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Groom Named "Volunteer Service Of The Year"

Groom Ambulance Service was named "Volunteer Service of the Year for 1996" by the Texas Department of Health.

Jay Lamb, Doug Kling, Kerry Jenkins and Charlotte Whatley attended the statewide services held in downtown Ft. Worth.

Groom's Ambulance Service is the oldest in the State of Texas. It has been in continuous service since 1961 when the ambulance was provided by Schooler Funeral Home. Al Horner was one of the original charter volunteers and is still an honorary member of

the service.

Five of Groom's volunteers have their Intermediate Certificates and are trained in advanced life support systems. They are also trained to use a difibulator. (A machine that sends an electrical jolt to the heart when it stops beating in an attempt to restart it.) The Groom Ambulance Service now has a difibulator on board its ambulance.

The service also has four members certified in basic life support. There are a total of 16 active volunteers

on the service. They are Jay Lamb, Doug Kling, Toni Pavlovsky, Kerry Jenkins, Charlotte Whatley, Kevin Kerlee, David Britten, Jody Ball, Tony Treadwell, Craig Howard, Tony Painter, John Bohr, Rick Prather, Donald Burgin, Brett Stephens and Danny Chisum.

Amarillo Emergency Services won the Private Company Award for the state, making the Texas Panhandle home of both of these prestigious awards.

Congratulations to all the volunteers and thanks for a job well done!

Groom Ambulance Members display the plaque awarded to them by Texas Dept. of Health.



Allison Eatmon To Perform



began studying ballet at fourteen and was awarded a scholarship for the school of American Ballet. He subsequently joined the New York City Ballet in 1980. He toured with the New York City Ballet in the United States and abroad. Most recently he has appeared as principal guest artist with Pacific Northwest Ballet.

Tchaikovsky's "The Nutcracker", the story in music and dance of a young girl, Clara, and her Christmas dreams, has become one of the happiest of all Christmas traditions, being performed annually by many dance and ballet companies throughout America and other parts of the world. Its beautiful music, with some of the most familiar themes in classical music, has been performed and recorded by numerous symphony orchestras.

White Deer dancer,

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The Pampa Civic Ballet will be presenting its Christmas season production of "The Nutcracker" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, December 7, in the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium.

Guest artist appearing with the company is Corael Crabtree of the Pacific Northwest Ballet. Crabtree, born in Tripoli, Libya,

Cagers Open Season With 2 Exciting Matches, Varsity Boys Win

Groom basketball is under full steam with the boys finishing up football in time for two practices before their first game.

The Varsity girls battled White Deer only to lose by a narrow margin, 42-56.

"We have a young group of girls here," stated head basketball Coach Randy Yelverton. "They don't have a lot of experience but they are steadily improving. They have a lot of hustle but they are making mistakes at the wrong time. We had way too many turnovers. We have some girls that have come up from the Junior Varsity and are stepping up to play that are helping us quite a bit. We just have to keep working to improve and eliminate our mistakes and turnovers."

Angie Conrad led the scoring with 10 points. Karen Conrad and Jessica Stapp each added another 8. Julie Richardson and Melissa Anthony had 5 points each. Mary Hutsell had 4 and Jessica Friemel had 2.

Chavado shot 100% from the 3 point and free throw lines as well as hit 66% from the field. Brad Sustaire added 14 points, Justin Ritter had 11, Josh Evenson 7, Daniel Treadwell 6, Toby Burgin 5, Todd Gray 4, and Joe Britten 2.

The Tigers and Tigerettes will be competing in the Valley tournament this weekend.

In the boys game, Groom came roaring out of a winning football season to kick off a basketball season that looks to be the same, beating White Deer 68-56.

"The guys did a great job considering they had only two practices under their belt," stated Yelverton. "They had a tremendous amount of hustle, which I believe was a key factor to the win. We just wore them down. We made some mistakes which we will be working to eliminate. We have good back up players, 14 points came from the bench."

Jimmy Chavado led the scoring with 19 points.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

GROOM HIGH School basketball teams will play in a tournament at Valley beginning December 5th. The girls will play Kress at 3:00 for their opening game. The boys will play Kress at 4:30.

