



Renes Anthony watches as Secret Granny Zoah Britten unravels the puzzle that reveals the identity of her secret granddaught r.

West Texas Gas Buys Producer's Utilities

Effective January 18, 1994, West Texas Gas, Inc. (WTG) out of Midland, Texas completed its acquisition of the gas distribution and transmission pipeline systems of Producers Utilities Corporation at Groom and Claude.

West Texas Gas has operated as a public utility in the State of Texas since 1976 and currently serves over 10,000 customers located within the Texas Penhandle and West Texas

areas. Groom residents may be familiar with the company, as West Texas Gas once owned a butane business here in town.

West Texas Gas will continue to maintain both the Groom and Claude offices previously operated by Producers and has agreed to retain all existing operating personnel. West Texas Gas office hours and emergency phone numbers will remain unchanged. The company is considering moving its office to the building they own on old I 40 across from the Golden Spread Motel.

West Texas Gas management is very excited about this new acquisition and is committed to improve the system integrity and provide its Groom and Claude customers with an economical and reliable gas service.

West Texas Gas has asked to be on the agenda at the Groom City Council meeting to officially provide the City with notice of the transfer of ownership.

Granny, Gramps Revealed

Future Homemakers of America recently held it's annual secret Granny and Gramps Revealing Party. Almost 100 people attended the covered dish event that was supplied by the FHA girls. President Aimee Lyles was the master of ceremonies. Entertainment for the evening was Andrea Payton and Stephanie Ollinger, who put on ventriloquist act and a group of girls who participated in a little kids skit. The evening ended with the girls serenading the Grandparents with the song "Love can build a bridge."

Seniors: Jiggs and Janie Britten, Rebecca Conrad; Helen Witt, Kenzi Burger; Fred and Juanita Brown, Melody Burton; Max and Helen Wade, Andrea Payton; Ruby Denton, Kim Fields; Evelyn Hubbart, Krista Burgin; Cleo Nix, Angela Reed; Bobby Cornett, Tisha Burgin; Allie and Norris Hoyt, Charlott Niller; Irma Rutherford, Aimee Lyles.

Juniors: Zoah Britten, Renee Anthony; Peggy Ham, Amanda Kelly; Johnny and Mary Brooks, Jill Howard; Sybil Brown, Durcee Lyles; Earl and Vonnie Barker, Melissa Treadwell; R.A. and Joy Snyder, Roni Fields; Lavesta Barnett, Halee Kotara; Ellis and Roxie Stapp, Stacy Fields; Page and Irma Bluckwell, Misty Homen; M.B. and Martha Bolden, Halee Kotara; Burl and

Trooper Davis Involved In High Speed Chase

Nellie Painter, Melanie Friemel.

Sophomores: Father Neyer, Trisha Treadwell; Billy and Shirley Fields, Sandi Conrad; Hap and Vernie Watson, Suzy Pool; Kenneth and Betty Black, Kay Case; Dan and Pat Ashford, Sheri Koetting; Joe and Barney Davis, Kay Case.

Freshmen: Emalea London, Julie Richardson; Margurite Burgin, Julie Richardson; Lucille Case, Courtney Burgin; Ruby Babcock, Courtney Burgin; Bud and Margaret Babcock, Stephanie Ollinger; Gloria Ledwig, Stephanie Ollinger; Ruby Milton, Brenda Fields; T.C. and Shirley Sustaire, Brenda Fields; Charles and Nettie Fields, Christy Galvan.

Groom Varsity In Good Shape In District Standings

Groom Varsity teams have been busy with district play and are looking very good in the standings.

The varsity girls beat Hedley last week with a final score of Groom 60 -Hedley 36.

Rebecca Conrad had a great night scoring a whooping 22 points against the Owlettes. Kay Case was in second with 11 points. Sandi Conrad tallied 10 points, Misty Homen 9, Melanie Friemel 6, and Sheri Koetting 2.

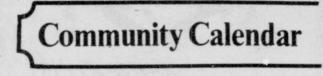
In Tuesday nights contest against Lefors, the Ettes scored 78 points to the Lady Pirates 17. Misty Homen scored 20 points for Groom while teammates Sandie Conrad scored 19, Rebecca Conrad scored 9, Kay Case 8, Sheri Koetting 7 and Jill Howard 4.

In varsity boys action Groom defeated Hedley 77-60. Bo Burgin pounded out 32 points for an outstanding night. Jeremy Chavedo scored 20 and Seth Ritter scored 18. Bart Britten scored 5 and Bryan Crowell scored 2.

The Tigers came out roaring in their match against Lefors earlier in the week, winning 69-46.

Jeremy Chavedo led the team scoring with 21 points. Bo Burgin had 18, Seth Ritter 8, Justin Ritter 6, Biyan Crowell and Bart Britten each scored 5. Brad Sustaire put in 4 points and Bronte Britten had 2.

The Tigers and Tigerettes are undefeated in district play. They will play Kelton in Groom Friday, January 28, beginning at 6:30 p.m.



One of Groom's favorite Highway Patrolmen, Gary Davis, was in a high speed chase last week.

