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Chase Ends With Battered Lawman, Shot Out Patrol Car Tires & Suspect In Custody

Lights flashing; the chase was on.

Two Department of Public Safety Troopers, Dave O'Brien and Jerome Ingle had already stopped the Geo Storm once Sunday afternoon. When the troopers asked for the driver's license and insurance papers, Gilberto Chavez, 23 of Clovis, N.M. just smiled and said he didn't have a license. The officers ordered him out of the car at which time Chavez sped off.

At speeds of 100 mph or more, the troopers radioed to alert Gray County Deputy Jim McDonald. Deputy McDonald put spikes on I-40, tearing the Geo's tires.

After Chavez was handcuffed and placed in

McDonald's car; officers searched the Geo Storm and removed the spikes, from I-40. Meanwhile, Chavez was able to slip one hand from the cuffs and climb through a rear window. He then tried to speed away in the deputy's car.

Deputy McDonald was struck by the car and then Chavez hit the Geo. He then side-swiped a semi that was stopped.

An automatic cut-off switch was activated after an officer shot out the tires.

Again a chase was on, only this time on foot. Trooper Lynn Holland chased Chavez past two trucks and then Chavez jumped on the third truck as the semi took off. Holland grabbed Chavez and was being dragged.

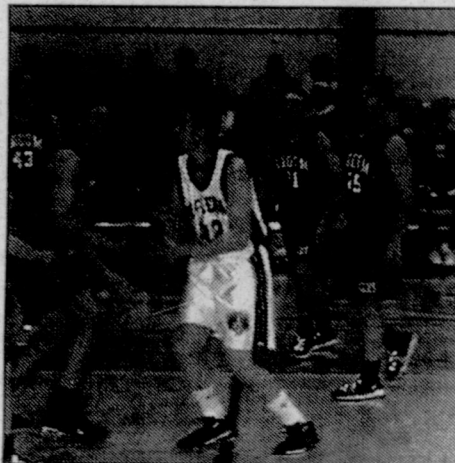
Officer Holland fell off the truck and hit his head on the highway.

Holland suffered a concussion and pulled neck muscles.

Chavez was then handcuffed a second time and was transported to the Pampa Regional Medical Center and then to Gray County Jail.

Gilberto Chavez was charged with attempted capital murder of a police officer, a charge of escape, unauthorized use of a vehicle, and evading arrest. Gray County Justice of the Peace Kurt Cuffman set bond for a total of \$24,500.

Deputy Jim McDonald saw his private physician after refusing medical treatment at the scene. He is reported to be fine.



Tigers End Season After Close Match At Clarendon

In the last regular game of the season, the McLean Tigers who were

led for second, played the Groom Tigers and were defeated 56-43. Chris Hauck led the pack with 13 points. Ike Hanes earned 9, Randy

Floyd and Brett Montgomery both added 7 each, Terrell Hembree scored 4 and Brad Sawyer added 3. The Tigers then traveled to Clarendon to play Hedley for a position in district

See Game, pg. 9

Birchfield Resigns From City Council

The City Council of McLean met February 10, 2000. The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Bob Martin, Sam Haynes, Jim McDonald and Charles McClendon. Mary Dwyer and Kendra Birchfield were absent.

Others present were Fred Smith, Toni Bohlar, Roger McCracken, Gordon and Audrey Maddox, Allen Mixon, Terri Adams and Vonda Averett.

The minutes of the January meeting were approved.

The Employee Retirement Plan item was postponed until next months meeting.

Fred Smith gave a progress report on work at the landfill. The methane monitoring well has been dug and there is no methane at this time. The methane will be checked quarterly. The council voted to

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Teddra Simmons Crowned Miss McLean

Eight apprehensive young ladies waited as the judges made a final decision on the fate of Miss McLean 2000. When the final moment came, Teddra Simmons, a 16-year-old sophomore at MHS will serve as Miss McLean 2000.

Teddra is the daughter of T.D. and Teresa Simmons of McLean and Roger and Cynthia Sargent of Livingston, Texas. Teddra wore a long white flowing gown with a small train accented with rhinestones and pearl beading. The gown's low back was defined with the spaghetti straps that crossed in the back. Teddra was escorted by Ike Hanes. She was sponsored by Prairie Flowers.

In the court for Miss McLean was first runner-up Cesily Cadra. Cesily is the daughter of Mark and Kim Cadra. She wore a long lavender gown with spaghetti



Top eight contestants and Miss Congeniality are Cesily Cadra, Pam Greer, Katrina Routon, Randi Riley, Jessi Fish, Annie Weaver and Shaley Steel.

straps that led to a the back. The dress was flowers. Bradley Sawyer. She crisscross pattern tie in accented with tiny Cesily was escorted by See Pageant, pg. 10

McLean Reminders...

BOOSTER CLUB meets on February 22 at 6:30 p.m.

THE PTA meets February 22 at 7:00 p.m.

SPRING BREAK is March 13-17.

PIONEER STUDY Club meets today in the home of Patti Brass at 2:00 p.m.

THE CITY HALL and Library will be closed February 21.

SCHOOL BOARD meets at 7:00 p.m. on February 21.

JERRY SMITH will do Income Taxes at the Senior Citizens every Saturday from 9-5 until April 15.

BRIEFS

McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

February 17 - Dedra Watson, Fahoma Ladd Holder, Oleta Harris.
 February 18 - Ruth Ware, Moriah McCracken, Mark Simmons, Juliana Burnett.
 February 19 - Tonue Brown, Ann Long, Thelma McCarty.
 February 20 - John M. Haynes, Travis Fish.
 February 21 - Jack Syfrett, Becky Simmons, Benny Watson, Bob and Claire McDowell (A).
 February 22 - Donnie Smith.
 February 23 - Sally Worsham Bohlar, George Watson, Brick Fry, Maggie Ruth Johnston.

Texas A&M Awards Diplomas

Diplomas were awarded to approximately 3,500 Texas A&M University graduates during fall commencement ceremonies.

Among those receiving degrees were Jason Patrick Crosby from McLean.

He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in International Studies.



Students Of The Week February 7 - February 11.
 Kindergarten Trent McAnear, 1st Grade Sarah Shackelford, 2nd Grade Zachary Odom, 3rd Grade Tammy Syfrett, 4th Grade Logan Sparling, 5th Grade Erin Bailey, 6th Grade Dustin Kirkland, 7th Grade Allison Hill, 8th Grade Jay Wallis.

McLean Breakfast And Lunch Menu

February 21-25
Monday Breakfast: Blueberry muffin or toast and jelly, fruit, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Lasagna, corn, salad, garlic toast, fruit, milk.
Tuesday Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, sausage, toast, fruit, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Cheese burgers, lettuce, tomato, pickle, onions, French fries, cake, milk.
Wednesday Breakfast: French toast sticks, ham, fruit, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Beef tips and noodles, green beans, salad, bread sticks, fruit, milk.
Thursday Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy, sausage, fruit, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Sloppy joes, fritos, veggie sticks, pickle spears, sherbet, milk.
Friday Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, or toast and jelly, fruit, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Pizza, corn, salad, cobbler, milk.