SENIORS AT Groom ISD will place orders for caps & gowns & announcements on Tuesday, Dec. 10th at 9 am. A deposit of \$50.00 is required.

JUNIORS AT Groom ISD will place orders for Senior rings on Dec. 10th at 8 am. A deposit of \$40.00 is required.

SEMESTER TESTS will be given Dec. 19-21.

DEADLINE - Groom News Christmas edition will be on Friday, Dec. 13th.

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GROOM SCHOOL Board will meet on Dec. 17 at 7 pm.

THE GROOM SCHOOL Music Department will have a Christmas program on December 19.

THE GROOM HIGH School gym will be closed from December 21 through 27.

GROOM ISD will be on their regular schedule this Friday. Students will be released at the regular time, 3:35 pm.

ELEMENTARY School Christmas parties will be held on Dec. 20. Parents should watch for a letter from teachers concerning party times and release times on that day.

ALPHA MU XI Christmas Party will be December 12, 7:00 pm at Janyth Bowers.

THIRD 6-WEEKS tests will be given Dec. 10-12.

GROOM VARSITY basketball teams will compete in a tournament in Valley, December 5th - 7th.

Deadline is December 13 to get a greeting in

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Local Happenings

Groom Birthdays & Anniversaries

December 8 - Brooke Britten, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest McLaughlin (A).
 December 9 - Emalea London.
 December 10 - Jerry Ashford, Oma Schaffer, Jimmy Burgin.
 December 11 - Evelyn Schaffer, Wynona Koetting, Sidney Mansel, Marcus Weinheimer.

Guests for Thanksgiving dinner in the home of Helen Witt were Eloise Chaffin of Canoga Park, California, Sanfra Ann Johnson of Houston and Shannon Peek of Amarillo.

Rip and Joy Snyder visited the Neals in Clarendon on Thursday and they visited in McLean on Saturday with Truman Goodlett and M.L. Rowan and with Bill and Dorothy McKee. Dorothy had just returned home from the hospital after having back surgery.

Gene Wade Passes Away

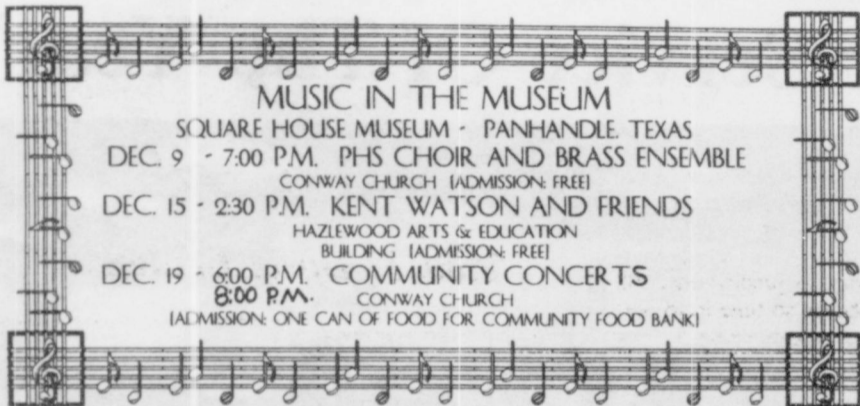
Eugene S. Wade, 87, a long-time resident of Groom died Tuesday evening, November 26, in a hospital in Houston. He had been in failing health for several weeks.

Memorial services will be held in the First Baptist Church in Groom at 2 p.m., Saturday, December 7.

Mr. Wade was born July 4, 1909, in Coleman County, Texas. He served with the U.S. Army in the South Pacific during World War II. Following the war, he returned to Groom and was a car dealer for several years. He was appointed as

postmaster in Groom in 1955, and served in that capacity until he retired in 1972. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, Masonic Lodge, and the Khiva Shrine. Mr. and Mrs. Wade observed their 62nd wedding anniversary on November 17, 1996.

Survivors include his wife, Edith, a daughter and son-in-law, Colvin and Delmer Tuggle of Houston, a son Robert M. Wade of St. Petersburg, Florida, a brother, Max Wade of Groom, and five grandchildren and fifteen great-grandchildren.



