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Rick Roach and John Mann To Face Each Other In Run-Off Election

With the last primary election votes counted in the highly contested 31st District Attorneys race, a run-off election will be held between incumbent John Mann and Rick Roach.

Mann received 2,408 votes, Roach 1,769 and Phil Pendleton of Shamrock received 907.

Voters can begin requesting ballots by mail with the deadline for application April 4. Early voting will be April 3 through the 7 at

the Gray County Court House. Any registered voter who did not vote in the Democratic primary may vote in the run-off. Voting in the Republican primary is not a requirement.

The question of a part-time or full-time District Attorney is one of the main issues in this race. Incumbent Mann maintains a private practice as well as is the District Attorney. Challenger Roach maintains that costs the

tax payers a little more money, the district would benefit greatly from having a full time D.A.

D.A. Mann could not be reached for comment, but Challenger Roach stated that he was looking forward to the chance to go one on one with the incumbent.

In other election news, incumbent Frank Sparling will keep his job as Constable in precinct 4 in McLean. He gained 610 votes to opponent Chris McMinn's 427.



Above: Bybee is pictured here with his team and "Second Wind" dragster after a recent competition in Houston. Below: Shawn Bybee is pictured with two of his best pit crew members (they are really his kids).

Gray Co. Commissioners Meet In Special Session

Gray County Commissioners Court met in Special Session on February 25 with the following officers and members present: Richard Peet, County Judge, Commissioners, Joe Wheeley, Jim Greene, Gerald Wright, James Hefley, and County Clerk Susan Winborne.

Minutes of the prior meeting were approved.

Budget transfers and treasurer's reports were approved.

Judge Peet opened the public hearing on the Behavior Risk Survey presented by Texas Department of Health. Lawrence Headley, Ken Condon, and Jon Huss made a presentation to the Court. The Texas Department of Health proposed establishing a local public health board to address public health

issues. The board would represent Gray, Roberts, Hutchinson and Carson counties. The Texas Department of Health would fund salaries, benefits, travel, etc for three staff members who would be under the direction of the local board. TDH proposes, that after three years, the board evaluate the effectiveness of the three employees. If the board determines the continued need for the employees, TDH would like the counties to pay their salaries, etc. It was decided to hold another meeting to include representatives from the cities within the counties affected.

A decision on insurance prescription variance was tabled until a future meeting.

The meeting was

adjourned until its next scheduled session, which will be held on March 15, 2000, unless called together sooner.

Another special called session of the Gray County Commissioners' Court was held on March 6 with the following members present: Judge Richard Peet, Commissioners, Joe Wheeley, Jim Greene, James Hefley, and Susan Winborne, County Clerk.

Gerald Wright, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3 was absent.

A court resolution was approved for a burn ban. The resolution will be placed on each agenda as an action item until weather conditions change.

There was no further business and the court adjourned until its next scheduled meeting on March 15, 2000.

City Election Candidates Fall Two Short, Six Sign Up For School Board

Five seats are up for election on the city council. Two one year terms and three two year terms. At press time, three people had signed up with the deadline being yesterday. Joe Lamb, Jim McDonald and Bob Martin had signed up. Bob Martin and Jim McDonald are

both incumbents.

Two seats are up for election on the school board. At press time six people had signed up for places on the ballot. Eugene Smart, Dan Fish, John Holland, Toni

Bohlar, Neal Odom and Terri Adams had all signed up. John Holland

and Neal Odom are incumbents in this race.

The deadline for a candidate to withdraw is March 31. Early voting by personal appearance begins April 19 and ends May 2. Election day is May 6. Polls will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.



Bybee Wins At Speed World Dragway In Orlando

Billy Bybee of McLean won his first race of the 2000 season defeating Bill McCormack in the final round. The win came at Speed World Dragway in Orlando, Florida at the divisional event held March 10th through March 12th. The victory moved Bybee into third place for the world championship.

The Orlando event was the third race of the year for Bybee's "Second Wind" team, with the team previously competing at Houston and Phoenix earlier in

the year. "We are chasing the Federal-Mogul Dragster World Championship this year and we will be racing all around the country," said Bybee.

Bybee drives the Second Wind Dragster, which is capable of producing approximately 3500 horsepower. The dragster's engine is a supercharged hemi which burns methanol for fuel. The car is capable of covering a quarter-mile dragstrip in 5.5 seconds at over 260 mph.



THE VFW will meet on March 28 at 7 p.m. The public is invited to attend a Weather Awareness Program by the McLean Volunteer Fire Department.

DAYLIGHT Savings Time - April 2.

KINDERGARTEN Pre-Enrollment is April 27 & 28.

PIONEER Study Club will meet March 30th at 2:00 p.m.

Briefs

Lorene Guyton has moved to Duncan, Oklahoma.

Dusty Rogers is driving a new red Mustang.

Jacque Riley is driving a new silver sports car or is it Randi's?

Mark McClendon's Hot Rod Haven building is sure looking good.

McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

March 23 - Claire McDowell, Lexie Simmons.

March 24 -

March 25 - Samantha Jo Brown, Brian Fuller, Betty Tate, Tincy Gideon.

March 26 - Heidi Lynn Syfrett, Colleen Orrick Huseman, Ann Herndon.

March 27 - Davey Ridgway, Joe Cooke, Patrick Martin.

March 28 - Louise Watson, Shanna Littlefield, Jesse Swafford, Linda McDonald, Andy Ritchie, Mark Smith.

March 29 - Raymond Guyton, Linda McDonald, Martha Smith.

Loaves & Fishes Serves Their 20,000th Meal

The Loaves & Fishes Ministry of McLean served their 20,000th meal on Thursday, March 16. The ladies from the Methodist Church cooked 31 meals that day, bringing the total by the end of the day to 20,030 meals.

Loaves & Fishes began in October of 1997 from a desire of the churches to minister to the needs of the elderly and hungry of McLean and the surrounding area. Shirley Ennis was the first ministry director. Now Paula Wall and Mary Bybee see to the day-to-day operations.

