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Old Man Winter Arrives With A Blast

Old man winter blasted into the panhandle with a bang over the weekend. Snow blanketed everything in it's path with six to twelve inches falling in McLean and Alanreed.

Interstate 40 was closed in places leaving travelers stranded over night. Trucks and cars were at a stand still for over 12 miles between Alanreed and the county line on I-40 West at one point. "I understand that the roads have to be closed for safety, but it sure plays havoc when you're on a deadline," stated one truck driver. "It took me six hours to get the 20 miles from Shamrock to McLean," stated another traveler.

The weather was good for business in both Alanreed and McLean. Motels were full to overflowing. The Taylor Food Mart and Puckett's Grocery used paper and calculators to ring up purchases when the electricity went out on Saturday.

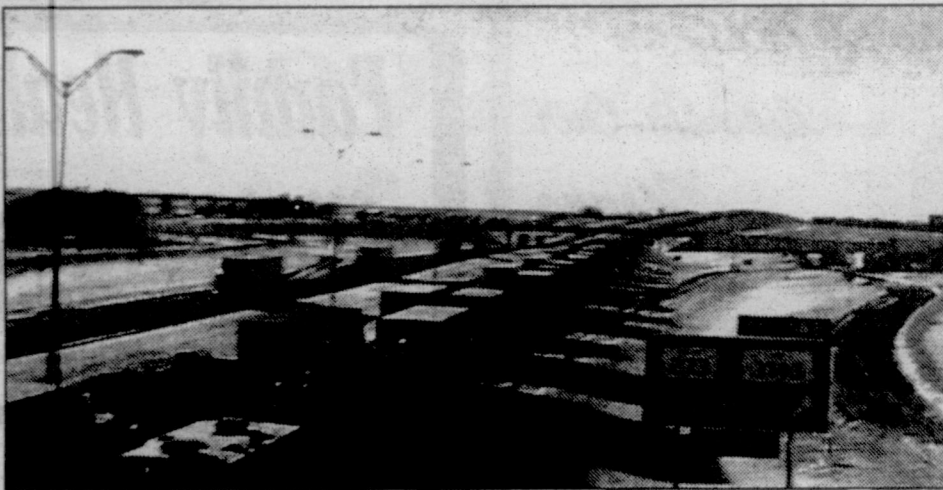
According to Taylor's assistant manager, Angie Staton, over 1200 people purchased items in the store, not counting the people that accompanied them.

Leta Mae Hess, owner of the Country Corner said it was quite an

See Storm, pg. 10



Miles and miles of semi-trucks and other vehicles were delayed on I-40 by the winter storm over the weekend.



McLean Reminders...

THE MASONIC
Lodge meets tonight at 7:30 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL
meets tonight at 7:00 p.m.

McLEAN HIGH
School basketball tournament Dec. 9 & 11.

H.S. Basketball teams will play Shamrock, here December 14 at 4 pm.

THE SCHOOL Board will meet December 20th at 7:00 p.m.

GRADES 2-12 will be performing a Christmas Musical Dec. 16 at 7 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.

CHRISTMAS Holidays for McLean ISD are Dec. 18 - Jan. 3, 2000.

THE McLEAN News Office will be closed Dec. 24 - Jan. 3, 2000.

THE LION'S CLUB and the Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the lighting house contest to be judged Dec. 13-20.

SANTA CLAUS will be at the Bank of Commerce December 16, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

THE HARRINGTON Cancer Center will have a mammogram van at the library on Dec. 30th. To make an appointment call 1-800-377-4673.

REMEMBER TO take your canned goods to Trinity Baptist or McLean Elementary for Loaves and Fishes.



DON'T FORGET your customers and friends at Christmas. Wish them a Happy Holiday by putting a Christmas Card in *The McLean News*. Call 779-2141.

Balanced Literacy Program Enlightens PTA Attend-ees With New Ideas

On Thursday, December 2nd, the McLean PTA met. Mr. Crockett, Mrs. Sanders, Mrs. Glass, Mrs. Long and Ms. Greer presented the Balanced Literacy program for the kindergarten through second grade.

Guided reading leads to the independent reading that builds the process; it is the heart of a balanced literacy program. The purpose of guided reading is to enable children to use and develop a network of strategies that allow them to attend to information from different sources.

Kindergarten through second grade is a time when students learn to read. In the third grade and up, the students must read to learn.

The balanced literacy program is connected to the Reading Recovery Program that was implemented two years ago in the McLean Elementary.

Mrs. Glass gave the over-all structure for the program. The components for balanced Literacy are Reading Aloud, Shared Reading, Guided Reading, Independent Reading, Independent Writing,

Guided Writing and Writing Workshop, Interactive Writing, and Shared Writing. Mrs. Glass also shared what the balanced literacy was for first grade.

Mrs. Sanders shared some class work completed by her students. She demonstrated what a balanced literacy is for kindergarten.

