

# The McLean News



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## Lady Cubs Win McLean Tournament

The Lady Cubs controlled the court during the McLean Junior High Tournament this past weekend.

In game one, the ladies defeat Valley by a wide margin of 43 - 6. Ashley Byron led the point board with 10 points. Sheri Haynes and Lexi Menefield both added nine to the board.

Nancy Castillo put up six points. Ashley Russell scored three points. Britnie Cooper, Rudy Rodriguez and Casey Graham all had two points each.

In game two of the tournament, the ladies defeat the Hedley Owls, 36 - 27.

Lexi Menefield put nine points on the board for the Lady Cubs. Saber Bohlar,

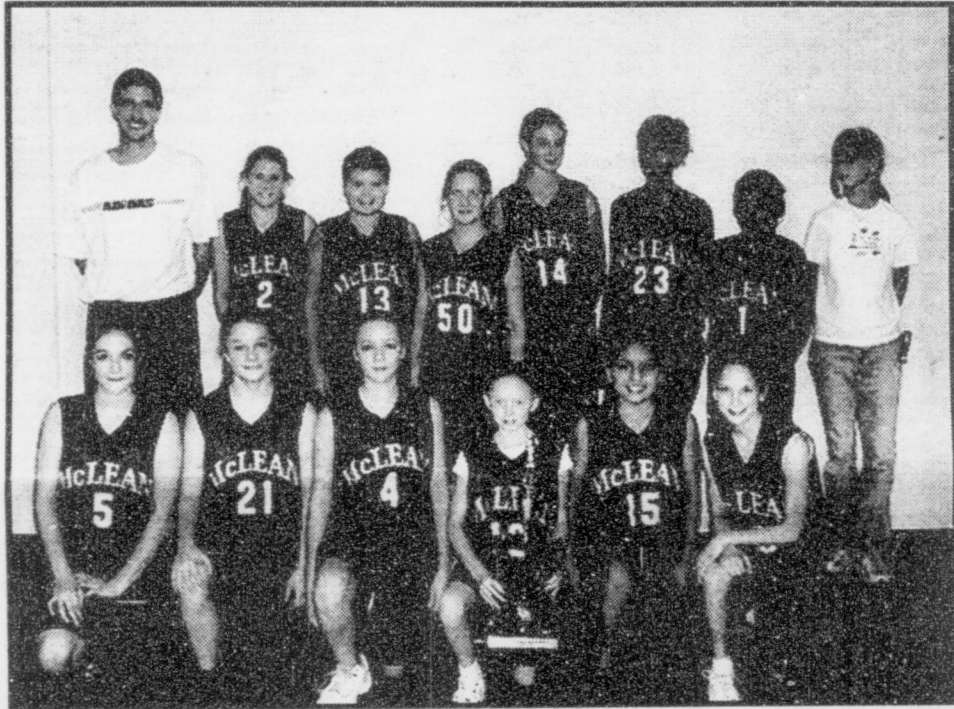
Sheri Haynes, and Ashley Byron each added seven. Nancy Castillo had four points for the team and Casey Graham scored two points.

Facing against the Groom Cubettes for first place, the Lady Cubs dominated the floor and came out victorious with a final score of 45 - 18.

Lexi Menefield once again led the scoreboard with 15 points. Six of those being three point shots. Sheri Haynes followed closed with 13 points, of which three was a three point shot.

Nancy Castillo, Saber Bohlar, and Ashley Byron all added five points each to the board. Nancy and Saber each had a three-point shot.

Erin Vassey added two points for the Lady Cubs.



L-R Back: Saber Bohlar, Ashley Russell, Erin Vassey, Ashley Byron, Lexi Menefield, Nancy Castillo, Jessi Skipper Front: Sheri Haynes, Casey Graham, Lyndsey Ellis, Britnie Cooper, Rudy Rodriguez and Tori Bybee

## City Declines Gas Well - Hears Concerns About City's Drug Problem

The City Council of McLean met in regular session Monday, January 9, 2006 in the City Hall. The meeting was called to order by the mayor and opened with an invocation by Mindy Reeves at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Bob Martin, Mindy Reeves,

Molly McDowell, Betty Taylor, Janet Glass and Teresa Simmons. Others present were Jim Adams, Toni Bohlar and George Shaw.

The minutes of the December meetings were approved.

In regards of the gas well, Teresa Simmons said that during the months that the council had been considering buying the gas well she has had many reservations and Mindy Reeves stated that she had some reservations also. Motion was made by Mindy Reeves not to buy the well, second by Teresa

Simmons, with all voting for.

Texas Public Funds Investment Policy - Toni Bohlar informed the council that the investment policy has to be redone annually and this was the same policy as last year that the City's investment would be into CD's should there be any excess funds to invest. Motion by Molly McDowell, second by Janet Glass to approve the investment policy, all in favor.

Financial Assurance - Standby Letter of Credit - Motion by Mindy Reeves to approve the Standby Letter of Credit from the Bank of Commerce with no fee for the landfill's financial assurance in the amount of \$120,383.00, second by Molly McDowell, with all voting in favor.

George Shaw came before the council concerning the drug problem in town and lack

of law enforcement. He asked if they felt that the city should get someone to run for Constable that would be an active Constable and would that help? The mayor explained that the Constable works under the County Commissioners and would probably not be of much assistance on the problem. He and the council members stated that it takes everyone in the community keeping an eye out and reporting any and everything unusual to the authorities, like the DPS officers or the Gray County Sheriff's deputies when they see it happening. The council thanked Mr. Shaw for his concern and for coming to the meeting.

The city council had voted on an open records policy at last months meeting stating that all requests for information had to be written and charged for copies. City secretary, Toni Bohlar,

asked the council for clarification concerning the newspaper asking for information, should she have them fill one out each and every time and did she need to charge them for copies? She explained that she had contacted the Texas Municipal League attorneys and asked them if there could be such a thing as a "rolling request" which means someone could fill out a form requesting information for a year. The attorneys said that there was nothing in the Open Records Act that addresses that, they said that some city's allow that type of form and some don't, that it was the council's decision. Motion by Molly McDowell, second by Mindy Reeves to allow the McLean News to fill out an annual request for the agendas and minutes and not charge them for the copies. All voting in

favor of.

Motion by Mindy Reeves, second by Molly McDowell to appoint Bob Glass as a member of the EDC Board. Janet Glass abstained. Everyone else voting for.

The mayor explained that an engineering firm had contacted the city

wanting to know if the city was going to seal coat any streets this year. The council agreed that the funds were not available this year to seal coat the streets.

