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Ricky Morris Announces missioners To Ap **Sheriff Candidacy**

Voters of Carson County, my name is Ricky Morris and I would like to announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Carson County. I have lived here for approximately three years, and have been employed by the Carson County Sheriff's Department during that time period.

I have over fifteen years of law enforcement experience. I graduated from the Amarillo Law Enforcement Academy and currently hold an intermediate state certificate level. I am also a certified correctional officer. I a present have over 800 hours of classroom training, varying from homicide investigation to child abuse.

I currently reside in Panhandle, at 1112 Franklin where I purchased my house. I live with my wife Jeannie, and my two children, Jessica and Brandon. Both of my children are currently in the Panhandle school system. My oldest daughter Amy, graduated from Panhandle High School last year.

I am running for the position of Sheriff of Carson County because I believe the sheriff's departments is lacking in several areas These areas range from poor management, to lack of being used to its ful

potential. As an employed

of the department I have

tax money is being spent, and I believe it is time to try and change where that money is being spent, and on what. I wish each and everyone of you would make an effort to check where that money is going before the election. Please stop by and check, you owe that to yourself.

I do hope to change this and several other areas of the department to make this the department everyone can be proud of. I will also see that this department is run from a fair and impartial standpoint. believe it is time for a change in Carson County, and only your vote and support can initiate that change. I am asking for that support and for your Primary on March 10, 1992.

Pol. Adv. Pd by Rick Morris, Box 1213, Panhandle, TX 79068



become aware of how our

Respectfully, Rick Morris

Filing Deadline For **Primary Extended**

The Secretary of State's Monday afternoon that the in the March primary have been extended until 6 p.m. Jan. 10.

The deadline for the filing dates was originally 6 p.m. this Thursday, but due to a three-judge panel's decision regarding redistricting, the deadline is extended for the primary elections for all local, state and federal races.

The ruling by the federal judges was made Dec. 24, and although it upheld the state's congressional redistricting plan, the judges set boundaries for state House and Senate districts.

The judges said their plan Office in Austin confirmed would increase the number of minority representatives. filing dates for all candidates But Democrats and minority groups said the judges, appointed by GOP presidents, laid down a plan that would increase the chance of Republicans to win election, according to a story released today by the Associated Press.

The March 10 primary race date may be extended, officials have said. But Attorney General Dan Morales said he believes the primaries can be held on time if the State Legislature adopts a redistricting plan within a week of the start of the session, which begins

retirement of Max Wade from the office of the Justice of the Peace, Precinct 5 has posed a set of unique problems for potential candidates.

As of Thursday Bill Hinson and Jesse Baker have filed with the Democratic County Chairman.

Anyone interested in the position must file with the political party chair by January 10th at 5:00 p.m. Candidates must also fill out an application at the Carson County Court Office. The commissioners court will elect a person based on the applications to fill the vacancy between now and the general election in November.

"In other words, the person selected by the commissioners court may or may not be the one elected in November," stated Judge Jay Roselius. The commissioners court

will meet January 17th to select the person to fill the position until the general

"We will be looking for

with the public, and public problems... someone who has dealt with personnel and their concerns... someone with some computer knowledge... someone who has experienced life and can

look at death," commented Roselius about the criteria required for the office of

He also stated that he wanted someone that had a good standing in the community and could be with them for the long

annually, plus hospitalization and retirement. The county also pays office expenses and support personnel on an as needed basis.

The salary for the

position is \$19,335.72

Wade Resigns Position After **Serving 39 Years In Office**

Peace Precinct No. 5 resigned his position effective January 1, 1992. Wade said, "I feel this is the right time to resign and hand over the reigns to someone else. When I woke up one morning and realized I was eighty years old and still capable of helping someone else get started in the job, I knew this was the right time to resign the Justice of Peace position."

In a prepared statement to the Carson County Commissioners Court dated December 27, 1991, the commissioners January 2 his resignation. Included here is the

letter: Gentlemen:

I am offering resignation as Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 5, Groom Carson County, effective as of Jan. 1, 1992. I will be willing to take care of the duties of the office until the court appoints someone to take my place. I also wish to state that I am grateful for the cooperation I have received during my tenure in office from all of the elected officials of Carson county

and of the employees. I am also proud of the cooperation and good will that I have had from the members of the Department of Public Safety and of the citizens of Groom and Carson County who have been loyal in their support. I will do all that I can to assist the new Justice of the Peace to become acquainted with the duties of the office and will endeavor to make the transition of duties as smooth as possible. Thanking you for your consideration, I am,

Yours truly, Max Wade

Jesse Baker Announces vote in the Democratic Candidacy For Groom JP

Jesse Baker announced today his intention to seek the position of Justice of Baker, the the Peace. former superintendent of Grandview Hopkins School district has lived in the area for over seven

Jesse and wife, Jo Ann have five children and five grandsons. Brian is a senior and Craig is an eighth grader at Groom School.

stron background in administrative and financial responsibilities. coupled with a strong desire to serve the people of the Groom Community is the reason I have made this

choice." Baker will be running on the Democratic Ticket.