Mrs. Long shared how the reading recovery program went along with the balanced literacy program. The main difference between See Reading, pg. 8

1800 Hits Taken On Devil's Rope Website

The Devil's Rope Museum created and installed a Web Site for the Internet on July 11, 1999. Since that time over 1800 visitors have opened the site. We invite everyone to log on and view the extensive materials available. The address is <barbwiremuseum.com> We also invite comments and suggestions at the museum e-mail address of <barbwiremuseum@centra media.net> or personally

to Delbert Trew at <treblue@centramedia.net>

Requests by students and teachers for historical information about Route 66, Barbed Wire, McLean proper, and the McLean P.O.W. Camp prompted the Web Site. Originally, the site was designed for educational purposes only but additional available space eventually added many other informational

See Web, pg. 10



BRIEFS

Mary Dwyer and Ruth Magee spent last week in Branson, Missouri at the Christmas shows. They traveled home on Saturday and spent the night in Shamrock due to the snow.

Dale and Mary Lou Glass had a house full of kids over the Thanksgiving holiday when Roddy and Angie Burrus along with their children Holley and Riley came from Friendswood, Texas; Joe Terri, Jordan, Jared and Jeriah Luna came from Bartlett, Tenn.; son John Glass came from Dallas, daughter Jamie came from Ft. Worth and Sherry, Rachel and Sandy Kramer came from Skellytown.

McLean Birthdays & Anniversaries

December 9 - Verna Biggers, Allen Turpen, Katy Graham.

December 11 - Dorris Windom, Mrs. Otis Ford.

December 12 - Boyd Lee Thompson, Bobby Sanderson.

December 13 - Creed Lamb.

December 14 - Sheri Haynes, Jeff Pike.

December 15 - Tony Smitherman, David Woods, Jo Blaylock, Joe Creed Lamb, Heather Wilson, Michelle Basham, Mary Basham.

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Reading

reading recovery and guided reading is the number of students being served at one time. Reading Recovery serves one student at a time. Where as a guided reading group consists of three to five students working on the same skills.

Ms. Greer shared the aspects of balanced literacy for second grade. One of the main differences for second grade is they go from oral reading to silent reading. They also start literacy circles in second grade. A major emphasis is put on writing. If a student can write a word then that student can read the word. Reading and writing go hand in hand.

Mr. Crockett praised the program and the work the teachers put into the program to make it work. The success of the program is seen in the children who leave reading recovery and the faces of the children who discover that they CAN read.

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Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

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I would very much like to contact some of his relatives who may wish to carry on our family trace since this information will be passed to our grandchildren.

Will you please print my letter in your paper in the hopes that a relative will contact me. I am not seeking personal information; my ONLY purpose is to continue tracing our family lineage and without the help of a relative of his I must discontinue our search. Perhaps someone will read my request and contact me.

Thank you in advance for all consideration which you show me.

Sincerely,
Thomas G. Moore
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Students Of The Week Named At McLean ISD



Students Of The Week Nov. 29 - Dec. 3: Kindergarten Cali Collom, 1st Grade Ashley Byron, 2nd Grade Nancy Castillo, 3rd Grade Jamie Sanderson, 4th Grade Matthew Jeffries, 5th Grade Brooke Seymour, 6th Grade Justin Wehrenberg, 7th Grade Ashley McClendon, 8th Grade Chase Tarvis.

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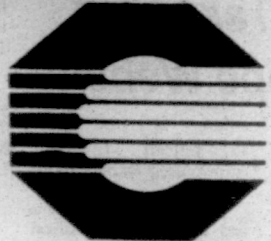
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Gray County Court Meets

McLean Cubs Meet Samnorwood

The cubettes defeated Samnorwood Monday night 29-13. High scorer for the game was Kendall Newton with 13 points. Sarai Sawyer and Danielle Dampier both added six points to the board. Talitha Newton and Lindsey Ruiz contributed two points each.

The Junior High boys team also defeated Samnorwood. The final score was 32-18. Terrance Fite and Zane Richardson kept the ball rolling along with teammates Lucas Seymour, Tyler Hanes, Jay Wallis, Reo Dennis, Mitch Steward, Andy Ritchie, and Dusty Moody. Individual scores were unavailable at press time.

The Gray County Commissioners Court met in a special called session at the courthouse in Pampa, Texas on the 18th day of November, 1999. The following members were present: Commissioners Joe Wheeley, Jim Greene, James Hefley; and Deputy County Clerk Carolyn Law.

Judge Richard Peet was attending the TAC Judicial Education Program. Commissioner Gerald Wright arrived for the meeting at 3:15 p.m.

All votes were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

It was approved to mail check date: October 29, 1999 to WTRCA for the November 1999 payment. It was also approved that the County

Treasurer cut December check which would be the current premium less remaining credit the county now has with WTRCA.

It was approved to notify WTRCA intention of runoff being December 31, 1999.

It was decided to designate two dump trucks in Precinct 4 as surplus property and advertise for bids on December 15, 1999.

Commissioner of Precinct 4 is to take bid for two dump truck on December 15, 1999.

Discussion of courthouse preservation/rehabilitation issues was held.

The court adjourned until Friday, November 19, 1999 at 1:00 p.m.