Puckett's Grocery Suffers Smoke Damage

Puckett's Grocery Store received some smoke damage Sunday afternoon when the motor in the heating system got too hot.

A passerby noticed the smoke and called the Fire Department. Firemen showed up quickly and the problem was taken care of before any permanent damage

could be done. Huge fans were set out by the Fire Department to eliminate the store of smoke.

The store was open Monday morning to local patrons. A clean-up person came in Monday afternoon to alleviate the smoke smell. Tuesday, the store was back to normal for shoppers.

Darsey's Place 1st in Cowboy Cook-Off

During the first cook-off for 2000, Les and Lyda Darsey, placed first over all.

The Southwest Cowboy Celebration was held at Hobbs, New Mexico on February 11-13.

The Darsey's also won first in potatoes and breads. They placed third in authenticity. "We're right proud," stated Lyda Darsey.

Cooks helpers were Tonya Whipkey from Alanreed and Bob Bozel from Dumas. Bill and Lynn Reeves usually help, also, but were unable to attend this time.

The Darsey's will participate in their next cook-off in Shamrock on March 17.

Obituaries

Loree Barker

Loree Barker, 92, died February 7, 2000 in Lubbock, Texas.

Graveside services were Wednesday at Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean, with Rev. James Martindale officiating.

Mrs. Barker was born to Milo Hampton Kinard and Lillian Kunkel May 3, 1907 in McLean. She lived in McLean most of her life, she had moved to Lubbock four years ago to be closer to family.

She married Newt Barker July 20, 1933 at Tipton, Oklahoma. He preceded her in death on February 22, 1980. Mrs. Barker loved to cook and share her cooking creations with everyone. She was a member of First Baptist Church of McLean, a member of Eastern Star, and was an election judge for 40 years.

She is survived by one sister Ann Lamb of Lubbock and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorials are requested for First Baptist Church of McLean or your favorite charity.

Pioneer Study Club Enjoys Meetings About Gardening

Progress has little to do with speed and much to do with direction.

Members answered the roll call with a special place that brings back a nice memory to them.

Those present were Beverly Odom, Wanda Lamb, Ruth Magee, Lynn Reeves, Margaret Grogan, Mary Emma Woods, Sherrie Martindale, Ruth Trew, Jerry Corbin, Mary Powell, Zelda McClellan, Betty Morgan, Mary Dwyer, Ella Mae Reyna, Mickey Jackson, and guest Pia Woods.

Ella Mae Reyna read a poem written by her grandfather, Joseph Sahlke, when he was in the 5th grade called "Gardening Poem."

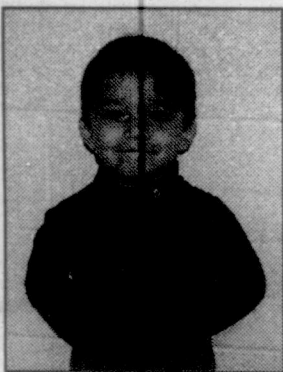
Ella Mae told of several interesting plants and monuments in the gardens she used to play around when visiting her grandparents.

What a special memory!!

Next club meeting will be February 17th in the home of Patti Brass with Mary Dwyer having the program.

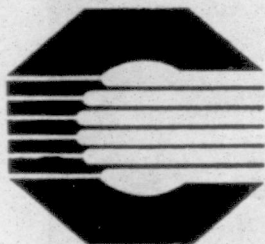
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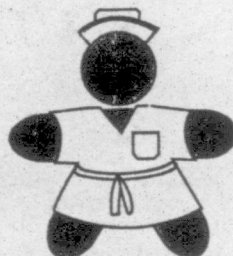
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Family Healthcare Clinic Of McLean

NEW HOURS
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Feedyard Women Lose

By Leslie Darsey
 McLean Feedyard Women's Basketball team lost another hard fought battle by two points against Celanese on February 9th. Everyone played great; at one time we were down by eight points and battled back. Celanese had a hot shooter making 3-pointers. Dee Ann Burkes really racked up the points for the team having a total of 21. Leslie Darsey had 6 points, Joetta Kirkland had 4, Julie Reynolds had 3. Marvella Collins, Carla Russell, and Connie Nicklas each added 2. Sheila McFtridge was a

big asset on both ends of the court also. We shot a little better on free throws this time making 40%. The last minute of the game was very exciting as we scored point for point, then we had to commit fouls which sent them to the line and it ended up, our ball with only 4 seconds remaining, at which our long shot attempt failed again for the second week in a row. The final score was 42-40. We have two games this week, one on Monday, against the #1 team, Lefors, and then we play again on Wednesday. Our record in the league standings is 0 and 2.



Mertel & Phillips Named Valentine King & Queen

Sunday activities began for the residents with Sunday School with the Methodist Friendship Class. In the afternoon church services were held by the Baptist Church. Those attending services Sunday were Oleta Harris, Mary Audleman, Fern Boyd, Helen Simmons, Sue Cubine, Essie Knowles, Boots Phillips, Pat Seymour, Bill Anderson, Thelma Finson, Mary Jo Cordell, George Quick, Phyllis Bailey, Dovie Simmons, Christine Shipley, Ruth Caudill, Varnie Lowe, Dick Wheeler, Relia Ayers, Glynda Martin, Bessie McClemore, Willie Wheeler and Irene Pakan.

Monday activities included nail care in the morning and bingo in the afternoon. Betty Lowe called bingo and passed out the bananas furnished by the Lion's Club.

Tuesday morning was craft time. Everyone worked hard on getting Valentines made and signed. In the afternoon was dominoes.

Wednesday morning was Wednesday morning circle.

Thursday evening was bingo with Betty Lowe again volunteering to help. She brought snacks for the volunteers.

Friday morning was nail care time. In the afternoon the residents played bingo.

Saturday evening was the Valentine Party and King and Queen Coronation. The residents vote for the King and Queen. This year the Queen is Boots Phillips and the King is Johnnie Mertel. After the coronation the residents were served cake and punch by the volunteers, Mary Dwyer, Louise and George Watson and Lois Myers. Evelyn Pennington made the party cakes. The cake had valentine's cakes on top. We appreciate the Prairie Flowers shop for donating the corsage and boutonniere for the King and Queen.

The center has a new resident, everyone welcomes Mozelle Miller to their home.

Last week's news included the usual activities and the February birthday party was celebrated. Birthday people for February are Boots Phillips, Lillie Billingsley, Oleta Harris and Sylvia McClellan.

Jake Eddleman came to the party and showed off his magic tricks. The much appreciated volunteers that helped were Betty Lowe, Mary Dwyer, Margie Fish, Louis Watson, and Stella Lee.



Game...

but the Tigers were defeated in a close match 40-43. Ike Hanes topped the board with 12, Frankie Sparling and Brett Montgomery both added 9, Brad Sawyer scored 7 and Randy Floyd had 3.

