindy Lea Kotara and John Robert "Jack" Craft were married Saturday afternoon, May 16, at St. Mary's Catholic Church Clarendon Monsignor Kevin Hand of White Deer officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Wayne and Adela Kotara of Groom. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Craft and the late Patricia Craft of Clarendon.

Matron of honor was McKnight of Cindy Dallas. The best man was Tom Laker of Fort Worth.

The bride earned a degree in finance from the University of North Texas in Denton. groom a degree economics from Texas Christian University in Fort Worth.

The couple will make their home on Oakes Creek Ranch south of Clarendon, where the groom is engaged in ranching and silver smithing.

GROOM TIGERETTE Hoops Camp tentative dates are July 20-22 according to Shirley according to Shirley Fields. More information will be sent later.



Eatmon Terry participated in graduation ceremonies May 15 at South Plains College in Levelland.

The previous week, he attended the annual awards ceremony where he received the award for Outstanding Engineering Physics Student and also received his CRLA Tutor National Certification.

Terry will be attending Texas Tech in the fall where he plans to major in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science.

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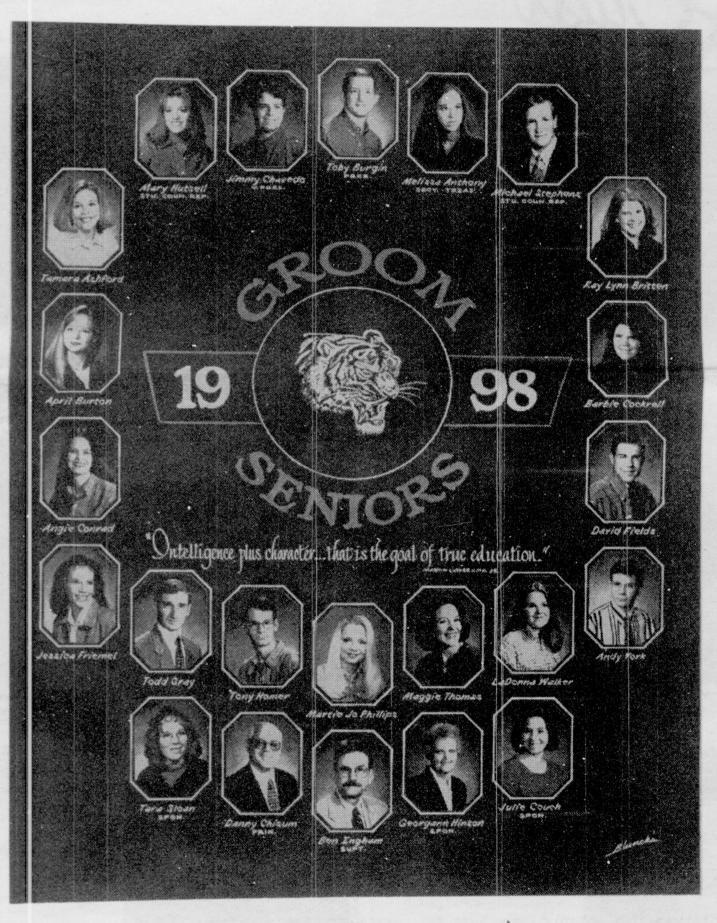
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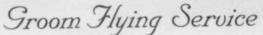
Joby Ray Burgin, Valedictorian Toby Ray Burgin is the son of

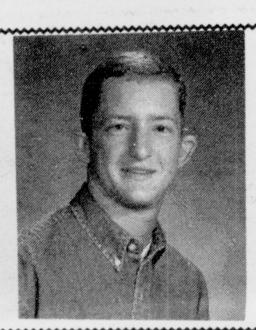
Donald and Nila Burgin. He plans to attend West Texas A & M University majoring in chemistry environmental science. He will be receiving a Harrington Honors Scholarship. Toby is a member of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church and is a member of both the church choir and community choir.

Toby has been extremely involved in sports. He was captain of the football team, playing running back and linebacker. He was named All-State linebacker, All-Regional lirebacker, All-District in both offense See Burgin, pg. 8

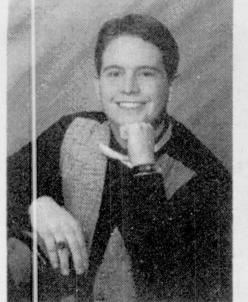
... This is a time for the Class of 1998 to set new goals and become the leaders of tomorrow, using character, discipline, and confidence gained through our years here at Groom High School...'

Toby Burgin, Valedictorian Class of 1998





Jimmy Clyde Chavedo, Salutatorian



... If you want something in life, go after it with everything you've got. Grab onto it with both hands and hang on for the entire ride. Don't let go..."

> Jimmy Chavedo, Salutatorian Class of 1998

The Groom Grocery

Jimmy Clyde Chavedo came to Groom from Hooker in 1993. With him he brought his own brand of humor and philosophy.

"I try to live each day as if it were my last," he stated, "It helps me remember that today's troubles are

With this in mind, Jimmy soared through high school, being active in many areas. He is a charter member of Groom's National Honor Society. serving as Vice President. He served as a member of the Student Council for 4 years, 3 as a class representative and 1 as secretary.

See Chavedo, pg. 8

Melissa Jean Anthony



Melissa Jean Anthony is planning to major in Advertising at South Plains College in Levelland. The daughter of Stan and Margie Anthony, Melissa come to Groom from Grandview Hopkins Elementary

Melissa has had a very active high school career and stated that if she had to do it over again she would not have changed a thing.

"I have made some wrong choices, but I have learned a great deal from the right ones, as well as the wrong ones," she commented.

talented athlete, Melissa

See Anthony, pg.8

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Jamara Beigh Ashford



"The person I admire most in the world is my grandmother, Pat Ashford. She has had a profound influence on my life because she has showed her strength while she battled cancer and won. She showed the whole family that she had the strength and courage to see past the hard times and see the bright future that was ahead," stated Tamara Leigh Ashford, daughter of Jerry and Pam Ashford.

Tami has been a great asset to her fellow students at GHS. She has served as Student Council Vice President 1 year and the National See Ashford, pg.8

Trinity & Company, Forrest, Patti, Paul & Scott ······

Kay Bynn Britten



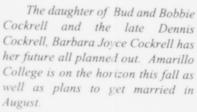
KayLynn Britten is planning on a career in Business Administration. Come fall, she is planning to head to South Plains Jr. College to begin accomplishing that goal.

KayLynn is the daughter of Lynn Britten. She is a member of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church and the Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

She has been very active in school events. She played basketball for I year as a wing. She competed in track in the 800 and mile relay events. KayLynn has served as Class president for 3 years and a class officer for I year. She is a member See Britten, pg. 8

Mr. & Mrs. Bill Hinson

Barbara Cockrell



Barbie came to Groom in 1990 from Panhandle I.S.D. She works at Taco Bell in Conway at the Love's Truck Stop. She enjoys movies when she is not busy at school or working.

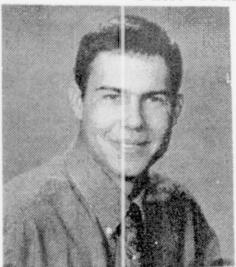
The greatest influence in her life has been her mother, Bobbie.

"She has been there for me through thick and thin. She always See Cockrell, pg. 8



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David Craig Fields



"I think our generation will make a difference in the world by discoveries in medicine such as finding a cure for cancer" stated David Craig Fields, the son of Bud and Connie Fields.

David's hope for the future may be due to what he has learned in the past.

"My dad has had the greatest influence in my life because he has taught me how to work. Teaching me that most things in life aren't given to one but earned."

David's future plans are undecided but with that kind of thinking he is sure to go far.

Mr. & Mrs. Dean Burger

Jodd Edward Gray

The son of Ed and Ellen Gray, Todd Edward Gray plans to attend Clarendon College after graduation.

"If I could start high school all over again, I would stop goofing around and try harder, because if I would have in the first place then I would have been a lot better off," he stated.