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Lady Tiger action led to a win over Miami last weekend during tournament play with a score of 38-35. Lacey Steele put 12 points on the board, Annie Weaver contributed 9, Amanda Cline added 8, Shaley Steele had 5 and Jessi Fish and Randi Riley both put in two each.

The second day of the tournament saw the Lady Tigers being defeated by Hedley with a score of 84-53. Amanda Cline

held high score with 17 points. Lacey Steele followed with 16, Shaley Steele added 5, Nikki

Hefley and Annie Weaver both added two points and Cesily Cadra had one.

The third day of the tournament was cancelled due to the weather.

Tiger basketball was unavailable at press time.

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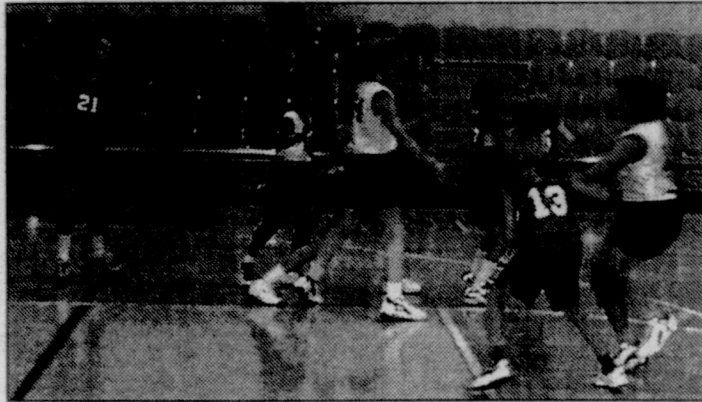
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The McLean News

Devil's Rope Museum News

By Davie Gipson
November was a slow month with only 162 visitors at the museum. They came from 14 states and 7 foreign countries.

Our volunteer Christmas party will be Friday, December 10 at the museum. I have tried to call every one but if I have not contacted you, please call me.

The museum will close on December 18 and remain closed until sometime in February. In the mean time, all you volunteers rest up and be ready for a busy season beginning in March. I will be calling on you then.

Seems like our town has had it's share of heart patients lately and it has been brought to our attention the need for a place to walk inside out of the cold wind this winter. We are happy to make our building available to those that need this service. Creed Lamb has volunteered to organize this project. If you need to walk for your health, contact Creed at 779-2702.

Web

Among the headings for barbed wire information are Barbed Wire History, Identification, The Devil's Rope Museum, The Hagemeier Library, The Barbed Wire Monument, Warwire, Current Hobby Activities, and The Barbed Wire Collector Magazine.

Area information headings include City of

The McLean Care Center

Sunday activities began for the residents with Sunday School by the Friendship Methodist Church. In the afternoon attending church services with the Assembly of God were Oleta Hanes, Fern Boyd, Florence Drake, Sue Cubine, Boots Phillips, Essie Knowles, Helen Simmons, Pat Seymour, Marjorie Turnage, Dorothy Patterson, Polly Burnett, Bill Anderson, Fern Patching, Thelma Finson, Johnnie Mertel, George Orrick, Dovie Simmons, Phyllis Bailey, Beryl Halbert, Christine Shipley, Jess Coleman, Varnie Lowe, Don York, Ruth Caudill, Hadda Moore, Dick Wheeler, Charles Weaver, M.L. Rowan, Relia Ayers, Bessie McClemore, Glynda Martin, Willie Wheeler, Irene Pakan, and Truman Goodlett.

Monday activities included nail care in the morning and bingo in the afternoon. Snacks of bananas were provided by the Lion's Club.

Wednesday the residents gathered for resident council in the morning. In the afternoon they decorated the resident tree and enjoyed cookies and hot

apple cider.

Thursday was bingo day with Betty Lowe volunteering.

The birthday party was Saturday with seven residents celebrating birthdays; Marjorie Turnage, Glynda Martin, Leon Tate, Bud Simpson, Bessie McClemore, Sue Cubine and Phyllis. The party continued with snow falling outside and the electricity going off but everyone had a great party.

Saturday, December 11 is the holiday dinner for residents, family and staff. It starts at 6:00 p.m. Bring a covered dish or dessert. The nursing home will furnish the meat.

Monty Joiner & All Associated Employees
We realize what an unpleasant and monumental task you have fulfilled in the past few days. We wish to extend to each and everyone of you a very warm, grateful and heartfelt Thank You! Bless you all, Happy Holidays
Don & Lonna Dorsey

Area Museum News

By Dorthey McKee
For the month of November, the McLean Alanreed Area Museum had 71 visitors from thirteen different states; Wyoming, California, Oklahoma, Ohio, Texas, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico, Arkansas, New Hampshire and Louisiana. Really enjoyed having the Cub Scouts Tuesday night, November 16 at the museum. They were Caleb Crawford, Dustin Lee, Tucker Adams and Zachery Odum and of course the sponsors, Shawn and Amanda Crawford, Beverly Odum, Doyle Lee and Jim Bob Adams. They were very well behaved and a very nice group of Cub Scouts.

Storm

experience. "We've made a lot of friends, some even said they would be back." The store made sure everyone had something to eat before closing at night.