Auction Sat. Feb 19, 2000 9:47 A.M.

Shop Tools will sell at 1:00
Melvin Dennis & Others

'87 Nissan Pickup, '85 Ford Bronco 4x4, '58 Chevy Viking 60 Grain Truck, 2-'76 Honda Civics NMA, Boat: 14' Fiberglass, Motor: Chrysler 3.6, Tractor: Case DC w/Western Frontend Loader, Farm Equipment: Caldwell 5' Shredder, Trailers, Tanks, Riding Lawnmower: John Deere 68 Riding, Lawn Equip, Sears Snow Blower, Tire Changing Machines: 1-Big 4 Mark VII-B, 2-Coats, Antique Furniture & Furniture: Cast Iron Bathtubs, Hutch, Wardrobe, Trunk, Antiques & Collectibles: Cast Iron, Noritake, Crystal, Computers, Programs, Manuals, Accessories: Office Furniture, TV's, Stereos & Guitar, Tools: Skil, Black & Decker, Craftsman, Baldor, Wagner, Ridgid, Hammers, Wrenches Saws, Shop & Household Supplies: Electrical, Plumbing, Auto Appliances Refrigerator/Freezers (Westinghouse 14 cu. ft., Tru-Cold 19 cu. ft., Catalina 14 cu. ft.) Ref. Window Units (Whirlpool 11,000 BTU, Gibson 7900 BTU); Household, Miscellaneous

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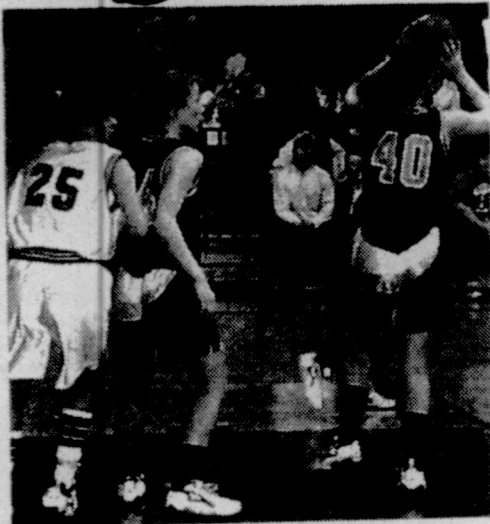


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The McLean News

Census 2000

Need money to pay those taxes? Want to help benefit McLean? Over 100 people are needed to work during the month of April and take census for Gray County. The job pays \$9.50 to \$11.00 an hour. You don't have to quit your regular job because this job requires that you work evenings and weekends.

Special exemptions have been granted so people who receive public assistance and Social Security can take these jobs without losing their benefits. Legal residents who are 18 years or older may work for the Census Bureau. Census workers are locally hired to work in your own neighborhood or town. So you won't even have to leave McLean to go to work.

Interested people should contact National Census Director Dan McGrath at 665-3569 or go to the M.K. Brown auditorium on Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. or the Pampa Chamber of Commerce on Friday mornings at 10:00.

Election Schedule For City & School

Feb. 21: First day to file application for a place on ballot.

March 7: First day to apply for mail ballot.

March 22: First day to mail early ballots last day for filing application for place on ballot.

March 24-27: Recommended period to conduct drawing for order of names on ballot.

March 31: Last day for candidate to withdraw from general election.

April 6: Deadline to register to vote for Saturday, May 6, 2000 election.

April 7: First day election may be cancelled if each candidate whose name is to appear on ballot is running unopposed.

April 19: First day of early voting by personal appearance.

May 2: Last day of early voting.

May 6: Election day. Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.



NHS Inducts 5 New Members

NHS inductees are left to right Randi Riley, Mandy Delgado, Teddra Simmons, Sara Hall and Nikki Hefley.

The McLean Chapter of the National Honor Society inducted five new members on January 10 at a reception at the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church. Randi Riley, daughter of Joe and Jacque Riley; Mandy Delgado, daughter of Anita Delgado; Teddra Simmons, daughter of T.D. and Teresa Simmons and Cynthia and Roger Sargent; Sara Hall, daughter of Patty and Steve Hall; and Nikki Hefley, daughter of James and Charlotte Hefley were the five students who were recognized for dedicating themselves to excellence in both school and community.

To be eligible for membership consideration, the students must have a cumulative grade point average of 92.5 percent. The potential members must also meet high standards of leadership, service and character. Jimmy Hannon, the National Honor Society advisor for McLean stated that the leadership is based on the student's participation in two or more community or school activities, or election to an office. To meet the service requirement, the student must have been active in three or more service projects in the school and community. Character is measured in terms of integrity, behavior, ethics and cooperation with both students and faculty.

Pageant...

was sponsored by the McLean Veterinary Clinic.

Second runner-up was Shaley Steel. She is the daughter of Dale and Rose Steel. Shaley wore a long straight forest green gown with a peacock design bodice accented with sequin. The bodice flowed over the shoulder into six straps over an open back. Shaley was escorted by Brodey Carter and sponsored by McAnear's Germania Insurance.

Mandy Delgado, daughter of Anita Delgado was honored by the other participants as Miss Congeniality. Miss Congeniality is the young lady who shows courtesy, cooperation and respect for the other contestants. Mandy was escorted by Terrell Hembree.

The top eight in the Miss McLean pageant were Cesily Cadra, Pamela Greer, Teddra Simmons, Katrina Routon, Shaley Steel, Jessi Fish, Annie Weaver and Randi Riley.

City...

allow Fred to rent Gerald Johnson's big scraper for \$60.00 a working hour, not to exceed 2 days.

Fred Smith also informed the council that they had 150 street signs stripped and ready to paint. The council just reminded Fred to remain within the budget approved for these signs.

Gordon Maddox presented the 1998-99 financial audits for the City and the McLean Economic Development Corp. to the council members. The council accepted and approved the audits.

The EDC item was tabled, no one was present from the EDC.

The council accepted Kendra Birchfield's resignation from the city council with regrets.

The council agreed to the following resolution calling an election for for three (3) full terms and two (2) unexpired terms for aldermen, for May 6th, 2000, with balloting at the Lovett Memorial Library in McLean, Texas, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The council voted to appoint Bill Graham as the City's election judge.

The council discussed hiring a new employee, but decided at this time, to use part time help.

The council voted to pay the current bills.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Wed. Bible Class 7:30
First Baptist Church 206 E. 1st
779-2175
Sunday School 9:45; Worship 11 am & 7 pm
(Youth) & Wed. Bible Study, Prayer Meeting 7 pm
United Methodist Church 2nd & Gray
Pastor Thacker Haynes 779-2049 & 779-2337
Sunday School 9:45 am Worship 10:50 am & 6 pm
Sun. Sr. High Youth Alpha Chi 5 pm
Wed. Choir 7:00 pm
Heald United Methodist Church
Kellerville Road
Sunday 9:15
Trinity Baptist Church 603 Commerce
James Mantooh 779-3207
Sunday School 9:45 am Worship 11 am
Sunday Evening Worship 7 pm
Bible Study & Prayer Meeting Wed 7 pm

The Classified Section

CLASSIFIED RATES: 20¢ word with a minimum of \$5.00. A "Card of Thanks" is \$5.00 up to 25 words. Wedding stories are printed free up to 300 words, after 300 words the rate is 20¢ per word. There is no charge for pictures as space permits.
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WINDBREAK TREE SALE: McClellan Creek Soil & Water Conservation District Delivery in March. For more information, call 537-3504, Ext. 101.