Jim Adams informed the council that the dozer was fixed and running See CITY, pg. 10

## Reminders

GRAY COUNTY  
Stock Show, January 21  
In Pampa.

MCLEAN STOCK  
Show, January 14 at 2  
p.m.

SCHOOL BOARD  
will meet on January 16 at  
6 p.m. in the Business  
Office.

HIGH SCHOOL  
Basketball January 13 at  
McLean and January 17 at  
Hedley.

CUBS FACE OFF  
against Kelton, here,  
January 16.

PTO MEETING will  
be held on January 19 at  
7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.  
A Principal -  
Superintendent forum will  
be held.

PIONEER STUDY  
Club meets on January 19  
at Elizabeth's.

*McLean Birthdays & Anniversaries*

January 12 - Holly Hauck, Chris Spurling, Judy and Huey Green (A).  
 January 13 - Lana Stump, Bill Hensley, Delinda Simpson, Don and Rita Jo Crockett (A).  
 January 14 - Tucker

Long  
 January 15 - Anna Morris, Brenda McLain.  
 January 16 - Dan Eggers, Ben Reeves.  
 January 17 - Cesily Cadra.  
 January 18 - Wanda Hindmen, Larry Wallis.

**Pioneer Study Club Reminisces**

The Pioneer Study Club met on Thursday, January 5 at Elizabeth's Tea Room. Hostess, Mary Dwyer served angel food cake with mixed berries, coffee and raspberry tea.

Members present were Barbara Bode, Babe Brown, Jerry Corbin, Janet Glass, Mickey Jackson, Zeld McClellan, Betty Morgan, Emma Puchtel, Lynn, Reeves, Mindy Reeves, Pat Stubbs, Ticie

Taylor, Ruth Trew, Rosa Troy, Angie Ware, Nama Webb, Mary Lou Glass, and Wanda Lamb. Guests Shirley Ennis and Teresa Johnston were welcomed. Mary Lou Glass led the club members in a time of family reminiscences.

The next meeting will be January 19 at Elizabeth's with Emma Pechtel as hostess and Jerry Corbin in charge of the program.

**Young At Heart Hold Christmas Party**

The Young at Heart had their Christmas party on January 3, 2006 at the December 20th date was cancelled due to ice and snow.

There were 31 members and guest present.

A thank you went out to Ben and Mindy Reeves for the new cook stove; C & H Supply for the turkey;

James and Rosa Troy for the ham. Rosa also cooked the turkey and ham; and to Rex and Janelle Peacock for cleaning the back room.

Laura Garrison and Terry Whitley from Accolade Home Health did blood pressure checks.

It was voted to re-elect the present officers by acclimation.

*McLean School Menus*

for the week of Jan. 16-20

**BREAKFAST**

Monday: Omelets, Bacon, Toast & Jelly, Milk, Juice  
 Tuesday: Waffles, Ham, Toast & Jelly, Milk, Juice  
 Wednesday: Breakfast Casserole, Toast & Jelly, Milk, Juice  
 Thursday: Pancake & Sausage on a Stick, Toast & Jelly, Milk, Juice  
 Friday: Cinnamon Rolls, Toast & Jelly, Milk, Juice  
**LUNCH**  
 Monday: BBQ on a Bun, Tator Tots, Baked Beans,

Peach Cobbler, Milk  
 Tuesday: Chicken Sandwich, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Onion, Okra, Fruit, Milk  
 Wednesday: Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Greenbeans, Salad, Garlic Toast, Fruit, Milk  
 Thursday: Burritos with Chili & Cheese, Tator Tots, Pinto Beans, Apple Crisp, Milk  
 Friday: Hamburgers, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Onions, Potato Wedges, Sherbet, Milk



**Steel - Caldwell To Wed**

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Steel of McLean are requesting the pleasure of your company at the marriage of their daughter, Lacey Lee Steel to Jason Caldwell on Saturday, January 14, 2006

at 2:00 in the afternoon at the United Methodist Church in McLean, Texas.

Jason is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caldwell.

The couple will make their home in Abilene, Texas.

**Red Cross Urges...**

**Caution With Fires During Burn Ban**

Due to the drought conditions in the area, many grass fires have captured the land in Gray county and the state. The McLean Volunteer Fire Department has responded to several grass fires in the area and surrounding towns, not only battling fires but in most cases extreme high winds as well.

The Eastern Panhandle

Red Cross is urging residents to take precautions against wildfires.

They recommend that you meet with your family to decide what to do and where to go if wildfires threaten your area.

Create a 30 to 100 foot safety zone around your home. Within this area, take steps to reduce potential exposure to flames and radiant heat. Clear all flammable vegetation, including leaves, dead limbs and twigs. Remove leaves and rubbish from under structures. Ask the power company to clear branches from power lines. Mow grass regularly. The Gray County Commissioners Court has voted that there be a burn ban in Gray County. Follow local burning regulations.

When wildfires threaten your area, call local officials. If your advised to evacuate, do so immediately.

You can cope with disaster by preparing in advance. Meet with your family to create a disaster plan. Practice what you have discussed.

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you to be safe. The entire Texas Panhandle is in high fire danger and will probably remain so well spring. Prepare now! Know what to do in an emergency.

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## McLean Cubs Win Over Hedley

After a heart-breaking one-point loss to Hedley earlier in the season, the McLean Cubs were prepared to work hard for a win on Monday, January 2 in Hedley.

The Cubs came out with a quick three point shot by Jordan Herring. Jordan also scored another three-pointer in the first quarter.

The Cubs continued to play a competitive game in the second quarter, with Jordan Herring scoring two more three-pointers and Clay Crockett adding two point to the score as well.

The Cubs went into half time with 14 points.

The third quarter continued well for the Cubs as Jace McLain, Tanner Cadra and Jordan Herring each added two points to the score, bringing them to 20.

The fourth quarter continued to be exciting as Jordan Herring added four points, Tyler Lamb added two points, and Hogan Ketcherside hit a three point shot.

Also working on the team were Dalton Richardson, George Patterson, Corey Graham, Robert Morrow and Zachary Seymour with offensive and defensive support. The Cubs won 29 - 19.

