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# The Groom News

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## A Year In Review

### Looking back at 1991

As 1991 fades into the sunset and 1992 appears on the horizon, it's time to take a look at the hand 1991 dealt us.

One of the biggest stories locally was the sentencing of Glenn Milner. Milner received three life sentences on one count of murder and two counts of attempted murder for the July 13th, 1990, spree of violence that left one Panhandle youth dead.

School finance, or lack of it, dominated the headlines much of the spring and summer. The Supreme Court ruling that found the

way Texas funds its schools unconstitutional left school districts reeling and law makers scratching their heads. The formation of regional taxing districts, incorrectly named County Education Districts, left many area schools wondering whether they will even be in operation in 1992. The Supreme Court is expected to rule soon on whether this new method of distributing tax dollars for education is constitutional. McLean and Alanreed ISDs are about to vote on the question of consolidation in the next election.

Some of the more

positive stories came from local sources. Groom Day '91 went off with a resounding blast as the new fireworks display made a real hit with everyone.

A record wheat crop and a record in the length of the harvest of the milo were the major subjects on farmers' minds this year.

Sports loomed large in Groom's activities as the local basketball teams did great in '91 and show good promise for 1992. Last spring found several tracksters at the regional and state meets. The JETS team placed 2nd in state and the 1991-92 Band received a I rating at contest.

Births and deaths mark the passing years for many. Although unofficial, '91 seems to have been a good year for babies. That promises to be good for Groom's future population. The Census figures that came out in the fall stated that Groom's population had decreased to 618

### G. T. E.

### Employees Make Christmas Brighter For Local Residents

Local General Telephone employees gave an early Xmas gift to several Groom and Claude families Thursday, Dec. 19th. Butch Skiles and Delmar Wiggins presented gifts of complete Christmas dinner to some lucky families. The idea blossomed from the employees' wish to do something nice for some families that might need a little extra help in the towns that they service. The G.T.E. Corporation matched the employees' donation.

The frozen dinners included turkey, dressing, cranberry sauce, vegetables, and even pumpkin pies.

## Fields Named to Super Team

Matt Fields, son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Fields, was named as defensive end in the Amarillo Globe News Six-Man Super Team. Fields was the Tigers leading tackler and fumbler's recoverer for the 1991 season. Groom finished 7-4, earning a slot in the playoffs.

Other super team members were Mathew Neighbors, Miami; Clay Edwards, Valley; Kirk Jesko, Lazbuddie; Matt Cozby, Leland Brockman, Lazbuddie; Langdon Reagan, Silverton; Tuffy Sanders, McLean; Caesar Loony, McLean; Bradley Price, Valley; Daniel Harris, McLean; Chard Calvert, Valley; and Frank Ramirez, Silverton;

Coach of the year was Cliff Gilmore of Valley. Offensive player of the year was Clay Edwards of Valley. Defensive player of the year was Caesar Looney Of McLean.

### News To Change Mailing Process

The Groom News is happy to announce that in a few weeks we hope to begin mailing the paper with computer labels. The labels will include your subscription expiration date as well as your complete mailing address. The job of transferring everyone's address from the old stencils to the computer has been a long tedious task. We hope we have everything correct and don't leave anyone out, but if your address is incorrect in some way, or if you fail to receive your paper, please contact us immediately.

This new process will allow us to make changes faster and more efficiently, as well as keep a more accurate record of your subscription renewal date.

We hope that the new process causes you no inconvenience. We expect to begin in three to four weeks.



Matt Fields

## Stephens' Annual Christmas Coffee Held

The annual Christmas coffee at Margie Stephens was held December 14th. The hostesses were Margaret Crowell, Beverly Stephens, Kay Stephens and Margie Stephens.

The home was decorated with red bows and red poinsettias to celebrate the ruby anniversary of the occasion.

The coffee was started forty years ago with a few neighbors invited for coffee at Christmas. The neighbors then invited friends, and the coffee evolved to what it is now. Previous hostesses were Eunice Major, Nancy (Kotara) Paronto, Jo Ann Britten and at times their daughters, Leslie Crowell, and Nila Burgin.

The invitations for the past two years have been computer printed but in the beginning were designed and hand-made by the hostesses.

Guests were greeted by Lori Stephens and Michele Stephens. Coffee, spiced punch and Christmas goodies were served from a

table centered with an arrangement of red carnations and holly. The hostesses wore red Christmas aprons.

Guests were: Connie Fields, Susan Britten, Ruby Babcock, Janice Koetting, Sybil Harrell, Shirley Fields, Doris Homer, Alice Britten, Vivian Lacy, Sharlene Lewis, Charlotte and Dara Whatley, Donna Burger, Joyce Hutsell, Evelyn Schaffer, Evelyn Ollinger, Betty Hudson, Helen Wade, Barney Davis, Juandell Ritter, Marla Overstreet, LaVesta Barnett, Janetta Lamb, Oma Schaffer, Marion Kendrick, Holly Burger, Juanita Brown, Mary Hills, Ethel Blackwell, Nita Jackson, Hilda Duncan, Vi Dunham, Barbara Fraser, Annie Carlisle, Myra Carlisle, Mary Quisenberry, Mildred Burgin, Vonnie Barker, Belinda Britten, Leslie and Lauren Crowell, Pearl Babcock, Truman Goodlett, Darlene Jones, Mamie Ritter, Lola Bribesca, Alan Stephens and Michael Stephens.

## Community Calendar

**SCHOOL WILL RESUME**  
January 6th at the regular time.

**HIGH SCHOOL** basketball teams will play Memphis on January 7th. JV girls will begin at 4:00, followed by JV boys, Varsity girls and Varsity boys.

**THE GROOM BASKETBALL** teams will participate in the Silverton "Hoot Out" beginning January 2nd. The Girls will play at 9:00 a.m. and the boys will play at 10:30 p.m.

**ALL GIRL SCOUT** Leaders will meet at the home of Donna Burton on Saturday, January 4th at 9:00 a.m. for cookie training.

**COUNTRY NEIGHBORS**  
at Mary Britten's home at 1:30 on Jan. 8th.

**SEMESTER TESTS** WILL begin on January 13 and continue through January 16.

**NO SCHOOL WILL BE** held on January 17th due to a teacher workday.

**JUNIORS AND SENIORS** will have a program presented to them by Coffee Memorial Blood Center at 8:45 on January 8th.

**JUNIOR HIGH** Basketball teams will play Hedley here beginning at 5:00 on January 9th.



### Local Happenings

Lita Witt and Jay Carver of Dallas visited Helen Witt on Thursday.

## The Groom News

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Jack and Willie Barnett spent Christmas Day with daughter Shalon and Dale Major in Oklahoma City. Monday evening they celebrated the holiday with the rest of their family, Sharon, Gary, Bruce, Bronte, and Bart Britten; David and Shelly Britten; Suni Barnett; and Jackie, Donna, Blake, and Nicole Barnett, all of Groom.

Tracy Homer and Tammy Mayes of Marietta Ga. were home this past weekend to visit in the home of Tracy's parents, Bill and Norma Jean Homer.

Rip and Joy Snyder spent Christmas week in San Angelo with Truman, Nina, and Cory Richey and Sean, Michelle, and Jonathan Richey.