A man, described as a hitchhiker, apparently took a car from Shamrock and led officers on a high speed chase to Amarillo. Department of Public Safety officers said the car sped down Interstate 40 at speeds up to 100 miles per hour.

Officers said the man was accused of taking a 1989 Mercury Cougar from Joe's

Iri h Texaco in Shamrock. The 62-mile chase ended when he was forced off I-40 and into a field, then onto a calche road in east Amarillo, where he lost control of the car, said DPS Sgt. Bill Schneider of Borger. The Cougar reportedly rammed a DPS car driven by Trooper Gary Davis, of Groom. Neither man was injured. Estimated damage to the DPS unit is about \$500, said Schneider. According to Polly Batenhorst, an employee of

the station, the Cougar is owned by Leslie Batenhorst, another employee there. Leslie Batenhorst had started the car to warm it in preparation for going home at about 11 p.m. Polly Batenhorst said the man jumped in the car and took off. A third employee called the Sharnrock Police Department. Two passenger-side tires were shot out by law enforcement officers, Polly Batenhorst said. The gunshots left one See Davis, pg. 3

Groom FFA & 4-H'ers Attend Top O'Texas Junior Livestock Show

Several Groom FFA and 4-H'ers were in Pampa this weekend for the Top O'Texas Junior Livestock Show and Sale.

The big winners for Groom were Jason Prather as the reserve breed champion in the Berkshire category, and Dara Whatley with her reserve breed heavy weight cross.

Also showing pigs were See Top O'Texas, pg. 3 The Groom Tigers and Ettes will play Samnorwood at Samnorwood on Tuesday February 1, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

The Groom Jr. High teams will have an open date on Monday January 31. They will play Shamrock on February 7 beginning at 4:00 p.m.

GROOM CITY Council will meet Tuesday, February 8 at 7:00 p.m. **BIG BROTHER WEEK** is scheduled for the week of February 7-11, with the revealing party to be held on February 14th.

FEBRUARY 11 is the starting date for the Carson County Stock Show in Panhandle.

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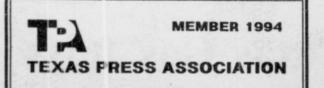
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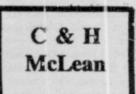
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CARD OF THANKS Many thanks to all for the cards, flowers and visits during my stay in the hospital and since I have been home. May God Bless You!

Theresa Hermesmeyer



Bryan and Linda Lee Richardson announce the birth of their daughte, Caroline Lee, January 13, 1994. Caroline weighed 6 lbs and 14 oz.

The Anthony family celebrated Dixie Anthony's birthday in Pampa last weekend. Attending were Bill, Rose and Phillip England, Stan, Margie, Renee and Melissa Anthony, and Steve, Debbie, Nicholas and Neal Anthony all of Groom.

Local Happenings

United Methodist Women United Methodist Women met at the church January 18th at 2:30 p.m. Sybil Harrell gave the

program "Ties That Bind" that was enjoyed by all. Plans were made for the

U.M.W. program Sunday, at the morning service. Hostess for the meeting

Ruby Babcock served delicious chocolate cake and coffee to the following members: Essie Knowles, Sybil Harrell, Oma Shaffer, Mark Metzger, Mamie Ritter, Shirley Lamberson, Truman Goodlett and Bertie Helton.

GROOM BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES January 28 - Courtney Ann Sustaire.

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

January 30 - Mrs. Floyd Knight, Mrs. Gordon W. Schaffer, LaVonda Barkley, Mr. and Mrs. John P. Eschle (A), Mr. and Mrs. Michael F. Britten (A).

January 31 - Jackie H. Barnett, Sonia Barnett, Michael F. Britten, Lori Jill Britten, Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Baggerman (A), Mr. and Mrs. James Moran c (A).

February 1 - Amos H. Britten.

February 2 - Bobby Caleb Pool, Mrs. Kelvin Ollinger, Jeff Jenkins.



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Anthony Selected Sweetheart

Debbie Anthony was chosen 1993 Alpha Mu Xi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sweetheart. She has been a member for three years and served as treasurer in 1992. Debbie is the wife of Steve Anthony and has two sons, Nicholas and Neal Anthony. Debbie is involved in

many activities in Groom such as First Baptist Church Kids Choir, Groom Day Volunteer, Booster Club, Sorority, working for the City of Groom and keeping up with her family.

She is the daughter of Johnny Brooks and Betty Housley.

After spending some time in the saddle ... Loren Brand, Carson County's favorite sheriff said, "Now I know why cowboys mosey!"

Top O'Texas

Cody Bivens, Leo Britten,

Amanda Martin, Brody

Brown, Cody Britten, Kay

Lynn Britten, Brett Britten

Several Groom youth also

C.J. Whatley placed the

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with a third place win. Also

showing steers were Cody

Britten, Matt Miller, Dara

Whatley, Scott McLaughlin,

Melody Burton also

and Melody Burton.

scramble heifer.

participated in the steer and

and C.J. Whatley.

heifer show.



hole in the frame of the car and there is some damage on the front fender where the Cougar rammed the DPS car.

