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Roach Admitted To A Substance Abuse Treatment Facility

More charges, new testimony and a petition to have him removed from his position have defendant Rick Roach fighting the case of his lifetime.

The 31st and 223rd District Attorney Richard Roach was arrested on January 11, 2005 at the Gray County Courthouse in Pampa by F.B.I. agents. Roach denied the charge of possession of

methamphetamine in a federal court on January 12, 2005.

On the same day Roach was in court denying charges brought against him, Rebecca Bailey an employee in Roach's office was filing a petition to have Roach removed from office.

In a written affidavit under oath, Bailey stated that she had seen Roach inject himself with what he

(Roach) stated to be and she (Bailey) believed to be methamphetamine on three occasions. One of the occasions being in the 31st District Attorney's office.

Also on January 12, Judge Steven R. Emmert of the 31st District entered

an order of recusal. 121st District Judge, Kelly G. Moore of Brownfield was notified and he assigned himself to the case.

Three additional charges have been added to a federal indictment against Roach. The four counts state that Roach allegedly did knowingly and intentionally possess methamphetamine; that he allegedly being an unlawful user and then being addicted to a controlled substance did knowingly and intentionally possess firearms; that he allegedly

did knowingly and intentionally possess with intent to distribute and dispense, approximately one ounce of methamphetamine; and that Roach allegedly did knowingly and intentionally possess with intent to distribute and dispense approximately one ounce of cocaine.

In court papers filed on January 20, 2005 at the

Gray County Courthouse, Roach denied all charges.

On the same day, Roach was released into the custody of his attorney, William E. Kelly, III of Canyon. Under the terms of his release, Roach must go into an inpatient drug abuse facility immediately.

Assistant District Attorney Lynn Switzer is continuing with business as usual in the 31st District.

McLean ISD Gets High Marks On 2003-2004 Audit

The McLean Independent School District Board of Education met for a Regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on January 20, 2005. Board members present were Billy Bybee, Ronnie Ferguson, Chet Bohlar, Terri Adams, Bobby Richardson, and Marshall Hanes. Others present were Superintendent, Eric Smith, Blaze Herring, Dick Crockett, Charles Kuntz, CPA, and Leslie Darsey, Secretary.

David Fuller was absent from the meeting.

Ronnie Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Billy Bybee gave the opening prayer.

The Regular meeting minutes of December 16, 2004, and the Special Meeting minutes of January 10, 2005 were approved.

The annual financial audit for the year ended August 31, 2004, as presented by Mr. Charles Kuntz was approved. Mr.

Kuntz reviewed the audit report with the Board, and stated the fund balance as \$882,417.00. Mr. Kuntz was very pleased with the financial records and the fact that the fund balance had increased dramatically since 2002. He commended Eric Smith and Leslie Darsey for a job well done and presented McLean ISD with a clean audit.

The board accepted a property tax bid for

\$100.00 from Donna D. Payne on Block 64, Lots 18-20. ORIGINAL MCLEAN.

There was some discussion on the Athletic Policy as Coach Herring had contacted several of the surrounding schools to see what was included in their policies. The general consensus of the Board was to rewrite the current policy. Mr. Smith is to seek legal advice and he stated that he would like to

structure the Athletic Policy to fit class act standards and he, along with the Principals and Coaches would have something rewritten to present to the Board which would be in place by the next school year. This policy will include all extra-curricular activity.

One of the four recently elected Board Members needed to accept the position of only holding a two-year term. Marshall

Hanes volunteered to serve the two-year term. Motion carried.

The possibility of having to purchase a sound system for the football field was discussed. The current system is in bad shape and had been hit by lightning. A bid was received last year from Bobby Richardson for a portable sound system that could be used at the football field and moved to the gyms.

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Gray County Stockshow Held

The 2005 Gray County Junior Livestock Show was held in Pampa over the weekend. McLean competitors distinguished themselves as has become tradition in many areas. Anthony Ruiz earned a 1st place Senior Showmanship Award in the Goat Division. Tanner Cadra earned a 2nd Junior Showmanship in the lamb division.

McLean FFA'er Anthony Raiz placed 6th in class with his medium weight goat.

Tanner Cadra, McLean FFA, competed in the light weight medium wool lamb competition and earned a 2nd place.

Tanner also competed in the heavy weight medium wool competition and earned a 3rd place.

Tanner Cadra competed in the cattle show, too. He earned a 2nd place in the heavy weight Maine class. He also earned a 2nd place in the Shorthorn classification and was

named Reserve Breed Champion.

Eutter Anderson, McLean FFA, also earned a Reserve Best of Breed showing a Berkshire hog in the wine show.

Ehan Smith won Breed Championship with a heavy weight Chester pig.

Mark Alan Smith placed 3rd as a FFA member exhibiting a medium weight chester pig.

Kvin Lee Smith placed 2nd with a medium weight Duroc.

Jenic Sanderson placed 7th with a FFA exhibit of a light weight Hampshire pig.

In the light medium weight Hampshire class, Logan Sparling placed 5th and Amanda Loya placed 7th. Both exhibit for FFA.

Kater Anderson placed 6th in the medium weight Hampshire class.