**BLACK CHRISTMAS**  
The Black family held their annual Christmas get together Sunday, December 15th at the Groom Community Center. Attending were: Kenneth and Betty Black; Doyle Bell; Connie and Schuyler Fulton; Keith and Susan, Aaron, Cameron Black; Stormy, Tracie and Louis Fulton; Rebel and Dustin Fulton; Dewayne Bogle; Kris, Gay, Phylli Black; Kyle, Veretta, Kit, Maile Black; Frank and Maxine Quick; Sybil Brown; Wallace and Jackie Bichsel; Gary, Cindy, Marci, Cody, Tyler Babcock; Douglas Black; Herschel and Ruth Black; Ethel Blackwell; Carey, Cindy, Laci and Tanner Black; Chubby and Nita Black; and Curtis, Sarah, Allison, Barrett Smith.

The Jiggs Britten's are still anticipating Xmas, having their family get-together next Saturday. Tracy, now of Allison, and Terry of Amarillo were home for the holidays a few days to visit their parents.

Zoah Britten enjoyed Xmas at son Jimmy Britten's home. Carlene and Jimmy also hosted guests Johnny, Lonny, Bobby and Ronna Britten and Debbie, Buster, Jennifer, and Jarrod Haning of Wheeler.

Zoah's other holiday visitors included Mike and Mindy Britten of Anadarko, Oklahoma, and Misti, Wesley, Christopher, Justin, and Brooke English.

Rip and Joy Snyder, Roberta Ellington, and Gloria Ledwig attended the funeral for Fines Marchman in Pampa Saturday morning.

**GROOM BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES**  
January 3 - Mrs. C. R. Knight, Sara Elaine Britten, J. Nicholas Weinheimer, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Keith Fields (A).  
January 4 - Mrs. Nathan Weiberg, Daniel B. Hinson.  
January 5 - Kori Brown, Todd Edward Gray.  
January 6 - Ronald A. Kuehler, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick J. Britten (A).  
January 7 - Tracy Homer.  
January 8 - Shannon D'Laine Fields.  
January 9 - John Gregory Cline.

**NEW ARRIVAL**  
Thomas and Connie Britten of Slaton, Texas are pleased to announce the birth of a son, Zachary Thomas, Born Dec. 12 at St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock. Proud Grandparents are Norman and Jean Britten of Traverse City, Michigan and Jerry and Nadine Thornton of Groom. Great-grandparents are R. B. Thornton and Ivy Clark, both of Groom.

Tom and Connie would like to thank friends and relatives from Groom for their prayers, calls, and flowers. Connie and Zachary are at home and recuperating from their stay at the hospital. They look forward to visiting Groom over the Christmas holidays.

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# Robin Hood Forum Challenges Law

Dear Editor:

Representatives from property-wealthy school districts are maintaining that not only is school funding legislation passed earlier this year unconstitutional but also fails to provide the promised funding equity.

More than 50 districts banded together in a group called the "Robin Hood

Forum" and filed a suit challenging the constitutionality of the law which was upheld by a lower court. The suit is expected to be ruled on by the Supreme Court any day.

"This new law adds another layer of bureaucracy and, in the end, increases property taxes in almost every district in the state," said Superintendent Marion Czaja, Glen Rose.

Also research being conducted by the Robin Hood Forum indicates that while the new law has hurt programs in the wealthier districts it has not significantly helped the poorer districts.

"The bottom line is that the state of Texas is once again pushing its own responsibility to adequately fund quality education down to the local taxpayer," said

Bill Reaves, superintendent in Palacios ISD. "Nobody is really a winner under this plan because it still fails to deliver a sufficient amount of money to poorer school districts so they truly can make a difference. At the same time, it simply levels down higher spending schools to a state-imposed standard of mediocrity."

Many of the poor districts that received additional money through the County Education District (CED) distribution report that their local property taxes have also increased with little or no improvement in their education programs.

"This is not a rich against poor issue. Any way you cut it, the burden falls on local taxpayers whether they reside in a poor district or a rich district," said Andrews ISD Superintendent James Pennington.

The majority of these property-wealthy districts are small, rural and comprised of working class folks, with moderate-to-low income. Also, minorities represent a significant high percentage in some districts.

"We cannot sit back and allow erosion of the quality education that we have worked so hard to deliver to

students in our districts," said Czaja, who is chairperson of the Litigation Group that is spearheading the Robin Hood Forum.

"We must inform taxpayers of the serious implications of this legislation on the future of education in this state. We also will enlist the support of citizens and business leaders to push for a revitalized state commitment to public education," Czaja said.

With a Supreme Court decision on the constitutionality of the legislation expected any day, members of the Robin Hood Forum are hoping that the Court will overturn the law and abolish the County Education Districts (CEDs).

"We believe that the present law is unconstitutional because the taxes collected and redistributed by the CEDs amount to state ad valorem taxes in violation of a constitutional ban on such taxes," Czaja said. "If the Court rules in our favor and a special session is called, the legislators can look again at the issues without the crowded agenda of a regular session. The future

of our state will be determined by our level of commitment to each child in every district. I believe the state can fund quality education."

As Attorneys James George and Hugh Lowe have written, we can do that "...with a new tax system that taxes real wealth in a real world and supports the schools from all the wealth available in Texas. When our legislators ran for office, they said they wanted to go to Austin and work for us.

"If the Supreme Court declares the County Education District Tax unconstitutional, the people of Texas should not be required to pay \$4.5 billion in taxes they do not owe because the Legislature or Governor believes the task too hard or that the task requires too much courage. The times are too hard to ask Texans to make such a sacrifice."

For More Information Contact:

Marion Czaja, Superintendent Glen Rose ISD, (817)-897-2517

Bill Reaves, Superintendent Palacios ISD, (512)-972-5491

### LEGAL NOTICE

The Carson County Commissioners Court is taking bids on the following: General Liability insurance coverage on all county vehicles for Carson County.

Specifications can be obtained from the Carson County Judge at his office in the Carson County Courthouse, Panhandle, Texas.

This procedure and notice is in accordance with Chapter 262 of the Local Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, which requires publication of this notice at least one time before the 14th day before the date of the bid opening. Bids are to be delivered to Agnes Bell, County Auditor, of Carson County, Texas, prior to 10:00 o'clock a.m. on Monday, January 27, 1992, the date and time at which such bids shall be publicly opened, read and considered by the Commissioners Court. The Court shall award the contract to the responsible bidder who submits the lowest and best bid, or reject all bids and publish a new notice or take such other action as authorized by said Local Government Code. Additionally, the award of the contract, if at all, shall be made to the responsible offeror whose proposal is determined to be the lowest evaluated offer resulting from negotiation, taking into

consideration the relative importance of price and other evaluation factors in accordance with Section 262.030 of said Code.

### GRAND JURY TAKES NO ACTION

A 47th Judicial District grand jury took no action Thursday on a Claude Junior High School student's claim he was physically abused by a school official who paddled him.

"They passed it. They took no action," said District Attorney Danny Hill. "I expect it's over with."

Hill said the case involved a boy under 14 years of age, whom Hill declined to identify because of his age, who was paddled by Claude Junior High School Principal Gary Douglass in November. The swats administered by Douglass "resulted in bruises," Hill said, and the case was taken to the grand jury.

He said the five-woman, seven-man panel meeting in Armstrong County Courthouse considered the matter for about 45 minutes before deciding to pass on it.

### CHOWLINE NEWS

Ophelia Smith and Delores Prather of Amarillo visited Chowline Friday, Dec. 20, for lunch. There were no meals served during Christmas week.