The ministry feeds an average of 30 meals a day, five days a week. Hundreds of volunteers from the churches and community have made this ministry a success. Paula Wall and the other cooks and workers are thrilled to be a part of a ministry that touches people in the name of Jesus.

McLean Weather Story

"If you don't like the weather just stick around and it will change." This was the common phrase at the post office last week. Wednesday the high in McLean was almost 80 degrees. Then Thursday brought sleet and snow to the town.

Several wrecks were reported on I-40. Carey Richardson of Richardson's was at the scene of a wreck near McLean to haul off part of the wreckage when a 1997 GMC Pickup traveling 65 mph spun around into Mr. Richardson's 1975 Chevy one ton wrecker, missing Mr. Richardson by about one foot. No one was physically hurt, but the wrecker owned by Richardson's was totaled.

Listening on the scanner people could hear, "Is Carey ok?" or "Was Carey hurt?" "You never realize how many people appreciate what you do till you have a close call like this," stated Richardson. "I appreciate all the kind words people have said."

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When the weather turns bad in McLean, several business owners work short handed or shut their businesses up completely to help run the ambulances or the fire trucks. The city crews and the county crews also work countless hours to spread sand on overpasses and clean roads for drivers. Hats off to these people.

McLean School Menu

March 27 - 31

Monday Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, sausage, toast, fruit, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Soft tacos, pinto beans, salad, fruit, milk.

Tuesday Breakfast: French toast sticks, ham, fruit, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Chicken noodle soup, crackers, pimento cheese or peanut butter sandwich, veggi sticks, fruit, milk.

Wednesday Breakfast: Blueberry muffins or toast & jelly, fruit, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, hot rolls, fruit, milk.

Thursday Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy, sausage, fruit, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Mini corn dogs, tator tots, salad, veggi sticks, fruit, milk.

Friday Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls or toast & jelly, fruit, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Pizza, corn, salad, fruit, cherry cheese cake, milk.

Salute To EMS Workers

Doyle Lee is this weeks spot light on volunteers in McLean.

He is a paramedic for the McLean Volunteer EMS. He has served for 16 years and is president of the service.

He is married to Cindy and has one son, Dustin and one daughter Kaela. He owns McLean Plumbing and Hardware and enjoys Methodist Church activities, snow skiing, wood working, being a Boy Scout leader and a Little League coach.

He says the reason he serves as a member of the ambulance crew is "To serve my town and the people. I feel that this is something that the Lord had planned for me all along."

Doyle is also Second Assistant Fire Chief of the McLean Volunteer Fire Department.



Doyle Lee



Card Of Thanks
The family of Bo Nicholas greatly appreciates your thoughts, prayers, cards, visits and food during our time of need. Also to the Lamb Funeral Home for being so kind and thoughtful.

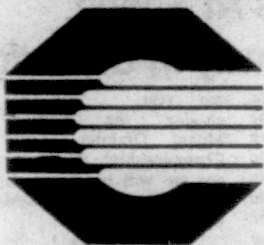
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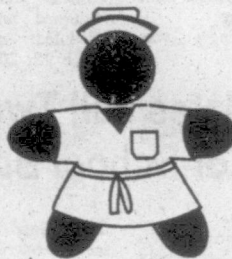


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Obituaries

Nora Clawson Passes Away

Nora Clawson, 96, died on March 14, 2000 at Shamrock, Texas. Graveside services were held at Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean on March 17, 2000 under the direction of Lamb Funeral Home. Lowell Wallace officiated the service.

Nora A. Brock was born in Indian territory to James Douglas and Elzora "Bates" Brock, she was the first of 8 children. She married Archie Clawson on December 18, 1921 in Clarendon. She passed from this life to be with her Lord and Savior

March 14, 2000. She had lived in the McLean area for 52 years. She was a woman of faith, a cherished wife, a loving mother, beloved grandmother and great-

grandmother, a devoted sister and a woman of great charity and compassion. She was preceded in death by her husband of 67 years, June 14, 1989, her son, Doug Clawson in 1978, one sister, Cecile Plumlee and three brothers, Ed, Orin, and Claude Brock. She was active in and a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include one daughter Juanita Forsdick, three sisters, Alma Nelson, Sadie Lane, and Edna Lou Hood; five grandchildren, Patricia Wallace, Jeri Bullard, Stephen Forsdick, Gary Clawson, and Beverly McLemore; 8 great-grandchildren; 10 great-great-grandchildren; 2 sisters-in-law, June Brock and Mrytle Brock.

Memorials may be to your favorite charity.



Students Of The Week March 6 - 10. Kindergarten Cari Collom, 1st Grade Nicole McClendon, 2nd Grade Tucker Adams, 3rd Grade Trenton Darsey, 4th Grade Lacey Wallis, 5th Grade John Ruel Haynes, 6th Grade Joshua Jeffries, 7th Grade Lucas Seymour, 8th Grade Kendall Newton.

USDA Pays More Than \$20 Million In 1999

The Carson County Farm Service Agency (FSA) office issued over \$20 million in program payments last year. According to Eddie Winegeart, County Executive Officer, a breakdown of these payments is as follows:

- Conservation Reserve Cost Shares (CRP) \$225,054;
- Conservation Reserve Annual Payments (CRP)\$1,462,501;
- Loan Deficiency Payments (LDP) \$3,648,712;
- Livestock Assistance Program (LAP) \$163,788;
- Market Gains \$4,005,895;
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Winners will receive many outstanding prizes including saddles, buckles, tiaras donated by Bob Clements, Inc. and Uniglobe Complete Travel and many other outstanding prizes. Other prizes totaling over \$2,000 will be presented to the winners of the Appearance, Personality, Horsemanship and Ticket Sales categories. A scholarship will also be presented to Miss Rodeo Top O'Texas.

Past winners of the Miss Rodeo Top O'Texas and Miss Rodeo Top O'Texas Teen contests have gone on to participate and win on the state and national level. Hopefully, this years' winners will be working to achieve these prestigious titles.

Entry forms are due in the rodeo office by May 30 so young ladies are encouraged to enter as soon as possible. For more information or to receive info packets, please contact the rodeo office at 200 N. Ballard or call the rodeo office (806) 669-0434.