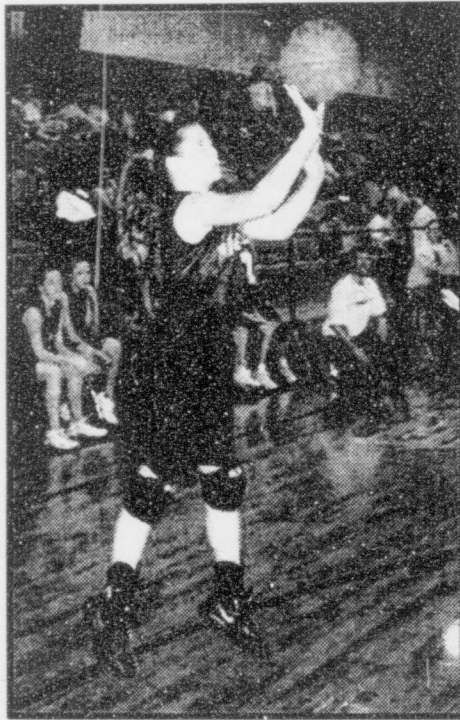
The Lady Cubs fared just as well over Hedley with a final score of 37 - 23.

Lexi Menefield scored four in the first quarter and Ashely Byron added seven to the board.

In the second quarter, Nancy Castillo put up two points. Saber Bohlar put up one and Erin Vassey added two points. At half-time the Lady Cubs had 16 points on the board.

In the third quarter, Nancy Castillo, Sheri Haynes and Ashley Byron each added two.

The fourth quarter saw Lexi Menefield hit a three-pointer and then add four more to the score. Sheri Haynes put up four more points as well as Nancy Castillo.



Saber Bohlar shows great form and scores two for the Lady Cubs to help bring home a 1<sup>st</sup> place trophy in the McLean Tournament.



Kutter Anderson puts two on the board for his Tiger team.

## McLean Tigers and Lady Tigers Lose Close Games to Booker On Home Court

In two very close games, the McLean Tigers and Lady Tigers took on the Booker Kiowas on January 3.

The Lady Tigers took the court in the first

quarter putting 11 points on the board. Tamara Loya, Keisha Menefield and Brooke Seymour all put up three-pointers. Amanda Fricks added two.

In the second quarter, Keisha Menefield scored three points and Summer Morris scored two.

Brooke Seymour dominated the points in the third quarter by

adding nine points to the board. Tamara Loya once again put up a three-pointer. Keisha Menefield and Lacey Wallis both added two.

In the final quarter of

the game, Keisha added five points. Tamara Loya hit another three and Jace Carter made two. The Ladies came up just short and Booker took the game 40 - 42.

The Tigers also came up just short of the win with a final of 36 - 44.

Zach Richardson dominated the board for the night with 15 points.

See Tigers below...

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hitting four three-pointers. Ronnie Alexander put up eight total points for the team.

John Haynes and Kutter Anderson both added five each to the board for the night.

Jacob Tolleson put two points on the board in the second quarter and Manden Conklin put up one with a free throw.

Both teams will take on the Silverton Owls on home court on January 13.

(Right) Jordan Herring takes the ball down the court to score two for the Cubs.



## TIGERS

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## Services Held For McLean Loved Ones

**VEGA - Lance David Stovall**, 39, died Monday, Jan. 2, 2006, in Amarillo.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 5 in Christ Community Church in Vega with Jim Watkins and Roger Morris III officiating. Burial was held in Memorial Park Cemetery in Vega. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors of Vega.

Mr. Stovall was born in Lubbock. He grew up and graduated in McLean and had lived in Oldham County since 1984. He farmed and ranched with Clay Gabel and Roger Morris III. The last five years he worked for Crist Fuel. He attended Trinity Fellowship in Amarillo.

Survivors include his father and stepmother, Bill and Glenda Stovall of New Braunfels; his mother, Carolyn Carter of Vega; his stepfather, Clay Gabel of Wildorado; a sister, Leisa Reed and husband Benny of Arlington; a brother, Greg Stovall and wife Kathy of Wichita Falls; two half-brothers, Cody and Lee Gabel of Wildorado; two stepbrothers, Kevin Hunter and wife Ruth of Shreveport, La., and Rodney Hunter and wife Lisa of Keller; five nephews; four nieces; and many cousins and friends.

**Chester Allan Crutcher** of McLean passed away at the age of 85 in Oklahoma City, OK on January 2, 2006. Services were held on Friday, January 6, 2006 at the First Baptist Church in McLean, Texas with Pastor Larry Perkins officiating. Burial was held at Hillcrest Cemetery under the direction of Bailey Ware Funeral Home.

Chester Allan Crutcher was born on October 20, 1920 in Sherman, Texas to Edgar and Edna Crutcher. He married Fay Cooper on October 4, 1952 in Clovis, NM. They were married for 53 years.

Mr. Crutcher served as a corporal in the army during WWII. He also worked in the oilfield as a pumper and welder for Traveler's Oilfield Service.

He is survived by his wife, Fay of McLean. Two sons, Jimmy Crutcher of McLean and Roger Crutcher of Pampa; two daughters, Lawana Ramos and her husband Leon of Shamrock and Pam Lock and her husband Dale of Lefors; three brothers, Harmon Crutcher of Pampa, Paskel Crutcher of Owasso, OK, and Johnny Crutcher of Amber, OK; three sisters, Helen

Holloway of Owasso, OK, Omega Chisum of Pampa, and Waunel Coleman of Salt Lake City, Utah; and seven grandchildren, four great grand-children and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, one sister, his parents and one grandson.

Family request that memorials be made to the McLean Volunteer EMS Service, PO Box 16, McLean, Texas 79057.

**LONE GROVE, Okla. — Services for Jimmy H. Goss**, 81, were conducted Jan. 5, 2006, at Lone Grove First Baptist Church with the Rev. Don Clark and the Rev. Clyde Ross officiating. Interment was at Check Cemetery under the direction of Harvey-Douglas Lone Grove Chapel.

Mr. Goss coached for three years in McLean, where his 1964 McLean Junior High Cubs football team was undefeated and unscored on. He also coached in 1965-66 then served as Superintendent in

Lela in 66-67 and returned to McLean to coach again in 1967-68. He returned to McLean for almost every school reunion after leaving in 1969 and attended the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of McLean's First Baptist Church in 2004.

After retirement, he made many trips to help build churches and served as president of the Oklahoma retired teachers organization.

Born on Aug. 22, 1924, in Clinton, Okla., to Hobart and Hazel McLin Goss, he died on Jan. 3, 2006, in Ardmore. He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Gerald Goss; and sister, Wanda Muse.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II aboard the Aircraft Carrier USS Randolph and achieved the rank of Chief Petty Officer 1st Class. Married to Jo Ann Baird on Sept. 30, 1950, in Frederick, Okla., he

graduated from Midwestern University in Wichita Falls, Texas, where he was a member of Alpha Chi. He taught and coached several years in Texas and Oklahoma before he retired in 1981. He was a member of First Baptist Church where he served as deacon for 45 years.