### Local Happening

Visiting Helen Winkcompleck over the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Doug Horton and Josh of Pure; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Horton of Elk City; Jerry Winkcompleck of Sierra Vista, Az; Mr. and Mrs. John Goff and Bry of Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Micky Well, Michelle and Zackery of Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Skip Gray and Eli of Amarillo; Tim Gray of Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Jeff King, Amber and Angela of Amarillo; and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gray, Todd and Dwayne.

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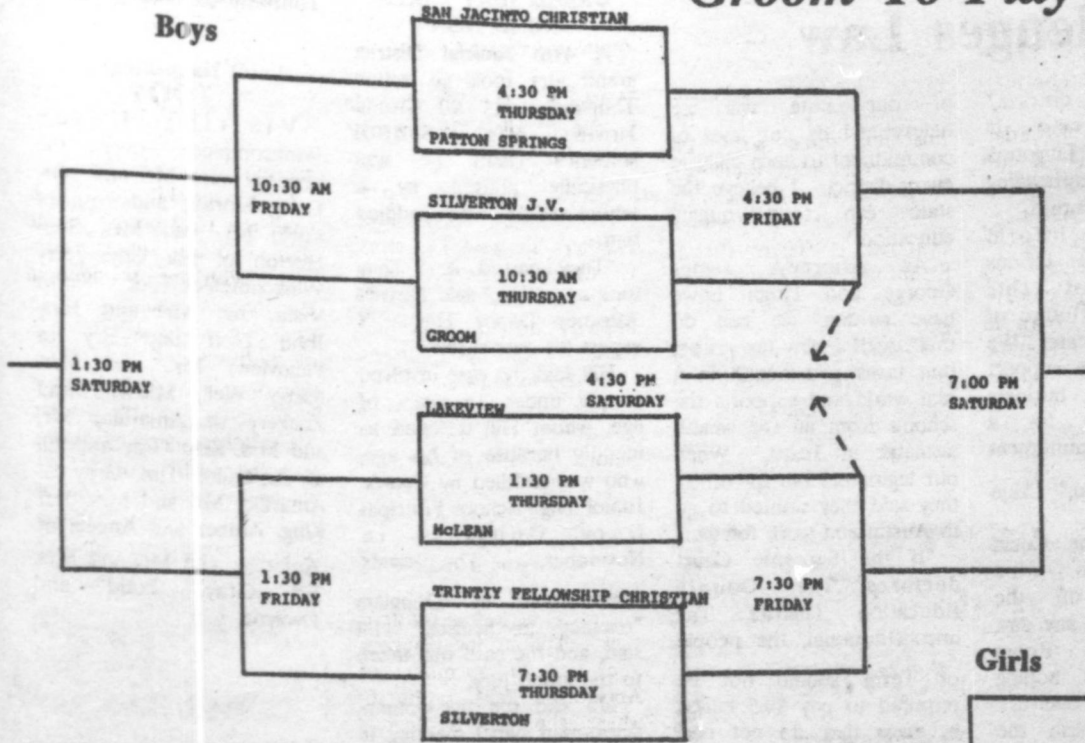
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# Groom To Play In Silverton "Hoot Out"



## Groom Wins Over Lefors

Groom easily outdistanced Lefors in pre-Christmas action on Dec. 20th. Scoring big for the Tigerettes was Karen Babcock as she totaled 17 points, backed up by Kristy Case with 14 points. Also scoring for Groom were Misty Homan for 6 points; Lesa Sweatt, Jolee Burger, Melanie Friemel, Kenzi Burger all scored 4 points; Jill Howard and Marie Conrad scored 2 each.

This victory brings the girls record to 14-1. The

final score was 57-27. The Tigers swept past the Pirates with a final of 68-29. Brian Baker lead the scoring with 14. Bryan Crowell added 11 points while Daryl Homer 10, Kirk Webb and Bo Burgin 9, Corkey Hickey 6, Rhett Patterson 4, Paul McLaughlin 3, and Wes Hall hit for 2. The Tigers record is 8-5. Groom's next game will be the Silverton Tournament beginning on January 2nd.

## Groom School Lunch Menu

January 6 through January 10th.

**Monday - Breakfast:** Cereal, blueberry muffins, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls, chocolate no-bake cookies, milk.

**Tuesday - Breakfast:** Pancakes, almond butter, syrup, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Beef stew w/tuna, peanut butter & jelly, pimento cheese sandwiches, mixed vegetables, cornbread, crackers, pears, milk.

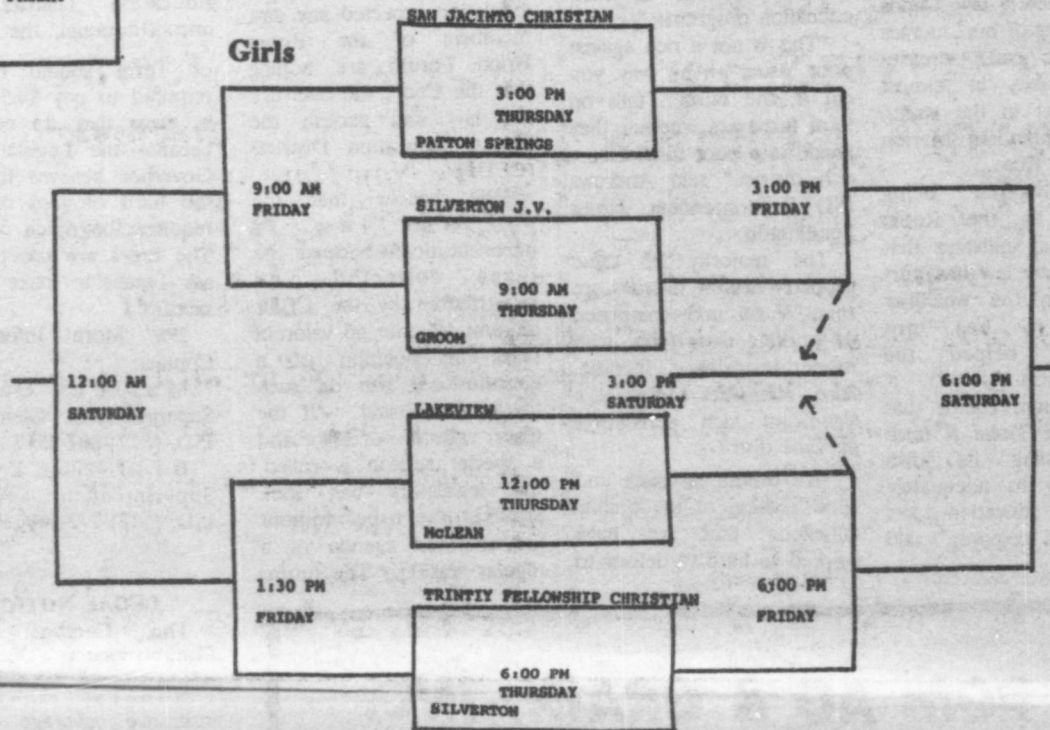
**Wednesday - Breakfast:** Breakfast burritos, hash browns, juice, milk. **Lunch:**

Stuffed baked potatoes w/ shaved ham and grated cheese, broccoli cuts, hot sliced bread, jello surprise, milk.

**Thursday - Breakfast:** Biscuits, bacon, gravy, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Lasagne w/meat and cheese, salad, fried okra, breadsticks, vanilla pudding w/cookie, milk.

**Friday - Breakfast:** Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Cheeseburgers, tater tots, lettuce, pickles, tomatoes, onions, yummy oatmeal cookies, milk.