An information clinic will be held on Saturday,

March 25 at the Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard from 10:00

a.m. to noon. Admissions is \$5 per person and much information will be given regarding the pageant. Make-up and modeling specialists will be available for consultation and pageant clothing from previous local and state pageants will be on display. Since photographs are required by the deadline, possible contestants are encouraged to contact the rodeo office for information packets and entry forms as soon as possible.

The Luncheon and Style Show will once again be held at the Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard on Thursday, July 13. Due to limited space, reservations are recommended as early as possible.



Thanks For Your Vote!

I would like to thank you for your support in the March 14th election. I look forward to serving the people of Precinct 4 during the new four years.

Constable
Frank Sparling

Thank You For Your Votes!

As the Democratic nominee for 31st District Attorney, I look forward to working with you and all the voters of the District as we head for the November election.

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Wed. Bible Class 7:30

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(Youth) & Wed. Bible Study, Prayer Meeting 7 pm

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McLean Care Center News

Sunday activities began for the residents with Sunday School with the Friendship Methodist Church. In the afternoon they attended church services with the Baptist Church. Those attending services Sunday were Cleta Harris, Mozell Miller, Mary Audleman, Fern Boyd, Florence Drake, Helen Simmons, Boots Phillips, Essie Knowles, Pat Seymour, Dorothy Patterson, Polly Burnett, Bill Anderson, Fern Patching, Thelma Finson, Mary Caudill, Johnnie Mertel, George Orrick, Dovie Simmons, Phyllis Bailey, Christine Shipley, Varnie Lowe, Hadda Moore, Ruth Caudill, Don York, Dick Wheeler, Bud Simpson, Charles Weaver, Relia Ayers, Bessie McClemore, Glynda Martin, Willie Wheeler and Irene Pakan.

Monday activities included nail care in the morning and bingo in the afternoon. The residents always enjoy the bananas, furnished by the Lion's Club, for a snack.

Tuesday morning was craft time and in the afternoon was games of dominoes.

Wednesday morning circle was attended by some residents and in the afternoon a movie was watched along with a popcorn snack.

Thursday was beach ball kick in the morning and bingo in the afternoon.

Friday was nail care time.

Saturday was the

March Birthday Party. Entertainment was a group of ladies from Pampa called the "Put Ons." They were delightful. We always appreciate the volunteers who come to help serve. Betty Lowe, Mary Dwyer, Margie Fish and Lois Myers helped with the party. Evelyn Pennington baked the cake.

We have Ora Billingsley back at home from Memphis Nursing Home. We're glad to have her back.

J.B. Brown built and donated a porch glider for the residents at the nursing home. We appreciate greatly his kindness.



Travis Fish of Gray County 4-H exhibited a lamb at the San Antonio Livestock show.

Pray For Rain

Fire Still A Danger To Area

The Texas Forest Service warns that the fire danger outlook for much of the state remains bleak and that all Texans should keep their guard up against wild fires. Only the Central, North and East Texas regions received significant precipitation from the passage of the cold front across the state last week. Drought comparisons between 1996, a year that the state experienced a severe and devastating wildfire outbreak, and this year reveal that most areas of the state are experiencing equal or greater drought conditions this year.

Areas with high to extreme fire danger include the Panhandle,

South Plains, Concho Valley, Permian Basin and Far West Texas, as well as portions of South Texas.

Wildfires have destroyed several structures and threatened many more across the state over the past two weeks. Firefighters attribute many of these fires to people's carelessness with debris burning, smoking materials, spark-producing equipment, and hot vehicle pollution control equipment. Firefighters in the Abilene area

believe that falling hot metal from a disintegrating engine on a B-1 military jet caused several grass fires. The wildfires scorched an estimated 180 acres and threatened some structures before being contained by a combination of area fire departments and other local and state equipment and personnel.

The Texas Forest Service asks all Texas residents and visitors to use extreme caution with all potential wildfire ignition sources.

DHS Announces New Community Partnership

The Texas Department of Human Services (DHS) announced plans to seek proposals from community organizations to help low-income Texans. The ultimate goal of the initiative is to increase the quality of life among welfare recipients, and those who are at risk of becoming welfare recipients. DHS will fund community

groups with up to \$250,000 each.

Community organizations may provide services directly, or through contracts and arrangements with public entities, schools, non-profit organizations, faith-based organizations or other community organizations. Services can include assistance with housing, utilities, clothing, vehicle repairs,

educational assistance for youth, adult literacy and English as a Second Language.

Funding for this initiative comes from \$7 million in funds earmarked for these projects in House Bill 1, which was passed by the Legislature, and signed by the Governor, last year. In 1999, DHS funded 16 community programs. This year, DHS will award approximately \$2,870,000 to community organizations.

Community organizations interested in submitting proposals should contact Bo Platt at 512-438-3450, or by email at bo.platt@dhs.state.tx.us.

Hospice Volunteers To Gather For Reception Crown of Texas Hospice families, volunteers and staff will gather together to celebrate the memories and lives of their loved ones on Sunday, April 2, 2000, at 2 p.m., at St. Mary's Church, 1200 S. Washington, Amarillo. A reception, hosted by Crown of Texas Hospice volunteers will follow. For more information, please phone 372-7696.



Josh Seymour, Jessi Fish, Trent Cadra and Brian Fuller (not pictured) recently represented McLean FFA at the San Antonio Livestock Show and Rodeo. Trent and Brian exhibited pigs and Jessi exhibited a lamb. Jessi also competed in the Jr. Commercial Steer Feeding program, where she placed 4th in the carcass contest.