He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, Groom Lions Club, a member of St. Mary's Church, a life member of Texas Elementary Principals Association and a life member of the Texas State



Teachers Association.

He has a B.S. Education from Texas Tech University, a M Ed and Administrative Certification from West Texas State University.

He taught high school and junior high math for eight years. Was the Elementary Principal at Lefors ISD for 16 years, had 4 years as Superintendent at See Baker, pg. 5

GROOM LODGE invites

Community Calendar

everyone to a soup and cornbread supper on January 14 at 5:30 p.m. to honor Gene Wade and Charles Fields.

THE FIRST FAMILY Night of 1992 will be on Jan. 8. The Jr. High youth will be host this month.

UNITED METHODIST Women will meet at 2:30 p.m. on January 21.

SOS HOSTED by the Church of Christ on January

FINES MARCHMAN, Jr. will be guest speaker at First Baptist Church on Sunday, January 12, 1992.

4-H WILL MEET January 9th at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center.

SHARP SHOOTERS will meet on Saturday, January 11 at 10:00 at Darryl Whatley's.

COMMUNITY CENTER Association will meet on January 13 at 7:00 p.m.

SNYDER Anniversary will be from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church on Sunday, January 12, 1992.

SEMESTER TESTS WILL begin on January 13 and continue through January

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

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Yvonne Barker, Mary

Britten, Emolea London,

Ted and Mary Lee Friemel,

R.A. and Joy Snyder, Ray

Pool, Mamie Ritter, Clyde

Putnam of Clarendon,

Glynn D and Sybil Harrell,

Thelma Pool, Nadine

Rogers, Rex and Burnice

Brown, Crim and Truman

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Annual Rate Carson County Annual Rate elsewhere in the United States Larry Britten and sons
Skeet and B. J. spent last
Friday evening with Zoah
and Jimmy Britten.

Cindy Summers and her friend Toni Turk traveled to Groom to pick up her grandparents, Bill and Doshia Cornett, to take them to Colleyville for the Christmas holidays. Their son-in-law, Max Summers returned them home the day after Christmas.

Jack and Billie Bivens returned recently from spending the holidays in Idaho with son Bimbo Bivens and family. They also visited daughter Andrea and her family on the way to and from in Denver.

DR. BLACK will be in the clinic on January 21st from 4:00 - 6:00.

A cousin's reunion was enjoyed on New Year's Day at the home of Helen Witt. All of them were first cousins and descendants of Rebecca and Berry Wood.

They enjoyed a pot luck salad luncheon and caught up on news from each family.

Those attending were Raymon Wood, Lenabel Newton and Annie B. Kirk of Amarillo. Dora

Biggerstaff and husband, Grover, from Sherman, and R. B. Thornton and Helen Witt of Groom. They agreed to meet again next year with hopes that the remaining four cousins could attend. GROOM BIRTHDAYS
ANNIVERSARIES

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

January 12 - Sara Elaine Britten, Jon Brandon Crump, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Brown (A), Mr. and Mrs. Gary Britten (A), Mr. and Mrs. Jess Baker (A).

January 13 - John Collingsworth, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cornett (A).

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January 14 - Mr. and

Mrs. Kelvin Ollinger (A).

January 15 - Wilbur Kemph, Mrs. Jerry Dee Schaffer, Mr. and Mrs. John N. Cline (A), Mr. and Mrs. M. Jigger Britten, Jr. (A).

Ruby Milton returned home Saturday after spending the holidays with her daughter Sue Williams at Houston and Beth Landry of Port Arthur and Jack Milton of Jacksboro.

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The names of 2nd Lt. and Mrs. Darron Eschle of Fort Lee, Virginia and Jason Eschle of Austin were omitted from the list of

holiday visitors in the Glynn D Harrell home. They also visited in the home of their parents Johnny and Glynda Eschle in Lubbock and in the Dennis Anderson home in Miami.

THANK YOU CARD

We the family of W. G. Pool would like to express our sincere thanks to every one for your words of encouragement and comfort, and the lovely lunch prepared for the family

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Lawrence E. Hermesmeyer

Lawrence E. "Lew" Hermesmeyer Sr., 86, died Friday, Jan. 3, 1992.