## Girls

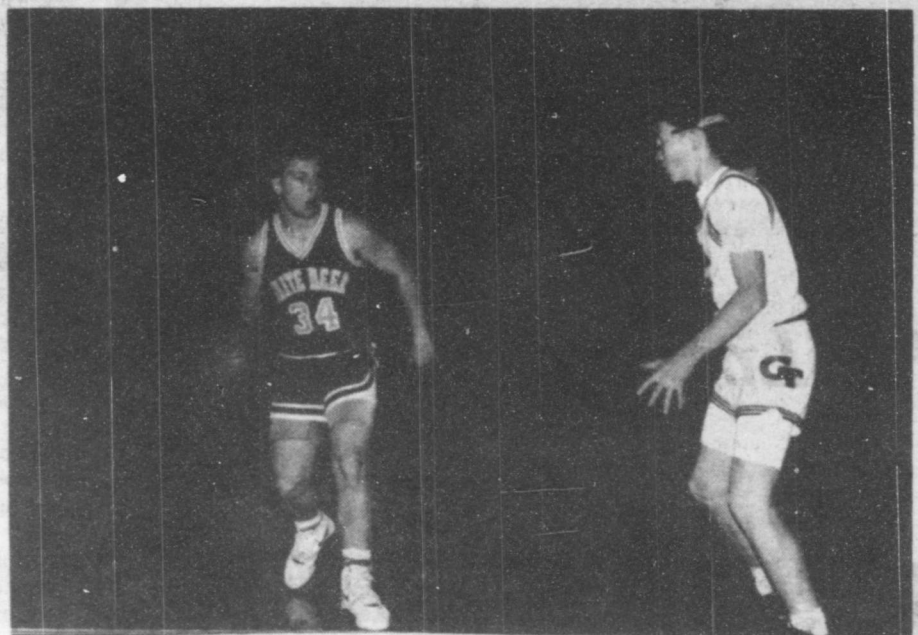
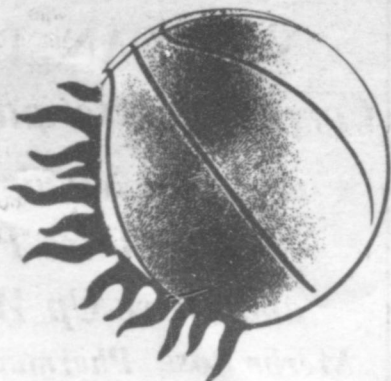


## 1991 GROOM TIGERS & TIGERETTES BASKETBALL

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# Good Luck In The Silverton "Hoot Out"





1991

residents.

The really big question is what will 1992 bring? Some things we can almost count on. With the presidential election and all the other elections, there will be lots of mud slinging and boring speeches in which to listen. Taxes will probably go up while dollar values go down. And the weather men will still be wrong about 50% of the time. Some things never change, no matter what happens.

ANNUAL HIGH PLAINS  
IRRIGATION  
CONFERENCE  
SCHEDULED JAN. 7

The annual High Plains irrigation conference and trade show will be held January 7 at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center, 6500 Amarillo Blvd West. The conference opens at 8:30 a.m. with registration and trade exhibits.

Extension Irrigation Specialist, Leon New, chairs the annual event which is jointly sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Irrigation Association, Panhandle Economic Program, and Texas Agricultural Extension Service. New said "this conference is a way for producers to see new innovations in equipment and technology on display and to hear from irrigation specialists, growers, and other industry experts on issues of interest and concern to farmers, researchers and suppliers in the region.

Technical sessions in the morning and afternoon will feature timely information on irrigation systems, considerations for purchasing enter pivots, water management for efficient crop production, pumping equipment performance, chemigation and potential changes in water rights and the law.

Of special interest for High Plains growers is the discussion by Maurice Rimkus of Uvalde County, Texas. Rimkus is a grower who is attempting to maintain individual rights and ownership of underground water in the Edwards aquifer.

Dumas grower, Harold Grall, will present the producer's perspective on managing irrigation costs. David Bowers from Pampa will review the decisions necessary for investing in center pivot irrigation systems.

Two continuing education units are being offered to private and licensed commercial and non-commercial pesticide applicators who complete the conference training.

Obituaries

Joy S. McDowell

Joy S. McDowell, 62, of Shamrock, died Thursday, Dec. 19, 1991.

Services were Saturday, Dec. 21, in First Baptist Church. The Rev. Mike Chancellor, pastor, officiated. Burial was in Shamrock Cemetery by Richerson Funeral Home.

Mrs. McDowell, born in Twitty, was a longtime Shamrock resident. She married John McDowell Sr. in 1951 at Shamrock. She was a schoolteacher and a homemaker. She was active

in numerous community activities and was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband; three sons, Pat McDowell, John McDowell Jr., and Mark McDowell, all of Shamrock; a brother, Harold Williams of Shamrock; a sister, Sue McNett of Blanco; and a granddaughter.

She was a former resident of Groom and cousin of Juanita Brown.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

Valorie Ashmead

Valorie Ashmead, 61, of 4604 S. Hayden St. in Amarillo, died Wednesday, Dec. 18, 1991.

Services were at 2 p.m. December 21, in Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors' Ivy Chapel. The Rev. Ron Noble, pastor of Apostolic Faith Church, officiated. Burial was in Groom Cemetery in Groom.

Mrs. Ashmead, wife of a former resident, was born in Madison County, N.C. and had been an Amarillo resident since 1955. She married Eugene Ashmead in 1955 at South Oak Cliff, Dallas. She worked as an operator for Southwestern Bell Telephone for 13 years. She was a member of Apostolic Faith Church, where she was a Sunday school teacher.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Dale Ashmead and Christopher Ashmead, both of Amarillo; a daughter, Pamela Ashmead of Amarillo; two sisters, Fay Massey of Grapevine and Sue Ollie Edwards of Marshall, N.C.; her mother, Verna Ramsey of Marshall; and two grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

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COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES  
for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1991

	Governmental Fund Types		Totals (Memorandum Only)
	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
Local, Intermediate and Out-of-State	\$ 789,250.15	\$	\$ 789,250.15
State Program Revenues	468,128.06		468,128.06
Federal Program Revenues	32,237.59	28,445.00	60,682.59
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 1,289,615.80</b>	<b>\$ 28,445.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,318,060.80</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
Instruction	\$ 565,644.58	\$ 25,822.00	\$ 591,466.58
Instructional Computing	27,850.75	2,623.00	30,473.75
Instructional Administration	8,368.80		8,368.80
Instructional Resources and Media Services	12,795.94		12,795.94
School Administration	48,780.85		48,780.85
Curriculum and Personnel Development	3,386.34		3,386.34
Guidance and Counseling Services	3,322.50		3,322.50
Health Services	2,641.06		2,641.06
Pupil Transportation	70,973.99		70,973.99
Co-curricular Activities	66,357.18		66,357.18
Food Services	71,943.90		71,943.90
General Administration	110,062.59		110,062.59
Plant Maintenance and Operations	172,555.33		172,555.33
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	36,638.86		36,638.86
Community Services	3,751.29		3,751.29
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 1,205,073.96</b>	<b>\$ 28,445.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,233,518.96</b>
<b>OTHER RESOURCES AND USES:</b>			
Other Resources	\$ 15,290.00	\$	\$ 15,290.00
Other Uses	( 15,270.00)		( 15,270.00)
<b>Total Other Resources and (Uses)</b>	<b>\$ 20.00</b>	<b>\$ -0-</b>	<b>\$ 20.00</b>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Resources Over Expenditures and Other Uses	\$ 84,561.84	\$ -0-	\$ 84,561.84
Fund Balance, September 1, 1990 (Beginning)	545,759.14	-0-	545,759.14
<b>Fund Balance, August 31, 1991 (Ending)</b>	<b>\$ 630,320.98</b>	<b>\$ -0-</b>	<b>\$ 630,320.98</b>



**More Local Happenings**

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Christmas Day visitors in the Glynn D Harrell home were their daughters and families, Louise and Bob Mulkey, Sara, Allyson, Steven, Robert, and Whitney Hightower of Panhandle; Jeremy Mulkey of Bryan; Matthew Mulkey, Glynda and Johnny Eschle, and Erin Kate Eschle of Lubbock; Beverly and Jim Ingram of Amarillo; Glynn, Kim, Melyssa, and Stephanie Ingram of Garland; Lauralee Ingram of Lewisville; and Kemp Ingram of Dallas.