In the Medium heavy weight Hampshire class Kater Anderson placed 3rd, Suzanne Howard placed 4th

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REMINDERS

THE YOUNG AT Heart will meet on February 1.

JR. HIGH will play basketball in the Hedley tournament on January 27-29. Times to be announced.

BREAST CANCER Screening at the Lovett Memorial Library, Feb. 17. Must have an appointment.

THE FIRE Department is looking for volunteers, if you are interested you may talk to any fireman for more details.

(Left) Anthony Ruiz earns first place in Goat Division at both Gray County and McLean Stock Shows.

TIGERS AND LADY Tigers will host Silverton on Feb. 1 at 5:00 p.m.

LITTLE DRIBBLER Tournaments will begin at Lefors on Feb. 3-5.

THE PIONEER Study Club will meet Feb. 3 in the home of Jerry Corbin.

MCLEAN BEAUTY Pageant will be held on February 5 at 7:00 p.m.

MCLEAN I.S.D. will dismiss at noon on Jan. 28 for a teacher in-service.

TIGERS AND Lady Tigers will travel to Sannorwood on Jan. 28. Games begin at 6:30 p.m.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE to e-mail your news, you may do so to itta@centrmedia.net

Birthdays & Anniversaries

January 27 - Pat Stubbs, Mildred Mantooth, Casper Smith, Tami Marsh, Vesta Smith, McKenzie Ellis.

January 28 - W.A. Bentley, Bobby Richardson.

January 29 - Dora Bailey, Judy Stewart, Charla Smith, Sam Haynes.

January 30 - Susan

Worsham Corley, Nancy Simpson, Olin Weldon, Jacey Steel.

January 31 - Clarene Williams, Ray Kirkland, Adam Barker, Oneta Harkins, Tori Bybee, Lee Roy Buckhaults.

February 1 - Lorene Guyton, Marcie Ferguson.

February 2 - None

Local Obituaries

Gary Lyle Gordin, 62, of Dumas, died Monday, January 24, 2005 in Dumas. Services will be held at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, January 27, 2005 at North Plains Christian Church, with the Reverend Lad Boothby, pastor officiating. Burial will be at 3:00 p.m. in McLean. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors of Dumas.

Gary was born December 14, 1943 in San Francisco, Ca. to Leslie Lyle and Maxine Gordin. He attended school in Jal N.M. He graduated from McLean High School in 1961. He attended Texas Tech and Clarendon Jr. College. Gary worked at Diamond shamrock from August 1964 until he retired in April 2002. He also worked part time for M&M Moving Company and Kerr's Yamaha. Gary will be remembered best for his love of motorcycles-both racing and repairing them. His racing career ended at the Amarillo Speedbowl in August 1973 with an accident that nearly took his life. Despite his extensive injuries, Gary returned to work at Diamond



Shamrock 2 years later. Gary was always hard working and very generous. Anyone who knew Gary knew they could turn to him for help. He will also be remembered for his brilliant mathematical abilities, sense of humor, and his love of music, singing and whistling. Gary also loved his granddaughters and regularly stated how proud of them he was. Gary will be greatly missed by his friends and family. Gary was preceded in death by his parents and brothers - in-law Joe Evans and Val Sharp.

Gary is survived by his son, Tracy Lyle Gordin of Canyon, TX.; daughter, Val Marie and her husband Larry Dutcher of Dumas; mother of his children and best friend, Peggy Baer of McLean; in-laws, Arnold and Wanda Sharp; one sister, Mary Evans of Midland, TX.; two granddaughters, Shelby Marie and Katie Jean Dutcher of Dumas; one nephew, Bruce Evans; one niece, Jodi McFadden; two great nephews; one great niece and one great nephew.

NOLA HUBBARD

WHITE DEER - Nola Dalton Hubbard, 86, died Thursday, Jan. 20, 2005, in Amarillo.

Services were held on January 24 with the Rev. Alan Wilson, pastor, and the Rev. J.C. Burt, associate pastor of Cornerstone Baptist Church of Pampa, officiating. Burial was at Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean.

Survivors include a son, Jim Dalton of Aransas Pass; two stepdaughters, Lavanda Mankins of Temple and Cindy Wegman of Reading, Pa.; and a sister, Jean Burch of Bremerton, Wash.

Thanks

Thank you for all your prayers, visits, phone calls & food. Also, thank you to the McLean Ambulance Service, God Bless, Rae & Fliss Simpson

Danny Simpson of McLean, Texas was laid to rest on Thursday, January 20, 2005 at Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean. Service was held at Trinity Church and was officiated by Pastor Larry Perkins and Pastor Q.D. Bevell.

Danny passed from this life on January 18, 2005 in McLean.

He was born on May 7, 1960 in Shamrock, Texas. Danny loved the cowboy life: his tractor, his horses and the outdoors.

He was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather and friend who would help anyone when he could.

Danny was survived by his wife, Peggy Simpson; one son, Daniel Simpson and his wife Crissy of McLean; one daughter, Delinda Allen and her husband Heath of McLean; one grandson, Caden Simpson of McLean; two brothers, Dale Simpson of Fritch, TX and David Simpson of Shamrock, TX; two sisters, Carla Gaither of Lela, TX and D'Anna Gonzales of Shamrock, TX; and grandmother, Viola McLemore of Lela, TX.