Rosary was recited in Schooler-Gordon Bell Avenue Chapel. Mass was Monday in St. Joseph's Catholic Church with the Rev. Peter Jaramillo officiating. Burial was in Llano Cemetery.

Mr. Hermesmeyer, born in Palmyra, Mo., moved to Amarillo in 1940 from Groom. He married Sophia Nepper in 1933 at Groom. He farmed in Groom until 1940 and then in Amarillo until his retirement. He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church. He was preceded in death by a son, Donald Wayne Hermesmeyer in 1937.

Survivors include his wife; son, Lawrence Hermesmeyer Jr. of Amarillo; three grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the St. Joseph's Catholic Church Building Fund.



Snyder's Celebrate **50th Anniversary**

R. A. and Joy Snyder are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary at the First Baptist Church of Groom on January 12,

The event is being hosted by Jerry Don and Carolyn Snyder of Amarillo and Truman and Nina Richey of San Angelo, Texas.

Snyder married the former Joy Gibbins on 10, 1942 at January Alanreed, Texas. The couple have lived in Groom

for 50 years. Snyder, a veteran of World War II, is retired from Groom Co-op Elevators. Mrs. Snyder is retired from Groom Memorial Hospital. The couple belongs to First Baptist Church and the Groom Senior Citizens.

Children of the couple are Jerry Don Snyder, Amarillo and Nina Snyder Richey, San Angelo, Texas.

The couple has 5 grandchildren and 2 greatgrandchildren.



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Energy assistance checks are sent directly to the people who are eligible for assistance. However, the checks are made payable to the energy provider.

Someone receiving an difference.

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Eagle Scout Award Presented

Kerry Ashford, son of Methodist Church in Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Roach and Mr. and Mrs. Danny Ashford was awarded the highest honor in Boy Scouting, the Eagle Scout Award, in a ceremony last weekend.

For one of his challenges in the numerous steps to the award, Ashford built pews for the Children's Church at St. Stephens

Amarillo.

The eighteen year old senior attends Tascosa High School and will graduate in May.

Proud family members who attended from Groom were grandparents Dan & Pat Ashford; Mary Sue and Darcee Lyles and Jerry, Pam, Nick, Tami and Cassie Ashford.



Some low-income Texans may be eligible for help in paying heating bills this winter through the Home Energy Assistance Program, according to Texas Department of Human Services Interim Commissioner Burton F.

Raiford said the onetime payment is available to many low-income households. Applications for energy assistance were mailed to households that received food stamps, Aid to Families with Dependent Children, or Supplemental Security Income in December. Other lowincome individuals may request an application by calling the toll-free number 1-800-252-8060 during the

\$1,732.49 for six.

Households are eligible if the cost for heating is included in the rent payment or if the household pays part of its home energy

energy assistance check should mail it or take it in person to the energy provider business office with their regular energy bill. The check can be cashed only by the provider. If the check is more than the energy bill, the additional amount will be credited to the person's account for the next month's bill. If the energy bill is higher than the check, the person is responsible for paying the





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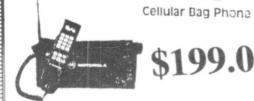
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Thursday, January 9, 1992 GROOM LODGE

On Tuesday, January 14 at 5:30 p.m. you are invited to join Groom Lodge #1170 for a soup and cornbread supper. According to W. M. Forrest McLaughlin, Groom Lodge, along with the Grand Masters personal

representative will be presenting 50 year awards to two esteemed members.

Gene Wade, who served as Worshipful Master in 1948 and Charles Fields, who was W.M. in 1945 represent over 100 years of labor in the vineyards of Masonry.

McLaughlin urges all of Gene and Charlie's friends

and friends of Masonry to come to the Groom Community Center from 5:30 until 7:00 p.m.

All Master Masons will be invited to adjourn to the lodge building at 7:30 p.m. for January's stated business meeting and an entered apprentice degree.

Cookies and coffee back at the community center after closing the lodge.

Tigers place Second

Tigerettes "Hoot Out" Champions!

Groom basketball teams swept up the trophies in the Silverton "Hoot Out" Tourney held over the Christmas holidays. The girls won 1st place and the boys 2nd place.

Thursday action began with the girls beating Silverton's Junior Varsity with a final score of 49-5. Lesa Sweatt led the scoring with 10, followed by Karen Babcock and Stacy Fields with 8 each.

The boys thrashed Silverton's Junior Varsity with a final of 73-21. Freshman Bo Burgin was high point with 17 followed by senior, Brian Baker with

Both teams moved into the semi-finals to face another first round winner, Patton Springs. Kristy Case totaled 21 points for Groom, the final was 59, Groom to 27, Patton

The boys varsity played an excellent game in their second round bid. Kirk Webb scored 18 and Wes

The "White Tigers. Knuckler" ended with Groom 55 -50.