Also, Evelyn, Dennis, and Dustin Anderson of Miami; Jeffrey Luman of Fort Worth; and Sammie Smith and Steve Carpenter of Dallas.

Other holiday visitors were Maurice, Consuelo, Emilio, and Michael Hood of Columbia, South Carolina; Betty Hood of Amarillo; and Margaret Armstrong of Vernon.

Christmas Eve guests in the home of Bill and Norma Jean Homer were Travis Homer; Ray Lynn, Johnny, Greg, Jessica, and Jason Cline of Groom; Mary Jo, Daniel, Brittney, and Jacob Schacher of Lazbuddie; Janice, Terrell and Roy Pat Rucker; Kejah and Shannon Johnson, all of Pampa; and Joannie Homer of Amarillo.

**Kuehler Promoted**

Kevin Kuehler, son of Doris and Arnold Kuehler of Groom, was recently promoted at First National Bank Of Amarillo.

Kuehler is the new assistant vice president and branch manager of the Grand Banking Center. He has been a loan officer and operations manger at the Puckett Banking Center.

**Young Farmer**

**Endowment Program Sponsored**

Walk into any cotton gin co-op, rural cafe or other popular gathering place for farmers and ranchers and chances are you will see for yourself that the majority of people who grow our food and fiber are of the older generation—54.4 is, to be exact, the average age of a Texas farmer.

The newly-created Young Farmer Endowment Program is aimed at helping reverse this trend.

Created in 1991 by the Texas Legislature, this interest-free loan program is designed to help would-be farmers and ranchers between ages of 18 and 39 establish their first farm or ranch.

Almost half of all farm assets nationwide are held by farmers aged 55 or older. The latest figures available from the Census of Agriculture show that the number of farmers under age 25 has dropped by more than 45 percent since 1982. U.S. Department of Agriculture studies show that farmers aged 65 or older were responsible for 21 percent of all farming in 1987 compared with 12 percent in 1969.

Applicants to the endowment program must have at least four years of practical farming or ranching experience, and they must submit a 10-year plan to their local county extension agent. A completed application and the plan then must be submitted for final approval to the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority board.

The interest-free loan is to be repaid in 15 years.

Revenue collection for the program will begin next month through an added \$5 farm vehicle license tag fee.

Admittedly, with this fee as the only source of funding for the program, a limited number of loans will be available during the first

few years. An estimated \$900,000 will be raised during 1992 and become available in 1993.

If that amount is collected, a maximum of 18 applicants would each receive \$50,000 loans. Nonetheless, we have already received about 4,000 inquiries about the program.

Clearly, competition for those loans will be intense due to the small amounts of funds being collected. To ensure this limited amount is distributed as fairly as possible, we are accepting public comment on the loan program's proposed rules.

The rules were published Dec 17 in the "Texas Register". Written comments on the rules will be accepted through Jan. 15. Comment also will be accepted at a 10 a.m. Jan 15, public hearing in Room 1-111 of the William B. Travis State Office Building, 1701 N. Congress, in Austin. If you plan to speak at the hearing, please bring a written version of your testimony to enter into the record.

After considering public comments, TAFE board members will meet to adopt the loan program rules on Jan. 28.

Once the rules are finalized, loan applications are expected to be distributed in the spring of 1992. Completed applications will be due in the fall of 1992, with the first funds expected to be available for loans in the spring of 1993.

As older farmers retire, strategies such as the Young Farmer Endowment Program must be found to ensure the family farm will be passed on to generations of Texans who will continue to tend the land as carefully as their forbears did.

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Sarah Mears is a patient this week at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Peek and Brent of English, Texas, Shannon Peek of Amarillo, and Mr. and Mrs. Jay Witt, Rheagan and Rachel of Alto, Texas visited in hie home of Heien Witt during the holidays.



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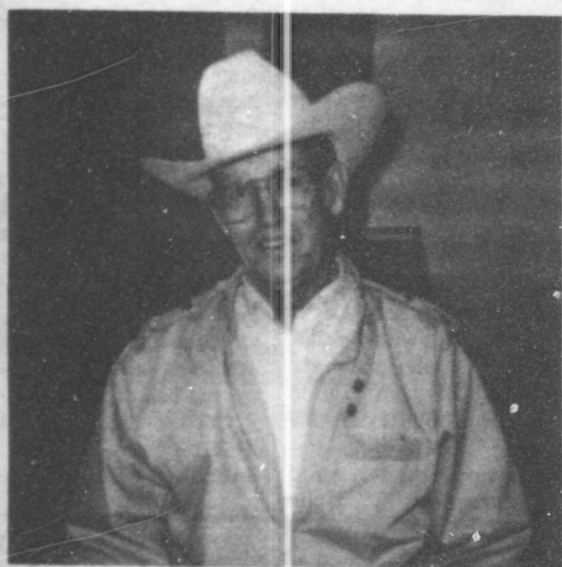
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## Billingsley Announces Bid For Constable



Joe D. Billingsley is announcing his candidacy for the office of constable of Precinct 4. Precinct 4 includes McLean, Alanreed and the northeast part of Pampa.

Billingsley has lived in and been an active member of this precinct for most of his life. He is presently serving his second term of office on the McLean City Council and has served on the McLean School Board

in the past. Billingsley has been very active with the Gray County 4-H and the McLean F.F.A. and VO-AG departments. Education and the support of young people has led Mr. Billingsley to serve on several education steering committees and to be involved with many school activities.

Billingsley understands the need for informed and See Billingsley pg.12



## Moler Seeks Office Of District Clerk

Yvonne Moler announced today that she has filed for the office of Gray County District Clerk, seeking the Democratic nomination in the March primaries. Mrs. Moler was appointed as District Clerk effective December 1, 1991, by State District Judges Lee Waters

of Pampa and M. Kent Sims of Wheeler.

Prior to her appointment as District Clerk, Moler was employed by the Clerk's office for 9 years, serving as Chief Deputy for approximately 5 1/2 years.

"I have enjoyed working in the District Clerk's office and find it very rewarding. The work of the office is very involved and See Moler page 12

### News To Change Mailing Process

The McLean News is happy to announce that in a few weeks we hope to begin mailing the paper with computer labels. The labels will include your subscription expiration date as well as your complete mailing address. The job of transferring everyone's address from the old stencils to the computer has been a long tedious task. We hope we have everything correct and don't leave anyone out, but if your address is incorrect in some way, or if you fail to receive your paper, please contact us immediately.

This new process will allow us to make changes faster and more efficiently, as well as keep a more accurate record of your subscription renewal date.