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December 9 - 13

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Tuesday
 Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Lasagna, fried okra, salad, bread sticks, mixed fruit, milk.

Wednesday
 Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, hash browns, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Pot roast, baked potato wedges, carrots, hot rolls, strawberry shortcake, milk.

Thursday
 Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Chili cheese dogs, tator tots, pickle spears, carrot sticks, gingerbread, milk.

Friday
 Breakfast: Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Stuffed baked potatoes, broccoli w/cheese sauce, hot sliced bread, sherbet, milk.

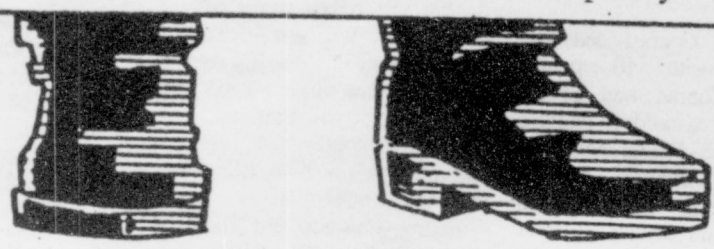


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Dance

Maegan Wheeler portrays the little girl, Clara. Other local dancers appearing in the production include Allison Eatmon of Groom, Rebecca Rapstine, Thomas Rapstine, Ashley Wheeler, Jenny Rapstine, Robyn Thomas-Stover, Clay Fulse, and Matt Chaney, all of

White Deer.

Miss Jeanne Willingham is director of the Pampa Civic Ballet. Allison Eatmon, Jenny Rapstine and Robyn Thomas-Stover are members of the company.

Tom & Doris Britten Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary

Thomas N. "Tom" and Doris Britten of Groom celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a Mass, reception and dance Saturday at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church and the American Legion Hall in Groom.

Hosts for the event were the couple's children and grandchildren.

Britten married the former Doris Acker on December 30, 1946, at Nazareth. They have lived in Groom for 50 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Britten have owned and operated Britten Supply since 1948.

Children of the couple and their spouses are Janice and Don Williams and Sharon and Danny Wilhelm, all of Amarillo; Diana and Robert Davenport and Connie Britten, all of Plano; Ronald and Cris Britten of Cheyenne, Wyoming; and

Patty Britten of Austin.

The couple have nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Attending the festivities in addition to their children and grandchildren were approximately 120 friends and relatives. Three couples attended from Amarillo, one couple from Claude and one couple from Sedan, New Mexico.

Video To Be Aired

The Discovery channel gave notification that the video filmed at the Devil's Rope Museum in October will be aired on December 18 at 8 p.m. (Central Standard Time). Be sure to check your local listings to verify the time.

The filming crew spent two days filming at the Museum and at the Trew Ranch. As usual there is no way to predict what will be shown, so tune in to see.



Tom & Doris Britten

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Weight Watchers Forming Community Group

Losing weight safely and effectively will soon be easier than ever for residents of Groom as Weight Watchers begins signing up members to attend weekly community group meetings. Community group meetings offer the same Weight Watchers program that has helped members achieve

their weight-loss goals for more than 30 years, the difference is that meetings are held at convenient community locations such as churches, schools and civic associations rather than at traditional Weight Watchers centers. By offering meetings in these locations, members can participate in the Weight Watchers program without a commute to a distant city or suburb.

Those wishing to start their New Years resolution now can call 1-800-651-6000 to find out about community group meetings in Groom, Texas.

Cubs Lost Tough Battle

By Coach Dudley Kelm
The Groom Junior High Cubs basketball team dropped a hard fought game to Wheeler last Monday night at Groom by a score of 54-45. The Cubs battled hard the entire game against a very big Wheeler team. Despite a superior

height advantage the Cubs stayed close until the very end of the game. Nicholas Anthony led Cub scorers with 20 points, followed by Dewayne Gray with 12, Clay Ritter with 6, Garrett Britten had 5, and Grant Weinheimer had 2. Others who played well in the game

were Cody Bivens, Russell Conrad, and Hugh Weinheimer.