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

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Republican Party
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District Attorney
100th Judicial District
Stuart Messer
.....
Carson County Sheriff
Gary Robertson
.....
Gray County
Tax Assessor/Collector
Sammie Morris
Constable Precinct 4
Frank Sparling
.....
Democrat Party
.....
Carson County District
Commissioner Precinct 1
Mike Britten
.....
Carson County
Tax Assessor/Collector
Barbara Cosper
.....
District Attorney
100th Judicial District
Randall Sims

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EARLY VOTING for the March 14, 2000 Primary Election will be held at the Gray County Courthouse, 2nd Floor, beginning February 28, 2000 and ending March 10, 2000, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Gray County Clerk's office will accept applications for early voting ballots by mail until March 7, 2000.

E-MAIL OFFERS: Treat e-mail offers the same as unsolicited telemarketing sales calls. Don't believe promises from strangers. A public service message from The Groom/McLean News.

Carson County Sealed Bid Property Sale
Carson county will be receiving sealed bids from 8:00 a.m. February 7, 2000 until February 18, 2000 at 5:00 p.m. Contact Carson County Tax Office 806 537-3412 for location. Bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m. on February 22, 2000.
Simm #1 Gas Lease located Section 11, Block 7, I&GN Survey, Carson County, Texas .003087 Royalty Interest
Carson County reserves the right to refuse any bid.

ROUTE 66 Mini-Storage has space for rent. Call Kevin Noack at 248-1103.

HAY FOR SALE: Round bales for cows & horses. 779-3274, McLean.

JIM DAVIDSON
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Home 669-1863

WANTED: Buy, Sell or Trade Old Red Line Hot Wheels. Call 537-3619 in Panhandle after 5 pm.

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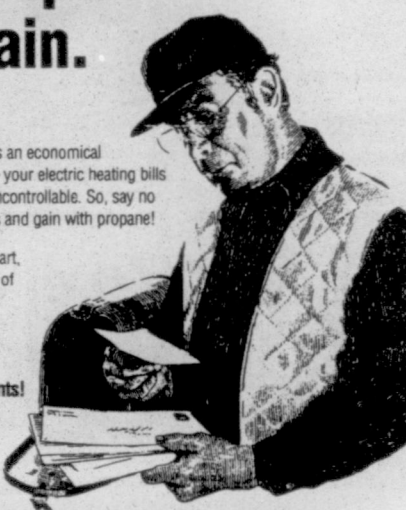
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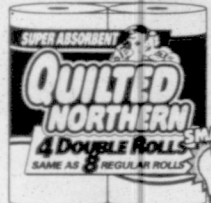
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District Championship Goes To Hedley

Groom girls lost their bid for the district championship last week after a difficult and hair-raising game against Hedley and will be facing Memphis as the number two seed for Bi-District.

The Ettes have played Hedley three times this season, winning once and losing twice.

"After you have played someone that many times," stated Coach Chris Sumrall, "It gets pretty tough on your defense. Hedley has a very good coach. We also had an off night offensively which really hurt our scoring."

Candace Bohr led the

scoring with an impressive 18 points. She also captured 9 rebounds, 11 assist, 3 blocks and 2 steals.

Carrie Sue Davis added 8 more points for the Ettes credit. She also contributed 2 rebounds and a steal.

Jessica Keypley earned 6 points for Groom. She had an outstanding 9 rebounds, 11 block and 11 steal.

Amanda Conrad made 4 points. She earned 2 rebounds, 2 assists and a steal.

Krisanne Davis scored 3 points and had 11 rebound, 11 assist and two steals.

Jodi Homen completed

11 rebound and had 2 assists.

Nichole Barnett had 2 defensive rebounds, 1 assist and 11 block.

Staci Britten also gained 1 rebound.

The final score was 39-43.

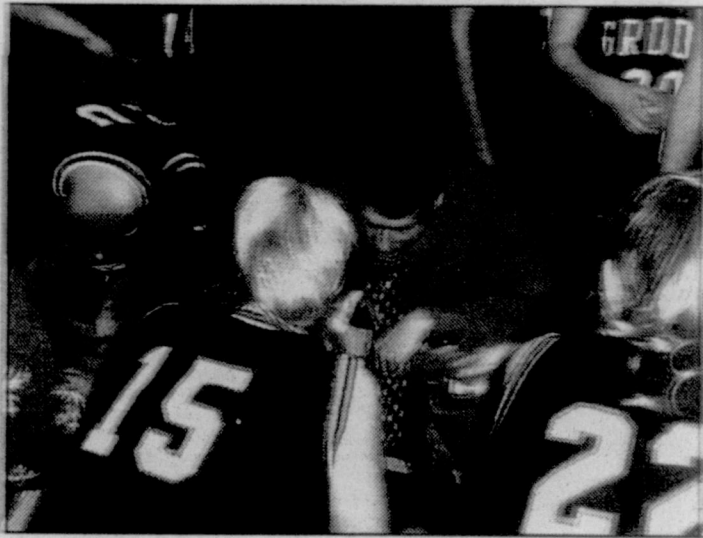
The Ettes played McLean for their final game of the regular season, winning 63-29.

Krisanne Davis led the scoring with a whooping 19 points. She also had 2 rebounds and an assist.

Carrie Davis scored 15 points, had 6 rebounds, 2 assists and 4 steals.

Candace Bohr scored 10 points for Groom.

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Coach Sumrall takes a time out to go over a strategic play with the Ettes at their game in Clarendon.

Tigers Claim District Title

By Brad Rainer

The Groom Tigers claimed the District 9-A championship with a 56-43 victory over McLean last Tuesday. It was a tight contest until the fourth quarter when the Tigers were able to pull away and secure the win. The Tigers ended up going 7-1 in district and ended the regular season at 9-4. Winning the championship this season, is especially exciting for these young men. With the limited preparation time we had before district began, we are still learning and trying to get into a rhythm with each other. We can get some more games under our belts, going into the playoffs and hopefully prepare to make a run in the playoffs. In winning

the championship, Dewayne Gray had 14 points, one 3-pointer, a rebound, a steal, and 3 assists. Dusty Crump had 3 points and 6 rebounds. Dustin Babcock had 10 points, 15 rebounds and 3 blocked shots. Garrett Britten had 4 points, a steal, and 3 assists.

Russell Conrad had 4 points, 2 rebounds, 2 steals and 1 assist. Chris Ollinger had 2 points and 2 rebounds. Grant Weinheimer had 2 rebounds. Clay Ritter had 19 points, 8 rebounds, 3 steals and 5 blocked shots.