Survivors include his wife, of the home; three daughters, Debby Cramer and husband, Rick, Overbrook, Kathy Wilson and husband, Mark, Lone Grove, and Sheri Hinds and husband, Mark, Overbrook; a brother, Mark Butler, Shingle Springs, Calif.; grandchildren, Brandi, Raheel and Rikki Cramer, Janey and Andy Wilson, Sierra and Meagan Hinds; special nephew, Gerald

Goss Jr.; and special friends, Darrell and Mildred Williams.

Pallbearers were Joe Word, Jerry Gunter, Jeff Gunter, Gerald Bell, Steve Smith and Gary Montgomery. Honorary pallbearers were Woody Potts, Cleo Dupy, Darrell Williams, Charles Smith, Fred Hedgecoke and the McLean Tigers Class of 1969.

Memorials can be made to the Gideons.

(Left) Coach Jimmy H. Goss (Below) The 1964 Junior High Cubs Championship Letterman's jacket that Goss lead them to a undefeated, un-scored on season.



### CORRECTION

The headline and the name of the irrigation company in the story for the City of McLean was spelled incorrectly. It

should have read **Montana** irrigation. My apologies to the company and the City of McLean.

### CITY

good now. He also explained that the city was going to put in a bid for the 87 Chevy Pickup that the county was selling.

Teresa Simmons asked about the property sales and the mayor said he would visit with Gaye Whitehead on their statue.

Cable One sent the mayor a letter stating that they would be going up on their rates beginning in February.

Toni Bohlar said that

she had asked the school Superintendent, Jimmy Hannon if anyone would need the IS700 training for Homeland security. A couple of them will need it, so the mayor will look into getting someone with PRPC to come to McLean and give the needed training for certification.

By unanimous consent the council agreed to pay the bills.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

### MCLEAN CHURCH DIRECTORY

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 Pastor Jim Reyna 779-2548  
 Sunday Bible School 10:00 a.m.  
 Worship 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed. Bible Class 7:30

**New Life Assembly of God** 4th & Main  
 Pastor Mahlon Richardson  
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship Service 10:30 a.m.  
 Sunday night Service 6:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday Service - 7:00 p.m.

**First Baptist Church** 206 E. 1st  
 Pastor Kelly Raymond 779-2175  
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:50 & 6:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m.

**United Methodist Church** 2nd & Gray  
 Pastor Thacker Haynes 779-2049 & 779-2337  
 Sunday 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:50 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.  
 Sunday Jr. High Youth Alpha Chi 5:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday Choir 7:00 p.m.

**Heald United Methodist Church**  
 Kellerville Road  
 Sunday 9:15 a.m.

**Trinity Church** Railroad Street  
 Pastor Larry Perkins 779-3207  
 Sunday worship 10:45 a.m.  
 Life Groups-Sunday-5:00 p.m.  
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 Wednesday 6:00  
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**Cowboy Church & The Arena of Life** 119 E. 3rd  
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# The Groom News

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Thursday, January 12, 2006

## Carson County Junior Livestock Show Scheduled For January 19-21

It is that time of year when 4-Hers and FFA-ers get ready to really strut their stuff in the annual Carson County Junior Livestock Show and Sale, scheduled for January 19-21. This year is looking like it will be a really great one! 109 kids will exhibit approximately 172 entries.

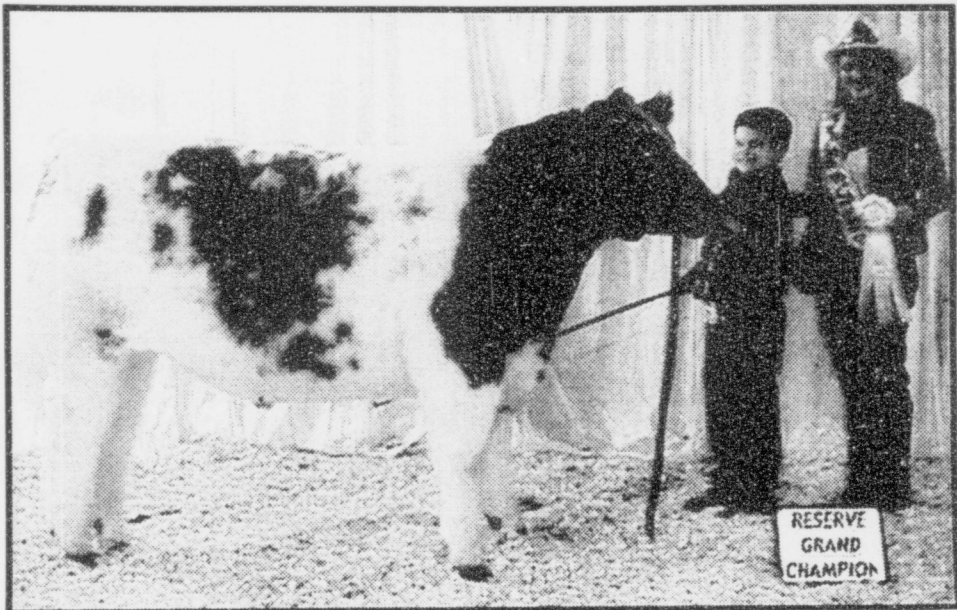
The excitement will begin on Thursday evening as animals are officially weighed in and classified. The competition will begin Friday morning at 10:00 a.m. with the Lamb Show. Todd Vineyard of Jones County Extension Service of Anson will judge 11 entries. The Heifer Show will begin at 1:00 p.m., followed by the Steer

Show. Judge Vineyard will determine who is the best of the 4 heifer entries and the 22 Steer Entries.

The Pig Show is scheduled for 8:00 a.m. on Saturday. Judging the 135 entries will be Brett Kayten of Ft. Collins, CO. He is the Judging Team Coach for Colorado State University.

A Buyers dinner is scheduled to begin at 6:30 at the Catholic Parish Hall, catered by Sharlene Lewis. The Exhibitors Awards will be announced before the dinner. A slide show will take place during the sale.

Those wishing to donate to the Groom Buyers Club may contact Tony Treadwell at 248-7544.



Chris Homen, a Groom ISD student and member of the White Deer Jr. FFA, exhibited the Reserve Grand Champion at The Top Of Texas Junior Livestock Show in Pampa last weekend. He is one of 22 exhibitors who will be vying for the top title at the Carson County Jr. Stock Show on January 20 & 21.