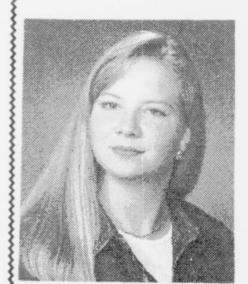
A member of the United Methodist Church, Todd served as president of the Groom uater of FFA. He also played 4 years of basketball, was a regional que fier in track and competed in a Country track.

See Gray, pg. 9



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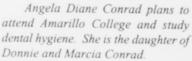
April Gail Burton



April Gail Burton has had a long and productive career in FFA showing cattle. She has had many honors and champions in the 10 years that she has been involved. April has earned 3 Top Ten jackets through the Texas Club Calf Association. She was named one of the top ten club calf exhibitors in the state of Texas 3 times; twice for showing Heifers and once in the Showmanship category. She served as Parliamentarian for the American Junior Chianina Association, a national organization. She has earned over 15 Grand Champion prizes for her projects as See Burton, pg. 8

Mr. & Mrs. N. B. Hoyt

Angela Diane Conrad



Angie is a very devoted athlete. She has played basketball, golf, tennis, and ran track. In basketball, Angie was named MVP and Golden Spread All-Star. She was named to the All-District Team and All-District Honorable Mention for two years. In track she earned 3rd at Regional in the Sprint Relay, and 1st in District in the 800 Meter Relay. She placed 2nd in the long jump at District and 1st in the 100 Meter Dash qualifying for See Conrad, pg. 9



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Jessica Anne Friemel



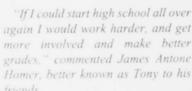
"My parents have been the greatest influence on my life. They have always been there for me and pushed me through the tough times. They have made me believe I can do anything as long as I put my mind to it," commented Jessica Anne Friemel, daughter of Gary and Julie Friemel.

A member of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Jessica has chosen South Plains College as the place to begin her future.

She has been quite an athlete, playing 4 years of basketball and tennis, and I year of track. She was named to the 2nd team All-District See Friemel, pg. 9

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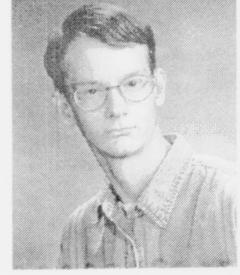
James Antone Homer



Tony has plans to attend College this fall. He is very interested in the computer and fiber optic cable technology. The son of Donnie and Nickey Evans and James Homer, he enjoys water sports like skiing and knee boarding when he has time.

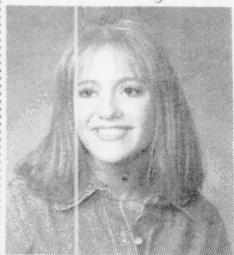
He attributes much of his success to Kay Britten, his former teacher. "Mrs. Britten really inspired me.

See Homer, pg.9



Mighty's

Mary Elizabeth Hutsell



Mary Elizabeth Hutsell is the daughter of Steve and Pam Hutsell. Her future is looking very bright as she plans to attend Angelo State University this fall majoring in journalism.

Mary recently received a scholarship from the Panhandle Press Association to do just that. She won a silver medal at the State UIL competition for Feature Writing. She has also competed and won awards in UIL poetry, headline writing, and news writing.

Miss Hutsell has been the editor of the yearbook for 2 years and head See Hutsell, pg 9

Keith Automotive

Michael Andrew Stephens

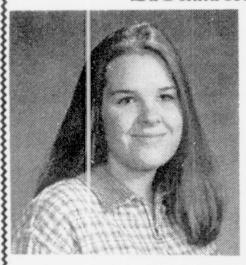
Michael Andrew Stephens is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Brent Stephens. He is a member of the First Baptist Church of Groom. He plans to attend college at the Kettering University in Flint, Michigan. His motto is "If you don't start something it never gets finished!"

Michael has been very active in football all 4 years of his high school career. He played center. He was named All-District Honorable Mention and Academic All-State.

He also ran track for 1 year, and played golf 2 years. He was named to the 2nd team All-District. See Stephens, pg. 9

Groom Dairy 2ueen

BaDonna Marie Walker



LaDonna Marie Walker comes to Groom from Tucson, Arizona, where she attended Naylor Middle School and Paloverde High School in 1993. She is the daughter of LaVonda Barkley and Bill Walker of Tucson,

LaDonna has been a member of the Groom FFA. When she has leisure time she enjoys reading. She also works at The Chalet Inn.

After graduation, she plans to return to Arizona.

The Chalet Inn

Martie Jo Phillips



Martie Jo Phillips is the daughter of Twila Jo Jackson. She is a member of Saint Matthews Episcopal Church.

Martie Jo has had an active career in sports at GHS. She played 3 seasons for the Tigerettes in the post position. She competed two years in track. She was a State Qualifier in the 400 Meter Relay, earning top honors at the Regional Meet 2 years in this event. She also went to Regional twice in the 800 meter relay. She placed 3rd at the District Meet in the Long Jump.

Martie was a cheerleader for two years and a Homecoming Queen See Phillips pg. 9

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Mary Magdalene Thomas

"If I could start high school all over again, I would try harder. I would give 100% every single day. I would also involve myself more in activities," stated Mary Magdalene Thomas.

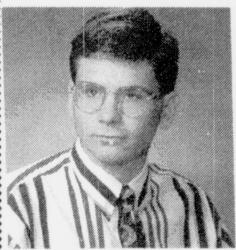
The daughter of John and Laverne Thomas, Maggie plans to attend Clarendon College at Pampa after graduation.

Maggie's been one of the driving forces that led the Groom Band to receive their Sweepstakes Rating this year at contest. She has served as drum major and was named Most Valuable Player as a sophomore and See Thomas, pg. 9



Circle B Meat Company

Andrew Wayne York

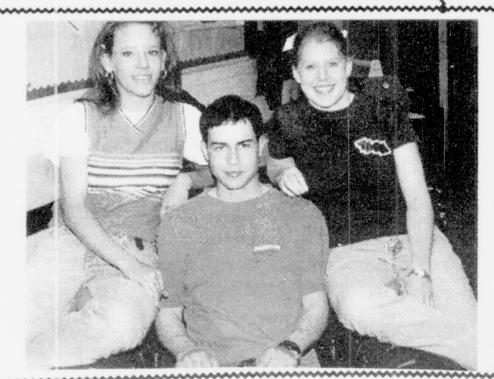


The son of Bunny York, Andrew Wayne York attended school in Hawaii and Colorado Springs before coming to Groom. His future plans are to attend Amarillo College or win the lottery, which ever comes first! He is a member of The Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

Andy competed in track for 1 year and earned a 2nd in Discus. He is a member of the Groom Sweepstakes winning band for 4 years and held the office of Representative. Andy earned a G-Award in Speech. He earned District Honors in Persuasive Speaking.

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See York, pg. 9





Congratulations and Good Luck to KayLynn Britten David Fields

David Fields
Jessica Friemel
From Your Friends
At Big T Dump



Electric G.M. Car Makes "Charging" Stop In Groom

Twenty years from now, you might pull up to Hop's and have your battery charged instead of your gas tank filled. It may sound far fetched but remember when a computer took up a whole room?!

Kris Trexler of Los Angeles, California is spending the next couple of weeks proving that this is possible. Trexler is driving a General Motors EV1 from L.A. to Lansing, Michigan. An EV1 is an electric Not yet mass produced, the car is leased through

Saturn dealers for a tee of \$399.00 per month to selected individuals in California and metropolitan areas of Arizona.

"I am not a radical activist," stated Kris Trexler who works as a film editor on the sit com "Ellen." "I like to think of myself as an oil conservationist. We need to save our oil to make plastics, paint, etc. If we can find an economical way to stop burning it in our cars, I think we should go for it."