Churches all over town were full of stranded motorists. The Methodist Church had 70 people on Saturday night. Good hearted folks all over town brought food or came and cooked. The Church of Christ opened it's annex and the First Baptist Church left their doors open all weekend for anyone needing a warm place to stay.

Alanreed has been without electricity since Saturday and country residents were still without power on Monday and Tuesday when poles broke due to the weight of the snow and ice. McLean was

without power most of Sunday afternoon until around 7:15 p.m. Forecasters are predicting snow today and again this weekend. So if you are going to be traveling anytime this winter remember these

items for your vehicle: flashlight, blankets, water, non-perishable food and a battery powered radio. If you have a cell phone, remember to keep it charged for emergency situations.

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Wed. Choir 7:00 pm
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Lunch: BBQ on bun, fritos, vegi sticks, pickle spears, fruit, milk.
Tuesday
Breakfast: Breakfast pizza or toast and jelly, fruit, juice, milk.
Lunch: Hot dogs, tator tots, pork n beans, fruit, milk.
Wednesday
Breakfast: Blueberry muffins or toast & jelly, fruit, juice, milk.
Lunch: Turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, fruit salad, hot rolls, milk.
Thursday
Breakfast: Breakfast mini pocket or toast & jelly, fruit, juice, milk.
Lunch: Tacos, pinto beans, salad, cheese, cinnamon crisp, fruit, milk.
Friday
Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls or toast & jelly, fruit, juice, milk.
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 candidates for office, subject
 to the Elections to be held on
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 for listing in this column
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- 100th Judicial District
- Stuart Messer
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- Mike Britten

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No. 1-2 Teams Play For Title

Groom Tigers, the number one ranked six-man football team in the state of Texas will set out to end the season Saturday night against the state's number two ranked team the Gordon Longhorns. Kickoff is set for 6:00 p.m. Saturday night in Sweetwater, Texas for the state championship game. Coach Larry Reid said, "Being number one now is irrelevant, it's how we end up after Saturday that is important."

The Groom Tigers got here by beating Rule last Friday night 36-16 in Floydada while Gordon advanced by beating Richland Springs 73-38, the state's other semi-final game.

Groom took control early in the game and

raced to a 28-0 half-time lead. Wade Ritter led the Groom offense with 111 yards on 21 carries and touchdown runs of 45 yards and 1 yard.

Dewayne Gray had another good week of running the ball scoring on a 27 yard touchdown run. Garrett Britten scored on a 4 yard run as he rushed 12 times for 43 yards.

Scoring a touchdown through the air came on a 6 yard toss from quarterback Grant Weinheimer to Dustin Babcock. Dusty Crump added three conversion kicks on the night for the Tigers.

Weinheimer completed 5 of 8 passes for 84 yards, two going to Clay Ritter for 23 yards.

Early and throughout



Photo Courtesy of Angela Conrad

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

THE CITY OF
Groom home decorating contest will be judged on December 18. Be sure to have your home ready for judging.

THE BUSY Day Luncheon will be held on December 18th from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at the home of Juanita Brown.

Charter Bus To Sweetwater

Charter buses to Sweetwater will be available for Tiger fans to go to the State Championship game Saturday night. Buses are a safe way to travel the some 200 miles to and from the game. The fan bus will seat 46 passengers. Tuesday morning a total of 32 riders had signed up and more is expected. The more signed up the lower the cost of the seat; to a minimum of \$25.00. The fan bus will leave from in front of the school at approximately 1:00 p.m., Sat., Dec. 11. Contact Tony Treadwell at either 248-7544 or 248-7287 to sign up or for information.

Also, donations are being taken for the football players and a band-pep squad bus. Any donation will be appreciated.

COMMUNITY Choir practice for the Christmas Concert at the Methodist Church Sundays at 5:00 p.m. All voices welcome.

METHODIST Church Christmas Program will be Wednesday, December 15 at 6:30 p.m.

FINANCIAL AID Meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on Dec. 13 for Seniors and their parents.

ALPHA MU XI will celebrate their Christmas party at the home of Charlotte Whatley on Dec. 18 at 7 p.m. Members are asked to please bring their 2 'special' ornaments.

the game Rule simply was unable to get any offensive production, being held to only 63 total first half yards.

The Groom offense finished the night with 226 total yards, including 153 in the first half. Rule ended the game with 194 total yards. Each team had eight first downs.

Groom boosted its

record to 13-1 losing only its first game of the season to Sanderson while Rule closed its season with a 11-2 record. Rule was ranked number four going into the semi-final game.

Coach Reid said that he believed the key to the game was the defense holding Rule to the 63 yards and no points in the first half and the

Coach Larry Reid Keeps Family Together as Final Dreams Are At Hand

The number one ranked team in the state of Texas in 6-man football, the Groom Tigers, will put that ranking on the line Saturday night in Sweetwater, Texas against Gordon, the state's number two ranked team. Kickoff is set for 6:00 p.m.

The 1999 Groom Tigers led by Head Coach Larry Reid has now accomplished all but the final step of the goal every high school team in Texas starts to work on and talk about in the

heat of August two-a-day practices, and that is to win a state championship.