## Carson County Commissioners Court Holds January Meeting

The Carson County Court met on January 3, 2006 with the following members present: Judge

Lewis Powers, Commissioner Mike Britten, Kenneth Ware, Jerry Strawn and Kevin Howell.

Minutes of the December 22 meeting were read and approved.

Terry Koetting, Head librarian, informed the

court that Cathy Martinez resigned as librarian at the White Deer Branch Library effective December 31, 2005. Mrs. Koetting asked the court to allow her to employ Beverly Warminski at the current annual salary of \$10,186.08.

The Court approved a request by North Texas Gas Company to bore a pipeline at the intersection of Co. Rd. 11 and Co. Rd. J and a second bore at the intersection of Co. Rd. 11 and Co. Rd. G.

The Court discussed  
See COURT, pg.6

## Hobbs To Run For County Treasurer

I am Leasha Hobbs and a candidate for Carson County Treasurer. I feel my past employment has given me the knowledge I need to perform the duties of County Treasurer and would like the opportunity to serve Carson County.

For eight years I was a Program Assistant for USDA Farm Service Agency. Our office was responsible for administering the Farm Program in Carson County.

As Pay Limit Clerk I controlled the payment amounts for multi-county and multi-state producers. I also served on the district Pay Limit Review Committee, and assisted with commodity loans.

In 1996 I resigned to begin life as a full time Mom and to manage our heating and air-conditioning business. My most relevant experience has come from owning and operating



Hobbs Heat & Air, Inc. for the past ten years.

During this time I have performed the accounting and budgeting responsibilities as well as payroll, payroll liabilities, taxes, tax reports, secured insurance and bonding and maintained employee records.

Currently I am employed by Carson County for Texas Cooperative Extension. I assist in administering Agriculture and Family Consumer Science programs throughout the county and district as well as the 4-H program, and

perform the majority of office management duties. During the past two years in this office, I have observed the county government at work and would like to be a part of it in a more substantial way.

I have been a resident of Carson County for the majority of my life. I was raised on a farm in Northwest Carson County. My husband Gordon and I both graduated from Panhandle and now enjoy seeing our daughter's Alyssa and Kelly and our son Brady, reap the benefits of growing up in "small town America"

I am a member of First Baptist Church where I am actively involved with our youth group. I teach High School Sunday School, and serve on Youth Council.

I enjoy spending time with my family and encouraging and supporting the youth of

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## Groom Community Calendar

**GROOM RED HAT** Society will meet on Tuesday, Jan. 17 at 6:30p.m. at the Route 66 Steakhouse. Anyone over 50 who would like to attend is welcome!

**MRS. FLOYD'S** Students will hold a piano recital on Jan. 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.

**GROOM JR.** High Cubs & Ettes will play basketball in Samnorwood on Monday, January 16.

**FEBRUARY 2** is Ground Hog Day!

**GROOM HIGH** School Basketball teams will play Samnorwood, here, on Friday, January 13, beginning at 6:30 p.m. They will play Valley, here, on Tuesday, January 17.



**AWANAS WILL** meet on January 15, 2006 at the First Baptist Church in Groom. It will be Patriotic Night! Wear red, white and blue.

**MARTIN LUTHER** King Day is January 16. Federal, State Offices and most banks will be closed.

**A TEACHER** in service day will be held at Groom ISD on January 20. No classes will be held and students will not attend.

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## Local Happenings

### West's Have New Years Visitors!

New Years visitors with Jack and Bettye West were daughter Shirley Culver of Salado, Texas; grandchildren LonAnne and Josh Magnuson and great grandsons, Thomas and William Magnuson of Austin, Texas.

### Bolden Granddaughter Graduates with Masters


Amanda Drum McAda, daughter of Terry & Sandie Drum of Lubbock, graduated Dec. 17th from Texas Tech University. She received her Masters in accounting and will be working at KPMG in Ft. Worth. Amanda is the granddaughter of M. B. & Martha Bolden of Groom

## Birthday & Anniversaries

January 12 - Jon Brandon Crump, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Brown (A), Mr. and Mrs. Gary Britten (A), Mr. and Mrs. Jess Baker (A).  
 January 13 - David A. Cockrell.  
 January 14 - Bill Musser, Daniel Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Kelvin L. Ollinger (A).  
 January 15 - Mrs.

Jerry Dee Schaffer, Mr. and Mrs. George (Jigger) Britten, Jr. (A).  
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 January 18 - Kaitlyn Grace Parrott, Aimee Lyles Bussard.

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our county.  
 I encourage you to get out and vote and would appreciate your support for Carson County Treasurer.



### It's A Boy!

God answered so many prayers and blessed Randal and Nancy Patterson with a healthy little grandson at 5:14 p.m. on Friday, January 6<sup>th</sup> in Austin. Ryan Patrick weighed 8 pounds 2 ounces asn was 20 inches long. Heather and Ray James are his thankful parents and 13 month old Hadley Elizabeth, looked really cut in her "I'M THE BIG SISTER" t-shirt.

Other proud family members include grandparents, Raymond and Barbara James of Austin, and great grandparents, Nile and Lois Patterson of Claude. Uncle Rhett and Aunt Ashley Patterson of Fort Worth are among an abundance of anunts, uncles and cousins.

The whole family appreciates all the concern and prayers that were lifted up for little Ryan Patrick, and we're asking God to bless each of you.

The James' family is now at home at 6506 Cat Creek Trail, Austin, TX 78731.

## Card Of Thanks

Thank you so much for the prayers, food, cards, and flowers we received during our time of loss.

We are so grateful to live in such a caring community.

We also wish to express with gratitude the care Mom received from the ambulance service.

The family of Roberta Ellington

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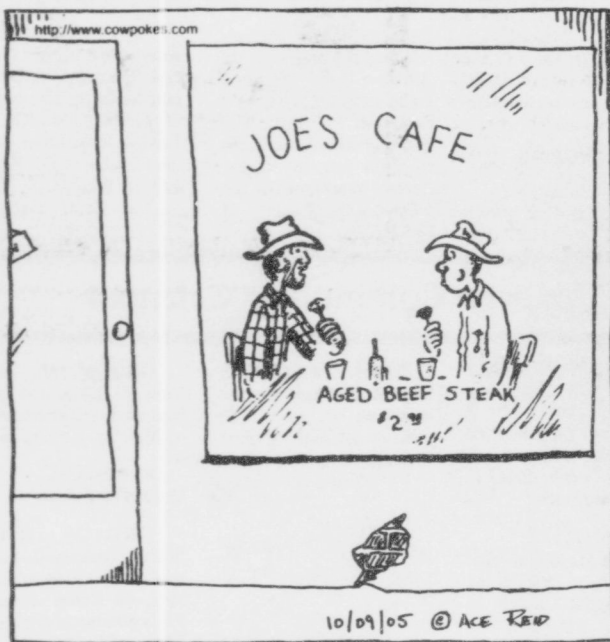
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## Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District

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Friday, January 20, 2006

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

201 W. Third Street  
 White Deer, Texas

Please join us for refreshments and reminiscing.