The EV1 is a beautiful aero dynamic two seater

car. The wheel base is narrower at the back than it is in the front. It will reach speeds up to 80 mph, although test cars have reached speeds of 150 mph. It comes with all the amenities, radio, power doors and It has a windows. futuristic dash board, (There is a real misnomer! A dash board was what kept the mud from flying in your face when in a wagon and horses were trotting!) perhaps, we should say instrument panel.
The EV1 will average

about three hours or 90 miles on a full charge. It charges with either 120 or 220 volts depending on the speed in which you want to charge the battery. Trexler commented that the car has all the power a person would ever need, it accelerates as quickly as any gas powered car except for maybe a Porche. It is practically maintenance free. He estimates that it costs him about \$16.00 per month in electricity to charge the car every night after driving it to

In California, in order to encourage the use of cars many electric shopping centers, Wal-Marts, Targets and Texaco's have charging stations, which are currently free for public

Mr. Trexler is not sponsored by G.M. or He just anyone else. wanted to prove that those cars can go the distance! He is driving the EV1 back to Lansing, Michigan where it was built to show them and everyone along the way



"Plug In and let it charge," said Mr. Trexler. "It takes 45 minutes to charge the car to 85% with a 220 circuit."

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that it could be done. He stopped in Groom to plug the vehicle into the

City's 220 circuit for a quick charge.

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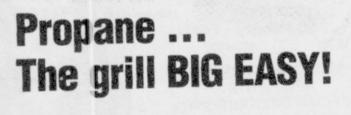
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Anthony

played 4 years of high school basketball and was All-District named Honorable Mention last year. She ran track for two advancing to vears. Regional in the 800 meter relay and placing 3rd in district in the high jump She also competition. played golf for one year.

A well rounded student, Melissa is an Honor Roll student. She served as a section editor for the yearbook and received an award for the Best Section Design from the Gloria All-American Shield Publications Workshop.

She has been active in UIL events, competing in spelling, literary criticism and ready writing. She advanced to the Regional Meet in ready writing. She was a member of Girl

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Scouting for 1 year. She is a member of the United Methodist Youth Group. She worked at the Golden Spread Grill for 2 1/2 years.

The person who has had the biggest impact on Melissa's life was the Late Diane Koetting.

"She taught me to live life to fullest....because you never know when it might end."

Ashford

Honor Society President for 2 years. She was a cheerleader for two years.

Tami has competed in UIL Prose and Accounting. She was named in "Who's Who in American High School Students for 3 years." She is a member of the Senior Girl Scout Troop #41 and a member of the Immaculate Heart of Mary's Church as well as

Mrs. Maurice (Mary)

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Tami played 4 years of Basketball. She was named to the Academic All-District Team. She played 4 years of golf and was a Regional Team qualifier. She plans to attend South Plains Junior College.

Her motto is...."Live your own life and listen to other people for advice, but you are the one that has to live with the results of your decision!"

Britten

of the National Honor Society. She has been a member of both 4-H and She was a FFA. Homecoming Queen Candidate for 2 years.

In UIL events. KayLynn earned 2nd in district and 3rd in state for TEAMS competition. She competed in Science and Accounting. She has been a member of the Linda Germany School of Dance for 13 years.

"My father has been the greatest influence on my life," commented KayLynn. "He has taught me that no matter how bad things get, you have to have a positive attitude, and everything will work out."

Burgin

and defense. He has been chosen to play in the Can-Am Bowl this summer.

As a basketball guard and wing, Toby was named All-District 1 year and MVP 1 year. In track he was a Regional Qualifier in both the 400 Meter Dash and the 1600 Meter Relay. Toby played 4 years of tennis. He was 2nd in District and a Regional Qualifier.. He competed in Golf for 2 years, qualifying for the Regional meet. Toby was named Fighting Tiger at the recent sports banquet.

Toby was active in other clubs as well. He has been a member of FFA, earning the and Star Greenhand, Farmer awards. He also served as Vice President. He is a charter member of the National Honor Society s well as the treasurer. He was named Homecoming King as a senior. He was

Leadership Award. He qualified for Regional in UIL Headline Writing for 4 years and Editorial Writing for 3 years. He was a State Qualifier in JETS. He also competed in Number Sense.

awarded the Principal's

Toby coached special Olympics basketball for 1 year. He was named Academic All-State 2 year and Academic All-District

1 year.

Sometime in his busy schedule, he finds time to work for Charles Burk as a farm and ranch hand.

His philosophy is this "....Bad things will happen to you in life. Go on with your business and don't worry about the bad things and good things will come to you also."

Burton

well as many other awards. April served the Groom Chapter of FFA as secretary.

It is no surprise that she

plans to major in Animal Science and Education by attending South Plains College. She is the daughter of Jim and Donna Burton. She is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

Although April has been busy showing cattle for several years, she has also been very active in school and community events. She was a founding member of National the Honor Society, as well as secretary for two years. She served as Trainer for the Tiger's football team for one year. She played basketball for two years and ran track for 2 years. April was elected Tiger Spirit mascot. She served her class as representative to the Student Council for 2

years. April competed in feature writing UIL competition.

She was in Girl Scouts for many years. She is a trained lifeguard and works at Groom I.S.D. and the Dairy Queen in her spare

April attributes her philosophy about life to

" Faith in yourself and God creates the strength we all need to survive what life has in store for us.... life can change in the blink of an eye... While we all have free will, relying on our faith can help us see the right way to go, no matter what obstacle stands in our way." she stated.

Chavedo

academic He earned honors, medaling for 3

years with all a's and was awarded the Principal's Leadership Award 1 year. He has competed on several levels in academics. He placed 3rd in the state 2 years in Teams. competed in UIL math and science. He was also listed in "Who's Who Among American High School Students"

Jimmy played two years football as a quarterback, fullback, end and line backer. He was a basketball team member for years earning

Academic All-State honors, All-District Honorable Mention.

Sports like racquetball, and weight lifting are favorite past times of his. He is a member of the First

Baptist Church of Groom. He plans to attend West Texas A and M University. He has been awarded a residential scholarship by the head of the business department and a book scholarship by the business department.

His parents Jimmy and ReneAnn Chevedo are the people he admires most.

"They've taught me that loving what I do for a living is worth much more that just a paycheck!" commented Jimmy.

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supported me in all that I have done. I thank her for all my accomplishments. She has been the greatest influence in my life".



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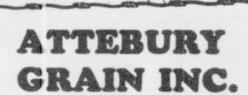


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'98 Seniors

Conrad

Regional in both. She placed 1st in District in Girls Doubles in Tennis. Angie was named Fighting Tigerette at the recent sports banquet.

Angie has been a member of FFA. She was named Academic All-District two years and Academic All-State for 1 year. She placed 2nd in Feature Writing in District.

Angie works at the Dairy Queen and is a member of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic

"My mother has had the greatest influence in my She has always encouraged and supported me in whatever sport or activity I wanted to try. She has taught me so many lessons and valuable responsibilities that I know I'm prepared to go into the real world. But I also know there's always a place for me at home. I've experienced so many wonderful things throughout my life, (such as seeing Charles Barkley) and I have my mother to thank for being so great!" commented Angie.

Fields

He is a member of the First Baptist Church. He has been a member of FFA all four years of high school, serving his fellow members as Sentinel. He is also a member of the 4-H Rocleo Club. In his spare time, he works for Short Grass Feed.

Friemel

twice and was Honorable Mention in basketball. She was a regional qualifier in



Gray

Todd Homecoming King Candidate. He is a member of the Wheeler Rodeo Club and enjoys hunting, fishing, and roping in his spare

Homer

She encouraged me to keep working hard and do my best to accomplish my goals," he stated.

Hutsell

photographer for 3 years. She has been a member of the band for 3 years.

A member of the National Honor Society, Mary has served the school and her classmates in many ways. She has been class secretary for 3 years and was a Student Council member. She was named Homecoming Queen. Citizen of the Month and is a member of the Gifted and Talented organization.

Mary excels as an athlete as well. As a member of the basketball team she was named to the All-District team, the Vernon All-Tournament team, and the Texas 6-Man All-Stars. She played tennis as a junior and senior, and placed 3rd in district as a sophomore.