Coach Reid was assistant coach in Groom in 1992-1994. He left Groom to become the head coach in Ropes, Texas only to know something deep in his heart, and in 1996 to return to Groom where he felt that the special make-up of a high school and community that were hungry to win and very capable of putting together dreams. And

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1999 Groom seniors will be leading their team Saturday night in the state championship game against the Gordon Longhorns. Pictured left to right are Josiah Scott, Chris Ollinger, Dusty Crump, Wade Ritter, Evan Crowell and Dustin Babcock.

offense jumping out and scoring 28 first half points.

Assistant Coach Brad Rainer said, "This is all so exciting, not only for the kids but for me, too. I have been in coaching eight years and never experienced anything like this."

Coach Reid's final comments were that he felt to be successful

against Gordon the Tigers must contain the spread formation and for the Tigers to maintain ball control. The primary player for Gordon is #8 Lyle Campbell, a senior quarterback and spread back. He is the coach's son.

It has been since 1975 that Groom was in a state championship game, losing to Big Sandy.

Winter Storm Hits Panhandle Causing Closings, Outages

Old man winter had emergency workers doing overtime this weekend as 6 to 8 inches of snow fell across the Texas plains.

Saturday morning brought rain which quickly turned into snow, and continued all

throughout the day. The feather-like flakes fell beautifully in the morning hours but the wind kicked up in the afternoon and changed the Christmas card like snow to a howling blizzard. Road closings

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Groom Birthdays & Anniversaries

- December 9 - Emalea London.
- December 10 - Jerry Ashford, Jimmy Burgin.
- December 11 - Evelyn Schaffer, Sidney Mansel, Owen Weinheimer, Tabitha McCoy.
- December 12 - John Stephens, Floyd Wills, Barbie Bowen.
- December 13 - Patsy Fraser, Margie Smith, Janyth Bowers.
- December 14 - Bill Hinson, Pamela Davis, Ann Mitchell.
- December 15 - Scott Weinheimer.

THE CITY Council will meet on December 14.

ON DEC. 13 Monday, Groom's Jr. Varsity and Varsity girls will play Miami at Groom beginning at 3:00 p.m.

A PEP RALLY will be held on Friday, Dec. 10 at 1:50 p.m. in the high school gym. Please come and show your support for the Groom Tigers as they face the Gordon Longhorns for the State Championship.

THE GROOM School Board will meet on Tuesday, December 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Local Happenings

The Groom News received a most welcome Christmas greeting from Rev. Joseph Corcoran who is a resident of St. Joseph's in Panhandle. Happy Christmas and all blessings to you too!

The Groom Library is in the process of receiving it's long awaited face lift. A fresh coat of paint and new shelves will give the Library a whole new look when it is complete. The Library will be closed while the work goes on but Librarian Karen Case

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stated that patrons should check near the end of the week to see if operations had resumed.

Thank You Card
The family of Billie Bivens would like to thank the people of Groom for all of the phone calls, food, cards, visits and prayers during this time of loss.

Card Of Thanks
We are so thankful for you, our friends and family, and for all your prayers in our behalf. Your visits, calls, cards and meals have been greatly appreciated; and your concern and support the last three months has been immeasurable. Thanks again, The Barry Fields Family

A special thank you to the women of First Baptist Church for a wonderful meal prior to the service, and to those who braved the weather to attend the service. Sincerely, Jack, Andrea, Lynette, Bimbo and Mark

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Billie Bivens

Billie Bivens, beloved wife of Jack Bivens went to be with her Lord on December 1, 1999. She passed away at the Palo Duro Nursing Home in Claude after a long illness caused by stroke. The funeral was held on Saturday, December 3 at the Groom First Baptist Church with interment at the Groom Cemetery.

Billie was born October 1, 1929 in Turkey, Texas to John and Jewel Shannos. On January 16, 1947 she married the love of her

life and soul mate, Jack Bivens. They moved to Groom in the early 50's and built a business, a life and a family. Billie was a tireless worker in the Groom First Baptist Church and was deeply involved in the Baptist Women's Missionary Union. She enjoyed the challenge and the fellowship in the Brush & Palette Club. She was a devoted wife, mother and BB. She respected her husband and reared her children in a positive manner, instilling good values and beliefs in each of them.

Billie is survived by her husband, Jack Bivens; her children, Andrea Jennings of Richmond, Texas, Lynette Bivens of Luther, Oklahoma, Bimbo (Paula) Bivens of Filer, Idaho, Mark (Tammy)

Bivens of Groom; grandchildren, Drew Hendricks and Shannon Jennings of Richmond, Texas, Cody and Magan Bivens of Groom, Texas and Breanna, Braun and

Brauc Bivens of Filer, Idaho; one great-grandchild, Ty Hendricks of Richmond, Texas; and one brother, John "Bud" Shannon of Killeen, Texas. She was preceded in death by her parents, one sister, Ola B. Neal, one son, Jon Mark Bivens and one grandson, Braeden Bivens.

Billie will be missed by those who knew and loved her. The family asks that any tributes be made to the Groom Ambulance Fund.