Family request memorials be made to the Trinity Church Building Fund, McLean, Texas.

PTO Will Continue In 2005-06

The PTO of McLean met on January 13, 2005 in the school cafeteria.

The meeting opened with the reading of the minutes and the treasurer's report.

The profits from the Reindeer Lane Christmas Store were discussed with a suggestion to possibly use a different company next year.

The prices were discussed for the Valentine's Flower sale. Posters will be placed in the high school building.

Mr. Crockett gave information on a parent's conference in Amarillo on February 5. He will be taking a van to Amarillo for anyone who is interested.

Mr. Crockett also expressed that the TAKS

scores were very good.

Much discussion was held on whether or not to dissolve the PTO. Mr. Crockett stated that he feels the PTO is important.

Many suggestions were made with regards to helping the PTO thrive. Some suggestions were to only have one or two people in charge and to not have as many meetings.

After the discussion, it was decided that the PTO would continue. Little meetings will be held right after school.

The next meeting will be on March 10, immediately after school.

The meeting will consist of deciding who will be on the scholarship committee.

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Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 8:00 p.m.

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Sunday Sr. High Youth Alpha Chi 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Choir 7:00 p.m.

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Sunday worship 10:45 a.m.
Life Groups-Sunday-5:00 p.m.
Solid Rock Youth & Sunshine Children's Ministry
Wednesday 6:00
Adult Bible Study-Wednesday-7:00 p.m.

AUDIT

Mr. Richardson was going to check the pricing from his last bid to see if there had been a price increase. Coach Butler also has a speaker system currently being used in the gym and he would sell it to the school for \$1000. These choices will be considered before a decision can be made.

Marshall Hanes had to leave the meeting at 8:30 p.m. due to illness.

The board voted to accept the resignation of Superintendent, Eric Smith. Motion carried.

Mr. Smith said that he would help the Board in any way he could to find a replacement. He will post the opening on the school web sites, colleges, etc. The position would be opened up locally as well. The Board approved the Financial Reports A, B, & C. Motion carried.

The Board voted to approve to pay the bills as presented and to sign the corresponding checks.

Under other business Mr. Smith reported that he would ask Mr. Bob Jones to

get the specs for a handicap ramp at the old gym.

He had called on some buses and the bids were coming in.

It was also noted that there was a need for ground lights in front of the new gym in order to see the steps at night.

The question was raised as to the status of Coach Farmer's certification, and Mr. Smith stated that he would be taking his certification test on February 26th.

Ronnie Ferguson questioned the Board as to whether anyone had any knowledge of whom had placed a phone call to his boss prior to the last Special Board meeting. The concerned citizen informed Mr. Ferguson's employer that the vote for Supt. Smith's pay increase was going to be tied with 3 voting FOR and 3 voting AGAINST, and that it would be up to the School Board President to break the tie. The citizen continued with the conversation about how much it would affect Matthews Ranch since they were property owners and

tax payers and concluded by advising Ronnie's employer to apply some pressure in order for Ronnie not to agree with the pay increase. Mr. Ferguson stated if he finds out who this person is that made the phone call that he will press coercion charges, and is very upset about the whole deal and could not believe that someone would go to that measure.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

COUNTY

and Daniel Lee placed 6th.

In the light weight Spots and Poland class, Kevin Lee Smith placed 5th.

Ethan Smith placed 4th in the medium weight Spot and Poland class.

Jamie Anderson placed 5th and Logan Spurling placed 6th in the light weight Yorkshire show.

In the heavy weight cross show, Kutter Anderson placed 2nd, Jesse Parks placed 4th and Suzanne Howard placed 5th.

Tigers Beat Groom In District Play

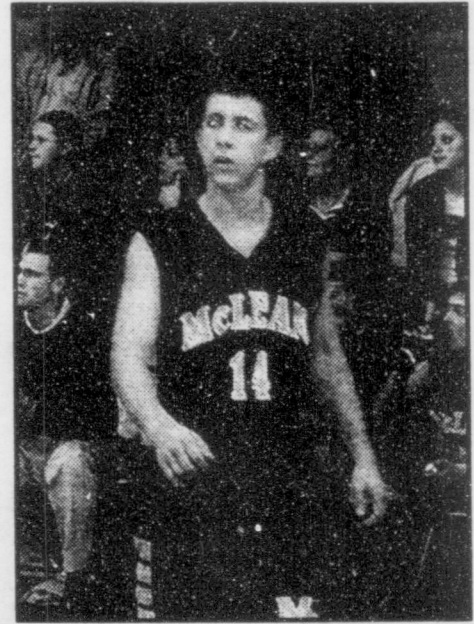
The McLean Tigers tipped off against the Hedley Owls. "We missed too many scoring opportunities," stated Coach Farmer. "We were unable to convert our lay ups and we lost a tough one."

The final for the night was Hedley 56 - McLean 49. Zane Richardson scored 21 points for the night. James Alexander scored 12. Lucas Seymour added 6 points. Kutter Anderson and Jayme Welch both earned 4 points and Manden Conklin scored 2 points.

The Tigers fared much better when they traveled to Groom to face the Groom Tigers. "We got back on a winning track and played very good ball," stated Farmer.