Jessica was in the band for 1 year. She was a cheerleader for 2 years and head cheerleader for 1 year. She was a homecoming queen candidate for 3

When she has free time, she enjoys playing tennis, going to the lake and just having fun with friends.

A.A.U. basketball. She was also a member of the Qualifying Regional Tigerettes team.

Mary was a Regional Qualifier both in regular track and Cross Country, as

In civic activities, she was chosen as Lion's Club Sweetheart, has been a member of the Community Choir, president of Girl Scout Troop #41 and a competitor in the Miss Irish Rose Contest in Shamrock.

As a member of the Kingswood Methodist Church in Amarillo, Mary volunteers for Homeless Ministries and is a member of their youth group.

"I think the person who has had the biggest influence on my life is my Mom," commented Mary. "We have always been close, and the older I get the more I realize I'm just like her. I used to think that was a terrible thing, but now I can't think of anybody I'd rather be like!"

Phillips candidate for 1 year.

She was named to 'Who's Who Among American High School Students" and plans to attend South Plains College.

When she has free time she enjoys going to the lake and swimming.

Stephens

Michael was in Student Council for 1 year. He competed in UIL in Science for 2 years, earning fourth in District. In Teams, he competed 2 years and was 3rd in State

1 year and 1st in State 1 year. He was also a member of the Champion State Shooting Sports team in 4-H.

Michael works at the Dairy Queen of Groom.

"The most influential people in my life have been my parents. They want the best for me."

Thomas junior.

Maggie played 2 years of basketball and 3 years of golf. She was the golf district champion. She served the Student Council as a class representative and was a member of the yearbook staff for 2 years. Maggie was a cheerleader for 1 year.

She competed in UIL Informative Speaking, Persuasive Speaking and Prose. She qualified twice for Regional in Persuasive Speaking.

In her spare time she enjoys fishing, waterskiing and bicycling. She works at Olsen Rehabilitation and Nursing

Maggie is a member of the Baptist Church.

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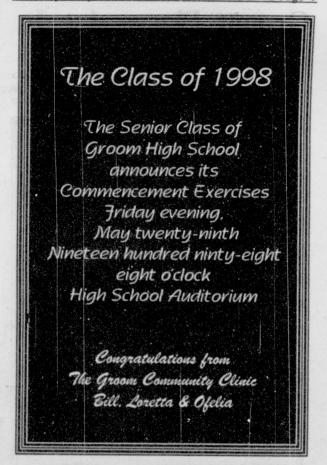
and held the office of Representative. Andy earned a G-Award in Speech. He earned District Honors in Persuasive Speaking.

He thinks his generation will make a difference in the world.

"We will hopefully give back to the community and keep this great nation as good as its always been."

His Mom has been the greatest influence on his

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Toby Burgin and Angie Conrad were named Fighting Tiger and Tigerette at the All Sports Banquet held



Stacie Martinez



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[Editors Note: This verse was presented to the Groom graduates at the Methodist breakfast. Hope you enjoy it.]

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Groom Places 1st In Spring U.I.L. Meet

Blankenship, Superintendent of Adrian Schools and Director of Region 4-1A University Interscholastic League contests, has announced the Spring Meet results. The final standings are: Groom, First Place,

684 points. Channing, Second

Place, 591 points. Silverton, Third Place 467 points.

Texline, Fourth Place, 366 points.

The events comprising these contest standings are Literary, One-Act Play, Tennis, Golf, and Track.

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Obituary

Rev. Oran D. Smith The Reverend Oran D. Smith, 83, of Lubbock died Tuesday, May 19.

Services were Friday, May 22, 1998 in First United Methodist Church at Lubbock followed by

Resthaven burial Memorial Park by his wife, Omega who died in 1983.

The Reverend Smith "Smitty" served Groom United Methodist Church 1955-56-57.



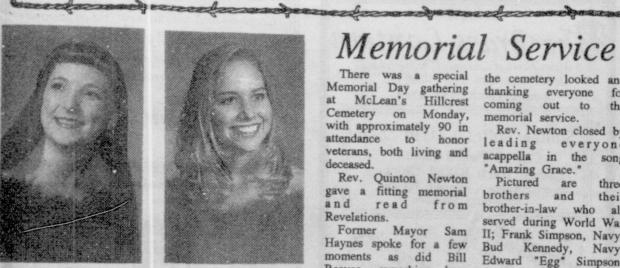
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Moriah McCracken



Lori Hefley



Randi Riley



Nikki Hefley

Top Students Named For **Graduating Classes**

McLean ISD administration is pleased to announce the top students of the graduating classes of 1998.

Valedictorian of McLean High School is Moriah McCracken, daugiter of Roger and Janet McCracken. She has a G.P.A. of 98.04.

Lori Hefley was named Salutatorian. She has a G.P.A. of 95.72. She is the daughter of Mr. and

Both students will be recognized in commencement ceremonies on Friday

Randi Jo Riley is Valedictorian for the 8th Grade class with a grade point average of 95.75.

Randi is the fourteen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ray Riley.

Randi has been active in basketball, track, crosscountry, and tennis for two years. She is a member of First Baptist Church and active in its

youth group.

In her free time, she enjoys listening to music, talking on the phone, and being with her friends and family.

Nikki Jo Hefley is 8th Grade Salutatorian with a GPA of 94.79.

Nikki is the thirteen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Hefley.

Nikki has been McLean Junior High cheerleader for two years, participated in basketball, tennis, and track for two years, and has been active in 4-H for several She served as years. Grade Class Eighth and President recently elected varsity cheerleader.

She is a member of First Baptist Church and is active in its youth

group. In her free time, Nikki enjoys horseback riding.

8th Grade graduation will be at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday night, May 28 at the McLean High School auditorium.

Memorial Service Held At Hillcrest

their

Memorial Day gathering at McLean's Hillcrest Cemetery on Monday, with approximately 90 in attendance to honor veterans, both living and deceased.

Rev. Quinton Newton gave a fitting memorial from read Revelations.

Former Mayor Sam Haynes spoke for a few moments as did Bill Reeves, remarking how neat and well-groomed

Bud Kennedy, Navy; Edward "Egg" Simpson, Army; and Kenneth Simpson, Air Force. School Board Approves Tax Lien Sales, Accepts

The McLean School previous meetings were Board met on May 19, Board met on p.m. 1998 at 7:00 p.m. were board members Bob Glass, Don Dorsey, Neal Odom, Eugene Galley, Mike Mike Darsey and John Holland. Absent was Ted D. Simmons. Also attending were John Griffin, Superintendent; Leslie Darsey, Secretary; Dick Crockett, Principal; Ed Bailey Principal; Zelda McClellan; Susan Corley; Louise Watson; Brent Anderson; O.O. Tate; Dawn Herndon: Dick Bode; Sally Bohlar; and Rose Steel.

Minutes of

Crawford's Resignation

Rev. Newton closed by

leading everyone acappella in the song

brother-in-law who all

served during World War

II; Frank Simpson, Navy;

'Amazing Grace."

brothers

Pictured are

approved. The Board approved the McLean Ag Department to repair the Downtown Gazebo, with the cost of supplies paid for by the Bank of Commerce. Repairs will begin in September.

Tax Title bids were accepted from Mary Webb for Lots 11-15, Blk 17 in the amount of \$750. and by Jim Rutherford for Lots 29 & 30, Blk. 66 in the amount of \$100. These were the only bids accepted.

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the cemetery looked and thanking everyone for coming out to the memorial service.