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Republican Party

District Attorney 100th Judicial District Stuart Messer

District Attorney 31st & 225th Judicial District Phillip Pendleton

District Attorney 31st Judicial District Rick Roach

Carson County Sheriff Gary Robertson

Gray County Tax Assessor/Collector Sammie Morris Constable Precinct 4 Frank Sparling

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Carson County District Commissioner Precinct 1 Mike Britten

Carson County Tax Assessor/Collector Barbara Cosper

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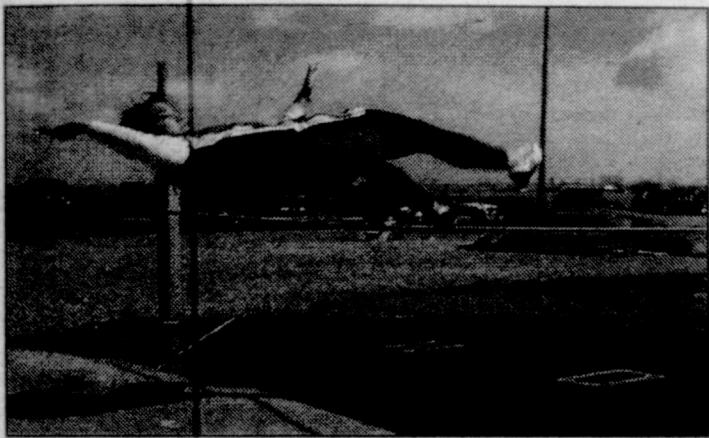
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Thursday, March 23, 2000



Carrie Davis, a state qualifier, kicks off this season by winning the high jump at the Groom Relays.

Groom Claims 3 of 4 Team Titles At The Tiger Relays

Both the high school girls and high school boys won the Tiger Relays held Saturday in Groom.

After 16 events, the Ettes earned a total of 236 points far outdistancing 2nd place Silverton with 85 points. Hartley was 3rd with 47 points, Miami was 4th with 36, Channing placed 5th with 24, Adrian 6th with 18, Ft. Elliott had 16 points for 7th, Follett 8th with 13, Hartley JV earned 2 for 9th place, Miami JV earned 1 for 10th and Hedley placed 11th with no points.

Penny McMahan placed 1st in the 3200 meter run.

In the 800 meter run, Nichole Barnett and Lauren Crowell placed 2nd and 3rd respectively.

Carrie Davis won the 100 meter hurdle race. Krisanne Davis placed 3rd in the same race.

Amanda Conrad placed 1st in the 100 meter dash and Brin Burgin placed 4th.

Lorri Britten won the 400 meter dash. Amanda Martin placed 5th.

Carrie Davis won the 300 meter hurdles.

In the 200 meter dash, Candace Bohr placed 1st. Amanda Conrad placed 3rd.

Jill Britten placed 2nd and Penny McMahan placed 3rd in the 1600 meter run.

See Track, pg. 5



Bobby Ratteree had a really good day at the Groom Relays.

Junior High Boys Win Meet

The Groom Junior High Relays were held last Saturday. Weather was a bit nasty in the morning hours but warmed up nicely after noon.

The Junior High boys won their meet with 100 points. Follett was second with 98. Channing was third with

83, Hartley 4th with 58 points, Miami with 38, Ft. Elliott 6th, accumulating 34 points, Silverton 7th with 28, Allison 8th with 14 points and Adrian had 6 points for 9th place.

Groom tracksters in the boys' Junior High

See Jr. High, pg. 5

Homen Named Miss Irish Rose

Jodi Homen, 18 year old Groom High School senior was crowned Miss Irish Rose at Shamrock's 54th Annual Saint Patrick's Day celebration. Homen is the daughter of Brenda Homen of Groom and John Allen Homen of White Deer.

She was representing the Groom Lion's Club. She was also Homecoming Queen this year as well as being an active member of the Student Council and Annual Staff. She is an avid athlete playing basketball and tennis.

Homen modeled in the evening gown competition. She wore a traditional colleen costume during the parade as well as attended a contestants luncheon. A personnel interview was conducted.

She also, after coming down to the final four contestants was asked a spontaneous question on school violence.

Homen will represent Miss Irish Rose in other pageants and parades. She received a \$1,000 scholarship.

Jodi is the first girl from Groom to win the Miss Irish Rose pageant since 1959 when Emma Kay Holland won. Two years earlier Marjorie Bural won in 1957.

Field Of City Candidates Increases By One, Two Sign Up For School

Another candidate has thrown their hat into the City arena with the other five candidates who have filed.

Leigh Ann Hopkins filed on Friday for the alderman position. As previously reported, incumbents Ellis Stapp, Pete Ham and Don Case will be facing challengers Rick Prather, W.H. Ollinger and now Leigh Ann Hopkins.

The Groom School Board will finally have a full ballot with incumbents Tony Britten and Barry Fields applying for a place on the ballot. At presstime (Tuesday evening) no one else had filed with about 24 hours to go before the deadline. If no one else signs up, no election will need to be held, according to state law.



Jodi Homen

COMMUNITY CALENDER

THE ONE ACT Play performance will be held on Friday at the GHS auditorium 8:00 p.m.

CENSUS 2000 job testing will be held Monday's at 4:00 p.m. at the Groom Community Center. Contact Daniel McGrath at 371-0273 or 665-3569.

APRIL 24TH is not a Groom School holiday as previously reported. April school holidays include April 21st and April 28th. There is also no school on May 12.

GROOM LION'S Club buffet luncheon supporting the "Summer Program for Kids" will be April 2 from 11:30-1:30. Donations are appreciated.

FILL OUT your census. It will benefit our town.

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Tuesday Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, bacon,
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 sausage, juice, milk. and sandwiches, crackers,
 Lunch: Chicken nuggets, cornbread, applesauce,
 mashed potatoes, green milk.
 beans, hot rolls, cherry
 crisp, milk.

Wednesday Breakfast: Shaved ham, baked
 Breakfast burritos, hash potatoes, broccoli w/
 brown potatoes, juice, cheese sauce, hot sliced
 milk. Lunch: Frito pie, bread, sherbet, milk.

Local Happenings

Robert and Alice Kuehler, joined by son Nick Kuehler of Borger motored to Austin last week for the funeral of Paul Kuehler, Robert's brother! Mary Lane and daughter Sarah and Rachel of Salina, Kansas also attended the funeral and visited in the home of her parents, the Robert Kuehler's on Wednesday.