## From the Superintendent's Desk... Sincere Thanks To School Board Members

By Terry Stevens

It has been a busy Christmas Holiday. Sealy came home for a few days and I really enjoyed some time with my girls. It is also nice to go to school and get some work done without the phone ringing every minute or so. I think that everyone had a good Christmas break and we are back to the grind.

There are a lot of things going on right now at both the local and state level. We are right in the middle of Basketball season. Our district schedule starts on Friday, January 6. That means those games start really counting for the district championship. I wish both the girls and boys teams lots of luck during the rest of the season. If you haven't seen a baseball game this year, I encourage you to come watch the dis play, they have some exciting games. Come support our Tigers!

January is School Board Recognition Month in Texas. I can not express how much I appreciated these dedicated people. This may be one of the hardest jobs that people do for free. They make decision that affect every child in this community, and that is always o their minds when we are discussing important issues. They often have to make some tough choices, and they always talk about what is best for "the kids". If you see the school board members, please give them a pat on the back for he work that they do for this community and school. They deserve so much more, but I bet they would settle for that. They not only have to keep up with what is happening locally but they are also very involved with what is going on in the state.

And speaking of the state, let me fill you in on just a few things that will effect us in the area. There is still a lot of discussion about the Texas Supreme Court ruling. It seem that we are going to talk the subject into submission. There has been "talk" again about consolidation. No so much of school districts, but of school administrations. There has been some talk about each county having only one school board and tax base. Each school would have an administrator on the campus but the superintendent would be a county position, responsible for all the school in the county. Leg me say again that this is just "talk" and that is about as far as it will go.

I read an article the other day that said that public schools are failing in their jobs. It was one of the articles that was pushing for vouchers for private schools. I have been in the education business for 29 years, I have seen a lot in those years. We are in a business where we take every kids that walks through the doors and try our best to give them the education they deserve. We deal with education the kids about drugs, smoking, health, teen pregnancy, parental problems, communicable diseases, multi-hazard emergencies, social interaction, suicide, depression and any other social problem that creeps into our school. While all the time trying to teach reading, writing and arithmetic, so that our kids can pass a never ending series of tests. We do this for what ever child walks across our threshold. We don't get to pick the best and sent the rest home. We know

the parents don't keep the good ones at home and send us the trouble child. We get them all. We as educators know that the future of America is in our hands, and we take the challenge with a strong heart. Teachers have worked themselves to tears just trying to get one child to understand something that will help him in the future. There is no better feeling then

when that light goes on.

Well, enough time on my soap box! I guess the best thing to day in this new year is: Send us your kids, and we will do our best to get them ready for the future. One of the best sayings that I have ever heard is Children are our messages to a future that we will never see. Here in Groom we are sending our future a good message.



## Joanne Sidebotham and Brandon Crump To Exchange Vows

Joanne Sidebotham and John Brandon Crump are pleased to announce their engagement. Joanne is the daughter of Graham and Jenny Sidebotham of Cheshire, England. Brandon is the son of the late Richard and Donna Crump of Groom.

School graduate attended college at Cisco Junior College and West Texas A & M University on football scholarships. He is currently employed at Owens Corning as a Rebuilt Technician.

The couple are planning a March 18<sup>th</sup> ceremony at the Whitaker Ranch. They plan to make their home in the Canyon area.

Joanne has a career in the equine industry and is currently living and working in Arizona. Brandon, a Groom High

## One Day Course To Be Held On Crop Insurance Marketing

AMARILLO - Producers wanting to learn how to evaluate crop insurance alternatives are invited to attend a one-day short course. Incorporating Crop Insurance into the Marketing Plan will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Jan. 24 at the Texas A&M University System Agricultural Research and Extension Center here.

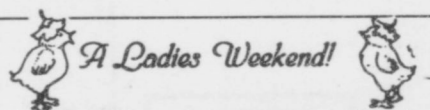
"If you've ever wondered about the pros and cons of the various crop insurance products or what is the best level of insurance, you need to attend this course," said Dr. Steve Amosson, Texas Cooperative Extension economist.

"The instructor, Dr. Art Barnaby, is one of the leading authorities on crop insurance products," Amosson said. "He was

one of the developers of crop revenue coverage insurance." Barnaby is a professor of agricultural economics at Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kan. He will cover hail, multi-peril and crop revenue coverage, as well as other insurance currently or soon to be available.

The short course is a part of the Advanced Topic Series hosted by Extension's Master Marketer Educational System, Amosson said.

A fee of \$75 will cover instruction, materials and lunch. For more information, contact Amosson at (806) 677-5600 or visit the Master Marketer Web site at <http://mastermarketer.tam.u.edu>.



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## Groom School Menus

week of January 16-20.

### BREAKFAST

Monday - Cold cereal, muffins, juice and milk.

Tuesday - Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast burritos, hash brown potatoes, juice and milk.

Thursday - Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice and milk.

Friday - No School

### LUNCH

Monday - Burritos with chili and cheese, bean dip, applesauce, chips and milk.

Tuesday - Steak Fingers or Fish Strips, french fries, fruit cocktail, Texas toast and milk.

Wednesday - Nachos with meat and cheese, pinto Beans, lettuce, sopapillas & milk.

Thursday - Turkey & Noodles, mixed vegetables, pears, cheese zombies and Milk.

Friday - No School.

## Groom Hosts McLean

After spending the weekend at their "house", the Groom Cubs and Ettes invited the McLean Junior High teams to their "house" on Monday night.

The Girls lost a very close game, 30-33. Ashley Murray was high point by scoring 11. Rachael Hopkins contributed 9 points, Maddie Wieberg 8, and Korri Britten 2.

Groom's Cubs won handily over the McLean team, 38-11. Eric Torres lead the scoring with 16 points, Jacob Torres assisted with another 10 points. Michael Kelly contributed 8 points, while Taylor Fields and Miles Friemel each added 2 points for the win.

The Cubs and Ettes will face off with Samnorwood there next Monday night.