The Cubs continue to show improvement and great hustle. The next Cub game is Monday December 9 against McLean at McLean.

Groom Jr. High Basketball By Coach Kelm

The Groom Junior High boys basketball team traveled to Silverton and were defeated by the Owls by the score of 55-37. The Cubs stayed very close through three quarters before falling behind in the final period. Even though the outcome of the game was not what we hoped it would be, we felt that we were improved from our first game. All of the boys gave great effort and this will begin to pay dividends. Clay Ritter led the scoring with 9 points followed by Cody Bivens with 6, Nicholas Anthony 7, Dewayne Gray 6, Grant Weinheimer 6, and Russell Conrad 2. Others who played in the game were Hugh Weinheimer, Luke Pavlovsky, Garrett Britten, Wyatt Britten, and Trey Britten.

Card of Thanks

We thank first of all our children and grandchildren for making this a very special occasion for us. Thanks to all who braved the bad weather to celebrate with us.

Tom & Doris Britten

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Win Survey
Clarendon and Canyon won the survey in the local expanded calling opinion poll held recently.

Groom Growth Corporation Elects Officers

The newly formed Groom Growth Corporation recently held its first meeting at the Groom Community Center. Present were Johnny Brumley, Greg Lamb, Pam Ashford, Joyce

Hutsell, Debbie Anthony, Forrest McLaughlin and Ben Ingham.

An election of officers was held. Ben Ingham was chosen president; Forrest McLaughlin, vice-president;

and Debbie Anthony, secretary-treasurer.

By-laws were also approved. They are too lengthy to publish in their entirety but the "News" will

capsulize them in the next edition.

Go Tigers!

Weather Causes Problems

Groom and the area picked up about 6 to 8 inches of snow as the first snow storm of the season hit over the Thanksgiving Holiday. Rain began to fall around 4:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 30. Around 5:00 a.m. the rain turned to snow. Big fluffy flakes fell faster than the highway department could clear it away and roads soon became treacherous. Sheriff's deputies, DPS troopers, area tow trucks and emergency workers stayed busy for the next 48 hours keeping vehicles pulled from the ditch.

Keith Barkley, a local auto mechanic and tow

truck operator, said that he pulled between 30-40 people out of the ditch in the 48 hour period.

Other tow truck operators had similar stories. Motels were full and restaurants couldn't keep the coffee pots full as workers and travelers tried to warm up. Tow trucks from Amarillo had to be called in as a number of semi-trucks jack-knifed and blocked already slow moving traffic.

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J.V. Girls Beat White Deer

Groom Junior Varsity girls played a very close match with White Deer last week. The Ettes won 34-31.

Jodi Homen led the scoring with 15 points. Carrie Davis added another 7. Jacey Richardson had 6, Jessica Kepley had 4 and Kori Brown had 2. The Junior Varsity boys

lost by a narrow margin 38-48.

Jamie Shuck led the scoring with 11 points, Chris Ollinger added another 10. Justin Homen scored 7, Evan Crowell and Wyatt Weinheimer each had 3 points. Dusty Crump had 2. Caleb Pool and Dean Fields each added 1 point.

Junior High Girls Beat Wheeler

Groom Junior High girls battled Wheeler Monday night. The 7th grade girls simply ran away with the game, winning 45-10. Krisanne Davis led the scoring with a whopping 25 points. Nicole Barnett,

Candace Bohr, Sarah Looten, Cassie Ashford and Karri Britten each had 4 points. The Eighth grade girls played a white knuckler going into overtime to win 23-21.

Skye Brown led the scoring with 10 points. Frances Britten added another 8 and Brooke Britten scored 5.

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Tigers, Lady Tigers Battie Hedley Owls

By Bonnie Hauck & Ashley Slagle - Tiger Rag Staff

The Tigers and Lady Tigers traveled to Hedley, November 26th to face off against the Owls. The first game was the Lady Tiger Junior Varsity. In the first half, the Lady Tigers scored twenty-two points with Annie Weaver leading the crew with nine of those points. However in the second half the Lady Tigers luck changed. In the third and final quarter the Owlettes held their own, keeping the Lady Tigers offense scoring only 12 points. In the end, the Lady Tigers defeated the Owlettes with the score of 34-32. High scorer was Freshman Annie Weaver.