The chase involved deputies from Gray,

Wheeler and Carson counties, police officers from Shamrock and DPS troopers from Pampa, Groom, Shamrock and Panhandle.

Ethel Neal has been moved to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Local Happening

Bertha Knight is reported to be up and about using a walker after recently breaking her hip in a fall.

Sybil and Glynn D Harrell have just returned from Las Vegas, Nevada.

Joe Longway was in Austin recently.

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Visiting in Groom this week were two former residents, Viola Schneider Keller, and Rose Mary Weller Pugh, both of Amarillo. Mrs. Keller graduated in 1944 from Groom High School and grew up on what is now the Curtis Whatley Farm. Mrs. Push is Buddy Weller's The pair were sister. driving around trying to figure out were people used to live.



The anticipation is getting to us," says these Granny and Gramps, Helen Witt, Ruby Milton, and Max Wad

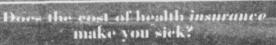


Groom School Lunch Menu January 31 - Breakfast: Cereal, blueberry muffins, juice, milk. Lunch:

Pepperoni & cheese pizza, peanut cup, salad, crackers, applesauce, milk. February 1 - Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, juice, milk. Lunch:

Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls, rice krispie treats, milk. February 2 - Breakfast:

Breakfast burritoes, hash browns, juice, milk. Lunch: Chili cheese dogs, french fries, pork & beans, pickle spears, chocolate cake, milk. February 3 - Breakfast: Biscuits, bacon, gravy, juice, milk. Lunch: Turkey & noodles, mixed vegetables, carrot sticks, cheese zombies, fruit cocktail, milk. February 4 - Breakfast: Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken enchiladas w/cheese, pinto beans, salad, tortilla pieces, fresh apple



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Waiting anxiously these Secret Grandmothers get ready to meet the girls who have been exchanging letters with them since fall. They are Gloria Ledwig, Sybil Brown, Margurite Burgin, and Cleo Nix.

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Students Named To WTAMU President's. & Dean's List

One hundred eighty-eight West Texas A&M University students were named to the President's List and 750 students earned mention on the Deans' List for the 1993 fall semester.

Students earning President's List recognition achieved a semester grade point average (GPA) of 3,850 (of a possible 4.0) or better with a minimum class load of 12 undergraduate hours.

Inoculation Drive Fills

behind on their inoculations all but one was able to take advantage of the Texas Health Department's inoculation drive held at the Community Center on Monday. Many parents of preschoolers also took advantage and caught up the shots they are required to get. Most of the parents expressed their appreciation to the school for requesting

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Marie Conrad from Groom was recognized on the President's List.

Student's on the Deans' List achieved GPA's of at least 3.250 with a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

Students making the Deans' List from Groom were Karen Babcock, Richard B. Britten, Amy Karen Reid.

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School Nurse Awareness Week Proclaimed

School nurses are on the frontline of healthcare delivery and provide an essential service to our students, families and communities. It is because of their professionalism, expertise, and dedication that many children receive care and are able to attend school.

With the proposed plans for health care reform being discussed, school nurses will become an even more valuable member of the health and school communities. Many children in public and private schools in Texas do not receive regular health examinations or do not have access to necessary health care. School nurses are frequently the orly health care professionals with whom these children will have contact. Every child in Texas should have access to a school nurse.

School health centers and comprehensive school health programs will need the expertise and services of the school nurse. The school nurse truly knows each child and family and serves as case manager and advocate for each family.

The mission of the Texas Association of School Nurses is to facilitate

education through quality health care provided to school children in Texas by promoting excellence in comprehensive school health programs, fostering high professional standards and advancing the school health nursing practice. They have a membership of over 1,250 professional school nurses.

With their mission it mind, as well as their commitment to children's health, the people of Texas recognize the crucial role that professional school nurses play in meeting the health needs of our school children. They are valued members of both the educational and nursing communities.

Therefore, I, Ann W. Richards, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim the week of January 23 through January 29, 1994, as

School Nurse Awareness Week

and proclaim Wednesday, January 26, 1994, as: School Nurse Day

in Texas and urge the appropriate recognition thereof.

In official recognition whereof, I hereby affix my signature this 10th day of January, 1994. Ann Richards, Governor of Texas

February Is Named School Board Recognition Month

Texans benefit every day from the dedicated energies and countless hours devoted by a group of more than 7,000 men and women in every community across the state. These public servants are elected to serve by local constituents and receive no compensation for their tireless efforts. These men and women are the local school board members of Texas.

This month (February), nearly 1,050 Texas communities will honor the dedicated service of the public school trustees during School Board Recognition Month. The goal is to build awareness and understanding of the important function an elected board of education plays in communities and Governor Ann schools. Richards has called upon all Texas citizens to recognize the important contributions of these men and women and focus attention on the vital role these public officials play in the education of Texas' children.



Waiting for the ball to come down court Michael Stephens and Jamie Shuck check their positions.