We hope that the new process causes you no inconvenience. We expect to begin in three to four weeks.

## Kieth Announces Campaign

Former Chief Deputy Sheriff Kenneth Kieth announced Monday that he would be a candidate for Gray County Sheriff subject to the Democratic Primary.

Kieth has had more than 25 years experience in law enforcement with the Texas Highway Patrol, the Pampa Police Department and the Gray County Sheriff's Office. He served nine years as the Chief Deputy in the Sheriff's Office. Kieth has had 1800 hours of law enforcement training through the Texas Department of Public Safety, Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Sheriff's Association of Texas in addition to college hours through Amarillo College and Frank Phillips College.

"My experience is certainly one of my strong points," Kieth said in his announcement. "I participated in all murder investigations of the Gray County Sheriff's Office for 16 years and made detailed drawings of the murder scene for use in evidence," he said. "I have qualified and testified as a fingerprint expert witness in Gray and other counties."

He said, "Experience and training in law enforcement are vitally important if the public is to be served properly by any individual seeking to be Sheriff."

Kieth holds an Advanced Peace Officers Certificate with the State of Texas and has had more experience and training than any other the National Institute of Corrections in Jail Operations and Jail Management. He is a member of the Sheriff's Association of Texas and a

past member of the Chief Deputy's Association of Texas.

"As Chief Deputy I supervised and operated the Sheriff's Office many times when Sheriff (Rufe) Jordan was out of town," Kieth said. "I have dealt with many of the day-to-day problems which come up as well as the hundreds of little things which make a difference in building a good case or losing it because of a lack of training or experience."

Kieth has been a resident of Gray County for over 50 years. He and his wife, Pat, have a son, Kevin, and three daughters, Kim



Dunham, Terri Kitchens and Tamie Kieth. His parents, Herman and Bertha Kieth, are long time Gray County residents. His father served as Constable for Precinct 2 for 13 years before he retired last year.

"I will operate the Sheriff's Office with fairness to all and without prejudice to anyone," Kieth said. "I will also use my experience to keep my office within the bounds of its budget."

### Reminder McLean Community Calender

The Lion's Club will meet at 6:30 on January 6th in the Lion's Club Building.

January Bible Study will be on January 19 through January 22nd. The study will be over the Boo of Isaiah and taught by Bro. Gary Humphry, each night at 7:00 p.m.

The Pioneer Study Club will meet January 2nd at 4:00 p.m.

January 3rd will be a work day for teachers.

McLean High School basketball teams will begin playing in the Silverton "Hoot Out" on January 3rd. Girls play at 12:00 noon, the boys play at 1:30 p.m.



### Three Tigers Appointed To Super Team

## Looney Named Player Of The Year

Caesar Looney of McLean was named "Player of the Year" by Amarillo Globe News as they announced their pick for the 1991 Six Man Super Team.

Looney, a 6 foot, 198 pound senior, averaged better than 15 tackles per game as McLean captured it's third district title in a row. Looney also recovered five fumbles and recorded nine quarterback sacks as

McLean went 9-1 in the regular season before falling in the bi-district play off game.

Also earning a spot in the Super Team line up was Tuffy Sanders. This was his third time to make the team. He was the only player to earn two places on the team first, as place kicker and second, as punter. Sanders made 42 conversion kicks (for two points each) and two field

goals (for four points each) for a grand total of 92 points. He also punted 24 times for an average yardage of 39.2. Sanders is a senior.

Daniel Harris, 5'10" 160 pound senior, was picked to fill one of the linebacker slots. Harris averaged better than 15 tackles per game, recovered four fumbles and snared five interceptions.

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## McLean Care Center News

### November

#### Accident Report

Capt. Rusty Davis, district supervisor of the Amarillo Highway Patrol District comprising of 31 counties, said, "For the month of November, our troopers investigated five fatal accidents, 63 personal injury accidents, and 90 property damage accidents. There were five persons killed and 148 persons injured in these accidents."

Sgt. James Powell of Pampa stated, "In Gray County, our troopers investigated no fatal accidents, five personal injury accidents and six property damage accidents in the month of November. No persons were killed and 12 persons were injured in these accidents."

#### McLEAN BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

- January 3 - Juanita Fish, Monty Paul Joiner.
- January 4 - Earl Husted, David Barrow.
- January 5 - Winifred Rice, Mrs. O. K. Lee.
- January 6 - Wayne Morris, W. C. Simpson.
- January 7 - Christopher Myers, Ruth Roles.
- January 8 - Jim Ridgway, Monica Shipman.
- January 9 - Randy Kennedy, Rex Long, Venice Wright, Lacey Steel.

Another successful year has come to an end. We appreciate all the different groups that come during the year to entertain us, the Pentecostal Church, Church of Christ, Methodist and Assembly of God. Mary Frazier and Maebelle Nash and all the volunteer help for their outstanding work in the Sunday School class, also to the Hallelujah Squares from Shamrock that come to sing for us each month.

Many thanks to Lamb-Ferguson for the corsages and boutonnières given to each resident at the birthday parties, also for the many floral arrangements throughout the year. We appreciate Loyce Murray, Ann Morris and Lois Myers for entertainment at the birthday parties. To Lena

Carter and Brenda MacLain for assisting in dominoes and to Loree Barker, Clifflie Heasley and Avalee Crockett and other members of the Senior Citizens Lonely Hearts Club in helping with bingo, also to the Lions Club for furnishing bananas for all bingo players.

A special thank you to the Wesley and Friendship Methodist Sunday School classes for giving the residents an ice-cream social each month and to the Church of Christ ladies that come each month for a fellowship and serving refreshments. To Leta Mae Hess for furnishing donuts

each week. To Louise Turner for keeping the residents' clothes mended throughout the year.

During the Holiday Season we were pleased to have the elementary school children come and sing for us. There were 82 children that presented the program. The teachers involved were Evelyn Sanders, June Close, Belinda Masters, Betty Jo Skipper, Konye Guthrie and Bobbi Stalls who accompanied the children on the piano, also many thanks to the school superintendent, Mr. Griffin for furnishing the transportation. Following the program, resident Christine Shipley gave each child a candy cane.

Several gift items were brought in for residents and staff members, a generous check was given by the ladies auxiliary to the VFW to help purchase needed items for the residents and also a check from the Methodist Sussanah group.

Our opening of residents' gifts was a big success, a special thank you to the ladies of the Church of Christ for furnishing and for serving the refreshments. Ladies serving were Mary Emma Woods, Marjorie Fish, Clifflie Heasley, Catherine Weaver, Oleta Harris, Charlie Marie

Shurley, Larue Hambricht, Estelline Grimsley and the pastor of the church Pat Andrews and his wife Jo Ann.

Many thanks to Jack Syfrett for making sure Santa arrived at the Care Center and to his helper Heidi Syfrett. Hopefully we didn't leave anyone out as we do appreciate all of you for the individual things you do for us during the year which makes for a happy home for the residents to live in. We wish you all a very Healthy and Happy New Year

#### ALANREED NEWS

Robert Bruce made a trip down state for nursery stock Wednesday.

Barbara Bode and Shirley Armbruster were in Amarillo on Wednesday.

The Oran Dorseys had his mother and sister from Lefors and her sister from McLean for the holiday.

Lena Carter and the Jerry Carters of Pampa spent the holiday in Amarillo with the Jim Bruces and Sammy Bryant. Unfortunately, Mr. Bruce spent the entire time in the hospital while the rest coughed at home. Deborah

Whisenbrunt and Shelly returned Mrs. Carter to her home here Saturday.