The Tigers Junior Varsity was led by Sophomore Josh Swafford. In the first half the Tigers were behind by 10 points with the Owls leading 22-12. In the third

quarter, though, the Tigers tried to battle back, but their attempts failed, and the Owls won with the score of 51-34. High scorer was Freshman Brodey Carter.

The Lady Tiger Varsity victoriously defeated the Owlettes, 43-39. In the first half, the Lady Tigers got in serious foul trouble but still pulled through, 27-20. In the third, the Lady Tigers fell behind, 14-6, but struggled their way to a victory. High scorer was Sophomore Rachel Galley.

The Tigers fought hard, but were defeated by the Owls, 79-40. In the first half the Tigers score was

18-40, with Freshman Ike Hanes leading the pack. In the third quarter, the score was 26-65, in the Owls favor. In the final quarter the Owls blew past the Tigers, making them face their first loss.



Kaylee Shank will perform in the "Nutcracker Suite" in Pampa.

Winter's First Snow Creates Highway Havoc

McLean and the area had their first snow fall on November 30. The ice, snow and trouble on the highways lasted until around noon on Sunday. The McLean Fire Department made three wreck calls. Richardson's Texaco made eleven or twelve wreck calls. As far as pulling people out of the ditch, this number was not counted.

Deputy Larry Wallis said that there were less actual wrecks this time, but at least 30 assists to people in the median.

Sam Haynes reported that McLean received 40/100 of moisture from the rain and the snow.

DPS Report By: John Holland

On November 29, 1996 at 11:15 a.m. on IH-40 approximately 1.5 miles east of McLean Julia M. Schneider of Wichita, Kansas, driver of a 1994 Chevrolet pick up allowed

her vehicle to move to the right off the paved road. Schneider lost directional control in the grass and went into the ditch, jumped over the south service road and rolled over. As the vehicle rolled over the driver was thrown out. McLean Ambulance transported the driver and passenger to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. Both were released the following day.

On November 30, 1996 due to heavy snow the roadways became snow-packed and very slick. A Highway Patrol officer, Gray County deputies, and the McLean Volunteer Fire Department assisted numerous motorists on IH-40 after some had accidents and others slid off the roadway into the ditch. Those who reported accidents were: Raymond Conboy of Payson, Arizona, driving a truck tractor semi-trailer and Laura Hamilton of Austin, Texas (Formerly of Pampa, Texas) driving a

Ford Explorer were involved in a two vehicle accident east of Groom on IH-40.

Another accident also involving two vehicles occurred on IH-40 west of Alanreed. This accident involved a truck tractor semi-trailer driven by Wallace Wakeland of Fletcher, Oklahoma and a passenger car driven by Gina Demarco of Orland Park, Illinois.

Jason Hayes of Flora Vista, New Mexico and Jesus Navarro of Wolfforth, Texas were involved in a two car accident just west of McLean on IH-40.

The following four accidents occurred on IH-40 just east of McLean on the overpass at the 144 mile marker. They were all single vehicle accidents. The first accident was a Ford pick up pulling a horse trailer. The driver was Robert Bloom of Lubbock, Texas. The second accident involved Robert McLaughlin of Lake in the Hills, Illinois.

See Snow, pg. 10

"Angels of Love" Program Needs Providers

More than 30 children have been identified by the organizers of the Angels of Love program for this year. The Angels of Love, in its fourth year in McLean, provides a full set of clothes and a coat to children who might otherwise do without these essentials. Sponsored by Alpha Chi, the youth group at First Methodist Church in McLean, the program spends about \$100 per child. "During the past three years, the program has raised about \$5,000 in cash and gifts to help children right here in our own community," Rev. Thacker Haynes, pastor of the church, said.

Rev. Haynes explained that this is a community-wide effort. "The angels are children from infancy through age 18 from every denomination in town. Likewise the people who generously donate to the program are from all the churches and every area of McLean," he said. "The National Honor Society recently conducted a food drive so that we can also take a box of groceries to the families along with the angel gifts. I think this program shows all of us the true meaning of Christmas."