It's a race to the goal for April Burton and Jessica Friemel as McLean's #44 attempts a lay-

Junior High Teams Coming To End Of Season

Junior High teams have but one game left before their season ends, against Shamrock on February 7 at Shamrock.

The Seventh Grade girls played an outstanding game against White Deer last Monday night going into one overtime period. They won with a score of 30 - 29. Tiarra O'Dell scored 12 points and led the team to the win. Karen Conrad scored 9, Julie Richardson 6, Heidi Smart 2 and Kori Brown 1. The Eighth Grade girls

scored easily against a White Deer team that had beat them recently. The Ettes finished on top with a score of 33 - 9.

Angie Conrad nailed 10 points for the team. Martie Phillips was next with 5. Proving what a well balanced team can do, Tami Ashford, Jessica Friemel, April Burton and Kay Lynn Britten each scored 4 points. Mary Hutsell added 2 more for the final score of 33 points.

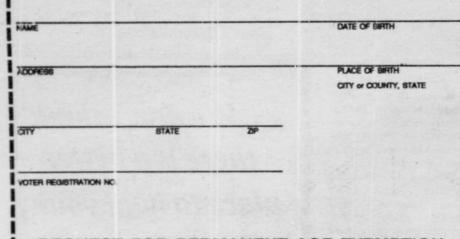
The "A" team boys also played a very tight and

exciting match against White Deer's Eighth Grade team. Toby Burgin scored 19 points, Jimmy Chavedo 10, Marc Miller 4, and Daniel Treadwell 3. They came from 10 points down to lose to the Bucks by only three points, 36-39.

The "B" boys team had a little better luck, beating White Deer 25-13. Wyatt Weinheimer scored 12 and Josh Evenson had 11. West of White Deer made a mistake and scored 2 points in Groom's goal.

If you are OVER 65 years of age and want to be permanently exempt from Jury Service in Carson County,

> please fill out this request and return it to Roslyn Watson, Voter Registrar, Box 399, Panhandle, TX 79068



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affidavits from those people found on that person's voter in a way that will be con- registration card in the venient for them, a form is "Cert. No." block. When the printed in this issue of The completed and signed form News to be filled out by the is received in the registrar's person wanting the office, the name can then exemption and mailed to be put on file and jury the voter registrar. The service notices will not be voter registration number sent in the future. required on the form can be

The exemption applies

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only to Carson County residents who are over the age of 65. It does not apply to those who are currently 65 or younger.

More information on this exemption may be had by contacting Roslyn Watson, Carson County's Voter Registrar.



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Carson County Sheriff's Report

By Loren Brand, Sheriff We currently have eight persons incarcerated in Carson County. Two for simple assault, two for DWI, one for Parole Violation, one for Game Violations, one for Involuntary Manslaughter and one for Bad Check Warrants.

Carson County Deputies assisted the White Deer City Marshal in the arrest of two individuals after being called to a domestic disturbance. Foth spouses were arrested and their children removed from the home for safekeeping.

Our department is investigating three burglaries along Interstate 40. In one case near Groom a John Deer 930 Combine Platform was stolen. The Platform has serial number 651589 and is valued at \$10,000.

Our Department is investigating the trespass and criminal mischief of private property near Borger. The trespassers were identified as juveniles from Borger and it is

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believed that some of the criminal mischief was the result of gang-related graffiti. Several fires were set on the property and there was concern by the property owners of fires spreading to area oil sites. There were a number of empty beer and wine containers found in the area as well as drug paraphernalia containing crack cocaine residue.

The Sheriff's Department and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department are in vestigating the circumstances surrounding a protected bird which was found buried in Carson County. The bird was tagged with an identification band originating from Canada.

The Texas Department of Human Services contacted the Carson County Sheriff's

Department requesting an investigation of alleged physical abuse to a child in Skellytown. We are also continuing to investigate an allegation of aggravated sexual assault which was reported to have taken place in the vicinity of Groom within the past two years.

One subject was arrested for assaulting a peace officer after an apparent altercation at an Interstate 40 business place. The subject was not believed to be competent to stand trial and was released for psychiatric concerns and returned to Oklahoma.

An Oklahoma woman was checked by Carson and Gray County authorities after being overheard talking about an unsolved The person murder. overhearing the conversation called the Sheriff's Department after listening to the woman's in depth knowledge of the facts of the case. The woman turned out to be involved in re-enacting the case for a national television program.