The final for the night was McLean 52 - Groom 30.

Zane Richardson and James Alexander led the pack with 13 points each for the team. Manden



Tyler Hanes looks on as Tiger teammates take the ball down the court.

Conklin earned 10 points. Lucas Seymour scored 3. Tyler Hanes scored 7. and Jayme Welch added 2. Kutter Anderson added 4.

McLean Tigers Basketball

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Lady Cubs Bring Home Easy Victory

The McLean Cubs hosted Samnorwood on Monday night with the Eagles taking home a win 15-30.

"We were missing to of our starters," stated Coach Jason Farmer. "But we have another shot at them Thursday in the Hedley tournament." Chase Bohlar led in scoring with 6 points. Corey Graham had 4. Clay Crockett and Zach Seymour each had 2 points. Caleb Crawford scored 1.

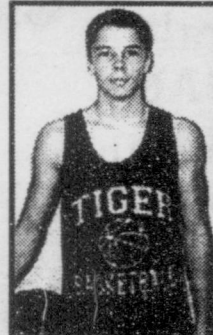
The Lady Cubs fared better when they defeated the Lady Eagles 42-14.

Ashley Byron led the Lady pack with 13 points, and having seven rebound. Nikki Hutchison earned 8 points for the ladies, making 80% of her shots. Nancy Castillo made 7 points on the board.

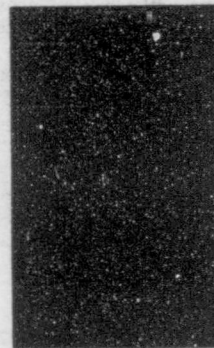
DaShae Tolleson earned top spot on the team for the night making 100% of her



Jayme Welch



Zach Richardson



Ronnie Alexander



Lucas Seymour

free-throws for a total of 6 points. DaShae also had five steals.

Sheri Haynes added 4 points on the board for the team and Summer Morris

added 2.

The Cubs and Lady Cubs will end their season in Hedley starting today with the Hedley tournament.





Tanner Cadra is congratulated by his dad, Mark on his 1st Place Showmanship ribbon.



McLean Students of the week for the week of January 17-21, 2005: Kindergarten Rachael Santos and Gabriela Flores, 1st grade-Tanner Smith, 2nd grade-DezaRay Blaylock, 3rd grade-Sierra Sanderson, 4th grade-Starlette Valles, 5th grade-Patricia Valles, 6th grade-Lynda Fortune, 7th grade-Hogan Ketcherside.

Young At Heart Sets Goals For 2005

The Young at Heart met for a potluck lunch on January 18 with 25 members and guest present. Jake Bible joined the group and became a new member.

President Marjorie Fish thanked Boots Stone for the wonderful job she did as the former president. She also thanked Mindy Reeves for her help as Secretary-Treasurer.

The group was presented with a sign-up sheet for members to help with the monthly building cleaning.

Marjorie thanked Billie Ray Johnson,

Administrator of the McLean Care Center for the pretty new flower pictures that the Care Center donated to the Young at Heart building.

She also thanked Lynn Swanson and Peggy Simpson (and their co-workers) for the blood pressure checks that they do at the Young at Heart.

In a review of the year, Marjorie said that two of the members had passed away: Rovena Brewer and Olin Weldon. Two members had moved to nursing homes: Annic Herndon and Mary Powell.

One member had moved to Shamrock: Wilma Barker.

One of the goals for 2005 for the Young at Heart is to find McLean seniors who would like to join the group. The Young at Heart is also searching for old pictures that they can borrow of YAH activities or members to use for a memory collage. The pictures can be copied or enlarged if they are too small.

Ben Reeves announced that the upcoming McLean Reunion would be June 17 and 18. He is planning a talent show and he would

like people to be thinking about skits or musical things they can do. He played several songs on his saw for the group.

Honor Roll Announced At Amarillo College

Amarillo College recently announced it's Honor Roll for the 2004 Fall Semester.

To be eligible for the Honor Roll, a student must maintain a 3.6 or better grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours at the college.

It was announced that Dusty A Moody of McLean made the Amarillo College Honor Roll. Dusty is the son of Bill and Pam Skipper.

Canadian Cattle Not Welcome By Texas Farmers Union

The Texas Farmers Union said the latest discovery of bovine spongiform encephalopathy in Canada is further proof that the U.S. ban on Canadian live cattle should continue.

Longtime livestock producer and TFU President Wes Sims said, "State cattle producers could bear the economic burden if the border is open to Canadian cattle at this time."

The U.S. Department of Agriculture issued a final rule January 4, 2005 that would include Canada as a "minimal-risk" region for BSE and would allow imports of live Canadian cattle.

The United States lost more than \$2 billion in 2004 due to lost export markets after a single BSE-positive cow with Canadian origin was found in Washington state. Sims said that until trade is re-established with America's top international customers, it does not make sense to restore beef trade with Canada.

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MCLEAN ISD is looking for a superintendent for the 2005-2006 school year. Contact Superintendent Eric Smith at the school business office at 806-779-2301.

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Groom Exhibitors Excel At Carson Co. Show



Groom ISD's foreign exchange student, Friederike Roessner of Germany gets a real Texas style lesson about raising animals after raising and exhibiting a pig in the County Stock Show. Kacie Galyean, in the background, discusses her experience with Thane Britten.