He said that several families in McLean donate

to the Angel of Love program instead of buying gifts for each other. "Our society seems to emphasize that we buy gifts for people who don't need them," he said. "This program really solves the shopping dilemma of trying to find the right gift for the person who has everything. This year, make a gift to the Angels of Love program and we'll send the person you name a special Christmas card noting your gift in their honor."

Those who wish to participate in the program may pick up an angel at local businesses or make a cash donation to the program. "Those who prefer to purchase a gift will find that each angel has one or two items on it," Rev. Haynes said. "If you prefer to give money, the youth from our church take all the information for the angels on a special shopping trip and purchases the items needed."

In the past, two retailers in Pampa, Wayne's Western Wear and Anthony's, gave the group 25 to 40% discounts on all the items they bought.

According to Tex and

Dollie Buckhaults and Janet Glass, who are organizing the program this year, all angels' gifts should be brought to the church by December 13. "We will shop on December 14, and then spend all day Sunday wrapping the gifts. Please don't wrap the gifts you buy. That gives us the opportunity to check sizes and colors and coordinate items for the angels," Mrs. Buckhaults said. "We have to have the gifts by Friday the 13th so we know what needs to be purchased. We don't want any child to get less than the others in the family."

Anyone wishing to donate to the Angels of Love can send their tax-deductible donation to Angels of Love, First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 125, McLean, TX 79057. "We're hoping that people will use this fund as a memorial to loved ones or to honor someone special. Can you think of a better gift for a newborn than a donation to help another child?" Buckhaults said.

Acknowledgements will be sent to families or to the person honored by the donation.

Interim Pastor For Trinity Baptist Church

John C. Denton has been named interim pastor for the Trinity Baptist Church in McLean. Raised in Hall County near Memphis he graduated from Lakeview High School. He attended Baylor University and graduated from Wayland Baptist University, then attended Golden Gate Seminary.

He served as a missionary to Alaska as a church builder, served three years in the Army Air Force during World War II.

In 1945 at Memphis he married Eulis Jester, they have five children and eleven grandchildren.

Most recently he served at 11th Street Baptist in Shamrock; Calvary Baptist in Pampa; First Baptist of Gruver; First Baptist in Fritch and Keeler Baptist in Borger. He also served in Alaska, California, and New Mexico as well as Texas.

John and Eulis are retired and make their home in Borger. Brother John said "We are happy to serve Trinity Baptist as interim pastor at the present time."

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FFA WILL TRAVEL to Amarillo on Wednesday, Dec. 4 for a field trip.

THURS., DEC. 5 & 7 The High School basketball teams will be in the Miami Tournament.

TUESDAY, DEC. 10 the High School basketball teams will play Wheeler Christian at Mobeetie. Game time is 6:30 pm.

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**McLean Birthdays
Anniversaries**

December 5 - Tammy Carter, Ryan Swanson, Marjorie Turnage, Amber Staton, Misty Keene, Craig Cunningham.

December 6 - Mike Long, Bud Steel.

December 7 - Mary Emma Woods, Judy Orrick, Dawson Jackson.

December 8 - Randall Wynn, Bo Loya, Jamie Glass, Katy Graham.

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

December 11 - Dorris Windom, Mrs. Otis Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. James Barker spent Thanksgiving in Amarillo with Jim, Susan, Patsey and Jamie Barker.

It's A Girl!

There's a new baby in the Herndon household. A beautiful baby girl was born on November 27 to Clint and Dawn Herndon of McLean. She weighed 8 pounds and 4 ounces and was 21 3/4" long. Her name is Caroline Marie Herndon. She is welcomed by her 4 1/2 year old sister, Kathryn.

Grandparents are Darryl Herndon of Houston, Linda Herndon of McLean, Jim Murphy of Amarillo and Eileen Murphy of Amarillo.

Great-grandparents are Annie Herndon of McLean and Elenore McNally of Philadelphia.

Briefs

Avalee Crockett is doing good. She was dismissed from the hospital Tuesday, November 26.