Debbie Addy and Nita Childress of Arlington visited in Groom over the weekend.

Mary Jo Schacher, Brittney, Jacob, Kinzi and Justin of Lazbuddie, Greg, Jessica and Jason Cline of Headrick, Janice Rucker of Pampa and Roy Pat Rucker and Kyler of Dumas visited with Norma Jean Homer last week.

Card Of Thanks

Our sincere thanks for all the prayers, cards and expressions of sympathy in the loss of our loved one. We are fortunate to live in such a caring community.

The Family of
 Paul Kuehler

Joannie and Tiffani Kling and Norma Jean Homer attended "The Wizard of Oz on Ice" in Amarillo Sunday.

Visiting in the Glynn D Harrell home Tuesday, March 14, were Beverly and Jim Ingram of Amarillo and their granddaughters Melyssa and Stephanie Ingram of Rowlett and Brandi Eschle, Madison, Bailey and Leighton of Flower Mound.

Karen Case and Sybil Harrell attended the Carson County Library board meeting at Panhandle Wednesday, March 15.

Visiting their mother, Mildred Miller, this past week were Juanita and Henry Jacobs and son of Austin, Geneva Maddox of Whitesboro and Sharon Price, Lindsay and Leslie of Pampa.

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Attention Voters!

As I again announce for a position on the City Council in Groom, I want to thank all the citizens of Groom, who have supported me in the past. I have tried to represent the interest of all the citizens of Groom and will continue this if elected. I ask for your support in the up coming City Election.

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 The Howard Rose Family

Groom Area Birthdays & Anniversaries

March 23 - Mrs. Gary Don Babcock, Melvin Wills, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Earl Steed (A).

March 24 - Russell David Conrad, Brenda Diane Fields.

March 25 - Mrs. Tom Britten, Roman Friemel, Joyce Hutsell, Buck Babcock, Jessica Friemel, Thomas J & Mitzi Moraniec (A), Kim and Russell Lewellen (A).

March 26 - Brice Ruthardt.

March 27 - Laveda Wood.

March 28 - Clinton Adam Babcock, Billy Dan Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Leven (A).

March 29 - Bill Ellington.

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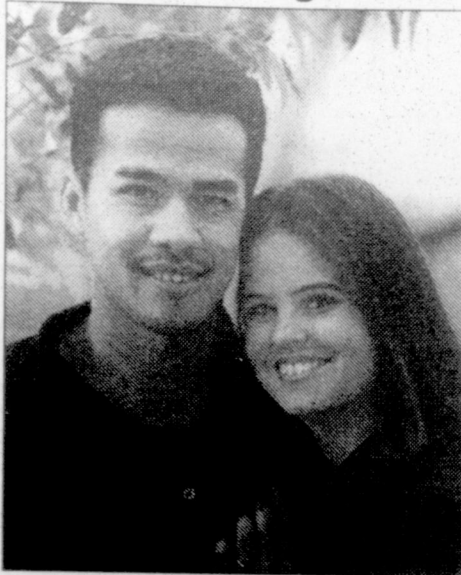
Conrad-Amphay To Exchange Vows

Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Conrad of Groom are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Angie, to Apollo Amphay.

Angie is a graduate of Groom High School and is currently attending Amarillo College with a major in photography.

Apollo is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Amphay. He is a graduate of Amarillo High School and graduated from Amarillo College's TSTC with a degree in Graphic Design.

The wedding is planned for May 20 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Groom.



City of Groom Clarifies Pet Laws, Absorbs BFI Increase

The Groom City Council met last week for their regular monthly business meeting. Aldermen Mary Brooks and Pete Ham were absent from the proceedings. Mayor Joe Homer, aldermen Ellis Stapp, Kenneth Weller and Don Case welcomed visitors Bobby Pool, Rick Prather and employees Mary Sue Lyles and Donnie Evans. Bobby Pool of High Plains Resource Conservation and Development, presented a program aimed at encouraging the City of Groom to pay membership dues and

attend the convention that will be held in Amarillo on April 18-20. The council agreed to pay the dues and send the mayor to the convention, should he wish to attend.

Law enforcement officer, Gary Robertson, was not in attendance and discussion was tabled concerning city law enforcement.

The agenda item concerning Chris Britten was tabled as no one representing Britten was in attendance.

Three items concerning animal control were discussed. Groom's animal control officer will also serve as local rabies control officer.

Clarification was requested concerning status of pot bellied pigs as either pets or livestock. The Council chose to consider them pets.

Lastly, an extension of the one year contract with the Pampa Animal Shelter for disposal of impounded animals was approved.

An interlocal agreement with the Texas Municipal League, intergovernmental employee benefit pool was approved for benefit coverage for city employees, retirees and their dependents.

Tax abatement was denied for the Groom S&H Grocery for the 2000-2001 tax year.

The council agreed to absorb the 8% increase in sanitation charges levied by B.F.I. These will not be passed on to Groom residents at this time.

An election has been called for May 6 to elect three aldermen. Flora Glenn Hammers will serve as election judge. Secretary Lyles was appointed as absentee judge.

Approval was given to leave the stop signs at the intersection of 2nd and Newcome.

The Council voted to set the GTE franchise tax rates to the amount that is now being paid.

An agenda item concerning the leasing of a room at the community center to Nancy Fields, a massage therapist from Claude was tabled.

The right of way between Wilkerson and Martin has been set for 40 feet.

Discussion was held concerning the purchase of a grooming mower for the park. The matter was tabled.

Two outstanding water accounts will be charged off. Should these people

See City, pg. 4

School Board Approves Teacher Contracts & 2000-01 Calendar

The Groom School Board met in regular session recently with all members in attendance.

Ballots were cast for the boards selection to the Region 16 Board of Directors.

A resolution was approved to repay fund balances used during the construction of several building projects. A resolution was also

approved to release designation of Capital Improvement funds which was designated in 1994.

The 2000-2001 School Calendar was approved and is located elsewhere in this publication.

The Board went into executive session to discuss teacher contracts.