Groom 4-H members competed in the Carson County Junior Livestock Show and Sale last weekend. Thirteen youths distinguished themselves as they exhibited animals in the swine show this year competing against 4-H clubs and FFA groups from students from the Panhandle, White Deer and Skellytown communities. Groom had a mixture of first time exhibitors and veterans that made their experience interesting and fun.

Kyra Stevens earned a 1st place in class and won Reserve Best of Breed with a heavy weight Chester

pig. Kyler Barkley competed in the same class and placed 4th.

Brandon Jenkins placed 3rd with a light weight Chester.

Kade Brown placed 9th in class with a medium light weight Hampshire hog.

Chris Homen placed with a first place win with a medium light weight Hampshire.

Thane Barkley placed 2nd with a heavy weight Hampshire pig.

Taylor Fields placed 7th also in the heavy weight Hampshire pig class.

Chance Barkley placed

5th in the medium light weight cross breed pig.

Blaine Britten place 2nd with a medium weight cross.

Kacie Galyean placed 4th in the medium weight Cross class.

Groom foreign exchange student Freddy Roessner placed 7th also in the

medium weight cross class adding to her "Texas" experience!

Javier Caro earned an eighth place with a medium heavy weight cross.

Chad Barkley placed 5th

See SHOW, pg. 2

City of Groom To Assume Cost Of Park Sidewalk Project While GEDC Pays For Lighting Project

The regular Groom City Council Meeting was held on Monday, January 10th with the following present: Mayor Joe Homer, Aldermen Ellis Stapp, Don Case, Chris Welch, Kenneth Weller, and Doug Kling; Mary Sue Lyles, City Secretary; and visitor James Allen of Cox, Allen & Co.

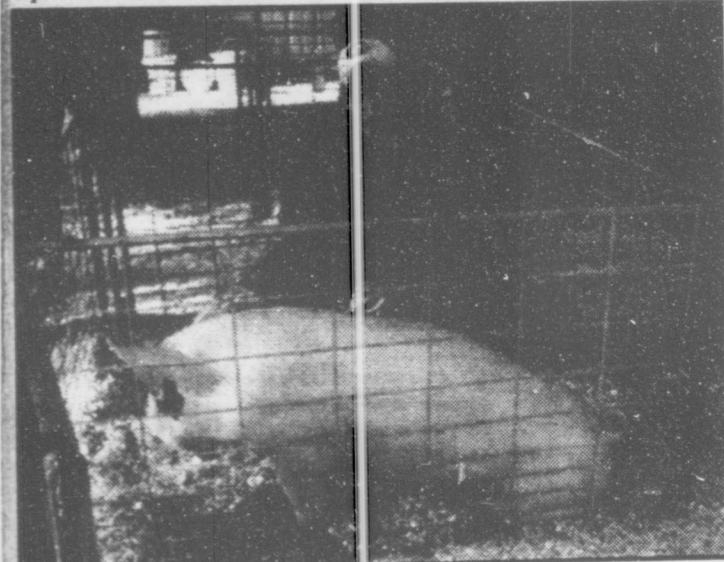
Don Case moved and Doug Kling seconded the motion to accept the 2003-2004 Audit as presented by James Allen, city auditor.

Mayor Homer updated the council about the status of the attempt to form a county wide Emergency Medical System. The issue has been put before the County Commissioners Court. The court asked the County Attorney to look into all the steps that would be necessary before further action could be taken.

Chris Welch informed the council that the GEDC had received a quote for reworking the lighting at the park. The cost for the lighting will allow them to proceed with their plans, but they would not be able

to help with the cost of the construction of the sidewalk at the park. Ellis Stapp moved and Don case seconded the motion to proceed with the improvement at the park

by letting GEDC pay for the lighting project and the City will pay for the sidewalk project. Ayes were Don Case, Ellis Stapp, Kenneth Weller, See CITY, pg. 2



Javier Caro is one of the Groom 4-Hers who will be taking his exhibit on to the one of the major stock shows. He is looking forward to the challenge of a show with hundreds of entries.

Community Calendar

DON'T FORGET! To come celebrate Bertha Knight's 96th Birthday! Community-wide party will be held at the First Baptist Church in Groom on Sunday, January 30, 2005 beginning at 1:30 p.m. No gifts, please but cards are welcome!

THE GROOM Tigers and Tigerettes will play Hedley, there Friday, January 28th. Games start at 6:30 p.m.

GROOM ISD ALUMNI will hold an important meeting on Monday, Feb. 7 at 6:00 in the Lion's Club Room.

THE JUNIOR High boys and girls will play Valley, there, Monday, January 31st. Games start at 6:00 p.m.

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Local Happenings

Angie Goss and children Kristen and Joren visited in Groom from Dec. 19 to January 6. The Goss family is currently doing missionary work in Indonesia. According to Angie's mom, Helen Winkcompleck, they were 500 miles south of the tsunami and were not in any danger of the natural disaster. While visiting her family, Angie gave a talk at the Baptist Church about their work in Indonesia.

Ill or Recovering
The following are local residents are ill or recovering from health concerns: Shirley Lamberson, Juandell Ritter and Shirley Fields.