The score by quarter
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Tiger's Dusty Crump and Dustin Babcock are poised for a rebound.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

THE GROOM Economic Development Corporation will meet Thursday at 6:00 p.m. at the Community Center. An ex-student directory is up for discussion.

CITY & SCHOOL Elections will be held on May 2.

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

THERE WILL BE no school at Groom ISD on February 21st.

APPLY FOR A place on the ballot for School Board or City Council beginning February 21 through March 22. See the school business office or City Hall for more information and requirements.

A BAND CONCERT will be held at Groom School on February 29.

CALL DORIS Kuehler ASAP with your updated class reunion list and addresses. Deadline Feb. 29 for listing in the Ex-Student Directory.

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City Looks At Law Enforcement Options

Is the City of Groom at risk to crime? Does Groom want and need more law enforcement?

These topics have city council members talking. According to Mayor Joe Homer, he and other council members have been hearing complaints for some time.

"Many people have approached us (the Council) with complaints concerning enforcement of the law. Hot rods,

underage drivers, speeding in front of the school, criminal mischief and the time it takes for an officer to respond to a call are just a few of the problems we have heard about," he said. "We are exploring some of the options we have available and feel that these complaints are valid."

According to Sheriff Gary Robertson, Groom receives as much

coverage as he has the manpower to give.

"We have 933 square miles to cover, which includes four towns, one interstate and two highly traveled highways as well as miles and miles of farm to market and county roads. There are five deputies and myself. We must give 24 hour a day, 7 day a week, 365 days a year coverage," he stated.

"We stagger the

deputies shifts and rotate their days off, but it still spreads us very thin," he continued.

In addition to their regular duties, all law enforcement officers are committed to an ongoing training program. The state of Texas requires peace officers to complete a certain amount of training on a two year cycle. If the

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Local Happenings

There was a large turn out for the annual Spring Fling at St. Mary's Catholic Church on Saturday night.

Card Of Thanks

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Doug Kling & Family

Groom Birthdays Anniversaries

February 17 - Mrs. D.A. (Hap) Watson, Berklee Ruthardt.

February 18 - Martin E. Hermesmeier, D. Leon Schaffer, Loyd D. Littlefield, Sheridan Michelle Ward, Jess Baker, Jessica Bates.

February 19 - Suzy Delight Pool, Michael Bradley Sustaire, Josh Crooks, Rachelle Sumerral.

February 20 - Loretta Britten, Chance Keith Barkley.

February 21 - Bronte Britten, Bart Britten, Dean Allen Fields, Victoria Paige Moraniec, Terri Wilson.

February 22 - Mrs. M. B. Bolden, Chy Phillips.

February 23 - Gary Wayne Friemel, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby E. Pool (A).

Defensive Driving Course Offered

Clarendon College, Pampa Campus, is offering a defensive driving course February 28-29 from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Participants should arrive by 7 p.m. at the Clarendon College Pampa Center, 1601 W. Kentucky in Pampa.

The course is contracted by USA Training School, USA C-1374. For more information please contact Clarendon College at (806) 665-8801.

Groom Students Make Dean's List At SPC

Terrence Eatmon from Groom and April Burton from Groom were named to the Dean's Honor List for the fall 1999 semester at South Plains College.

"We are always pleased to recognize those students who have maintained excellent grade point averages during the semester," said Dr. Gary McDaniel, SPC president.

"Being named to the honor list is a tribute to them and something they should be very proud of."

Students represent SPC's campuses in Levelland, Lubbock and at the Reese Center.

Students named to the Dean's Honor List must maintain a minimum 3.25 GPA of full-time college-level work with no failing grades.

Notice To Parents Of College Students

If you have college students who have given their home address as somewhere other than Groom, the News will not get their honor roll lists from the college. Please call us and we will be happy to include your students honors in the paper.

City Approves "Over 65" Exemption

The Groom City Council met last week for their regular council meeting. Present were Mayor Joe Homer and aldermen Don Case, Pete Ham, Kenny Weller and Mary Margaret Brooks. Alderman Stapp was absent from the proceedings. Also attending were Mary Sue Lyles, city secretary, and Donna Burton of the Groom/McLean News.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as were the financial reports. A \$9,000 homestead exemption for over 65 homeowners was approved.

Discussion was held concerning law enforcement problems. The Council plans to ask Sheriff Gary Robertson to attend the next regular meeting to discuss options that the city may wish to explore. Action was tabled until then.

Mayor Homer reported that he had spoken with officials at Columbia Hospital concerning the Groom Clinic.

"I feel that they have no interest in keeping the clinic open," stated Homer. Dr. Black has been approached by some local residents and has expressed an interest in the possibility. The council agreed to contact Dr. Black and find out

what it would take to get him to put in a clinic here.

The council approved Bob Britten to sublet his office (that he rents from the city) to Marshall Sherwood.

Approval was given to the Fire Department to sell a 1978 GMC fire truck.

In final actin, Chris Britten had requested a meeting with the council to discuss getting water and sewer to property that he owns east of the city, but no one representing Mr. Britten attended the meeting. The item was tabled until someone representing Britten can come to the meeting with a proposal.

With no further

business, the meeting was adjourned.

Ill Or Recovering
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Groom School Menu

February 21 - 25
 Monday: No School.
 Tuesday: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk. Lunch: Steak fingers, French fries, Texas toast, pears, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast burritos, hash brown potatoes, juice, milk. Lunch: Chili cheese dogs, tator tots, fruit cocktail, milk.

Thursday: Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, milk. Lunch: Flamebroiled chopped steak, scalloped potatoes, blackeyed peas, hot rolls, jello, milk.

Friday: Do-nuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk. Lunch: Stuffed baked potatoes w/shaved ham, broccoli w/cheese sauce, hot sliced bread, sherbet, milk.

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By Ace Reid



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Carson County Hires New Deputies

Carson County Commissioners met February 14, 2000 for their regular monthly meeting to hear from Sheriff Gary Robertson on his personnel and budgetary updates concerning his department. The Sheriff's department has seen quite a number of changes in personnel as of lately.

Changes in personnel reports Sheriff Robertson are as follows:
 A. Promoted Fed Herrick to fill the Chief Deputy Sheriff vacancy, effective 2-15-00.
 B. Hired Raymond Davis (based upon the commissioners' preapproval on 1-13-00) to the position of Field Sergeant Deputy Sheriff, effective 2-8-00 and at a 6 month probationary rate of \$2010.47/mon - \$50.00 = \$1960.47/mon.
 C. Released Deputy

Luther Burnam, Jr. effective 2-4-00.

D. Seeking approval from Commissioners; for hiring Michael Fox into the vacant deputy position effective 2-15-00 and at a 6 month probationary rate of \$1820.15/mon - \$50.00/mon = \$1770.15/mon.
 E. Released Jailer/Dispatcher Shelton Montgomery effective 1-31-00.