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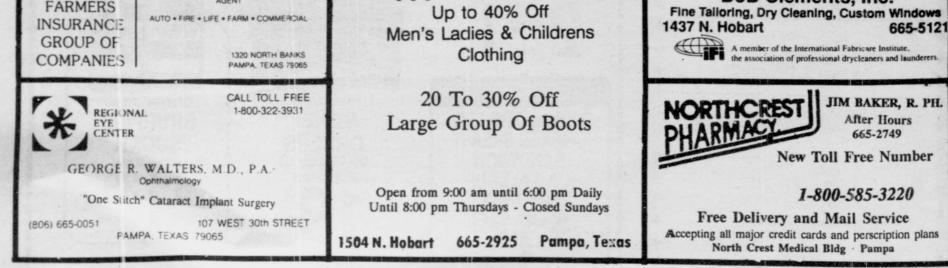
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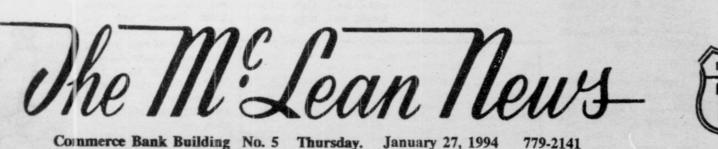
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Tracey Blades Seeks Office

Tracey Blades, Assistant District Attorney, announced her intention to seek the Democratic nomination for the office of Gray County Attorney Monday.

Blades has served as Assistant District Attorney since April, 1992. She received her Juris Doctor Degree from the University of Tulsa Law School. She is a member of the Texas District And County Attorneys Association, the American Bar Association, the State Bar of Texas and is currently serving her second term as treasurer of the Gray County Bar Association. She has been admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the Northern

"I believe it is important

Museum Now Has Library

By Delbert Trew

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Hugg Wins G-N

Holiday Theme

Contest

Opal Hugg's

granddaughter, Kim Hugg,

won the G-N Essay Contest

"What the holiday season

means to me." The fifth

grader at Belmar School

cited "sitting by the fire and

cuddling up with a loved

one," and "playing in the

snow" as some of her

favorite holiday activities.

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Most people don't know the Devil's Rope Museum also has a library. In fact, the library is the fastest growing part of the museum. Harold Ganshirt of Houston, is our library chairman and he is collecting barbed wire history at a fantastic rate. Eventually we hope to have every written word that has been published about barbed wire.

District of Texas.

to protect the rights of people accused of crime," Blades said, "However, I think it is equally as important, if not more so, to protect the citizen who was a victim of the crime." Blades said she will base her service as County attorney around the concept that the function of the County

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Attorney's office is to "Protect the Citizen."

As Assistant District Attorney Blades has been involved in the prosecution of criminal cases in Gray, Roberts, Wheeler, Lipscomb and Hemphill Counties. Her duties include the presentation of cases to grand juries, lead counsel and second chair in jury and non-jury trials, drafting and trial of motions to revoke probation, preparing appellate briefs, oral argument before the Court of Appeals and providing

advice and counsel to various law enforcement agencies and officeholders. She has prepared search warrants and has been responsible for most of the felony prosecutions in Gray County during her service as Assistant District Attorney.

"During the past two years I have also performed many of the functions of the Gray County Attorney in cases which he was not able to handle because of some conflict," Blades said. She has obtained protective orders, handled cases before the Juvenile Court and handled the prosecution of numerous misdemeanor cases in Gray County and other counties.

Blades says that her excellent working relationship with all local law enforcement agencies will allow her to represent the State of Texas in a competent and efficient manner. She said that her background of service in the District Attorney's office has caused her to have great respect and empathy for the rights of victims and citizens involved with the judicial system. Association encouraged the

lected to ser "If I am e



Coach Blaze Herring gives the Junior High boys some advice during a time out at the recent Groom-McLean game. Below: Sarah Brown, Shaley Stalls, Lori Hefley and Vanessa Glass cheer on their team during the same game.

McLean Tigers Battle Lefors

McLean's young varsity boys basketball squad battled Lefors point for point in the second half, scoring 35 each. The 33-17 halftime score, with the Pirates on top by 16 was the difference in Friday's nights game which ended 68-52. The 16 point loss was not as embarrassing as others because the Tigers, who were once down by 61-33, put on a full court press and got the ball to Toby Northcutt who dropped 30 points through the hoop. Toby averages over 20 points per game. Jeremy Crutcher's turn around jumpers together with Seth Brown, Brad Dickey, Andy Glass and Monte Joiner played tenaciously to avoid a rout. The turnovers plague their offensive passing game started to worry Lefors backers as the 28 point lead was reduced to 12 at one point, mainly from steals by the Tigers who played up to their potential and gave the cheerleaders and bleacher full of fans excitement during those closing minutes.

By Mark Adams



Most of the older people remember Boone McClure of Canyon, Texas. He was the curator at the Panhandle Plains Museum at Canyon for many years. He also wrote the first book about barbed .wire history, and had acquired ,a tremendous amount of information, upon which he based his book. Mr. McClure passed away last year, and Mrs. McClure has graciously offered his research collection to us. Thanks for this wonderful addition to our library.

restoration of the 28 foot tall saquaro cactus sign in front. Volunteers helped the Sheplors take down and repair wind damage. The neon is too expensive to replace, so when the sign is re-erected it will be lighted by flood lights. The motel and sign werebuilt in the early 1950's by

Grace Windom. It is one of the most famous Old Route 66 signs in Texas. Welcome back, Cactus Inn, and be sure to get acquainted with the Sheplors.

as County Attorney, I will bring the same dedication to the prosecution of misdemeanor cases as I have to the prosecution of felony cases," Blades promised.