The varsity girls easily outdistanced Patton Springs as Kristy Case tallied a whopping 21 points for the Tigerettes. Lesa Sweatt contributed 12 points making the girls final score

Both teams advanced to the finals opposing McLean for 1st place.

The boys had another close match losing by three points with a final score of 41, Groom; 44, McLean. Wes Hall pulled in 15

points to Groom's credit.

The girls took the championship from McLean's Lady Tigers with

a final score of 60-34. Kristy Case pulled in 19 points assisted by Karen Babcock who scored 12.

Third place went to Patton Springs in both the girls and boys competition. Silverton was fourth.

Groom will play Shamrock there on Friday, January 10 beginning at 4:00 p.m. with all varsity and Junior Varsity teams participating.



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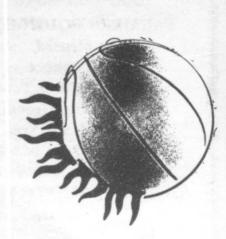
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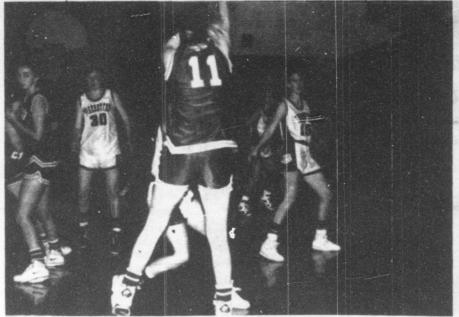
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A 3.7 percent cost-ofliving adjustment will affect the amount of Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments received in January.

This change raises the maximum Social Security retirement benefit to \$1,088 a month and the Federal SSI payment to \$422 a month for an individual and \$633 a month for a couple.

The tax rate for Social Security remains unchanged at 7.85 percent each for

employees and employers. However, the eage base the amount of earnings subject to the Social Security tax, increase from \$125,000 to \$130,200.

Benefits increases are made annually based on the change in the consumer price index as measured from the third quarter of one year to the third quarter of the following

Other changes announced by the Social Security Administration include new limits on the amount of money a beneficiary can earn and still receive full Social Security benefits. The limits for 1992 increase from \$7,080 to \$7,440 for beneficiaries under 65; from \$9,720 to \$10,200 for people 65 to 69. The earnings limits do not apply to people 70 and older.

For more information or making appointments please call the TOLL-FREE Telephone number 1-800-772-1213.

The Pampa Social Security office is located at 125 S. Gillespie. Hours are 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Monday through Friday, except on national holidays.

BAKER

Grandview-Hopkins ISD.
Presently Baker is working as Principal of St.
Vincent Catholic Elementary School in Pampa and parttime instructor of mathematics at Clarendon College, Pampa Center.

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Mark O. Kotara

Mark O. Kotara, 28, died Sunday, Jan. 5, 1992. Graveside services were Tuesday at Sacred Heart Cemetery in White Deer with the Rev. Gary Sides, pastor of St. Theresa Catholic Church in Panhandle, and Dr. John Judson, pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Pampa, officiating.

Arrangements were by Carmichael-Whatley Yuneral Directors

Mr. Kotara was born Nov. 3, 1963 in Pampa. He was a lifelong Pampa resident and graduated from Pampa High School in 1982. He was preceded in death by his father, Jerry, in 1977, and a stepfather, Edgar Paronto, in 1989.

Survivors include one son, Brian Kotara of Bushland; one daughter, Kassie Kotara of Bushland; his mother, Nancy Paronto of Pampa; one sister, Kem Sommers of Carrollton; two brothers, Stephen Kotara of Dallas and Bryan Kotara of Houston; his grandparents, Evangeline Kotara of White Deer, and Aileen and Russell McConnell of Pampa.

The family requests memorials be made to Hospice of Pampa, Box 2782, Pampa, Texas 79066-2782.

ELECTION

The commissioners meeting is an open meeting but most likely will be called into executive session.



The Children of

Rip and Joy Snyder

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Commerce Bank Building No. 5 Thursday, January 9, 1992



Named Pastor Williamson

Members of the First Assembly of God church in McLean welcomes their new pastor, Dean Williamson, his wife Susan and two children, Savannah is three years of age and Stephen is two months old.

and Youth Pastor for six V/ednesday - 7:00 p.m.

years and travelled as an Evangelist for four years. They cordially invite you to join them for worship services:

Sunday school - 10:00 a m., Morning Worship -Pastor Williamson has 11:00 a.m., Evening previously been an Associate V/orship - 6:00 p.m.,

Museum No. 1 Event in '91

The No. 1 event in the city and area around McLean was the opening of the National Barbed Wire Museum and Historical Route 66 Room. With National Collectors bringing

their Special Exhibits and a crew of volunteers led by Delbert and Ruth Trew, in a short period of time this "Devil's Rope Museum" became a reality and was opened on March 23.