Graduation Ceremony Scheduled For Friday

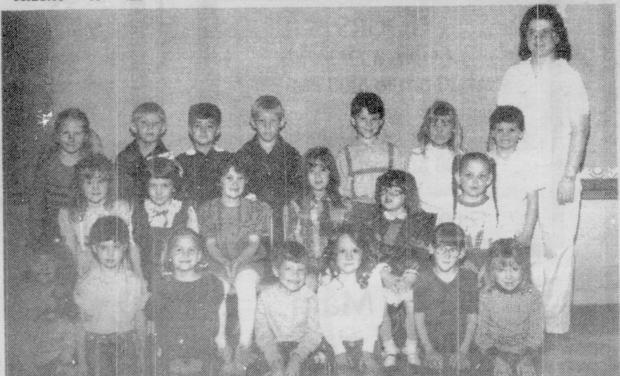
Fourteen seniors and 17 eighth graders will graduate in services to be held this week. Eighth graders will end their junior high careers with Commencement ceremonies to be held tonight, Thursday May 28, at 8:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.

The senior class of 1998 will receive their

diplomas on Friday, May 29, 1998 at the High School Auditorium at 8:00 p.m.

Baccalaureate Services were held last Sunday at the Methodist Church with Pastor James Mantooth as guest speaker.

Kindergarten students received their diploma from Mr. Crockett in a ceremony held last week.



The Class of 1998... They were a cute bunch of little rascals! Can you figure out who was who?

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Bailey, Ora Billingsley, held on Sunday by the

McLean Care Center residents have had a busy schedule this week Simmons, Dovie Lula Sheegog, Polly Burnett, Ora Billingsley, Beryl Halbert, Emma and Graham celebrated their

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Church services were

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The week was busy with crafts and beach ball kick, many residents bingo, playing

Church of Christ.

and as well as dominos watching some movies that brought back memories.

Other highlights were a dessert tasting contest put on by the staff and entertainment by Bobbi Stalls' 4th grade class.

Participating Truman Goodlett, Dick Wheeler, Dovie Simmons, Dorothy Patterson, Jessie Watson, Sue Bessie McLemore, Phyllis

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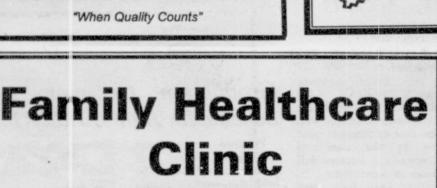


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Badges - Self Esteem, Sky Search, Outdoor Fun In The City, Math Whiz. Patches - 85th Birthday, Cookies '98. On Time Registration, Discovery Center.

They were also awarded a gold star for another year of attendance.

The troop had a busy year and the girls worked really hard and had a good time.

Brownie Girl Scout Troop #126 Earns Awards

The Brownie Girl Scout Troop #126 was honored on Wednesday, May 13 at 3:30 at the Assembly of God Church in McLean. Beverly Odom, McLean Service Manager and assistant Brownie leader, Was master o f ceremonies. The girls assisted her in presenting the many recognitions by describing how each

award was accomplished.

The awards and presenter are as follows:
Membership card and membership star

Amanda Fricks; On-time patch - Jamie Sanderson;
85th Birthday patch - Tamara Loya; Community

Service patch - Lacee Wallis; Hiking patch - Arely Vega; Overnight Discovery patch - Kristen Odom; Cookie sales patch - Kristin Ellis; and Sleepover patch - Ashley Nobles.

The troop also worked to earn try-its through the year. Tammy Syfrett described working for Listening to the Past try-it by the many visits to the nursing home that the troop made during the year. Christmas caroling and adopt a grandparent program were some of the activities.

Other try-its presented included animals - Erin Bailey; Girl Scout Ways - Kay Taylor; Sharing and Caring - Brooke Seymour and People of the World - Shay Nobles.

The six third grade Brownie Girl Scouts bridged to Junior Girl Scouts for the fall. Beverly Odom gave each girl her junior vest, insignia and handbook after they crossed the stage. They were reminded that this is only one of the many bridges they will cross in life. Receiving this honor are Erin Bailey, Amanda Fricks, Tamara Loya, Nobles, Shay Brooke Seymour and Kay Taylor.

Cookie currency was awarded to each girl who sold at least 50 boxes of cookies. T-shirts or stuffed wolves were presented to the girls who sold at least 125 boxes of cookies. Kristin Ellis also won a medium size stuffed wolf and a duffel bag in addition to her cookie currency and T-shirt for selling 475

boxes of cookies.

The Brownie Girl Scout leaders were recognized with a pink carnation for their

dedication throughout the busy year. These include Linda Syfrett, Heidi Gamble, Robbie Sanderson, Susi Thompson and Helen Taylor.

Other members of Brownie Girl Scout Thursday, May 28, 1998-THE GROOM NEWS-Page 13

Mrs. Zora Petty Billingsley of Amarillo was in McLean on Saturday to decorate the gravesites of seven

relatives buried in Hillcrest Cemetery at McLean.

Mrs. Billingsley was accompanied by her first cousin of Canyon, Mrs. Viola Francis Gum.

Obituary

Mattie Effie Bailey

Mattie Effie Bailey, 97, Amarillo, died Saturday, May 16, 1998. Services were in Heald United Methodist Church, near McLean, with Jay Roberson, pastor Church Liberty of officiating. Amarillo, Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Bailey was born in Wheeler County. She lived in McLean for 40 years before moving to Amarillo in 1943. She was a member of the

806-352-9662

Sunshine Sunday School Class at Forest Hills United Methodist Church. She was a charter

member of Heald United

Methodist Church.

Mrs. Bailey was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Bailey, in 1969; and by a daughter,

Laverne Pugh, in 1979.

Survivors include a son, Bobby Bailey of Amarillo; a daughter, Billye Ladd of Amarillo; seven grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; and 20 great-great-grandchildren.

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CITY OF McLEAN Appendix 2 to Annex U Ordinance No. 268

Troop #126 that received awards but were not

Nikki Alvarez, Emory

Crawford, Suzanne

Howard, Amanda Loya,

Anna Shackelford, Shelby

Terry, Katie-Lane

Thompson and DaShae

above

mentioned

Tolleson.

An ordinance consenting to the Declaration Of A State Of Disaster in the City Of McLean, and to continue such declaration; providing for notice; and declaring an emergency

Whereas, on May 22, 1998 the Mayor issued a proclamation declaring a state of disaster for the City Of McLean resulting from strong winds, hall and possible tornado.

Whereas, Section 418.108(B) of the Government Code of Texas, provides that a local state of disaster may not be continued for a period in excess of seven days without the consent of the governing body of the political subdivision.

Now. Therefore, Be It Ordained By The City Of McLean, Texas;

Section 1. The City Commission hereby consents to the extension of the declaration of the state of disaster until terminated by action of the City Commission or other authority with jurisdiction to declare such state of disaster terminated.

Section 2. Notice of this ordinance shall be promptly given to the public through all available local news media and a copy promptly filed with the City Secretary.

Section 3. Because of a disaster to the City Of McLean which has resulted in a necessity to protect immediately the health, safety, property and peace of the residents of the City Of McLean and there is no ordinance continuing the proclamation of a state of disaster to continue in force the Emergency Management Plan for said city; and it being in the best interests of the city and its inhabitants to enact laws at the earliest possible date for the immediate preservation and protection of the health, safety, property and peace of the City and its inhabitants, constitutes an emergency and public necessity requires that the rules providing that ordinances be read at two (2) meetings be suspended and this ordinance shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon its passage and it is so Ordained.

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Charles L. McClendon Mayor Of McLean, Texas

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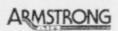
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Pastor James Martindale 779-2175 Sunday School 9:45; Worship 11 am & 6 pm (Youth) & Wed. Bible Study, Prayer Meeting 7 pm Sun. Youth Bible Study 5 pm

United Methodist Church 2nd & Gray
Pastor Thacker Haynes 779-2049 779-2337
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Sun. Sr. High Youth Alpha Chi 5 pm
Wed. Choir 7:00 pm

Heald United Methodist Church Kellerville Road

Sunday 9:15

Trinity Baptist Church 603 Commerce
James Mantooth 779-3207
Sunday School 9:45 am Worship 11 am
Sunday Evening Worship 7 pm

Bible Study & Prayer Meeting Wed 7 pm

Class of 1998

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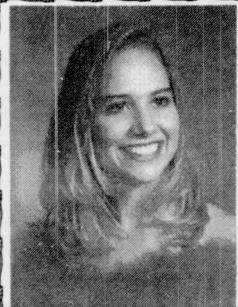
Na Moriah McCracken

"CARPE DIEM," states Ila Moriah McCracken, "That's my motto! Each day we are granted another chance to walk this earth. Each day is a blessing, a beginning and an opportunity to choose the path our lives will take. Some days take a turn for the worst and gray clouds overcast our soul, spirit and mind. But if one remembers that the ability to change the day comes from within, then the power to overcome is there. Seizing the day means finding the altruistic ability to make only one person happy...oneself".