Blades has been recognized in Who's Who Among Rising Young Americans in 1992 and in 1993. She is a charter member of the Tri-County Heart Association Board of Directors and a member of Pampa Lions Club. She See Blades, pg. 10

Lady Tigers Dominate By Mark Adams Samnorwood and Lefors

were the latest victories by McLean High's Varsity girls

basketball team and what a team! Friday's home game against Lefors allowed the reserves to play many minutes and nine Lady Tigers scored in a balanced attack that ended 68-3. sending their record to 18 and 5 overall, 4-0 in district play.

Samnorwood fans saw McLean's Mindy Magee deposit 29 points on January 18th when Heather Hess added 17, Joetta Bailey 16, Angel Harris 5 and Kristine Carter 2 more

to quiet the folks at the fieldstone gym with a 36-69 sandblasting.

Back in McLean, Lefors was no match for Magee's 16 points backed up by 10 from Joetta Bailey, 13 from Angel Harris, 12 from Heather Hess, 6 by Amber Thomas, 4 by Kristine Carter and Sherry Martin 2. Jill Hefley and a free throw by Shanna Dent. Holly Jasper, Doris Serna and

Tiffany McLaury also saw

action in Samnorwood and

at home.

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McLean Brief

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Visiting in McLean last week was Julian Luna from Hutchins, Texas and Sandi Kramer from Skellytown, Texas. They always have a good time at Granny and PaPa Glas's house.

McLEAN BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

January 27 - Pat Stubbs, Mildred Mantooth, Casper Smith.

January 28 - W.A. Bentley, Donna Messer, Brandon Wallis. January 29 - Dora Bailey, Judy Stewart, Charla

Smith. January 30 Susan Worsham. January 31 - Clarene

Williams. February 1 - Lorene Guyton. February Roy 2 Cullison, Jr.

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Briefs

Hospital Report Aneta Day is in High Plains Hospital in Amarillo. Maggie Johnson is in St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo. Virginia M. Cooper and

Millard Doyle Webb are patients at Coronado Hospital in Pampa.

Mary Lou and Dale Glass have been visiting in the Dallas area to see their twin grandchildren and visit with the rest of the family too. Dale came home on Monday evening to go back to work.

Visiting in McLean over Grand-dad, J. Boyd Smith.

the weekend was Chris Littlefield of the Panhandle Ranch at Guthrie, Texas. He visited his sister and family, the McMordie's and

Jake Hess, Sr.

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Fred Cable left last week for a trip to Oklahoma and Kansas visiting friends and relatives. He returned on Tuesday evening.

Junior High Basketball Report

McLean's Junior High girls won by eight points. Coach Eidredge could not be reached for more facts. The boys, minus their big rebounder, Gary Jones, fought back from 24-8 to

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end halftime 24-22. Chris By Mark Adams

Flores scored 16 points and Sy Brown made 9 points. Steve Robinson and Eric Vega fouled out and Hedleys full court press was too much for the seventh grade reserves who only shot 3-22 compared to Hedleys 16-30 from the free throw line. Coach Herring's boys lost 62-39 but will be 100% for the Hedley Tournament on Thursday the 27th and Saturday the 29th.

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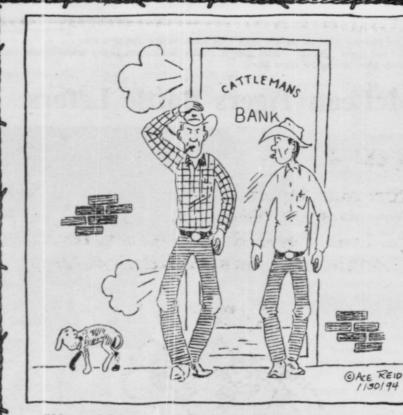
of twins, January 19th at 6:45 p.m. at St. Paul's Hospital in Dallas, Texas.

Jordan Malachi weighed 2 lbs, 13 oz. and was 14 3/4 inches long. Jerah Mariah weighted 2 lbs, 13 oz. and was 16 inches long. They have a big sister, Julian who is almost two years old.

The twins are doing good at noon on Monday, but will remain in the neo-natal unit at St. Paul's Hospital in Dallas indefinitely. Joe, Terry and Julian

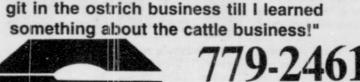
Luna are doing good.

Mary Lou and Dale Glass, the grandparents are excited and can't believe they have twin grandchildren.



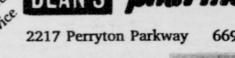
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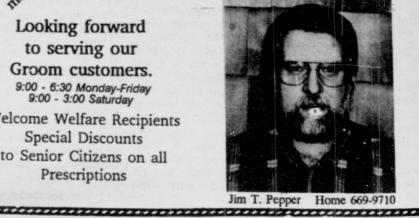
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Pioneer Study Club Enjoys Program On Cattle Industry

The Pioneer Study Club met for their first meeting of the new year in the home of Beverly and Neal Odom.

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Nama Webb introduced Neal Odom who gave a very interesting program on the cattle feeding industry.