Few of us could envision the impact of visitors to our By word-ofmouth, signboards, newspaper notices and in newsletters word spread and hundreds of people came to see what we had! The Old Route 66 Room attracted man; who cared about the Mother Road. No one left without being amazed at the SPACIOUS, fantastic displays. Immediately the "community room" started functioning as a place for the School Sports Banquet, place for Family Reunions, Class reunions, 4-H programs, and even Pioneer Study Teas!!

One Special event was

he celebration of the First Year of The Texas Association of Old Route 66 on May 4.

An Area Quilt Show in September was most successful, and the Organization of Museums in he Panhandle met at the McLean-Alanreed Museum and "Devil's Rope" nuseums. All had words of raise on the uniqueness of TWO MUSEUMS in a mall town that only Complimented each other."

Hundreds of people, tourists, local and area people visited during the year of 1991.

The year 1992 is the 66th year for Old Route 66 and many activities are planned all up and dow Old Route

The local organizations are planning to participate with our neighbors in extensive activities.

If you want to be involved come to a special meeting at 5:00 P.M., Thursday, January 9, 1992 at the McLean-Alanreed Museum to help plan for the NEW YEAR.

Lynn Brown Joins Race For Gray County Sheriff

Lynn A. Brown, a 17- Amarillo. year veteran law enforcement officer, announced Friday that he is a candidate for the Office of Gray county Sheriff, subject to the Democratic Primary.

"I believe the sheriff's office should be an office of public service rather than an office with only cosmetic services." Brown said. "The people of Gray County deserve someone who will restore integrity to the sheriff's office. Our people deserve someone who is concerned for Gray county and who has the knowledge, the skill and the commitment to be a good law enforcement leader."

"For 17 years I have been dedicated to serving the public in law enforcement in Gray County," Brown said. "My desire is to continue this quality of service. I have more active hands on experience in law enforcement than any other candidate. I can provide the leadership and management needed to manage effectively the jail and the sheriff's office."

The Childress native received his law enforcement certification from the Panhandle Law Enforcement Academy in

additional 2,100 classroom hours of law enforcementrelated instruction in the fields of robbery and burglary investigation, homicide investigation, narcotics investigation and identification, arson investigation, forgery and counterfeit investigation, fingerprint classification, composite drawing, crime prevention and community relations, human behavior and human relations, criminal law, civil law, supervisory management, traffic investigation, fire arms training and civil process.

Brown holds an Advanced certification and an Instructor's certification with the Texas commission on Law Enforcement Officers Standards and education which qualifies him to instruct law enforcement classes. He is a state-certified arson investigator, is a member of the Texas Narcotics Officers Association and the Texas Sheriff's Association.

During his 14 years with the Pampa Police Department Brown served as Patrol Sergeant and Criminal Investigation Division Sergeant. He was also in charge of Narcotics



"I believe my management experience is an important consideration," Brown said. He holds a certificate in management and has successfully completed college courses at Wayland Baptist College, Frank Phillips Jr. College, and Clarendon College and is nearing completion of his degree in Criminal Justice.

Additionally, Brown has received numerous commendations for his work in narcotic and criminal cases from Kiwanis Club of Pampa and the Pampa Rotary club. He has given many drug education talks See Brown, pg. 8

McLEAN SCHOOL BOARD CALLS MEETINGS

The McLean ISD Board of Trustees have held two special called meetings recently.

On December 17 the meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. All board members were present except Bill Thomas. Others present were Stanley Lamb, Shirley Johnson, James Shaw, Bob Stubbs, Billy Riley and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Studebaker.

A general discussion was held concerning the upcoming consolidation The board election. discussed mailing individual letters to voters of Alanreed ISD asking them to consider voting in favor of consolidation. A need to point out intentions to advance in technology was stressed. No action was taken.

On December 30th in their special meeting Gwen Henley and Jake Hess were absent. Others present were Stanley Lamb, Shirley Johnson and Gordon Maddox CPA.

Mr. Maddox presented the 1990-91 audit report. The report was unanimously accepted.

Discussion was held concerning a leak in the gym roof. Superintendent Lamb was instructed to obtain bids for repairs.