Upon returning to open session, the Board offered contracts to all teaching

staff except those who have offered their resignation which are Georgann Hinson and Mike Burt.

All titles presented with the state book list were approved by the Board.

A discussion was held concerning budget expenses before the bills were paid and the meeting adjourned.

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Pictured L to R back row: Kendall Weller, Eric Torres, Tyler Case, T.J. Moraniec, Andrew Thompson, Tommy Head; Second Row: Shane King, Trevor Friemel, Tyler Babcock, Kelton Weller, Trent Britten; Front row: Jacob Torres, Todd Weinheimer, Brady Miller, Tanner Britten.

Boy Scouts Hold Annual Races

As our week ended with warmer temperatures and melting snow, spectators gathered anxiously around the track. The official starter weighed in each contestant and checked to see that each car was ready to be placed on the track. Pre-trials were taken by some who just wanted to see how fast their cars would go down the straightaway.

Seventeen racers never seen before, new designs and a fresh coat of paint all lined up to await their turn at the track. As starting time neared family and friends of the drivers flocked in from all over town. The

Groom Cub Scouts Pine Wood Derby was about to begin.

Each driver had to design, cut and paint his own car, with adult supervision.

All seventeen boys from Groom Pack 429 competed in the event. Winners were chosen by process of elimination. Each level raced individually two boys at a time, each boy against every other boy in his level. Whom ever won the most races was in first place and so on.

First up were the Tiger Cubs. After several close finishes the winners were as follows: first place Todd Weinheimer,

second place Jacob Torres, third place Tanner Britten, fourth place Brady Miller, and fifth place Myles Friemel.

The next leg of the race was the Wolves. Each contestant raced their best and cheered each other on. First

place went to Eric Torres, second place Tyler Babcock, third place Shane King and fourth placed went to Tyler Case.

The third leg of the event were the Bears. Kelton Weller took first place, Andrew Thompson came in second, third place was Trevor Friemel followed by fourth place winner Trent Britten and fifth place winner Brett Friemel.

The final competition for individual levels was the Webelos. T.J. Moraniec took first place, Tommy Head was second followed closely by Kendall Weller in third.

The top two winners of each level competed against each other for the overall winners. After several close races first place went to Eric Torres, second place was T.J. Moraniec, Todd Weinheimer followed a close third, Tyler Babcock was fourth, fifth went to Kelton Weller, sixth went to Andrew Thompson, Tommy Head come in seventh, and Jacob Torres placed eighth.

It was an exciting race, with very close

finishes. Each boy should be commended for his participation and sportsmanship. Everyone was a winner. It takes a lot of confidence to build your own racer from a block of pine wood and race it. The skills used to build their derby cars help to build self esteem and independence.

After the races were over the boys lined up their cars on the table and voted for the Best Design, Finish and Most Unusual. The top three in each category were awarded medals and are Best Design: first place T.J. Moraniec, second place Trent Britten, and third place went to Tyler Babcock; Best Finish: first place Kelton Weller, second place Tommy Head, and third place went to Kendall Weller; Most Unusual: Trevor Friemel took first place, followed by Tyler Case in second and Andrew Thompson in third.

If you might be interested in seeing these boys compete then plan to be at the District Derby Race on April 8th at the Celanese plant. More information will be provided in next week's paper.

If you or anyone you know would like to have an opportunity to help out our local Cub Scouts please call Cub Master Mitzi Moraniec at 248-1412. We are looking for Boy Scout volunteers to start a troop to lead our communities boys who are at or above the sixth grade level. Also assisting the Cub Scouts in their endeavors are Thomas Moraniec, Tonda Torres, Kenny and Christy Weller, Cindy and Marci Babcock, all the Tiger Cub parents, and Bobb Babcock, Charter Representative for the State National Bank.

Greenbugs Declining In Some Panhandle Areas

Greenbug infestations are declining in the southern Texas Panhandle as a result of beneficial insect activity primarily the parasitic wasp. Fields that had populations of 300-500 per foot of row a couple of weeks ago are now virtually all mummies.

The northern Texas Panhandle continues to report moderate to heavy infestations of greenbugs without much evidence of parasitic wasp activity.

Voters Say YES To School Prayer Issue

Texas voters sent a very loud resounding message to the Texas Legislature last week with 94% of the voting Texans saying they thought it was O.K. to allow student initiated prayer before sporting events.

The 5th Circuit Court ruled in February 1999 that the law allowing prayer at public high school graduations cannot be expanded to allow prayer before football games.

Freedom of religious expression as guaranteed by the U. S. Constitution, is the real issue at stake according to some law makers.

"It's not about God. It's about people's freedom to worship or

not worship God without the government's encroachment on that," stated Texas GOP chair Susan Weddington in another publication.

Executive Director of the Texas American Civil Liberties Union, Jay Jacobson, argued that the vote itself was insignificant.

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return to Groom, they will be required to clear up this past due charge. They are: Ina or Arthur Brown, \$155.46 and Bobbie or Jeannie Wakefield, \$182.37.

The council in final business voted not to participate in the tax free holiday in 2000.

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Longtime Groom Resident Passes Away In Houston

Ruby Milton, 88, of Groom died Thursday, March 16, 2000.

Services were at 10:00 am Saturday in Amarillo. Burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery in Lakeview.

Mrs. Milton was born June 6, 1911 in Cook County to William Alexander and Lavina Strickland Davis. She moved to Lakeview in Hall County, as a young girl. She graduated from Lakeview High School in 1929 and attended Clarendon Junior College.

She married Robert L. Milton on Christmas Day, 1930 in Hall County. They moved to Groom, in Carson County, in 1944 and Groom was home until moving to Houston in March 1994. She called her home in Houston her little Garden of Eden and lived there until her health began to fail in 1997.

Ruby retired from the Groom Post Office in 1982 after 30 years service. Many will remember her getting out on Christmas Eve and Christmas morning to deliver packages that had

come in just to be sure the recipients had a Merry Christmas. Ruby served as President and was an active member of the Groom Hospital Auxiliary as long as it existed. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Groom until moving to Houston and continued attending church there.