It was voted to place a Lovett read. book in the Memorial Library in memory of Forrest Hupp, husband of Clara Maud Hupp, a long time member of the club. Clara is an honorary member at the present time.

Charlie Marie Shurley reminded everyone of the chili dinner being sponsored



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by the McLean-Alanreed Museum on Historical February 3rd. It will be held starting at 11:00 a.m. at the Devil's Rope Museum.

A letter of thanks for the club's contribution to the Children's Rehabilitation Center in Amarillo was

Delicious refreshments of finger sandwiches, olives, spinach cheese balls with

crackers, chocolate squares and coffee or tea were served to Jerry Corbin, Mary Dwyer, Bonnie Nell Fabian, Margaret Cirogan Mary Lou Glass, Wanda

Lamb, Ruth Magee, Martha Parker, Lynn Reeves, and Mary Emma Woods.

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ALANREED NEWS By Lena Carter

Wayne Leathers of Pampa visited in McLean and with Lena Carter Friday.

The Robert Bruces were in Pampa on Friday. Nita McKee was home last week after a long stay in Amarillo.

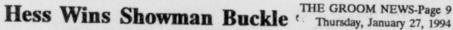
The Enimett Allens were in Dallas this week for attention for Mrs. Allen's eyes.

Jim Bible of McLean visited us at First Baptist Church Sunday.

We make a living with what we get. We make a life with what we give. People will judge you by

your actions not your intentions. Robert Bruce was in

Claude on business Monday. Visiting the Bruces on Sunday were the Bob Bruce family of Pampa.



Heather Hess was first in showmanship, in the steer division, at the Gray County Livestock Show Saturday at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion arena east of Pampa.

Tom Pennington received breed champion in Class No. 4 (Duroc). Lee Shaw received reserve breed champion in Class No. 3 (Duroc).

Others attending and placing in their classes were: Barrows: Class 2 (Chester) Dennis Ward 3, Casey Carter 4. Class 3 (Duroc) Brian Fuller 4. Class 7 (Hampshire) Lee Shaw 5, Tom Pennington 6. Class 8 (Hampshire) Michelle Basham 4, Mistie Keene 5. Class 10 (Yorkshire) Jonathan Bailey 2. Class 12 (OPB) Jaylene Watkins 3, Will Shaw 5. Class 13 (Cross) David Fuller 9. Class 14 (Cross) Daniel

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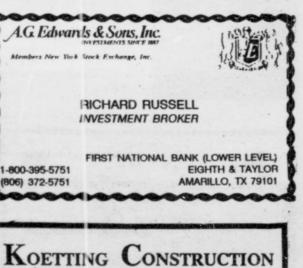
BEAT HEDLEY

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Grandview-Hopkins School recently announced the Honor Roll for the third six weeks grading period. Students named to the "A"

Honor Roll included: First Grade; Nicholas Bruton. Second Grade; Paul Baxter, Chance Bowers, Collin Bowers, Jake Hopkins, Erin Norris, and Calvin Schaffer. Third Grade; Lauren Acker,

Grandview Honor Roll



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Students named to the "A-B" Honor Roll included: Second Grade; Michael Dominguez. Third Grade; Cody Babcock. Fourth Grade; Krista Roby and Shaun Smith. Fifth Grade; Chris Bruton, Ashlie Lee, Joel Quisenberry, and Lori Stephens. Sixth Grade; Wade Ritter, and Kellie Roby.

Blades

was a charter member and served on the Board of Directors of Lake McClellan Improvement, Inc. She has also served on the Board of Directors of Pampa Crimestoppers. She is a former member of Altrusa International of Pampa. She is a member of the Top O'Texas Knife and Fork Club and previously served as secretary-treasurer. She is a past member of Junior Service League.

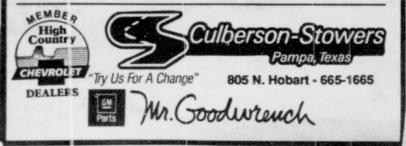
Tracey is married to Orville Blades. He is the manager of the T.W. Bartlett Lumber Company in Pampa.





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THE GROOM NEWS has lots of pictures. Stop By!

> Political Calendar

The Groom News is authorized to present the names of the following candidates for office, subject to the Primary Elections to be held on March 8, 1994. A fee of \$35.00 has been paid by each candidate for listing in this column from now till the election.

************* DEMOCRAT Carson Co. District Clerk Barbara White **** Carson 'Co. Treasurer Jeanne Cunningham Linda Orr Lee Tice **** **** Carson Co. Judge Jay Bob Roselius

Carson Co. Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Bill Hinson Carson County Sheriff Loren Brand

************************************ Gray County Clerk Wanda Carter

Gray County District Clerk Yvonne Moler

Gray County Judge Jim Osborne **天央没法没法没发展要要要要要要要要要要要要要要要**

Gray County District Attorney Tracey Blades

District Attorney 100th Judicial District Randall C. Sims James T. Shelton

Judge 223rd District Court Of Texas

Lee Waters 1st Judicial District Judge M. Kent Sims

Justice Of The Seventh Court Of Appeals H. Bryan Poff, Jr.