A motion was made by Steve Brass, seconded by Thacker Haynes to send letters to the people of Alanreed and have one published in the paper. The vote was unanimous.

Dalton Removed From Council

The City Council of Motion by Bailey, second by McLean met in regular session Thursday, December 12, 1991 in the City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Haynes with the following members present: Wayne Bybee, Harold D. Smith, Martha Jo Bailey, Joe Billingsley and Sam A. Haynes. Alderman Dalton absent.

Others present: Pam Skipper, Clifford McDonald, Allen Mixon, Fred Smith, Robert McDonald, Dwight Brandt, Matt Brandt, Stella Lee, Robert Glenn, and Rick Harris.

The meeting was opened with an invocation by Mayor Haynes.

Minutes of the November meeting were read and approved.

Dwight Brandt, met with council to discuss painting the interior of 250,000 gallon ground storage tank. Billingsley, to advertise for bids to paint the tank. Bids to be opened January 9, 1992. Vote unanimous.

Motion by Bailey, second by Smith, to set September 30, 1992, as a tentative date for closing the landfill. Vote unanimous.

No further information on recreational facility was available. No action taken.

Motion by Smith, second by Billingsley, to comply with Local Government Code (22.038 and 22.041) and declare the office of Alderman Brad Dalton vacant due to absence for five (5) consecutive regular meetings. Vote unanimous.

Motion by Smith, second by Billingsley, to give Christmas Bonus of \$50.00 to all employees. Vote unanimous.

Motion by Billingsley, second by Bybee, to unanimous.

purchase new calculators for use in City Hall offices. Vote unanimous.

Clifford McDonald, Fire Chief, reported to council the 911 paging system should be on line by January 1, 1992.

Discussion was held concerning the loaning of Council equipment. recommended that some ment be loaned neighboring towns with one operator in emergencies.

Motion by Smith, second by Bailey, all present voting in favor of motion, to adopt a Resolution supporting the City of Pampa in their request for expansion of the new prison. unanimous.

Motion by Bailey, second by Billingsley, all present voting in favor of the motion to pay current bills.

Motion by Smith, second by Bailey, to adjourn meeting at 7:45 p.m.. Vote

Reminder

McLEAN STOCK SHOW will be Saturday, January 11, 1992 at 4 o'clock at the Gerald Tate Memorial Building.

GRAY COUNTY STOCK Show will begin January 16, 1992 at 9:00 a.m.

TOP OF TEXAS Stock Show begins January 17, 1992 at 8:00 a.m.

TOP OF TEXAS Livestock Show Sale will be Saturday, January 18, 1992 at 1:30 p.m.

THE McLEAN JR. Livestock Boosters are taking donations to help support those 4-H and FFA boys and girls at the sale. You can make donations at the Bank of Commerce or to Charlotte Hefley or any

McLean Care Center News

McLean Briefs

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Winegeart for Christmas were grand-daughters Kisty and Samantha Dyer from Amarillo. Also visiting on Christmas was Ruth Winegeart's mother and Rubye Davis, sister of Mr. Winegeart.

Carey Don and Cheryl Smith had their son Donny home for the holidays.

Visiting in Pampa and McLean were Shang and Bonnie Simpson from Hobbs, New Mexico. Shang is the brother of Jennett Kennedy of Pampa.

Visiting Jodie Thomas and Velma Kinard last week was granddaughter Lacy Thomas from Amarillo. Kathy and Clayt came Sunday and spent the evening.

McLean Care Center extends their deepest sympathy to the families and friends of Slim Windom and Dick Dragoo who passed away Sunday, Jan. 1, 1992.

Lucille Cullison and Viola Davis is in the Parkview hospital in Wheeler and

Earl Tolleson is in the Shamrock hospital, we wish them a speedy recovery.

Sunday Bro. Billy Williams, pastor of the Pentecostal Church was here to conduct services.

Residents playing bingo Monday afternoon were Christine Shipley, Adelle Walker, Dick and Mattie Wheeler, Leon Burch, Mary Sligar, Eula Morrow, Annie Eudey, Teresa Richardson, Kittie Hessey, Polly Burnett and Clyde Trusty. Our helpers were Cliffie Heasley, Sylvia McClellan and Loree Barker. Bananas were furnished by the Lions club.

Tuesday Adelle Walker,

Leon Burch and Teresa Richardson played dominos.

Residents playing Ring Wednesday were Toss Thelma Hopkins, Mattie Wheeler, Adelle Walker, Leona Sitter, Leon Burch, Lucille Cullison. winners were Annie Eudey and Teresa Richardson.