Local Happening

Lynell Peek of English, Texas, and Helen Witt spent the Thanksgiving holidays in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Dan Witt in Hoisington, Kansas. They were joined by Dan's daughter, Danese McGill and her children, Katreena and Camellia McGill of Searcy, Arkansas.

They enjoyed a lovely Thanksgiving family dinner on Thursday evening, and then helped Dan celebrate his 60th birthday on Saturday evening. The bowling alley had been rented and all the tables had pictures of Dan at various ages as well as vegetable trays, smoked trout (by Dan) and a never ending supply of all kinds of pizza on them.

Family members were given t-shirts to wear with pictures of young Dan on them. Helen's was of her holding Dan, age 1 year.

About one hundred guests enjoyed the fun, food and bowling.

Lynell and Helen returned to Groom Sunday and Lynell flew home on Monday.

Groom School Menu December 13 - 17

Monday
Breakfast: Cold cereal, muffins, juice, milk.

Lunch: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, chocolate no-bake cookies, milk.

Tuesday
Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk.

Lunch: Mexican Pile On, corn, shredded lettuce, graham crackers, applesauce, milk.

Wednesday
Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, hash brown potatoes, juice, milk.


Lunch: Spaghetti, salad, bread sticks, peaches, milk.

Thursday
Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, milk.

Lunch: Reg. tacos, pinto beans, lettuce, tomatoes, Spanish rice, frozen yogurt, milk.

Friday
Breakfast: Do-nuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk.

Lunch: Corn dogs, tator tots, pickle spears, pineapple, milk.



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Granddad & Gran Ollinger

WHAT A GREAT YEAR! GOOD LUCK IN THE PLAY-OFFS!
Kelvin & Debbie Ollinger

TIGERS You are AWESOME!
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WE ARE BEHIND YOU ALL THE WAY, TIGERS!
GARY, SHARON, BRUCE, BRONTE & BART

Go Tigers

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GROOM TIGERS

NAME

- LANCE OLLINGER
- DEWAYNE GRAY
- GRANT WEINHEIMER
- WADE RITTER
- DOUG FIELDS
- ADRIAN DELGADO
- CODY BIVENS
- RUSSELL CONRAD
- GARRETT BRITTEN
- LUKE PAVLOVSKY
- TREY BRITTEN
- CHRIS OLLINGER
- HUGH WEINHEIMER
- BRETT BRITTEN
- DUSTY CRUMP
- CODY BABCOCK
- CLAY RITTER
- JOSIAH SCOTT
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Winter Storm Hits Area

and cancellations quickly followed. Carson County Sheriff's Department reported numerous accidents and stranded motorists. D.P.S. officers were equally as busy. Texas Highway Department crews worked round the clock trying to clear highways of snow. As rapidly as they plowed it,

the wind blew more in its place. Ambulance crews responded to several minor injury accidents. The First Baptist Church opened its doors to weary travelers who were stranded. Roads began to clear when Sunday morning dawned brightly and some melting occurred.

By mid-afternoon I-40 was passable. As evening fell and the temperature dropped, the daytime melting turned to an avenue of ice. Travelers once again had to retreat to motels and the First Baptist Church for refuge.

The moisture was much needed and appreciated by area farmers. Many children enjoyed the novelty of the "white stuff" by building snowmen and playing outside in Sunday's bright sunshine.

Another winter storm front is predicted for the last part of the week. Groom may have just been practicing as winter makes its presence known after such a mild autumn.

More Calendars

EXTENSION Service meeting will be Dec 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the War Memorial Bldg., Panhandle.

TOUR OF HOMES & Progressive Dinner will be Thursday Dec. 16 from 6:30 to 8:30. See page 6 for information.

Football's Final Step

now, it has come true this second week of December 1999, a chance for dreams to come true.

A team proven to have a corral full of running backs and a hard hitting offensive line. Making up this offense is Wade Ritter, Garrett Britten, Dewayne Gray, Chris Ollinger, Clay Ritter, and Dustin Babcock. Russell Conrad plays on the offense and is the holder for kicker Dusty Crump for extra point conversions. Quarterback Grant Weinheimer is poised, has a good level head and a strong arm to go with the other members of the offensive team. And then there is the ever strong Tiger defense of hard hitters who have been known to put a helmet on some of the opponent's biggest ball carriers who happen in the vicinity. This defense led by hard hitting and determined young men are Evan Crowell, Chris Ollinger, Clay Ritter, Dusty Crump, Dewayne Gray, Wade Ritter, Garrett Britten and Josiah Scott.

Fans and teams across Texas have seen this team coming, of its talent and their athletic ability to get where they are today, but of a team! Not a team made up of one or two players but a family of players who depend on each other to get the job done.

Therefore, a team with this kind of composition, will be a team in the position this 1999 Groom Tiger's football team is in, playing for championships.

So the entire Tiger family will come together one more time Saturday night in the stands and on the field, and together, to go for the largest endeavor in the history of Groom High School to, complete this season number one.