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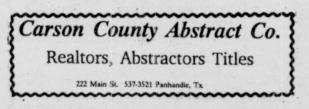
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Groom School Honor Roll

All A's

Senior: Kenzi Burger, Junior: Bart Britten, Chris Melanie Friemel, Misty Rebecca Conrad, Aimee Burger, Bo Burgin, Bryan Homen, Halee Kotara,

Lyles, Andrea Payton. Crowell, Stacy Fields, Darcee Lyles, Seth Ritter. Treadwell. Junior: Bart Britten, Chris Melanie Friemel, Misty Sophomore: Adam Odor, Courtney Sabrina Schaffer, Trisha

Freshman: Courtney Burgin, Brenda Fields, Stephanie Ollinger,

Ritter. Eighth Justin Frances Britten. Grade: Grade: Dean Seventh Fields, Wyatt Weinheimer. Sixth Grade: Dustin Babcock, Travis Britten. Allison Eatmon, Jodi Sarah Hutsell, Homen, Chris Ollinger. Fifth Grade: Brooke Britten, Sarah Fourth Grade: Looten. Cassi Ashford, Garrett Britten, Karri Britten, Wyatt Britten, Krisanne Davis, Candra Holland, Shawn O'Dell, Luke Pavlovsky, Candace Schulte, Hugh Weinheimer.

A's & B's

Senior: Krista Burgin, Melody Burion, Kim Fields, Wes Hall, Angela Reed, Joe Rae Richardson. Junior: Brody Brown, Collin Downs, Roni Fields, Jill Howard, Tom Lambert, Ty Lambert, Eric Weinheimer. Sophomore: Nick Ashford, Clinton Babcock, Craig Baker, Kay Case, Harold Cave, Jeremy Chavedo, Sandie Conrad, Terry Eatmon, Sheridan Koetting, Jason Peters, Suzy Pool. Freshman: Buck Babcock, Sean Crowell, Michael Lewis, Jason Prather, Julie Richardson, Scott Weinheimer, CJ. Whatley. Eighth Grade: Melissa Anthony, Tami Ashford, Toby Burgin, April Burton, Jimmy Chavedo, Jessica Friemel, Todd Gray, Mary Hutsell, Michael Stephens. Seventh Grade: Josh Evenson, Jeremy Lewis, Tiarra O'Dell, Jacey Lewis, Richardson, Dara Whatley. Sixth Grade: Kristi Barkley, Evan Crowell, Carrie Davis, Josh Robinson. Fifth Grade: Nicholas Anthony, Macie Britten, Skye Brown, Russell Conrad, Courtney Sustaire, Liz Vega, Grant Weinheimer. Fourth Grade: Nicole Barnett, Cody Bivens.

Groom School Semester All A Average Medals

Senior: Kenzi Burger, Rebecca Conrad, Aimee Lyles, Andrea Payton. Junior: Lart Britten, Bo Burgin, Bryan Crowell, Roni Fields, Stacy Fields, Mietanie Friemel, Misty Homen, Hatee Kotara, Darcee Lyles, Seth Ritter. Sophomore: Trisha Treadwell. Freshman: Courtney Burgin, Justin Ritter. Eighth Grade: Frances Frances Britten, Toby Burgin, Jimmy Chavedo. Seventh Grade: Dean Fields, Tiarra O'Dell, Jacey Richardson. Sixth Grade: Dustin Babcock, Travis Britten, Allison Eatmon, Jodi Homen, Sarah Hutsell, Chris Ollinger. Fifth Grade: Brooke Britten, Sarah Looten. Fourth Grade: Cassie Britten, Ashford, Garrett Karri Britten, Wyatt Britten, Krisanne Davis, Candra O'Dell, Holland, Shawn Luke Pavlovsky, Candace Schulte, Hugh Weinheimer.

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ABSETS

Thousands of dollars

Cash and balances due from depository institutions:	and the second
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin	790
Interest-bearing balances	0
Securities	2.864
Federal funds sold	400
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	0
Loans and lease financing receivables:	
Loans and leases, net of unearned income 8,936	
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve	
Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve	8,717
Assets held in trading accounts	0
Fremises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)	71
Other real estate owned	0
investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	0
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	0
Intangible assets	0
Other assets	274
Total assets	13,116
Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	N/A
Total assets and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	13,116

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Deposits: In domestic offices		11.591
Noninterest-bearing	1,803	
Interest-bearing	9,788	
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Securities sold under agreements to repurchase		
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Other liabilities		14
Total liabilities		11,73
Limited-life preferred stock and related surplus	1	

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Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus	0
Common stock	100
Surplus	100
Undivided profits and capital reserves	
LESS: Net unrealized loss on marketable equity securities	0
Total equity capital	1,381
Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	
Total equity capital and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	1,381
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deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	13,116

He, the undersigned directors, attest to the correctness of this statement of resources and liabilities. We declare that it has been examined by us, and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformance with the instructions and is true and correct.

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