F. Part time Jailer/Dispatcher Mary Allen resigned effective 2-4-00.

G. This creates 2 full time position vacancies and one part time position vacancy in the jail/dispatch area of the department.

H. Seeking Commissioners' approval for hiring Rosalind Cox, Dustie Welch, and William Sheffield initially

as part time help with the intention of filling the full time vacancies from the part time people. Their part-time wage will be \$7.15/hour.

The court also gave approval to purchase 2 video cameras for law vehicles.

Bids were opened for a Mac Truck Tractor for use in Precinct 1. Receiving the bid Commissioner Mike Britten announced was Bruckner's of Amarillo with a selling price of \$35,750.00. This truck is a 1996 CH613, 350HP, 9 speed with 503,865 miles. (PICTURE)

Alonco Trucking and Equipment was the only other bidder at a price of \$59,000.00 This truck was a 1998 model.

All commissioners except Kevin Howell who

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Law Enforcement For City....

officer does not consistently update their training, their licence may be revoked.

"We like to send our officers to as much additional training as possible. It develops and improves the service we can give the residents of the county," said Sheriff Robertson.

Additionally, new deputies work with a senior officer in the field for a period of time to learn policies and procedures that are unique to Carson County. Starting salary for deputies, who must already have completed the 680 basic peace officer course, is \$21,800 per year.

Carson County also has, as a general rule, four DPS troopers who's main responsibilities are I-40 and Highway 60. They also fill in when needed by assisting the Sheriff's Department with accidents, traffic stops and many other types of calls.

"I'm very proud of the rapport we have with all the DPS officers. I think we have an excellent working relationship. They help us as much as we help them," he commented.

Without additional funding for more deputies, Groom is probably receiving as much law enforcement as the county can give.

Sheriff Robertson stated that he would like to have an officer living in Groom. "The problem has been the lack of rental housing in Groom.

When we hire our officers, they are on a six month probation. Most people want to rent until they know that they will like their job and that we will be satisfied with their work," he stated.

Within Carson County two entities have additional law enforcement, the City of Panhandle has their own police department and White Deer has a City Marshall. According to Treasurer Jeannie Cunningham, the county does not provide any funding for these law enforcement officials. The county does, however, house their prisoners free of charge.

Some of the options that were discussed by the city council are as follows:

1. Hope that one of the Carson County Deputies will wish to live in Groom and be willing to respond to calls in an emergency situation.

2. Augment a deputy's salary and ask him to give a few extra hours a week working on problem areas in the town.

3. Elect a City Constable. An elected position that would also be considered a county employee. This person's jurisdiction would be considered the entire district in which he was elected. It is unknown at this time if the city would be required to assist with funding or equipping this person. A constable has about the

same powers as a deputy and must be bonded. Fines collected would be paid to the county.

4. Hire a City Marshall. This person would be hired by the City and considered a city employee, and be required to have their basic peace officers licence. Should this happen the City of Groom would have to provide a car, uniforms, insurance, etc. for this officer. A city marshal would have the same authority as a deputy or constable but also would be able to enforce city ordinances. Any fines collected from citations would be paid to the city.

These are questions that officials will be investigating in the near future. If you feel that Groom is in need of one of these options let your city officials know how you feel.

UIL Competitors Take Top Awards At Canadian

Extemporaneous speakers won top awards Saturday, February 12, at the Canadian UIL Meet.

Senior Allison Eatmon won first in informative speaking, and junior Macie Britten won first in persuasive speaking.

Junior Brooke Britten placed second in poetry and fourth in feature writing.

Receiving other fourth-place ribbons were freshman Amanda Martin in editorial writing, sophomore Wyatt Britten

in informative speaking, and junior Marci Babcock in accounting.

Junior Michele Stephens won fifth in news writing and seventh in prose.

Other fifth places went to senior Evan Crowell in persuasive speaking, sophomore Garrett Britten in science, sophomore Luke Pavlovsky in informative speaking, and freshman Jessica Bates in poetry.

Senior Carrie Davis placed sixth in poetry.

Perryton, Spearman, Dumas, Stratford, Clarendon, Wellington, Wheeler, Ft. Elliott, and Groom competed in the contest. Canadian also participated in its own meet.

"Competing in a meet such as this gives invaluable experience," sponsor Janetta Lamb said. "It not only gives them a feel of the actual contest, but it also gives indications of what the students need to work on before district."

Others competing were Amanda Conrad, Kristina Tjarks, Stephany Fraser, Trisha Broadway, Lauren Crowell, Candace Bohr, Lainie Britten, Jill Britten, and Claudia Neugebauer.

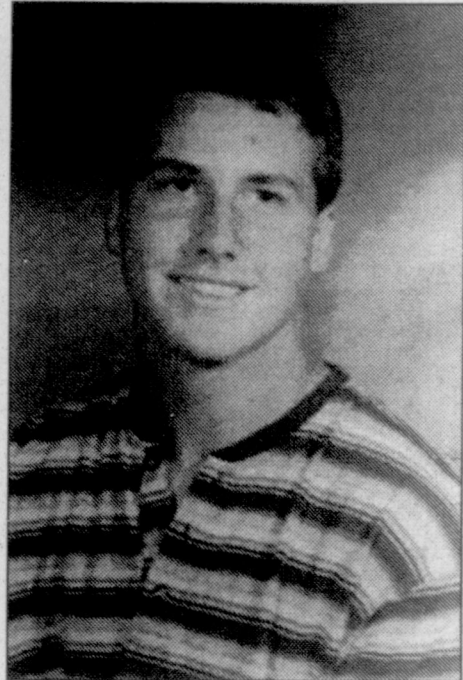
Evan Crowell Named "Good Citizen" By DAR Chapter

Evan Crowell, a senior at Groom High School was recognized Sunday, February 13, at Lovett Library Auditorium by the Las Pampas Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Evan is the son of Jerry and Leslie Crowell of Groom.

Students were chosen by their schools for exemplifying the DAR Good Citizen award requirements of dependability, leadership, service and patriotism.

Evan was awarded the DAR Good Citizen pin which has a rim of 13 stars that represents the original 13 colonies. In the center of the pin are four books titled Dependability, Leadership, Service and Patriotism. Award winners will compete for a state scholarship.

Evan is an all state, six-man linebacker and Amarillo Globe News defensive player of the year in football. He has participated in most of the sports at Groom High School for four years. This includes basketball, track, tennis and golf. He has been president of the band for four years. He is also president of the student council and



the National Honor Society, and is an editorial board member for Generation Y of the Amarillo Globe News.

Crowell's hobbies include playing the guitar and other musical instruments as well as listening to music. He is

to be an AFS exchange student to Costa Rica this next school year to learn Spanish, which he plans to pursue in college. He is active in his church and the church youth activities and the community choir.

County Commissioners Meeting...

was absent from the meeting, voted to purchase the truck.

Randall Sims, District Attorney for the 100th Judicial District was present to ask for Carson County Commissioners approval of a \$30,000 resolution in support of a victims assistance grant for the 100th Judicial District Attorney's office. This resolution would designate a full time crime victim coordinator for the district.