Thursday morning the residents enjoyed the donuts furnished by Leta Mae Hess. In the afternoon we "Can-N-Ball". played playing were residents Thelma Hopkins, Annie Eudey, Mattie Wheeler, Walker, Adelle Virgie Everett, Kittie Hessey, Winnie Hays, Imogene King and Lucille Cullison. Our winners were Christine Shipley, Leon Burch and Teresa Richardson.

Our birthday party for the month of January will be Thursday, January 16th at 2:30 p.m. Residents celebrating will be Ethel Meador, Nora Moore,

Monnie Matthews, Reed, Mattie Wheeler and Lorine Arbuckle.

Brown

for the Pampa Independent School District.

A Honorably discharged veteran, Brown served in the U.S. Air Force during the Vietnam War.

Born in Childress, Brown grew up in Pampa and graduated from Pampa High School. He married the former Mary Landers and has three daughters Camillia, 22, Tammy, 19, Nicole, 15, and son Lynn Jr., 11. The Brown's are members of the Oklahoma St. Church of Christ.

McLEAN BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

January 10 - Raymond Smith, Betty Hustead, Charles Weaver, Fern Boyd. January 11- Sy Brown. January 12 - Mark

Wilson, Judy & Huey Green (A).

January 13 - Lana Stump. January 14 - Tucker

Long. January 15 - Anna

January 16 - O. O. Tate, Joetta Bailey.

In his announcement Brown stressed management and training as priorities in managing the sheriff's office. "I believe we need to restore professionalism to

the sheriff's office in order to restore the integrity which has been lost," Brown concluded.

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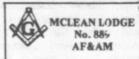
Don Biggers, R.Ph. Ima Jean Clark R.Ph.

Visiting the Keese's Saturday was Faye Conner of Mason and Susie Conner of Clarendon.

The community was saddened this week by the passing of Dick Dragoo after a long illness.

Ruby and Jay Dorsey made a trip to Amarillo last week.

The Alanreed Improvement Program met January 4 in the school cafetorium for their monthly meeting. A covered dish supper was enjoyed by all and the following meeting was chaired by Dan Martin. No new business was brought up. The program was given by Sherri Byars from the Elk City Clinic and cholesterol and sugar readings were taken. Present was Mr. and Mrs. Dan Martin and family, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Weldon, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. McLain and Brenda, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruce and our new neighbors to the south the Cates family living on the old Siles place.



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Two Vehicle Accident Leaves One Dead

A two-vehicle accident Friday morning on highway 273, 1.2 miles south of McLean at 10:35 a.m. resulted in the death of 67 year old Wayne Rood Soper, of Mena, Arkansas and serious injury to Don Scott Hagy, 27, of McLean.

DPS trooper Ron Shank who investigated the accident reported, 67 year old Soper was traveling west on an unnamed county dirt road in a 1989 GMC pickup when he failed to stop at the stop sign at the intersection of Texas 273 and was struck in the passenger side by a 1990 Chevrolet pickup driven by Hagy who was traveling south.

Both vehicles ended up in the west ditch of Texas 273 on the south side of the intersection and both vehicles were totaled. Soper's vehicle was also pulling a 1982 - 15 foot

flatbed trailer.

McLean EMS and McLean Volunteer Fire Department responded to the accident scene with two ambulances and one crew took Soper to Coronado Hospital in Pampa, suffering from "massive head injuries". He was pronounced dead at the hospital by Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace Bob Mums. His body was transported to Arkansas for funeral arrangements.

The other McLean ambulance crew transported Hagy to Northwest Texas

Hospital in Amarillo, where he was suffering from broken bones and internal injuries.

Don Scott Hagy returned home Sunday night, but will require further treatment.

Neither driver was wearing seatbelts.





Hambright - Hollings Exchange Vows

Kenneth and La Rue
Hambright wish to
announce the marriage of
their son Tony Alan to Miss
Niki Hollings the daughter
of Linda Hollings of
Amarillo and Bernard
Hollings of Denver,
Colorado. Niki, a 1991

graduate of Amarillo High School, is employed by T.C.A. Cable System. Tony, 1988 graduate of McLean High School, is employed by Amarillo National Bank. The couple will make their home in Amarillo. THE GROOM NEWS-Page 9 Thursday, January 9, 1992

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The McLean Lady Tigers participated in the Silverton "Hoot Out" tou nament over the Christmas holidays. The girls won second place. They played Lakeview in the first round and won 52-26. They played Silverton in the semi-finals and won 56-42. They met Groom in the finals and lost 60-34.