## Junior High Basketball Teams Do Well At McLean

Groom Junior High Basketball teams did very well at the recent McLean Invitational Tournament. The Ettes won the second place trophy and the Cubs won consolation.

The girls squared off against Miami in their first round of competition. Rachael Hopkins lead the scoring with 12 points, Korri Britten earned another 10 for the Ettes. Maddie Wieberg and Alannah King each contributed 4 points. Neva Corley and Ashley Murray offered up 2 each. The final score was 36-13 with Groom taking the lead.

The Girls dominated Samnorwood and won their second round of play, 23-20. Rachael Hopkins, Korri Britten, and Maddie Wieberg shared the top scoring honors. Alannah King contributed 4 points and Ashley Murray and Hali Bohr each added 2 points for the win.

In their final match-up, the Ettes faced off

with McLean. Korri Britten lead the Ettes in scoring with 8 points. Rachael Hopkins and Ashley Murray scored 4 points each. Maddie Wieberg added another 2 points. In the end, McLean outdistanced them with a final score of 45-18.

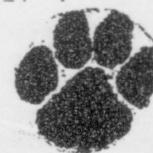
In the boys competition, the Cubs got off to a roaring start with a very close match with Miami. Eric Torres lead Grooms scoring with 16 points. Shane King added 4 and Jacob Torres and Tyler Case each added 2. The Cubs ran out of time and lost 24-25.

This put the Cubs in the Consolation bracket. They came back to outdistance Samnorwood 30-21. Eric Torres lead the Cubs to victory with an impressive 18 points. Tyler Case added 4 points. Shane King, Jacob Torres, Miles Friemel and Michael Kelly each added 2 more points.

The Cubs went head to head with McLean for the

Consolation trophy. Eric Torres lead the scoring with 12 points. Tyler Case contributed another 11. Jacob Torres added 7 for Groom's side of the scoreboard. Michael

Kelly and Miles Friemel each added another 4. Shane King put up 2 points. Groom clearly dominated the McLean team by winning 40-19.



## Tigers - Ettes Split Wins In Last Weeks Games

The Groom Tigers and Ettes took turns winning last week as they began District play. The Ettes lost their match with Shamrock, 16-50. Kacie Galyean lead the scoring with 7 points. Kyra Stephens contributed 4 points, Carey Carter 3 and Michaela Roskens 2.

The Tigers outdistanced Shamrock 61-37. T.J. Moraniec lead the scoring for Groom with an impressive 20 points. Thane Barkley also had a very good night scoring 19 points. Blake Galyean earned 6 points, Blaine Britten 5, Javier Caro 4, Brandon Jenkins 4, Josh Kelly 2, and Trevor Friemel 1.

The Ettes lost out to Silverton 35-50. Kyra Stevens was high point for Groom with 14. Kacie Galyean added 8 points for Groom's credit. Michaela Roskens added another 6 points, Carey Carter 5 and Brandi Bates 2.

The Cubs also lost to Silverton, 34-50. T.J. Moraniec scored 12 points, Thane Barkley added 7, Chad Barkley contributed 6 points. Blaine Britten and Javier Caro each scored 4 points. Brandon Jenkins added 1 point.

The Tigers and Ettes will play Samnorwood, here on the Friday, January 13.

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## Sentencing Held In 11 Cases

100<sup>th</sup> Judicial District held court on January 3

and dispensed with 11 cases. Incarceration was ordered for 4 cases. They are as follows:

In Cause No. 3508, Ivan Irisa Torres pled guilty to a 1<sup>st</sup> degree felony of Possession of a Controlled Substance on April 29, 2005. He was sentenced to 8 years in the Texas Department of Corrections.

In Cause No. 3334,

Angel Augustine Villarreal pled guilty to a 1<sup>st</sup> degree felony of Possession of a

Controlled Substance. He was sentenced to 8 years in The Texas Department of Corrections for the offense that occurred on May 31, 2004.

In Cause No. 3072, Manuel Espinoza was sentenced to 8 years confinement in the TDC for a 1<sup>st</sup> degree felony of Possession of a Controlled Substance, an offense that occurred on January 21,

2003.

In Cause No. 3184, Tammy Jean Price received a judgement to revoke her Community Supervision. She was ordered to serve 3 years confinement in a TDC facility for a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree felony conviction of Possession of Anhydrous Ammonia, and pay a \$3,000 fine.

The following cases were settled without trial as defendants pled guilty to the following:

Cause No. 3445. Three years deferred adjudication was pronounced in the case against Isreal Self who was indicted on a State Jail Felony for possession of a controlled substance.

The defendant was also ordered to pay a \$1500 fine and was ordered to forfeit on set of brass knuckles, on Fuzion brand electronic gram scales, one electric shocking device. \$467.50 in court costs and restitution were also ordered.

In Cause No. 3420, Ella Jane Wright was ordered to deferred adjudication for 7 years for a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree felony for money laundering. She was also ordered to pay \$327.50 in court costs.

In Cause No. 3478, Van L. Wimsatt was ordered 5 years deferred adjudication and a \$4,000 fine for possession of marijuana, a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree felony. \$467.50 in court costs will also be paid.

In Cause No. 3487, Monce Marquez pled guilty to a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree felony possession of marijuana. He was sentenced to 5 years deferred adjudication and \$4,000 in fines, plus court costs.

In Cause No. 3496, Jason Daniel Robinson pled guilty to a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree felony for possession of marijuana. He was sentenced to 3 years deferred adjudication and ordered to pay a \$5,000 fine on January 3, 2006 as well as court costs.

In Cause No. 3497, Christopher Robert Ellis was ordered to served 3 years of deferred adjudication and pay a \$5,000 fine on January 3, 2006, plus court costs. - on a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree felony charge of possession of marijuana.

In Cause No. 3477, Toriono T. Johnson was ordered to sere 5 years deferred adjudication and pay a \$4,000 fine for a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree felony indictment of possession of marijuana. The usual court costs apply.



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The Primary Election is March 7, 2006. Beginning January 6, 2006 you may call the Clerk's Office at 806-537-3873 to request an application to vote by mail or ask questions.

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# Area Obituaries

## Services Held For Jonnie L. Dillehay Stout

Jonnie L. Dillehay Stout, 88 passed away at Clarendon on January 3, 2006. Services were held on Friday, January 6 in the First Baptist Church with Rev. Dave Stout, Rev. Scott Jones and Eve. Mark Metzger, family members officiating. Burial was in the Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon.