The resolution as reviewed by Sims to the court states the need for a full time crime victim coordinator to adequately provide victim services and assistance and whereas in the event of loss or misuse of Victim Assistance Grant Funds, the counties within the 100th Judicial District consisting of Carson, Childress, Collingsworth, Donley and Hall counties will return these funds to the office of the Attorney General in full.

All approved the resolution for the District Attorney.

Barbara Cosper had sent a notice asking for Carson County's PILT payment of over \$97,000.00. She stated to the court that Pantex had come back and wanted more information and she felt that they were trying to get out of

paying it. She advised that everyone be on the lookout from the legislature and others on this matter. Judge Powers said, "They owe it to us."

Approval of the release of one \$200,000 safe keeping deposit and one \$100,000 safe keeping deposit be released to State National Bank, Groom.

Jeannie Cunningham asks the courts' approval for her investment office-school which she receives credit for.

The county agreed to purchase insurance coverage on the Gazebo in Panhandle.

Judge Powers discussed with the court the poor acoustics in the courtroom on the second floor. Perdue Acoustics set out two options for the county to improve the sound and the one that was approved will cost the county \$3437.36. Perdue to Judge Powers the county would be pleased.

In other business the court approved the payment of all bills. Judge Powers discussed indigent health regarding a claim by Joe Hinkle. A \$2100 request to pay pharmaceutical bills was presented by Hinkle after he had lost medical insurance benefits following a liver transplant operation. The

motion carried to pay the one time claim.

Approval was granted for the purchase of a 1990 Peterbilt truck for Precinct #2. The purchase cost of the truck was \$15,000 and the money was moved from the reserve funds to the equipment budget.

The court discussed liability insurance for public officials and all county employees. After reviewing the county's insurance coverage the Texas Association of Counties recommended that protection should be increased and paired with the law enforcement coverage.

A.J. Weiser and Company submitted a bid for \$7100.00 TAC's bid was \$6500.26. Commissioner Strawn made the motion to accept the lower bid. The motions carried with the insurance policy to be in effect through March 1, 2001.

County Tax Assessor-Collector Barbara Cosper briefed the court on points for Payment in Lieu of Taxes. Cosper wanted the court to be aware of any future

action that might jeopardize the PILT program for the county. The tax assessor-collector also reported that 93.31 percent of the 1999 taxes have been collected as of January 31, 2000.

Internet Shopping To Benefit Local Schools

Internet shoppers can now help Groom School every time they make a purchase on the internet.

A new website has been established called www.schoolpop.com. Through this site an individual can make purchases through a multitude of popular sites like amazon.com, Lands' End, Barnes & Noble, The Gap, J.C. Penney, L.L. Bean, The Disney Store, Hallmark, Etoys,

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Tigers

totals were 13, 9, 10 and 24 for the Tiger total of 56. McLean scored 12, 8, 7 and 16 points for a total of 43 points.

Last Friday the Tigers took on 2A district champion, Clarendon, in a warm-up game to prepare for the playoffs. We played great defense for the first three quarters and the lead for the Broncos was 4 points, but in the fourth, we tired somewhat and had some foul trouble and couldn't keep them from pulling away. We will continue to prepare for our bi-district match-up this week with a couple of games and some quality practice time. We were led against Clarendon by Russell Conrad with 13 points, a rebound, and 2 steals. Dewayne Gray had 5 points, 1 rebound, 1 assist and a charge taken. Dusty Crump had 5 points and a rebound. Dustin Babcock had 2 points, 6 rebounds, an assist and a blocked shot. Chris Ollinger had 2 points. Clay Ritter had 8 points and 5 rebounds.

The score by quarter showed the Tigers with 6, 6, 11 and 12 points for their total of 35 points. The Broncos had 7, 7, 13, and 26 points for a total of 53 points.

Controlled Burn Causes Complaint

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission was in town last week after a local resident complaint about smoke from a control burn aggravated a medical condition. Brad Jones, Regional Manager stated that while control burns are perfectly legal, farmers must be aware of

their responsibilities.

"If the fire gets out of control or if the smoke drifts in the direction of homes or a town causing problems for people with medical conditions the farmer can be held responsible," he said.

In addition, farmers should notify their local fire department before any burn takes place and T.N.R.C.C.

Ettes

She gained 7 rebounds, 2 assists, 1 block and 12 steals.

Jessica Kopley had a great night earning 6 points. She earned 5 rebounds and 1 steal.

Jodi Homen contributed 5 points and had 1 block.

Lauren Crowell earned 4 points and had 1 rebound.

Skye Brown gained 2 points for Groom. She earned 1 assist and 1 steal.

Amanda Conrad had 2 points. She had 2 rebounds, 1 assist, 2 blocks and 3 steals.

The Ettes will be playing Memphis for the Bi-District championship as the News goes to press.

"Memphis is very athletic and very quick," said Coach Sumrall. "We will have our work cut out for us defensively. Our offense can hold their own against them."



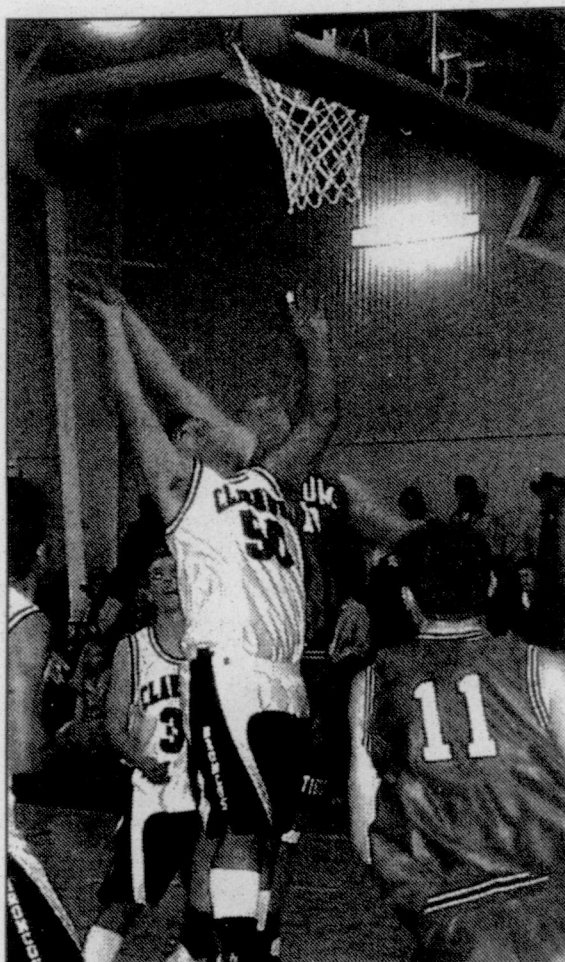
It's A Boy

Nathan Brice Ruthardt was welcomed to the world on February 11, 2000. He has the distinguished honor of being the first baby (in Groom) born in the new millennium.