Chance Barkley and Adam Britten each earned a \$100 scholarship from the Panhandle Plains Student Loan Center. They and their parents recently attended a college financial aid seminar held at Groom School last week.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

January 27 - Carson Ritter, Pat and Connie Britten (A).

January 28 - Courtney Sustaire.

January 29 - Richard G. Weller, Shirley Burgin, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth W. Babcock (A).

January 30 - Bertha Knight, Mrs. Gordon W. Schaffer, LaVonda Barkley.

January 31 - Jackie

Barnett, Michael F. Britten, Lori Jill Britten, Mr. & Mrs. Mike Britten (A), Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Baggerman (A), Mr. and Mrs. James Moraniec (A).

February 1 - Amos H. Britten.

February 2 - Bobby Caleb Pool, Debbie Ollinger, Jeff Jenkins, Leigh Ann Hopkins, Kassandra Brown.

Local Happenings...

Nathan Ruthardt celebrated his birthday a little early with an impromptu party at Mr. Gatti's. Attending were his Mom, Dad, and big sister, Megan. On February 11th he will be the ripe old age of 5. He

will celebrate with a more traditional party on his actual birthday.

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and Doug Kling. Chris Welch abstained.

After discussing some alterations to the updating of the vending machine, the consensus of the City Council was to go ahead with the original plan to put a wall in the vending machine building and to install the coin feed in the wall.

There were no clean up letters for this month.

The task list was reviewed.

The minutes of the December meeting were approved as reviewed.

Kenneth Weller moved and Doug Kling seconded to pay the bills and accept

the financial report. The motion carried.

Chris Welch moved and Kenneth Weller seconded the motion to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. The motion carried.

THE TIGERS and Ettes will play Samnorwood, here Tuesday, February 1st. Games start at 6:30 p.m.

SHOW

in the super heavy weight class for cross breeds.

Congratulations to all the exhibitors on a great year! Many of these same students will continue on to San Antonio, Feb 14-19.

Tim and Tammy Case recently traveled to Burbank, California to attend a seminar of the National Alliance of Independent Crop Consultants. Tim was elected and installed as president of the 500 member organization. He had previously served on the Board of Directors. While there, the couple attended a taping of the "Tonight Show with Jay Leno."

Tammy's mom, Ruth Young, of Raton N.M. visited in Groom with her grandchildren, Tyler and Tanner while their parents were out of town.

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

Lunch:

Monday: chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, milk & chocolate cake.

Tuesday Burritos with chili and cheese, bean dip, fruit cocktail and milk.

Wednesday: Soft Tacos, corn lettuce & tomatoes, milk and yogurt.

Thursday: Baked Ham, scalloped potatoes, English peas, hot rolls, milk and jello

Friday: Cheese burgers, Potato Wedges, baked beans mild & cookies.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

We want to be sure that Groom residents know they have at least four friendly, young men living among them who are willing to help a stranger at the drop of a hat.

As we approached the Groom Dairy Queen December 23 on the way from Amarillo to McLean, I made a dumb move to trying to drive across a snow filled ditch to the DQ parking lot. We got stuck. Before I was out of the car, four high school or college-aged guys were walking towards our car to see if they could help.