Mrs Stout was born March 12, 1917 in Jacksonville, Texas to Thomas Henry and Emily Williams Dillehay. She married Rev. John Henry Stout on September 4, 1934 at Jacksonville, They were residents of Carizzo, New Mexico prior to moving to Clarendon in 1971. She was the worlds best mother, grandmother and great grandmother. She was a member of the Pathfinders club and a member of First Baptist Church.

Mrs. Stout was preceded in death by her husband on December 11, 1986, 2 brothers, one sister and by 2 grandchildren, Susan Babcock Harp and Timothy Ryan Jones.

She is survived by 2 daughters, Linda Babcock and her husband Kenneth of Groom, and Nell Jones of Clovis, NM; 3 Sons, Dave Stout and his wife Linda of Clarendon, James E. Stout and his wife Betty of San Antonio; Charles Stout of Clarendon; 10

grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

The family requests that memorials be to the Susan Babcock Harp Memorial Scholarship in care of WTAMU Alumni Assn/ WTAMU Box 60753/ Canyon, Texas 79016-0001 or to Gideon's.

## SeLisa Ann McLean Passes Away at Age 51

PANHANDLE - SeLisa Ann McLean, 51, died Friday, Jan. 6, 2006.

Rosary was said at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 10 in St. Theresa's Catholic Church with the Rev. Mieczyslaw Prezepiora, pastor, officiating. Mass was held at 10 a.m. January 11 in the church with Monsignor Rex Nichols of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Amarillo officiating. Burial will be in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Groom by Minton/Chatwell Funeral Directors of Panhandle.

Ms. McLean was born Dec. 28, 1954, in Amarillo. She was a hairdresser.

Survivors include her mother, Carol Stroope of Panhandle; a son, Marcus McLean of Tyler; a daughter, Jamie Dark of Austin; and a sister, Laurie Tension of Panhandle.

The family suggests memorials be to Sancta Maria Convent, P.O. Box 906, Panhandle, TX 79068.

# Grand Jury Hands Down Indictments

Carson County's Grand Jury handed down the following indictments when they met on January 4, 2006:

Cause # 3513 - Daniel Baker, 56, was indicted on a 2<sup>nd</sup> degree felony county of Possession of a Controlled Substance for possessing 4 grams or more but less than 200 grams of methamphetamine on May 25, 2005.

Cause # 3514 - Dawn Baker, 48, on a 2<sup>nd</sup> degree felony possession of a controlled substance, 4 grams or more but less than 200 grams of methamphetamine on May 25, 2005.

Cause # 3515 - Jorge Castro was indicted on a 1<sup>st</sup> degree felony possession of a controlled substance for possessing with intent to deliver 400 grams or more of cocaine on March 8, 2005.

Cause # 3516 - Eduardo Garcia was indicted on a 1<sup>st</sup> degree felony for possession with intent to deliver 400 grams of more of Cocaine. on March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2005.

Cause #3517 - Mark Chase Rhodes was indicted for a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree felony for Injury to the Elderly. It is alleged that he hit over 65, Henry Moore in the head with his fist on September 29, 2005.

Cause No. 3518 - Francisco Durno was indicted on a State Jail Felony for evading in a motor vehicle. It is alleged that the intentionally fled when White Deer Marshall Darrell Luster attempted to detain him on Oct. 23, 2005.

Cause No. 3519 - Arturo Herrera was indicted on a State Jail Felony of intentionally flee from Carson County Sheriff's Deputy Drew Brassfield as he attempted to detain him on April 29, 2005.

Cause No. 3529 - Tara Hickerson was indicted on a 2<sup>nd</sup> degree felony for possession more than 4 but less than 400 grams of a controlled substance (mescaline) on May 8, 2005.

Cause # 3530 - Detra Yvette Williams was indicted on a State Jail Felony for Fraudulent use of an I.D., with the consent of Tiffany Fletcher on Nov. 3, 2005.

Cause # 3531 - Santos Cabanillas Carlos was indicted on a 1<sup>st</sup> degree felony for possession of Cocain in the amount of 400 grams or more on June 24, 2005.

Cause # 3532 - Michael Chad Horner was indicted on Driving While Intoxicated 3<sup>rd</sup> or more offense, on December 30,

2005 Cause # 3528 - Sydney Morris was indicted for the Abandonment of a Child. According to court documents, Morris is accused of leaving Austin Blake Morris, (a child under the age of 15 years) alone without supervision on October 19, 2005.

Cause # 3527 - Charles Salvatore Scozzaro was indicted on a 2<sup>nd</sup> degree felony for possession of marijuana, more than 50 but less than 2,000 pounds. on Aug. 3, 2005.

Cause # 3526 - Albert Anthony Tonelli was indicted on a 2<sup>nd</sup> degree felony charge of Possession of Marijuana in the amount of less than 2000 but more than 50 pounds on August 3, 2005.

Cause # 3525 - Yolanda Rodriguez was indicted on a State Jail Felony for Possession of Marijuana, more than 4

oz. but less than 5 lbs on August 29, 2005.

Cause # 3524 - Cynthia Pena was indicted on a State Jail Felony of Possession of Marijuana in the amount of 4 oz. or more, but less than 5 pounds on August 29, 2005.

Cause # 3523 - Mia Rodriguez was indicted on a State Jail Felony for possession of Marijuana in the amount of more than 4 oz. but less than 5 lbs. on Aug. 29, 2005.

Cause # 3522 - Juan Manuel Rodriguez was indicted on a State Jail Felony for possession of Marijuana in the amount of 4 oz or more but less than 5 lbs. on Aug. 29, 2005.

Cause # 3521 - Marko Oscar Keeme was indicted on a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree felony of possession of Marijuana in the amount of more than 5 pounds but less than 50 pounds on August 4, 2005.

Cause # 3520 - Felipe Hernandez Jr. was indicted on a State Jail Felony for evading in a motor vehicle after he allegedly fled from Carson County Deputy Drew Brassfield when he attempted to detain him.

Cause # 3519 - Auturo Herrera was incited on a State Jail Felony charge of Evading in a motor vehicle after he fled from Carson County Deputy Drew Brassfield on April 29, 2005

Cause # 3518 - Francisco Dueno was indicted on a State Jail Felony for Evading in a motor vehicle after allegedly fleeing from

White Deer City Marshall Darrell Luster on October 23, 2005.

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Powers reported that he had received a Grant for Indigent Defense in the amount of \$8,389.00 to assist tin the burden of providing legal defense of indigent defendants.

The Court approved a burn ban in all unincorporated areas of the county for 90 days.

The Court adjourned until January 9, 2006.

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