Ruby was a member of the Thimblette Needle Club and Nightingals in Groom.

She was a modest person and would not have considered herself a pillar of the community but all that knew her knew she was.

She was lifelong friends to many travelers from various U.S. cities that were either stranded by storms or suffered injuries in accidents near Groom.

All of her family admired her strength, wisdom and "spunk." One of her brothers called her "Prissy Rube" because she was always dressed up and "fixed" and ready to go and do whatever needed to be done.

Ruby was a wise,

frugal lady and even in her last days she was concerned about cooking meals and wanting to be sure the leftovers were given to someone in need. We wonder how many dishes she had prepared and taken places besides preparing for all her big family through the years.

Ruby worked hard most of her life, yet as one of her daughters says: "She was "Always A Lady."

She was preceded in death by a grandson, Stephen Simmons; 3 nephews and 2 nieces.

Survivors include two daughters, Sue Williams of Houston, and Beth Landry and husband Joe of Port Arthur; a son Jack L. Milton and wife Florence of Jacksboro, eight grandchildren, Jackie Milton; Rick Milton, and Kay; Molly Cherryhomes; Janice Smith and James; Emily Felts and Barry; Brenda Erickson and John; Melissa Ware and Holly Landry. Eight great-grandchildren, Heather Milton; Tommy and Hank Cherryhomes; Jake and Jessica Smith; Lauren Amber Felts and Maegen Ware, Ayla Erickson.

Junior High

division placed as follows: In the 800 meter run Bobby Ratteree placed 5th. Clay Britten placed 2nd in the 100 meter dash. He also placed 1st in the 400 meter dash. Calvin Schaffer placed 4th in the same race.

Bobby Ratteree placed 1st in the 200 meter hurdles. Clay Britten placed 2nd in the 200 meter dash. Calvin Schaffer placed 4th in the 200 meter dash.

Bobby Ratteree placed 2nd in the junior high boys high jump.

Willie Leven was 3rd in the shot put. Bobby Ratteree placed 3rd in the long jump. Clay Britten placed 5th in the same event.

Willie Leven placed 3rd in the discus. Clay Britten won the triple jump.

The boys 400 meter relay team consisting of Bobby Ratteree, Willie Leven, Adam Britten and Calvin Schaffer placed 2nd.

In the girls Junior High meet, the Groom girls placed 2nd. Miami won with 176 points. Groom earned 148 points. Hartley was 3rd with 111 points, Adrian 4th with 60 and Follett was 5th with 41 points.

Joanea Horn won the 2400 meter run. Lorri Britten placed 2nd in the 800 meter run.

In the 100 meter hurdles, Caren Howard placed 2nd and Magan Bivens placed 3rd.

Catherine Robinson placed 3rd in the 400 meter dash. Carol Wilson placed 2nd and Caren Howard placed 3rd

in the 200 meter hurdles. Joanea Horn won the 1200 meter run. Lorri Britten placed 4th.

Carol Wilson was 1st and Caren Howard was 2nd in the junior high girls high jump.

Jennifer Jenkins won the girls shot put competition. Magan Bivens placed 5th in the long jump. Jennifer Jenkins also won the discus competition.

Carol Wilson placed 4th in the triple jump.

In the 400 meter relays, Groom placed 2nd. Members of the team were Caren Howard, Magan Bivens, Ashley Jackson and Carol Wilson.

In the 1600 meter relays, Groom junior high girls won. Team members were Britteny Martin, Magan Bivens, Catherine Robertson and Carol Wilson.

The junior high teams will travel to Lefors on Friday for a meet.

Track

Groom swept the high jump contest with Carrie Davis placing 1st. Stacy Britten placed 2nd and Candace Bohr placed 3rd.

In the shot put competition Laurissa Noack placed 2nd.

Krisanne Davis, Amanda Conrad, and Amanda Martin placed 2nd, 4th and 5th respectively in the long jump competition.

Laurissa Noack placed 3rd in the discus.

Carrie Davis won the triple jump. Krisanne Davis placed 2nd and Amanda Conrad placed 4th in triple jump.

In the girls 400 meter relay, Groom's team consisting of Krisanne Davis, Carrie Davis, Candace Bohr and Amanda Conrad placed 1st.

Krisanne Davis, Nichole Barnett, Candace Bohr and Lauren Crowell won the 800 meter relay.

In the 1600 meter relay, Amanda Martin, Lauren Crowell, Nichole Barnett and Stacy Britten placed 2nd.

In the boys

competition, Groom won handily over Miami with 182 points. The Warriors took 2nd with 129 points. Channing earned 3rd place with 65, Hartley 4th with 58, Follett 5th with 30, Silverton 6th with 28, Ft. Elliott 7th with 17, Higgins 8th with 14, Adrian 9th with 4 and Hedley 10th with 0 points.

Luke Pavlovsky placed 4th in the 3200 meter run.

Dustin Babcock and Lance Ollinger placed 1st and 3rd respectively in the 100 meter hurdles.

Garrett Britten placed 3rd in the 100 meter dash.

Clay Ritter was 2nd and Trey Britten was 6th in the 400 meter dash.

In the 300 meter hurdles, Dustin Babcock placed 1st, Lance Ollinger 3rd and Wyatt Britten placed 4th.

Garrett Britten placed 2nd in the 200 meter dash. Clay Ritter was 6th.

In the high jump, Dustin Babcock placed 4th and Clay Ritter placed 5th.

Dusty Crump won the shot put competition.

Cody Bivens placed 2nd and Garrett Britten 3rd in the long jump competition.

Dustin Babcock won the boys triple jump competition. Clay Ritter placed 3rd.

In the 400 meter relay race, Groom's team of Cody Bivens, Garrett Britten, Dustin Babcock and Clay Ritter placed 2nd.

In the 1600 meter relay race the Groom team placed 3rd. Team members are Cody Bivens, Doug Fields, Luke Pavlovsky and

Josiah Scott.

Both the boys and girls' teams will travel to Lefors next Saturday for a meet there.