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Page 10, THE GROOM NEWS Thursday, January 9, 1992 Jettie Ione Rodgers, 87, relative tone Rougers, 87, residents, died McLean Tuesday, Dec. 31, 1991. Graveside Nonnie Rex Rodgers of services were in Clairmont McLean; Cemetery in Claim ont with Johnnie Nell Pittcock of the Rev. Todd Rasberry Obituaries McArthur of McLean; a were by McCoy Funeral Ava Hawkins of Plainview;

Mre D. Arrangements Osman of Honey Grove and eight grandchildren: and brother, Joe McFall of Pine Janice Mrs. Rodgers was born in several grandchildren; and great-prandchild greatgreat-grandchildren. 7, 1992 in Kent County, She married great-grandchildren. Ferguson Funeral Nonnie S. Rodgere in 1920 Chapel with memorials family Thacker Haynes, pastor of requests Harris in 1939 at Fresno, Home McLean Cemetery 1928. mechanic and a member of great- and great-Church in Mobeetie, Association. Survivors include a son, the Methodist Church. Richard Dragoo
Richard "Dick" Dragoo, Methodist Ezra Windom McLean in 1970. He was Hillcrest Cemetery. Ezra Windom, 90, died Burial was in daughter, Marsalce Hastings retired mechanic Sunday, Jan. 5, 1992 Mr. Windom, born in died Saturday, Jan. 4, of Idalou; a son, E. J.
Windom, Jr. of McLean; a member of First Granite, Services were Tuesday, Grace Hotchkiss in 1923 at Church. Services were Wednesday sister, Jerry Ware of Bovina; Lamar, Colo. She died in Lubbock;

new died in Lubbock;

new died in Lubbock; in Alanreed Cemetery with Survivors daughters, Shirley
Armbruster and Denva Lee the Rev. Billy Williams of brothers, Clyde Windom of Elephant Butte, Victory Pentecostal Church Lovelady; to Briant Banking Church Lovelady; to Bevill Lawrence Elmirge, Art Spearman N.M., and Tip Windom of Tidwell, both of Alanreed, a sister, Thelma grandchildren; Lovelady; three officiating. LaRue of seven Elmirge, Ark., Roy Dragoo of Steaseberg, Colo., and Arrangements on Steaseberg, Colo., and Come of McLann Ore.; eight grandshilds. Arrangements Funeral Home of McLean. brothers, Mr. Dragoo, born in and orando married Nora grandchildren. eight grandchildren; eight grandchildren; January 6, 1992 Dear Voters of McLean and Alanreed, On January 18th, voters in Alanreed & McLean will face a decision that will affect the lives of the children of both communities for years to come. The State of Texas has set in motion the wheels of change. The citizens of Alanreed and the citizens of McLean need to work together to make that change the best possible one for all of us. Our opportunity in Alanreed and McLean is to find a solution to the problem that faces our districts and that will give our children a better education, and not bankrupt the taxpayers. The strength of the Alanreed schools has been the individual attention each student receives. McLean's strength is the new programs and advanced technology, like the computer program called, "Write to Read." If we can work to combine these two strong points, we can have one of the best small school systems in Alanreed has an excellent school building and that building must remain the center of community activity. With the two school's boards working together, we can find creative ways to make good use of all of the facilities of both schools, without building any new facilities. with Alanreed and McLean districts combined into the McLean-Alanreed Consolidated School District, the new district's tax base would be better than either district alone. Although no one can promise that taxes won't go up eventually, by combining the two districts, we SLOW DOWN that rate of tax increase. By combining the two districts, we have a better chance to insure that this area keeps a school. As the host district, McLean pledges to make the transition as smooth as possible for the students coming in from Alanreed. This can be an exciting time for our two communities. If we work together, we can form a great new school, and still keep each community strong. Come by the McLean schools any time. Let us show you around and answer your questions. We want this to be your new home. But, most important, take the time to vote. You can vote absentee at the Gray County Courthouse (regardless of which county you live in) during regular business hours until January 14th. On January 7th, you can vote absentee at Lovett Library in McLean from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. On January 9th, you can vote absentee at the Alanreed school gym from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Or you can vote during the regular election on January 18th from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. This is your opportunity to vote for the future of your children and grandchildren. Sincerely, The McLean School Board James Astapling, Selly Them, Hacker Hayres Star Brow, Je I Mager Durn Flenley Jake Hess D, Stanley Lormal

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Wednesday - Breakfast: Hot cereal, biscuits, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken soup, noodle ' crackers, peanut butter & jelly or tuna salad sandwiches, rice krispie bars, milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Cream beef, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Tacos, salad, pinto beans, sopapillas, honey, milk.

PIANO AND ORGAN Classes have resumed as of January 6. This semester I will also be teaching the Electronic Keyboard. Call Norma Curry for appointment. 806-779-2134 in McLean.

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