With this in mind, Moriah has See McCracken, pg. 17

8 & B Turbine

Salutatorian



Lori Ruth Hefley

Lori Ruth Hefley has a bright future ahead. She has been accepted to the Athletic Trainers program at Texas Tech University. She is the daughter of James and Charlotte Hefley and a member of the First Baptist Church and a member of the First Baptist Church Youth as well as being involved with the Youth Group of the Trinity Baptist Church.

Lori has had an extremely active high school career. She has played basketball for 4 years. She was named to the All-District team each year and served as captain as a senior. She also earned the Merit

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Anthony Ray Albus

Anthony Ray Albus is the son of Gary and Cheryl McFail.

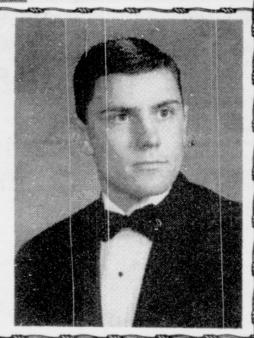
"If I could start high school all over again, the change I would make would be to try much harder in my classes and I would have taken school much more seriously," commented Anthony.

A member of the Trinity Baptist Church, he plans to attend West Texas A& M University in the fall.

Very active in sports, Anthony has played four years of football. End, middle linebacker, and running back were his positions. He was named MVP and was an alternate to the All-Stars.

See Albus, pg. 18

The Country Corner



Jennifer Rene Barker

Jennifer Renee Barker has been a resident of McLean all her life. She is the daughter of Cas and Rita Barker and is a member of the First Baptist Church of McLean.

Jennifer's future plans include attending Amarillo College this fall. Jennifer has been very focused in her activities throughout high school. She played one year of basketball as a post. She was also in Drama Club.

Jennifer competed in UIL Literary Criticism and Editorial. She was named to "Who's Who in American High School Students." She served her class as President and See Barker, pg. 17

Lamb's Flowers



Gary Vernon Bolton

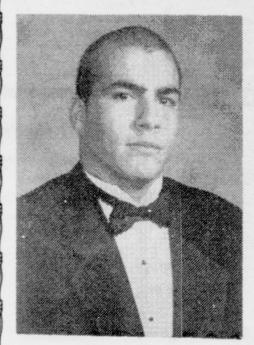
Gary Vernon Bolton is the son of Doug and Rhonda Bolton. He came to McLean in the third grade from Arizona. He plans to attend college this fall. Gary sees his future as a becoming a Texas Highway Patrol officer.

He has been very active in football throughout his high school career. He played quarterback and defensive end. He was named Most Valuable Player, All-District, and alternate All-Star. He was named to "Who's Who Among High School Football Players"

"The most influential person in

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Ruban Christopher Flores

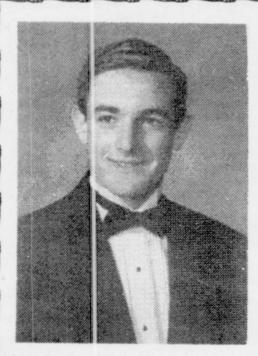
Ruban Christopher Flores came to McLean from Sanderson Jr. High School in 1990. "Chris" as he is known by his friends has been active in many areas of life at MHS.

He has played football all four years as a running back. He was a member of the All-District team last year. He played two years of basketball as a post and ran three years of track. He was a Regional Qualifier in golf for two of the three years that he played.

Chris has also been active in FFA all his high school career. He competed in drama for two years

See Flores, pg. 18

McLean Home Health Care





Lorin Luan Hall

The daughter of David and Terri Hall, Lorin Luan Hall plans to attend Texas Tech University in the fall. She is a member of the Trinity Baptist Church.

"If I could start high school all over again," she ponders, "I would savor every day like it was the last!"

Clearly a person who has enjoyed school, she has been very involved in it's activities. Lorin played two years of basketball. She was a point and guard. She also played one year of tennis and competed in the doubles competition. Lorin has been in the Pep Club

See Hall, pg. 18 Corinne's Style Shop



Bonnie Kay Hauck

Bonnie Kay Hauck will be headed for Amarillo College this fall with a career in Paramedicine in her future.

"Mrs. Haynes told me a saying that really has stuck with me, 'Be true to yourself.' I have never had a lot of self esteem," commented Bonnie,

"But I have tried to apply this to my daily life and it has worked. Thank you, Mrs. Haynes, for teaching me ethics, talking about politics and respecting each of us for who we are and what we want to be."

Bonnie is the daughter of Don Hauck and Cynthia Hauck. She is a See Hauck, pg. 18

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Krystle Dawn McClellan

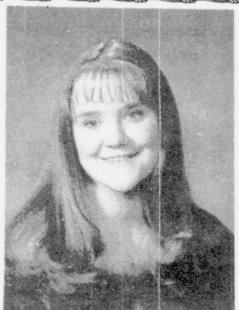
The daughter of Kelly McClellan and the late Karen McClellan, Krystle plans to attend Clarendon College in the fall.

Her motto is "This too shall pass." She commented that it has helped her through some rough times. The person who has had the greatest influence on her life is her father, Kelly McClellan. She is a member of the Church of Christ.

Krystle has played one year of basketball in the post position. She was in FFA for one year and Drama for one year.

She has served her classmates as See McClellan, pg. 18

Windom Auto



Jennifer Diane Patton

The daughter of Floe Patton of McLean, Texas and Jim Patton of Enid, Oklahoma, Jennifer is undecided concerning her future plans, as are many graduating seniors. She is a member of the Trinity Baptist Church of McLean. She credits her Aunt Pam Parcel as having the greatest influence on her life.

"She has shown me most of all, the truest love of Jesus, and how to trust in his promises," stated Jennifer.

She lives by the motto "...And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those See Patton, pg. 17

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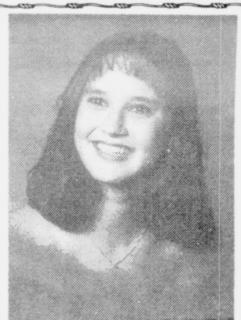


Praci Dee Ann Seitz

Traci Dee'Ann Seitz has definite goals in mind for her future. The daughter of Earl Seitz and JoAnn West, she plans to first attend Clarendon College before going on to West Texas A & M University to pursue a degree in early childhood education.

"The most influential person that has been in my life was my first grade teacher, Mrs. Kay Batton. I believe she's the reason I have decided to teach. I remember how much love and faith she had in each of us. She never let any of us feel as if we had failed or disappointed her or ourselves. I believe in the years to See Seitz, pg. 18

Red River Steak House



Shaley Paige Stalls

"If I could start high school all over again, I would definitely work harder to achieve higher grades," stated Shaley Paige Stalls, daughter of Randy and Bobbie Stalls. "I would have taken more time for my studies and get my priorities straight."

Shaley has been very busy with high school activities. She played High School basketball for 4 years, as well as AAU. She earned the Most Improved award 2 times. She was named to the All-Tournament teams for contests held in Ft. Elliot and Samnorwood. She was named in Texas Top Picks for Women's

See Stalls, pg. 17

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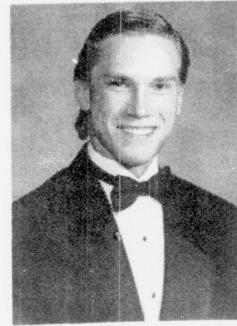


Walter Elton Staton 199

Walter Elton Staton III is the son of Walter Staton Jr. and Angela Staton. Earning a scholarship from NHRA, he plans to attend the Wyoming Technical Institute and is a member of the Methodist Church.