County CVD Deaths Decrease

Deaths from cardiovascular diseases (CVD) in Carson County have decreased from 43.8% of all deaths in 1996 to 34.3% in 1998.

In 1998 there were 24 deaths in the county attributed to CVD, which accounted for 34.3% of the 70 total deaths in the county.

The figures were 28 CVD deaths out of 64 total deaths in 1996 (43.8%) and 26 CVD deaths out of 61 total deaths in 1996 (42.6%).



2000-2001 Groom ISD School Calendar

- Aug. 7-8-9 Teacher Service & Workdays
- Aug. 10 First Day of Classes
- Sept. 4 Holiday
- Sept. 15 Holiday
- Oct. 16 Holiday
- Nov. 22-24 Holiday
- Dec. 21 Jan. 2 Holiday
- Jan. 3 Teacher Workday
- Jan. 19 Holiday
- Feb. 12 Teacher In Service
- March 12-16 Holiday
- April 13-16 Holiday
- April 13 Weather Make Up Day
- May 11 Weather Make Up Day
- May 25 Graduation
- May 28 Teacher In Service

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Carson County Sheriff's Report

By Gary Robertson
 There were 8 persons booked into the Carson County Jail during the week of March 13 through March 19, 2000. Currently there are 8 persons incarcerated and 10 additional prisoners being held in other jurisdictions.

Arrests for the week include:

Tara L. Anderson, 23, (Donegal, PA), Theft.
 Mathew T. Lapinski, 18, (McJurrall PA), Theft.
 Jody L. Wood, 35, (Panhandle), Driving While Intoxicated, 1st.
 Gloria L. Bryant, 38, (Wichita KS), Speed, Suspended I.D., Fail To I.D.
 Kelly R. Pitcock, 35, (Amarillo), Warrants.
 Neil Webster, 17, (Edmond, OK), Possession Marijuana less than 2 oz.
 Robert Myers, 17, (Edmond, OK), Possession of Marijuana less than 2 oz.
 Andrew C. Shadid, 20, (Panhandle), Driving While Intoxicated, 1st.



Above: Ashley Jackson is fast off the starting mark. Left: The wind was causing problems for these two Groom girls.

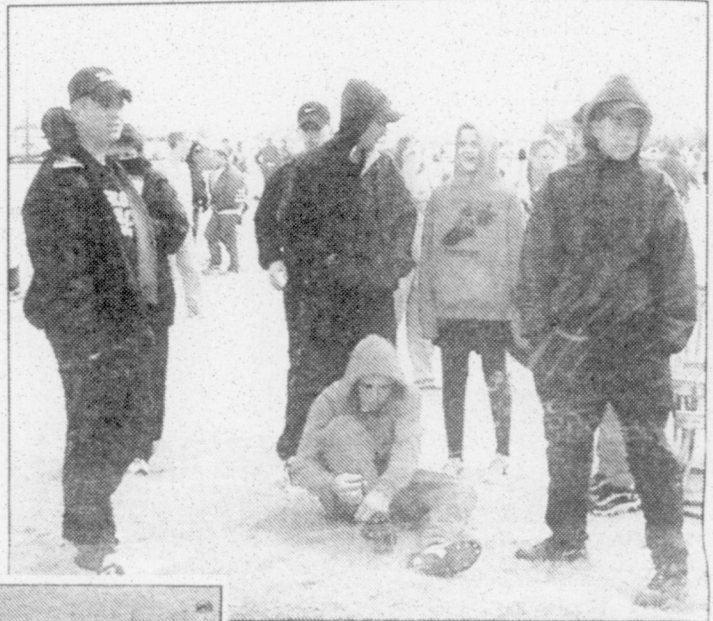


Students To Participate In UIL Meet

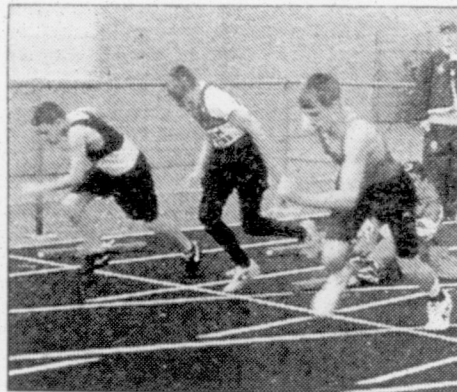
The UIL District Meet will be held at Clarendon College on March 27 and 28. The following students will compete and represent Groom High School in the following categories.

Accounting: Marci Babcock, Skye Brown;
 Calculator Applications: Luke Pavlovsky, Chris Ollinger; Current Issues & Events: Allison Eatmon, Dustin Babcock, Evan Crowell, Chris Ollinger; Literary Criticism: Carrie Davis, Jessica Kepley;
 Mathematics: Claudia Neugebauer, Josiah Scott;

Number Sense: Luke Pavlovsky, Russell Conrad, Laurissa Noack, Doug Fields; Reading: Garrett Britten, Macie Britten, Josiah Scott, Amanda Martin;
 Science: Garrett Britten, Caludia Neugebauer, Kristina Tjarks, Dustin Babcock, Laurissa Noack, Clay Ritter; Spelling and Vocabulary: Jill Britten, Russell Conrad, Liz Vega, Cassie Ashford;
 Informative Speaking: Allison Eatmon, Wyatt Britten, Luke Pavlovsky; Poetry Interpretation: Brooke Britten, Carrie Davis, Lainie Britten;
 Persuasive Speaking: Macie Britten, Evan Crowell, Josiah Scott; Prose Interpretation: Michele Stephens, Marci Babcock, Trisha Broadway; Newswriting: Brooke Britten, Michele Stephens, Jessica Kepley, Candace Bohr; Editorial Writing: Allison Eatmon, Garrett Britten, Amanda Martin; Feature Writing: Brooke Britten, Candace Bohr, Lauren Crowell; Headline Writing: Allison Eatmon, Josiah Scott, Evan Crowell, Luke Pavlovsky.



Wearing all the clothes that they could get their hands on these Groom tracksters did their best to keep warm while cheering on their fellow teammates.



Adam Britten makes a good start in Saturday's track meet.

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