The Bob Bruces of Pampa visited the Robert

Bruces during the holiday.

The Felton Conners of Mason were here at the Keeses during the holiday.

### City Accepting Bids

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**  
Sealed Proposals addressed to Mr. Sam Haynes, Mayor, City of McLean, P.O. Box 9, McLean, Texas, 79057 for:

**PAINTING INTERIOR OF GROUND STORAGE WATER TANK**  
will be received by the City of McLean, Texas, in City Hall, until January 9, 1992, 7:00 P.M.

Plans and Specifications may be obtained from the Engineers, Brandt Engineers, Inc., 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas, 79110, phone (806-353-7233), in the following manner:

Bona Fide Bidders: One copy upon payment of \$50.00, of which all will be refunded upon submission of a bid and return of the plans and specifications in good condition BEFORE the bid opening.

Suppliers and Subcontractors: Upon

payment of \$50.00, NONREFUNDABLE.

Bid security in the amount of 5% of the total bid must be submitted. Bidders to submit cashier's check, certified check, or bid bond payable to the Owner as guaranty the bidder will enter into contract and execute bonds in the forms provided.


Performance and Payment bonds shall be set forth in the Contract documents.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all

bids and to waive any informalities. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating the prices in the bids, to adopt such interpretations as may be most advantageous to the Owner, or to reject the bid. No bid may be withdrawn until the expiration of 45 days from the bid date.

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#### PIONEER STUDY CLUB MET ON DEC. 12

The Pioneer Study Club met Thursday, December 12th at the beautifully decorated home of Freda Holland.

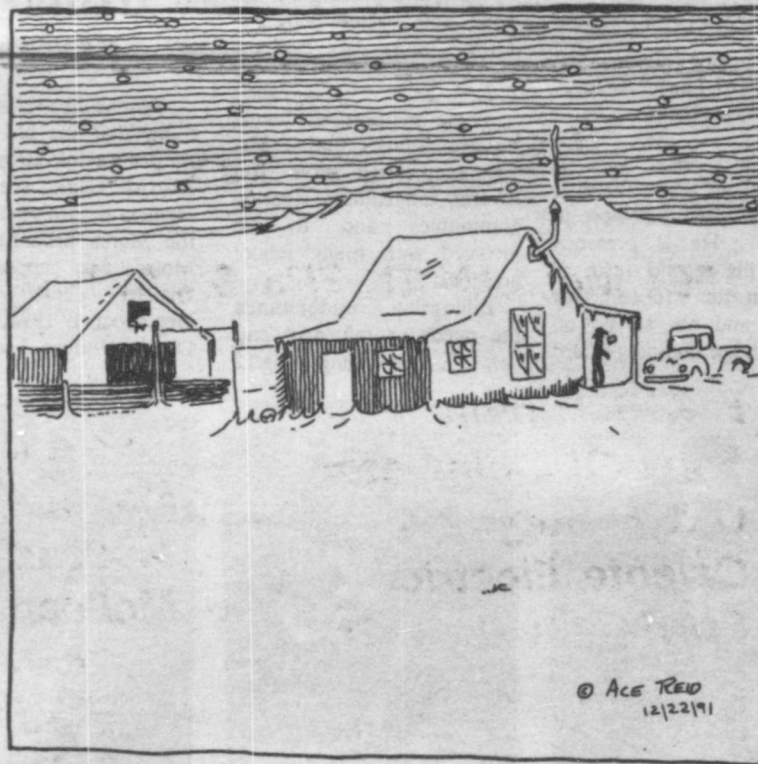
President Charlie Marie Shurley welcomed the members and expressed the appreciation of members to the hostesses for extra work that went into the Christmas Party.

Mrs. Shurley presented Nancy Billingsley with a gift certificate as a going away present from club members. The Billingsley's will be moving to California in the near future. Nancy will be missed very much and we wish them well.

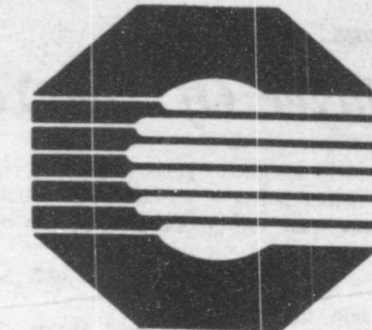
Janet McCracken presented the program on "Blessings". Handmade teddy bears dressed to represent different "blessings" were given to each guest.

The dining table was loaded with refreshments of appetizers, chips and dips, candy, cookies, cake, punch and coffee. Those enjoying the good food were: Ruth Magee, Mary Dwyer, Jenny Stubbs, Charlie Marie Shurley, Mary Emma Woods, Bonnie Nell Fabian, Mary Lou Glass, Freda Holland, Cathy Bailey, Nancy Billingsley, Loyce Murray, Margaret Grogan, Wanda Lamb and Velma C. Kinard.

Hostesses for the occasion were Janet McCracken, Cathy Bailey, Wanda Lamb and Freda Holland.



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## Contest Winner Announced

Lake McClellan Improvement, Inc. announced last week the winner of their recent logo contest. Laura Johnson, 13 year old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Jay Johnson of 2517 Beech. She is an eighth grader of Pampa Middle School.

Laura's submission was one of nine. The design encompasses a multi-colored outdoor scene of a lake, tree, rising sun, birds and sky.

As winner of the contest Laura will receive a lifetime membership to the improvement organization and two Lake McClellan caps.

In other business Thursday night, the board approved establishing a committee to advise Gray County about ways in which to get the concession program at the lake started.

The committee members named will represent a broad base of the area population to solicit ideas and give input. A master list will be prepared from which the membership will be selected.

The board announced there will be a public meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23, at the Gray County Courthouse to discuss the annual lake user fees.

The annual fee now is \$65 for a base fee for one family household, \$15 per recreational vehicle, \$7.50 per motorcycle and \$35 per boat. The current daily fee schedule is \$2 per person, \$1 each per motorcycle and horse, and \$2 per boat.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23, at the Gray County Courthouse.

## Annual High Plains Irrigation Conference

### Features Topics of Keen Interest to Area Growers

In the past five years, farmers in the Texas Panhandle have made significant changes in irrigation practices used for crops grown in this area.

Again this year, area producers will seek ways to improve and increase their strategies for equipment efficiency and management of irrigation technology by participating in the High Plains Irrigation Conference and Trade Show here on January 7 at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center, 6500 Amarillo Blvd West.

The conference opens at 8:30 a.m. with registration and trade exhibits. Don Reeves, Potter County Extension Agent is moderator for the morning session which features topics on engine performance, irrigation management efficiency, considerations for buying center pivots and one grower's experience to maintain ownership of underground water in the Edwards Aquifer.

The afternoon session begins at 1:00 p.m. with moderator, Joe Van Zandt, Gray County Extension Agent, addressing the "chemigation" workshop. Two continuing education units are offered to private and licensed commercial and non-commercial applicators who complete the conference training.

"We'll be discussing issues that many growers are evaluating to help insure they pay the bills and make a little extra", says Leon New, Extension Irrigation Specialist, who chairs the annual event.

Texas Agricultural Irrigation Association, Panhandle Economic Program and Texas Agricultural Extension Service jointly sponsor the conference.

New also said "this conference is a way for producers to see new innovations in equipment and technology on display and to hear from irrigation specialists, growers, and other industry experts on issues of interest and concern to farmers, researchers and suppliers in the region.