Groom Booster Club To Order "State" Shirts

The Athletic Booster Club has arranged to order t-shirts from Gandy Ink next week. The shirts will be white and you can order short or long sleeve shirts, as well as sweat shirts in youth medium up to adult XX Lg. Order forms will be sent out on Friday with specific details. Or, forms may be picked up at the Groom Grocery, Groom School secretary's office (Julie Friemel) or orders over the phone can be called in to Debbie Ollinger, Belinda Britten, or Marcia Conrad.

A shirt company, Cockey Tees, will have shirts available at the game through Gordon ISD. Proceeds from the sale of these shirts will benefit Gordon ISD. Please support Groom by ordering your shirt from the Groom Athletic Boosters.

The Booster Club will have "spirit" work nights on Wed. at 8 pm and Thurs. at 7 pm in the school teachers lounge. Signs, shakers, and other decorations will be made. Anyone is welcome to come help. If you are

unable to attend the work nights, please make your own "spirit creations;" ...decorate your car, make

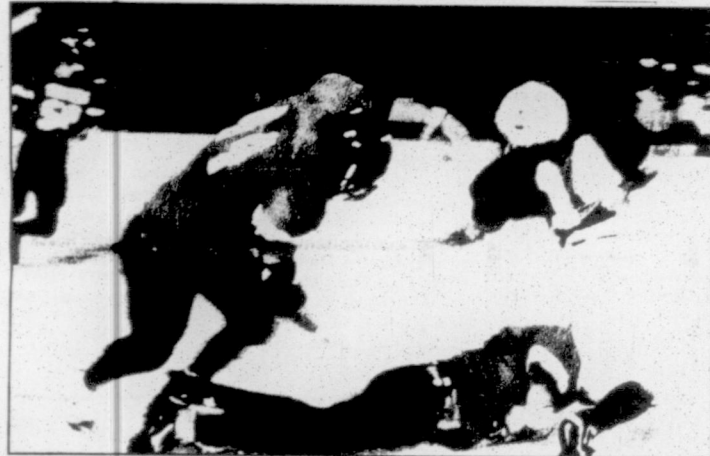
a shaker, take a cow bell or air horn, make a sign to show your support, and wear red and black to the game! Businesses are encouraged to decorate also.

The pep rally will be on Friday at 2:55 p.m. Come early and check out the multitude of decorations provided by the cheerleaders, classes, and boosters. Show your spirit and encourage the Tigers to a State Victory!!!

"Make it Happen, Tigers!" We believe in you!

Order Your "STATE" Shirt From The Groom Booster Club

Proceeds go to help pay for athletic club needs. Call Debbie Ollinger, Belinda Britten or Marcia Conrad for more information



Dusty Crump and Evan Crowell take down Rule's wide receiver.

Photo Courtesy of Angela Conrad

CHRISTMAS Cantata will be Sunday, Dec. 12 at 6 p.m. at First Baptist Church.

SCHOOL WILL be released at 3:00 p.m. on Dec. 15 & 16th. Semester test schedule.

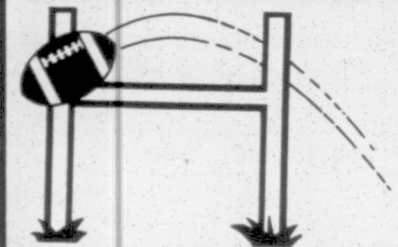
ALL SCHOOL Christmas Program will be Monday, Dec. 13 at 6 pm.

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If You Ask Me...And Nobody Did!

By Donna Burton
Shades of deja Vue? There has been a lot of comparison between the Groom Tigers of 1975 and the Groom Tigers of 1999. There may be more similarities than you realize.

Three team members in

1975 went on to marry local girls and have children who just happen to be on the state finalist team this year in 1999.

Now for the final jeopardy question... Who were the three men and what are their son's names.

In 1975, the Groom Tigers battled Big Sandy for the State Championship on December 13. They were undefeated that year with the exception of a 0 to 0 tie against Boys Ranch. The final score of the Big Sandy game was 28-2 when the buzzer sounded with Big Sandy coming out ahead.

Do you give up? They are Mike Britten, Jigger Britten and Mark Bivens. Their sons are Tigers Wyatt Britten, Trey Britten and Cody Bivens respectively. Sandra Smith (Britten) was the head cheerleader in 1975 and is the mom of Trey Britten.

Other members of the 1975 team were Kent Reed, Rick Prather, Kent Kuehler, Jon Beilue, Jay Witt, Mike Koetting, Bimbo Bivens, Thomas Reed, Chris Britten, Art Brown, Audie Ruthardt, Mitch Brally, Nathan Wieberg, John Krisen, Ricky Weller, Don Houser, Jim Synyard, Frankie Watts, Neil Wieberg, Dale Brooks, Jackie Barnett, and Kevin Kuehler. Coaches were Don Sessom, Kenneth Sweatt, and Gary Rambo.

Other cheerleaders included Kim Brumley (Bates) Julie Ledwig (Friemel), Sherri Smith (Wieberg), and Kelly Hart. Tiger Spirit was Kim Howard.

While the names have changed a bit, I predict a much different outcome for the State Finalists of 1999.