Proud parents are Brice and Jeanne Ruthardt and big sister Megan, age 3 1/2, of Groom.

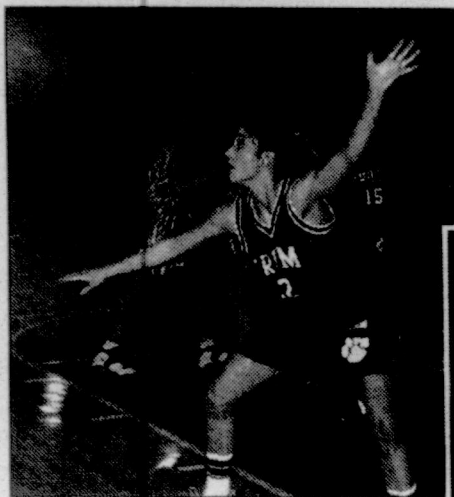
Grandparents are Louis and Judy Ruthardt of Groom and Tex and Janice Vaughn of Stratford.

Great-grandparents are Willetta Shults of Meeker; Esta Blain of Blair, Oklahoma and Bess Ruthardt of Bogata, Texas.



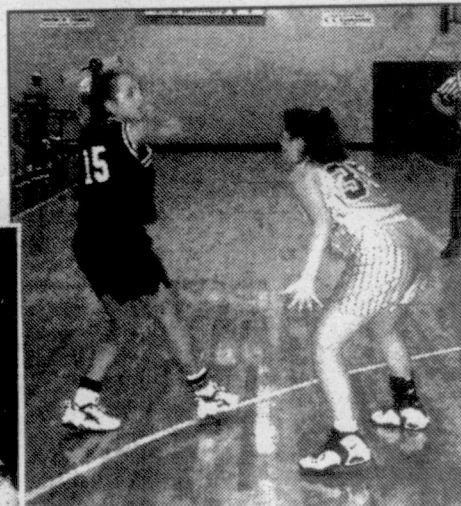
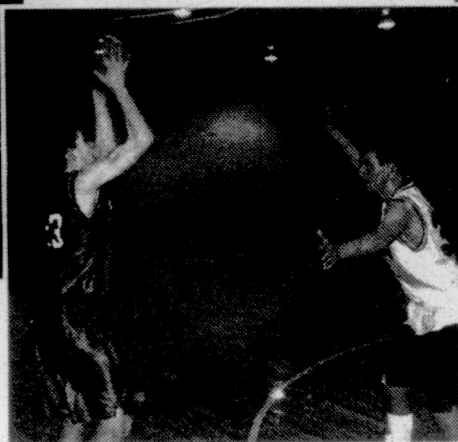
Post Dusty Crump battles Clarendons post for a rebound in their practice game.

Groom Tigers & Tigerettes



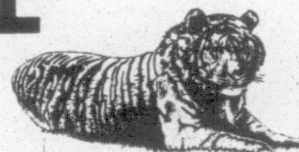
Candace Bohr gets clear for a pass.

Russell Conrad takes a shot from outside against the Broncos.



Jodi Homen prepares to feed the ball inside for a shot by her teammates.

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Carson County Sheriff's Report

By Sheriff Gary Robertson

There were 3 persons booked into the Carson County Jail during the week of February 7 through February 13, 2000. Currently there are 9 persons incarcerated and 9 additional prisoners being held in other jurisdictions.

Arrests for the week include:

Lance E. Wills (Amarillo), 23, Other Agency Warrants.

Monty P. Givens (Pampa), 45, Unauthorized Carrying of a Weapon.

Lance E. Bradley (Oklahoma), 22, Other Agency Warrants.

Thank You Card

Thanks to everyone for the pretty birthday cards on my 91st birthday, January 30th, and for the gifts and cards while I was in the Pampa Coronado Hospital.

Bertha Knight

Brush & Palette Enjoy February Meeting

By Nita Ramming
Brush and Palette met Monday, February 7th, for their monthly luncheon and all day session. I really can't call it a painting day because Evelyn and LaVesta were needle tatting. Pat was embroidering, and I was talking. Shirley, Juandell, Charlene and Dorothy were the painters. Toni was off somewhere visiting relatives. She conned Charlene into taking her hostess duties for the day. Now Charlene is a worry-wart when it comes to being the hostess. It is a good thing she didn't have long to worry about it. If you want to eat with her, just drop by at dinner time and she will feed you --but don't give her advance notice or she will get all shook up.

We had a good variety of salads and a cheeseburger pie. There was cauliflower salad, broccoli salad, potato salad, late pea salad and a Jello-Cool Whip salad I made with petrified Cool Whip. It was petrified because it had been in the freezer so long. They ate it anyway. Charlene made an upside-down pumpkin cake with gobs of pecans everywhere but on one corner. That was for me. Aren't they sweet to spoil me so?

LaVesta came visiting so Evelyn could teach her how to do that needle-tatting. She was a really fast learner because Evelyn was such a good teacher. LaVesta is an excellent needle worker and has made a jillion afghans. But, if you see something going on at her house and want to know what it is, don't bother to call 'cause she will tell you to MYOB!

Dorothy was a bit late for lunch because her cat was bowing up to a dog and she had to rescue the dog. Now that is a spunky cat! The cat finally resigned herself to the fact that she has lost her spot in the house at night and finally doesn't meow all night any more. Nice to know who comes first in that house. It's not the cat.

Pat is getting along much better now. She says Dan has learned just how much work a

woman does. The old adage "A woman's work is never done" is so true. He was happy that she came to paint because he got to go play golf.

I know how Dan feels, only I didn't realize how much Rick did until he had surgery on his shoulder last week and can't use his right arm at all. Guess we all need to appreciate our spouse more.

Juandell is still working on her wagon wheel painting. She thinks she might finish it by the end of May. She doesn't want to rush it because then she would have to think up something else to paint. It seems as time goes by the less inspirations come to us.

Shirley told a weird story about car keys. Makes you not feel safe even when your car doors are locked. So if you ever get locked out of your car, just ask anybody around if you can borrow their keys to unlock your door.

Charlene kept us laughing with tales from her childhood, with LaVesta throwing in a tidbit here and there. It seems brother Jack kept her in line by telling her all sorts of things. He even blackmailed her and got her candy until their Mom heard him telling her she was adopted. She put a stop to his pranks real fast.

We discussed our Spring Fling. We will have to wait til Rick's shoulder works again to go in the motor home so we decided an airplane trip to Las Vegas might be fun. We might as well dream big, can't tell, we might hit the jackpot. Oh well. Spring is still a couple of months away. Maybe we will come up with a really exotic idea of where to go. We thought about that XXX place south of I-40 or maybe Beavers. But I think those are more on the masculine entertainment side. If you have any suggestions, let us know.

The Claude Museum has extended an invitation for us to show our paintings and other things

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in October. We are really going to have to get busy in order to make it a really good exhibit. Maybe that will be the incentive we need to get up and running.

Come out and visit with us. I'll be sure to get your name in the paper!



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