Walter has been very active in sporting events. He played four years of football for the Tigers as an end, full and tailback. He was named MVP and All-Star alternate. He played wing and point during his three year career in basketball. Running track for four years, he was Regional alternate in the mile and 6th in District in the Quarter Mile. In

See Staton, pg. 18



Cristobal Erik Vega

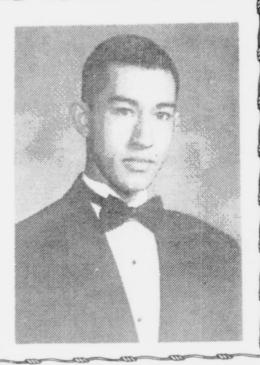
With plans to attend West Texas A & M University, Cristobal Erik Vega stated, "If I could start high school over again, I would take school a little more serious."

Cristobal is the son of Cris and Raquel Vega and came to McLean from Plainview in the 5th grade. He is a member of the First Assembly of God Church.

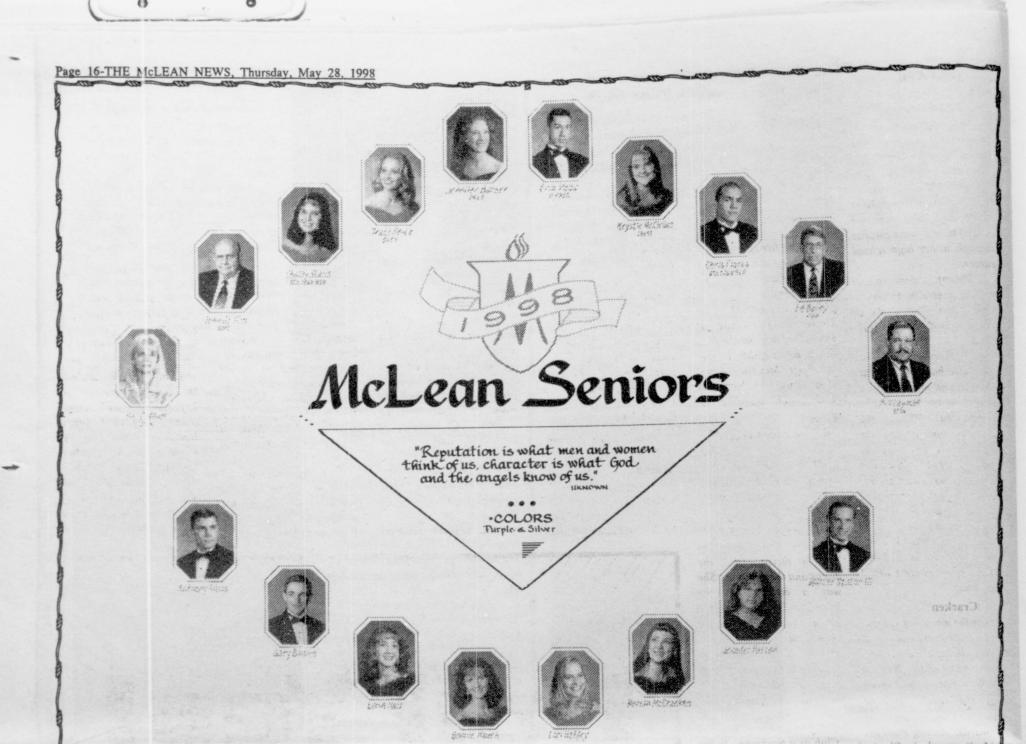
He played two years of football at the end, corner back and safety positions. He was an All-Star alternate. He also played four years of basketball. He was a point guard, and a guard. He was also named to

See Vega, pg. 18

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McLean

Barker

Class representative. She was a Homecoming Queen Candidate. Jennifer was named Miss McLean. And Miss MHS runner up. She was voted Most Dependable, Most Witty and Most Beautiful. She received academic and merit awards throughout her high school career.

She enjoys dancing and writing poetry in her spare time. She also works at Lamb's Flower and Gift Shop.

"I think the people who have had the greatest influence on my life would have to be my family," she commented. "They have always stood behind me and taught me that no matter what difficulties come my way I can always make it. By their examples. I have learned what is right, wrong and that I achieve anything, Without their influence in my life, I don't know where I would be today."

McCracken

been the master of her own fate and very active in many areas. She has been a member of the National Honor Society and served as Historian. She has received many academic awards. Among them are: Merit awards in Physical Science, American History, Algebra I & II, Spanish I & II, Biology, Geometry, Geography, English III, History, Yearbook. She was named to "Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Moriah has been very active in UIL. She competed in and was a Winner District Regional Qualifier in almost every event. They are Ready Writing, Feature Writing, Editorial Writing, Extemporaneous Speaking, News Writing, and Literary Criticism. She was also awarded Merit awards for her participation in these events. She also earned the right to compete at the State UIL meet and was awarded a Texas Flag for her efforts. She received a 3rd place medal in the West Texas Romance Writers Association Fiction Essay

Moriah has found time for other endeavors. She was a member of the drama club and was named to the All-Star Cast. She served as editor of the yearbook for two years. She tutors high school students in all subjects. She was named Lion's Club Sweetheart and DAR Good Citizen and is a member of the Region XVI Gifted and Talented

Committee. She was named Most Likely to Succeed and an Amarillo Globe News Hall of Honor

She has been a competitor in the Miss McLean Pageant and the Miss Irish Rose pageant and works for B & B Turbine. She enjoys reading in her spare time.

Moriah is Valedictorian of the graduating class. She plans to attend The University of Texas at Permian Basin in the fall. She is the daughter of Janet and Roger McCracken and is a member of the Heald United Methodist Church.

who are called according to His purpose. What then shall we say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?" Romans 8:28.31.

Jennifer ran track for two years. She competed in the 100 meter dash, the discus and the shot put. She was a member of the Islanders Special Olympic Team of Shamrock. She earned three gold medals and two silver medals in bowling as well as a gold medal in basketball.

She was named Class Favorite as a Junior and was a member of the Pep Club as a freshman. In her spare time she enjoys watching basketball.

Stalls

basketball, earned the merit award in Basketball, was named All-District Basketball, and was Captain of the basketball team. She was named the Six-Man All-Star Regional Alternate and an All-Region nominee.

In track, Shaley has been very busy, too. She received the merit Award in track. She was a Regional Qualifier. She also ran Cross Country and earned a merit award and qualified for the Regional Meet. She played golf and was fourth in district. She earned the golf merit award. Not to leave any sport untried, Shaley also earned a merit award in tennis, along with being named to Who's Who in Sports.

academic awards. She was named to Who's Who Academics, attended the National Leadership Camp and was a nominee for the National Honor Roll. She is a member of the National Honor Society and served as the clubs vice president. She is an All-American Scholar. She received the 6-man all A award. Shaley received awards in Science and Computers and worked as a teacher's aide. She competed in UIL One Act and

competitions. She also was a member of Dinner Theater. She served her classmates as a representative to the Student Council and as class vice president.

Activities as cheerleader have also played a big part in Shaley's life. Aside from being a cheerleader for the McLean Tigers, she was named Who's Who in Cheerleading, earned the USA Cheerleading Award, was named All-American Cheerleader and was a participant in the Adolphus Children's parade in Dallas as an N.A. Cheerleader.

Voted Most Beautiful and Most Witty by her classmates, Shaley was Homecoming Queen, 1st runner up in the Miss McLean contest, Miss MHS, and class favorite. Hefley

award 3 years.

In track and cross county, Lori has been active for four years. She was a Regional Qualifier as a senior and placed 7th in district. She was named Most Valuable, Most

Improved, Most Outstanding, MVP and was awarded the merit award in track three times. She also qualified for Regional twice.