Go Tigers! Get a Longhorn!

Correction!

To prove to those doubting Thomas' out there that mistakes are random in this newspaper, we regret that we left April Burton's name off the list of visitors at the Alward home last week. Sorry for the mistake April!

Brush & Palette Club Attend Wyatt's Holiday Open House

Brush and Palette journeyed to Tulia November 29th to Kenneth Wyatt's Christmas Open House. Charlene and Pat were ready to go at 9 a.m. because they sure didn't want to be late and miss anything.

Shirley and Juandell got there at 10 and Juandell unloaded her suitcases and put them in the car, then Juandell, Pat, Charlene, Shirley and Nita loaded up to start the day off with a bang. Toni had to work; Dorothy must still be honeymooning and Evelyn's age caught up with her and she had to

stay home. They really missed a good time.

We decided the first thing on the agenda would be eating when we arrived in Tulia. We even agreed on the El Camino Restaurant without any fuss. If you are ever in that town this is an excellent Mexican food cafe and many of Kenneth Wyatt's paintings are on display. He painted the seniorita on the menu cover, too. After eating 2 or 3 baskets of chips and salsa we were almost stuffed before our food came... but we couldn't let anything go to waste so we ate our fill.

The Gallery is a wondrous sight! It was decorated grandly for the season. We were in awe at the beautiful paintings and other things on display. Charlene even made it up the spiral staircase. Pat stayed downstairs and kept an eye on things there. Shirley and Juandell gathered up their

purchases and we were ready to go back downstairs. Charlene was chicken and wouldn't go down the spiral stairs so we all went down the ordinary stairs with her so she wouldn't feel alone. We all enjoyed it very much.

The Crafters Mall in Amarillo was our next stop. Now this is a place you must visit. They have a little bit of

everything there. Somebody has really been busy making all that stuff. More money left our pocketbooks as we browsed and shopped, but we didn't fill up the trunk of the car.

After we left there we had to kill time until it was time for Juandell to get on the plane for Denver. Braum's was the choice this time. Everyone but me had an ice cream cone, but I had a Mix. It was lickin' good! We laughed and giggled like school kids until we decided it was time to go home. We started to just drive to the airport and kick Juandell out on the way by. We did stop long enough for her to get her suitcases. She said she was a big girl and could find her plane by herself. She had planned to stay a week but those Tigers won their game so she had to come back early to go to the game. We are rooting for the team as they play for the state championship this weekend.

The day ended as we journeyed back to Groom and dumped everyone out. The trip made the holidays seem a little bit closer and the spirit of

the season a little bit more real. Our Christmas party is Monday, December 13th, at Shirley's home. The plans are to have a blast playing Claus bingo and exchanging gifts and eating, of course. Happy Holidays!

Political Filing Deadlines Announced

The filing dates for political offices began December 3 and will close at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, January 3, 2000. County political offices open for the year 2000 are: Sheriff, Tax Assessor-Collector, County Attorney, Commissioners Precincts 1 and 3, County Republican and Democratic Chairs, and all precinct chairs for both political parties.

District offices include District Attorney; State Representative; State Senator; Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals 7th court.

State offices are Justice, Supreme Court; Railroad Commissioner, unexpired term; and Railroad Commissioner, full term.

Federal offices are U.S. Representative, U.S. Senator, and President.

County party offices do not require a filing fee or petition. All other offices require a filing fee or a petition of various amounts.


County party offices and county offices are filed with the party county chair, Jeri Osborne, Republican chair or Jackie West, Democratic chair. Candidates must also file the name of their campaign treasurer with the Carson County Clerk. No campaign funds may be collected or spent until the campaign treasurer's name is filed. All district and state candidates must file with the state party chair and treasurer and reports are filed with the Texas Ethics Commission.

Contact your county party chair for any information, applications, and questions you may have about running for any political office.

Do not wait until January 3, 2000 to file and to announce your intention to be a candidate for public office.

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Stuart Messer Announces Candidacy



Stuart Messer, of Memphis, officially filed with the Republican Party and announced his candidacy for the office District Attorney for the 100th Judicial District. Stuart, a fourth generation native of Hedley, maintains a law practice with his wife, Kaye, in Memphis and also performs the duties of Donley County Attorney and the duties of city attorney for the cities of Memphis and Hedley.

In making his official announcement, Stuart Messer said, the District Attorney's office provides an opportunity to serve the community through vigorous prosecution of criminals. Everyone who has read a newspaper or seen a news cast knows there are people in this world who do nothing but prey upon the unsuspecting, the very old or the very young. The responsibility of protecting our children and other citizens of the District falls upon our criminal justice system and the District Attorney is an essential component in providing that protection. For the system to work most efficiently, it requires the combined efforts of not only the prosecutor, law enforcement and the Court, but also the citizens of the District working together. I am looking forward to the challenge of making this District a better place to live."

The 100th Judicial District includes five counties: Carson, Childress, Collingsworth, Donley and Hall. Stuart stated, "I look forward to meeting as many people in the District as I can over the next several months. I appreciate everyone's support and encouragement."

Respectfully,
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