Don Hardy of Floydada will give tips to growers regarding engine performance which help ensure longer engine life. Harold Grall, a Moore County grower, will share records on irrigation management efficiency. "Crop yield per acre inch of irrigation water applied over a 3 to 5 year period is a good indicator of how water is managed in the High Plains," said New.

Gray County producer, David Bowers, will discuss the decision making process involved when buying a

center pivot system. Maurice Rimkus, a Uvalde grower, will conclude the morning session by addressing issues surrounding landowner's rights, state regulations and his personal experiences involving underground water in the Edwards Aquifer.

Following lunch, Extension Entomologists Carl Patrick of Amarillo and Kerry Siders of Dimmitt will lead discussions on chemigation of sorghum and corn.

Laws, regulations and records for the safe use and storage of chemicals will be

addressed by Levon Harman, pesticide specialist with the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Also of interest to growers will be Steve Wiley's presentation on House Bill 1648, passed by the 72nd Legislature, involving chemigation safety. Wiley is executive director of the Texas Water Well Drillers Board, which administers the new program.

Area manufacturers, distributors and dealers will exhibit the latest irrigation equipment and supplies all during the conference scheduled to end by 3:30 p.m.

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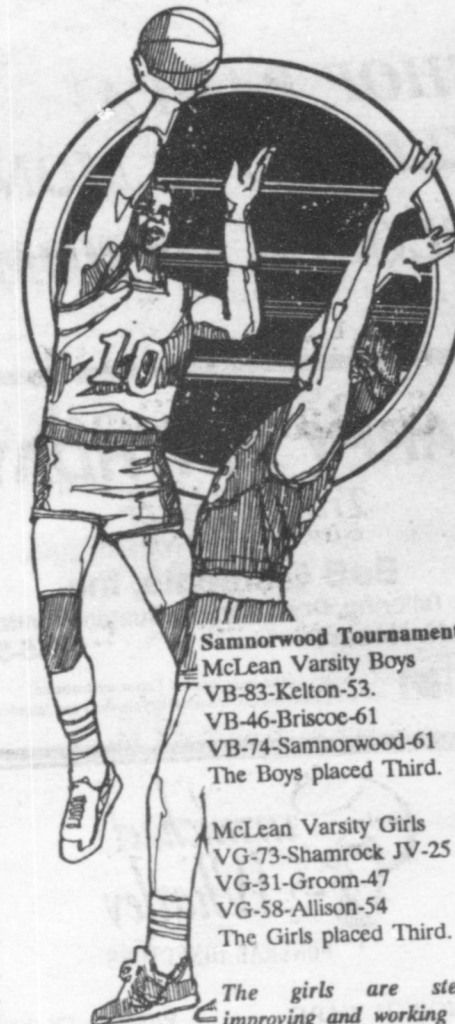
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**Johnnie Greenway**

Johnnie Greenway, 87, of 110 Cherry St., died Tuesday, Dec. 24, 1991.

Services were in First Baptist Church in Claude with the Rev. Jim Brown, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Claude Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors of Amarillo.

Mrs. Greenway, born in Armstrong County, attended school at Mount Pleasant and graduated from Claude High School. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church, the Fidelis Sunday School Class, 50 Plus Club, Business and Professional Club of Claude and the Claude Alumni Association. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Alvin Miller in 1963; and her second husband, M.B. Lane Greenway in 1981.

Survivors include four nieces, Hazel Plaster of Canyon, Clynell Whitman of Ocean Springs, Miss., Billie Lou Edlin of Odessa and Joanne Lemley of Fort Worth; and a nephew, John Howard Gilbert of Decatur, Ark.

**Lena E. Howard**

Lena E. Howard, 89, died Tuesday, Dec. 24, 1991.

Services were in Howardwick Baptist Church with the Rev. Bryan Knowles, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Childress Cemetery by Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Mrs. Howard, born in Farmersville, moved to Howardwick in 1969 from Amarillo. She married George Baskum Howard in 1921 at Kirkland. He died in 1974. She was a homemaker and a member of the Howardwick Lions Club, Howardwick Friendship Club and the Howardwick Baptist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Patricia A. Thormahlen of Kaufman; two sons, George W. Howard of Clarendon and E. Ray Howard of Livingston; two sisters, Mrs. Clyde Parson of La Mesa, Calif., and Eula Mae MaGouirk of Amarillo; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Howardwick Baptist Church.

**Dorothy Irene Steel**

Dorothy Irene Steel, 57, died Tuesday, Dec. 17, 1991.

Services were in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Gary Griffin, pastor of the Assembly of God, officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery by Lamb-Ferguson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Steel, born in Twitty, had lived in McLean most of her life. She married L.R. Steel in 1977 in Pampa. She had worked as a beautician at Alberta's Beauty Shop and was a member of the Assembly of God Church.

Survivors include her husband, L.R. "Bud" Steel; two daughters, Gayle Edwards of Shamrock and Arlena Wilkinson of Pampa; two stepdaughters, Kathy Martin of Longview and Teresa Hutcherson of Colorado Springs, Colo.; two sons, Michael Griffin of

Wheeler and the Rev. Gary Griffin of McLean; a stepson, Dale Steel of McLean; her mother, Buna Gudgel of McLean; five sisters, Betty Campbell, Shirley Morris and Mary Basham, all of McLean, Arlene Back of Stinnett and Marlene Hamby of Miami, Texas; and 16 grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the American Cancer Society.

**Fines Homer Marchman**

Fines Homer Marchman, 83, died Thursday, Dec. 26, 1991. Services were with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Marchman was born May 24, 1908, in Hamlin. He moved to Pampa three months ago from Groom, where he had resided for 15 years. He married Ruby Tucker on Aug. 7, 1935, at Sayre, Okla. He was a member of the Central

Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Ruby, of the home; two daughters, Erma Dean

McKee of Pampa and Irene Thurmond of Skellytown; two sons, Fines Ray Marchman and Rayford Marchman, both of Pampa; two sisters, Dollie Phelps of Modesto, Calif., and Berta Babek of Tenaha; one brother, Charlie Marchman of Amarillo; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

**Donald Alviro Shuck**

Donald Alviro Shuck, 75, died Wednesday, Dec. 25, 1991. Services were with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Shuck was born April 29, 1916, in Franklin, Neb. He married Annaline Redeker; she preceded him in death in 1970. He married Ione Ross in 1975, in Orleans, Neb. They moved to Skellytown in 1979 from Orleans, Neb. They moved to Pampa in September 1991.

Survivors include his wife, Ione, of Pampa; three sons, Eldon Shuck of Lincoln,

Neb., Larry (Geno) Shuck of Pampa and Rick Shuck of Groom; three daughters, Rosilla Campbell and Jane Lewis, both of Burroak, Kan., and Linda Bowers of Pampa; one stepson, Robert Ross of Fort Worth; one brother, Lorea Shuck of Wichita, Kan.; 21 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

**Delphia Mae Carpenter**

Delphia Mae Carpenter, 88, died Tuesday, Dec. 24, 1991. Graveside services were in Hillcrest Cemetery with the Rev. Thacker Haynes, pastor of First United Methodist Church in Mobeetie, officiating.

Mrs. Carpenter was born in Witts Springs, Ark., and married Earl Carpenter in 1926 at Russellville, Ark.; he preceded her in death in 1977. She was a homemaker and a member of the Heald Methodist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Mildred Altman of Amarillo; a son, Alton Carpenter of Borger; a sister, Ruby Durham of Dardanelle, Ark.; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

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