She played golf and placed 3rd in District as a senior.

Lori has received other honors for her athletic ability. She earned the Fighting Lady Tiger Award, The Coaches Fighting Lady Tiger Award, The Lion's Club Fighting Lady Tiger Award and the US Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete Award.

She has also been an

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active member of FFA and 4-H, showing lambs for the last ten years. She earned the Top O'Texas citizenship award as a senior and the showmanship award three times. Lori was the secretary for her local FFA chapter.

Lori has competed in the Miss McLean Pageant and been in the top 8 contestants 4 times. She was a Homecoming Queen candidate all four years and was Queen one year. She was a cheerleader for four years and was an All American Nominee as well as received the merit award for Cheerleading. Lori is a member of the National Honor Society and served as president.

"I try not to let problems get to me," she commented about her philosophy. "High School is a time to have fun. Take the work seriously but also

be involved in many activities."

Lori has taken the work seriously. She was named to the USA All-American Scholar, the United States National Honor Roll, the National Science Merit Award, and "Who's Who Among American High School Students."

She competed in UIL in Current Events and Prose. Lori was named Honorable Mention in Drama in the All-Star Cast. Her other academic honors include: Overall Average Award for 3 years; Physical Science Award; English I Award; Biology Health Award: Merit Award; Micro Computer Award; And the All-State Academic Team. She has also served the school as a teacher's aide for two years.



McLean

Vega

the All-District team. He ran two years of track competing in the 800 meter run and the 1200 meter

Cris also played one year of doubles tennis. He competed with his brother Gabriel Vega. In golf he placed 2nd in district and was a Regional Qualifier.

Cris has received many other school honors. He was named Mr. MHS, Most Likely To Succeed, Class Favorite, Most Handsome, and was Class representative three times. He has been a member of FFA for two years and Drama for one year. He also was Class Vice President.

"Cris's philosophy is 'after the darkest nights, always comes a brighter day'."

"This reminds me that no matter how bad my day has been, the rest of the day will be a whole lot better."

Cris works at the Red River Steakhouse. He enjoys playing basketball and spending time with his friends and family.

Flores

and was a Class Representative as a Senior.

Chris, the son of Ruban and Connie Flores, is a member of the First Baptist Church. He plans to attend college to become a fire fighter.

"The person who has had the most influence in my life is my Grandfather, even though he died in March. He will always be the one I look up to because he never gave up. He had concer for a while and the doctors said he would not make it but he pulled through three times. He never gave up and he was a tough old man. He always told me to go for what I believe and not what everyone thinks. And that is why he has influenced my life so much."

Albus

In basketball he played wing and post for four years. He was named to the All-District, second team. Anthony also competed in track for two years. He placed 3rd in District in the high jump, sprint relay and mile relay.

Anthony also competed in tennis and golf. He played doubles with Brosley Carter in tennis and placed 2nd in District, qualifying for the Regional meet in golf.

A member of FFA for four years, he also served as President. He was named "Most Witty" for three years n a row

"My mother has had the greatest influence on my life," he stated. "She supports me in everything I do. She also does anything that I need her to do to help me out."

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member of, the First Assembly of God Church. She has been active in many activities in and out of school.

She played three years of basketball. She played point guard, wing and was the manager. She earned All-District Honorable Mention honors. She was a Regional Qualifier in track in the 1600 meter relay. She placed 3rd in District in the 800 meter relay. She played two years of tennis, competing in both doubles and singles. She placed 3rd in District singles competition.

Bonnie has been a member of the Pep Club for three years and a member of the Yearbook Staff for three years. She was named to "Who's Who Among American High School Students." She is also president of the Jr. Volunteer Firefighters.

Bonnie was named Most Courteous, crowned Harvest Queen, and earned awards for Highest GPA in Algebra II. She was a Regional Qualifier in UIL Computer Applications as well as winning 2nd in District.

In Bonnie's spare time, she works at the Country Corner.

"My mother has had the greatest influence on my life," she commented. She has been there for me through thick and thin. She has taught me patience and kindness. I love her with all my heart. Thank you for everything, Mom!"

Staton

Country, he was a Regional Qualifier. Walter was also a member of FFA for three years,, and in journalism for four years. He competed in UIL news writing.

Voted Homecoming King, Walter also was Mr. MHS runner-up.

Walter's dad is his greatest inspiration.

"My father has had the greatest influence on me because he is the closest person to me. He also supports me in everything that I do," he commented.

When he is not working for RL Coardy/Acme Trucking, he enjoys playing basketball and hanging out with his friends.

Bolton

my life has been my father. He has always been there for me through thick and thin." commented Gary. "I live by a philosophy that Dad taught me and that is 'If your gonna dance...

You got to pay the fiddler'."

Gary is a member of the Trinity Baptist Church. He was voted "Most Handsome" for two years. He was a member of the FFA and also the Choir. In his spare time he races cars and likes to work on cars. He works on a ranch.

McClellan

Treasurer of the Senior class. She was voted "Most Likely to Make You Smile." "Most Popular," and "Most Courteous."

Krystle competed in computer applications for one year. She works at the Country Corner Texaco

and enjoys being with her friends when she has free time.

Seitz

in the years to come as I finish my major, I will try so hard to keep her in the front of my mind, as my prime example. I believe there is no way I could fail if I could in any way follow her teachings," stated Traci concerning her career choice.

Traci is a member of the Trinity Baptist Church.

She has been a member of the Student Council and served as secretary. She was cheerleader, Homecoming Queen, and elected Class Favorite, Most Courteous, and Most Likely To Brighten Your Day.

Traci babysits in her spare time and enjoys walking with her mom, talking and having fun with friends. Hall

and was a cheerleader twice. She was voted Miss McLean in 1997 and was 2nd runner up in 1996 as well as being crowned Harvest Queen in 1995. She was voted Most Beautiful, runner up for Most Likely to Succeed and was a semi-finalist in the Miss Irish Rose Contest.

Lorin was Named to
"Who's Who Among
American High School
Students." She served as
Secretary-Treasurer of the
National Honor Society and
secretary of her class twice.
She has been in Yearbook
and Journalism for three

Competing in UIL events, Lorin was in headline writing, literary criticism and computer applications. She has earned Academic Achievement awards.

In her spare time, she enjoys listing to music and hanging out with friends as well as playing with her twin nieces and her cousin.

"My parents and other family members have had the greatest influence on my life. They have been a source of wisdom and experience and are always willing to lend a hand or an ear," commented Lorin Hall.

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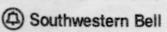
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Assessor/Collector with the court to discuss hiring the of fill a individual to vacancy created by the Jackie promotion of Lewis in the Tax Office. Mrs. Cosper informed the court that she had hired Diane Forbes to fill the vacancy. Salary will not be set until the next regularly scheduled commissioners court.

The court reviewed the proposed '99 budget and related information of the Appraisal Office.

The expense associated with capitol murder trials was discussed by the court. It was pointed out that county expense associated with cases would run approximately \$65,000.00 to \$85,000.00, and could even be as high as \$250 to \$350,000.00, depending on appeals.

The court opened and considered bids for a motor grader for Precinct #4. After reviewing the bids and considering information related to the bids the court accepted a bid from Yellowhouse Machinery for a 672CH

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Leslie Rohan met with the court and presented detailed plans of the proposed White Deer Branch Library. After the court reviewed and discussed the plans, it was agreed to advertise for bids for construction of "A contract facility. could be awarded by the end of June."

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The board accepted the esignation of Crawford.

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No action was taken on the Headstart/Pre-Kindergarten issue.

A financial proposal for funding of a new gym was accepted.

Financial reports and April bills were approved before the board adjourned.

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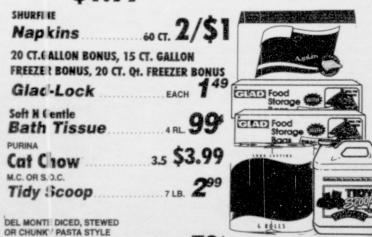
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