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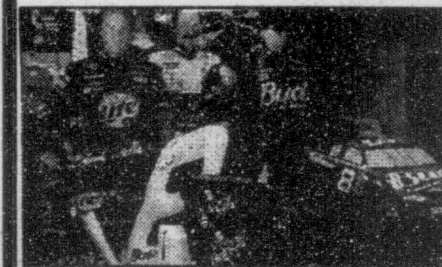
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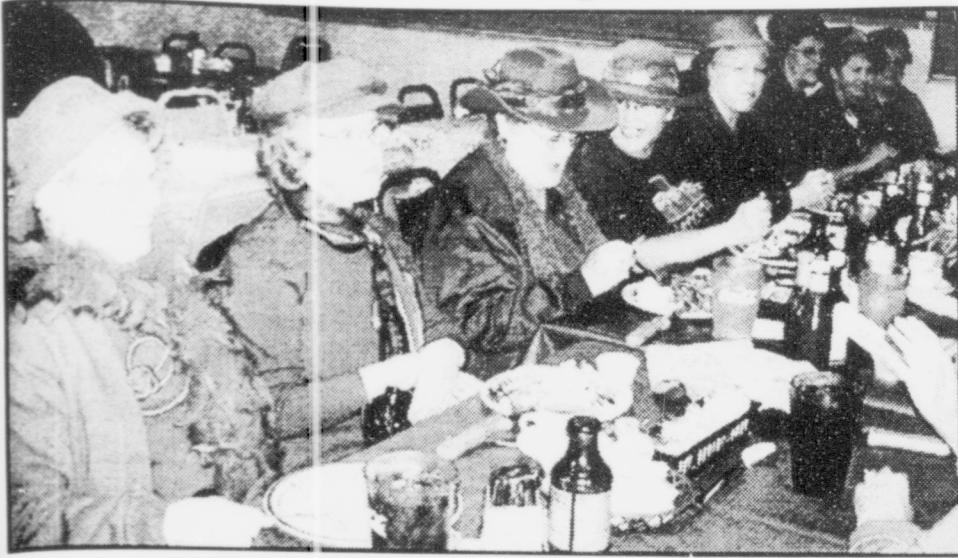
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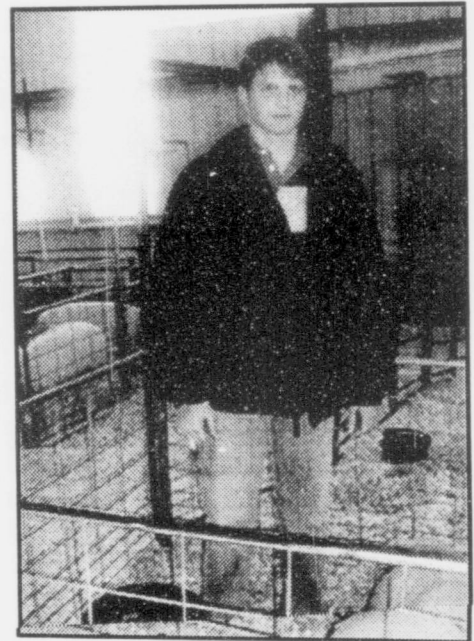
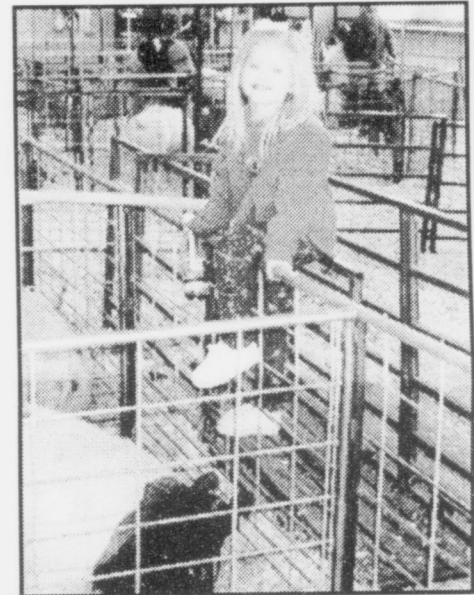
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Groom's branch of the Red Hat Society held their January meeting at the Route 66 Steakhouse in Groom. They boast 20 members strong and are still growing and having great fun at every meeting! Pictured are: (above) Karen Case, Dorothy McMullens, Charlene Weller, Toni Pavlovsky, Mary Sue Lyles, Rose England, Shirley Sustaire and Virginia Jones. (Below) Janie Britten, Juanita Brown, Dondra Downs, Pat Ashford, Betty Housley, and Roberta Ellington.



Interesting Facts For Your Information

There is almost always a question about whether minutes are considered open records when they have not been approved. The State of Texas Attorney General has ruled that minutes are open record as soon as they are written on paper or recorded on tape. The minutes do not have to be approved before released.

This information was reported in the January 2005 Texas Press Association publication.

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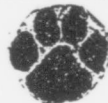
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4-H projects are a family affair! It takes all hands on deck to juggle home life, school work, athletics, and other extra curricular activities. Thane Barkley gets and gives as much help to his brothers Chance and Chad. Tyler and Hali watch and learn from their older brothers waiting for their turn to come along.

Groom Cagers Keep Busy Schedule

The Tigers lost their game to Valley last Tuesday evening 47 to 38. Thane Barkley was high point with 20 points. Blaine Britten contributed

6. Chance Barkley and Chad Barkley each added 4. Adam Britten and Javier Caro each contributed 2.

The total score was 10-93. The Ettes will play Hedley there on January 28. They will play Samnorwood here on February 1.

The Groom Cubs won their game against Hedley Monday evening 57 to 31. High point was Brett Friemel with 15 points. Blake Galyean scored 14. Josh Kelly added 12 points. Trevor Friemel contributed 9. Eric Torres scored 6. Tyler Babcock added 1.

The Groom J.H. Girls lost their game against Hedley Monday evening 46 to 29. Rachael Hopkins was high point with 10 points. Ashley Murray scored 7. Maddie Wieberg added 6. Korn Britten contributed 4.



Blaine Britten sets up the next play as the ball is inbounded by his fellow Tigers.

The Groom Tigers lost their game to McLean 52 to 30 Friday evening.

High point was T.J. Moraniec with 12 points. Chance Barkley and Adam Britten each scored 5. Thane Barkley and Blaine Britten each added 4.

On January 14, 2005 the Groom Tigerettes battled Samnorwood in a very exciting match. Kyra Stevens was the leading scorer with 10 points. Michaela Roskens added another 5 and Katie Thompson contributed 3. The final score was 18-68.

Groom High School Tigerettes played Valley on January 18 in Groom. Kyra Stevens was the leading scorer with 6. Freddy Roessner added another 2, Michaela added 1 as did Katie Thompson.



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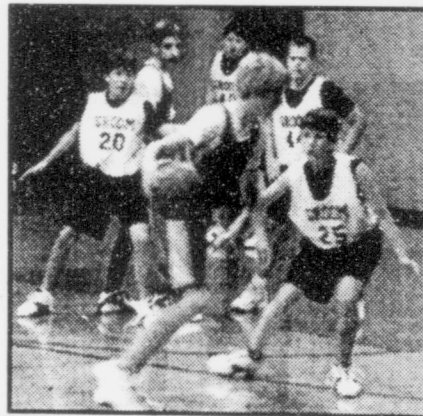
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Services Held For Former Residents



EDEN - Richard Melcenis Hall, D.O., 76, died Saturday, Jan. 22, 2005.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in First Baptist Church. Arrangements are by Eden Funeral Home.

Dr. Hall was born March 11, 1928, in Hollis, Okla., to Charles H. and Cora Peabody Hall. He graduated from Groom High School at Groom in 1945. He attended Amarillo College and graduated from University of Denver in 1949 with his bachelor of science and bachelor of arts degrees. He graduated as a doctor of osteopathy in 1962 from Kirksville College of Osteopathy at Kirksville, Mo. He did postgraduate work at the University of Oregon in 1949 and 1950. He entered the Army in 1950 and graduated with honors from Officer Candidate School in Fort Riley, Kan., as a second lieutenant in 1954. He was assigned to the United States Chemical

Corp. School in Alabama as an instructor. He taught at the Chemical Warfare School, the United States Naval Academy and West Point. He served as decontamination officer in Mercury, Nev., and served as chief chemical officer for the United States Army in Europe, Base Section in Potier, France, in 1956 and 1957, until his discharge from the Army.

Dr. Hall entered private practice in Turkey in 1963 and moved his practice to the Groom Hospital in Groom in 1964. He moved to Eden in 1972 and was engaged in the practice of medicine and surgery until his retirement in 1997.

Dr. Hall's many civic and professional contributions included president and member of Texas Osteopathic Medical Association; board of trustees, Concho health officer, Concho County school board member in Turkey, Groom and Eden; project review officer, Health System Agency, Region IV, Abilene; chairman, EMS Advisory Committee, Emergency Medical Services; Concho Valley Council of Governments; board member, State Rural Medical Education; clinical associate professor, Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine, Fort Worth;

Texas Chamber of Commerce; director, West Texas Chamber of Commerce; president of Texas Society of American College of General Practice; Lions International member; and fellow of American College of General Practice. Additionally, Dr. Hall served as president and member of the board of trustees, Concho Valley MHMR; Concho County Child Welfare Board, Emergency Medical Services for Concho Valley Council of Governments; president of Concho County Democratic Club; and medical director, Concho Nursing Center. He was licensed to practice in Missouri, New Mexico and Texas. He received the Eden Chamber of Commerce Lifetime Achievement Award in 2004 and served as quartermaster of VFW Post No. 8549. He served for many years as an elder in Church of Christ.

Richard M. Hall married Roxilea Keeter in 1951, and the marriage produced five sons. She passed away in 1964. In 1969, he married Myrtle Frances Jones Wood. She passed away in 1998. In 2000, he married Lily Peek.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to Oralia Escamilla for her exceptional nursing care.

A man of exemplary courage, tireless commitment, impeccable integrity and great generosity, he administered to the physical, spiritual and emotional needs of his patients. Dr. Hall's life was one of service to God, country, community and family. His legacy is the hearts and lives of all fortunate enough to have known and loved him.

Survivors include his

wife, Lily; six sons, Douglas K. Hall and wife, Trixie, of Austin, Keith N. Hall and Grover L. Hall and wife, Kit, all of Eden, Dr. Charles R. Hall and wife, Donna, and R. Louis Hall and wife, Rachel, all of Bangs, and Bill D. Wood and wife, Dawn, of San Angelo; a daughter, Nina W. Drake and husband, Ed, of Estes Park, Colo.; 12 grandchildren, Nathan Wright of San Angelo, Leah Griggs of Missouri, Nicholas Hall of Lubbock, Dustin and Ashton Hall, both of Austin, Caleb, Anna and Abigail Hall and Daniel, Timothy and Kayleah Hall, all of Bangs, and Roxilea Hall of Eden; two great-grandchildren, Dakota and Rebekah Griggs, both of Arkansas; and a brother, Kenneth Hall of Banning, Calif. He is "Big Daddy" to Syble Joy Henderson of Brooklyn, N.Y.

The family suggests memorials may be to the Dr. Richard M. Hall Scholarship Fund for the promotion of rural health care, Texas ACOPP, 1415 Laraca St., Austin, TX 78701.

SANFORD JOHNSON

Sanford Johnson, 92, of Amarillo, died Friday, Jan. 21, 2005.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in the Groom Cemetery in Groom with the Rev. Dale Moreland, minister of education at San Jacinto Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors, 2800 Paramount Blvd.

Mr. Johnson was born in Wagoner County, Okla. He was a veteran of the Army, serving during World War II. He was a car salesman.

Mr. Johnson was a member of the Pioneer Gun Club and an Exxon dealer for many years in Amarillo. He formerly owned and operated the Chevrolet dealership in Groom. He was a Baptist.

He married Iva E. Fitzhugh on Nov. 24, 1976, in Lancaster.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Sanfra Ann Johnson of Houston and Mary Kay Johnson of Fort Worth; two sons, Jim Ray Jenkins of Levelland and John R. Jenkins of Calvary, Canada; a brother, Herbert Johnson of California; and four grandchildren.

The family suggest memorials be to a favorite charity.

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