Dale and Mary Lou Glass traveled to Dallas to spend the holidays with all of their family.

Roy and Mary Richardson spent their Thanksgiving holiday with their son and family in Las Vegas.

Carrie and Shatrell spent most of their weekend working wrecks.

Larry and Brenda Wallis took Lacey and Jay to see their grandparents in Amarillo.

Jim and Emma Jean McDonald had all of their brood home for Thanksgiving. Trevor and Suzie from Wichita, Kansas; Paige Skinner and J.C. from Vernon; David and Lee Ann Feenstra, sons Jake and Owen, Chandler, Arizona; Logan and Kara Fox, daughters, Sarah and Haley, Hereford; Melody Tate, daughters, Logan, Kelsey and Alexis, Amarillo; James and Betty Throckmorton, Samnorwood; J.D. and Susan Kirkland and daughter, Kaley, Amarillo; Michale Throckmorton, Amarillo; Roy and Chloe

McMullen, Clifford and Linda McDonald, Robert McDonald, Q.D. and Deloris Beville of McLean.

Eison Rice spent Thanksgiving in Farmington, New Mexico at a Bull Bucking. Candie and Garrett could not get out of Amarillo. Cash Carpenter heard the weather and headed back to Santa Fe. Joe, Jem Ann and Katelyn braved the weather and with David, Shandee, DeShae and Jacob had Thanksgiving with Johnny and Mary Ann Carpenter.

Ruth Magee and daughter Donna spent Thanksgiving in Angel Fire, New Mexico. Ruth said that it was just beautiful.

Sherry Haynes turned 5 years of age on November 27. Her party was on November 23 with eleven kids wishing her "Happy Birthday".

Visiting in the home of Don Sanders this week-end were Granville Lilly, Herman Sanders, Tuffy, Stacy and Shelby Sanders, Juanita and Noble Fish.

Bob, Janet, Andy and Scott Glass along with Janet's mother, Patty Braden, spent Thanksgiving day with the Jim Whiteside family of Borger.

Barbara Bradley's mother, Ruby Anders, was recently ill and now has a pace maker. She returned home Thanksgiving Day to have dinner with the Donald Bradley family.

Randy, Bobbi, Shandon, Shaley Stalls, Will Shaw, Blake Crockett and Garrison Nippert of Mangum, Oklahoma went to the Steer Roping Finals in Guthrie, Oklahoma on Friday, November 29.

Trinity Baptist fed 45 for the monthly Feed The Youth.

**Area
Obituaries**

Bernard Tilford McClellan
Bernard Tilford McClellan, 70, died Thursday, November 28, 1996.

Services were in the Church of Christ with Pat Andrews, former minister of Abilene, officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery by

Lamb-Ferguson Funeral Home.

Mr. McClellan was born in McLean and graduated from McLean High School in 1944. He married Zaida Marie West in 1945 at Paris, Texas. He was an Army veteran of World War II and served in the Pacific Theater, Red Air Division and served during the occupation of Japan.

He was a farmer and rancher and a member of the Church of Christ. He also had attended the Veterans Vocational College of Agriculture.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Debra Winter

of San Angelo; a son, Robert Kelly McClellan of McLean; two sisters, Bernice Pyeatt of Claude and Betty Taylor of Hereford; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Hospice of the Panhandle, the McLean/Alanreed Museum or Church of Christ of McLean.

Joyce Evans
CANADIAN - Joyce Evans, 70, died Monday, November 25, 1996, at Lubbock. Services were in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Thacker Haynes, pastor of First United Methodist Church of McLean, officiating. Burial was in Wheeler Cemetery under the direction of Stickle-Hill Funeral Directors of Canadian.

Mrs. Evans was born January 8, 1926, at Silver Creek, Nebraska, to Francis and Fern Pickerel. She graduated from high school in California. She married L.L. "Jack" Evans on August 25, 1942 at El Paso; he died on April 26, 1973. The couple made their home on the Billy B. Davis Ranch between Lefors and McLean. She worked at Joy's Dress Shop and Mid Continent Oil Company in Canadian for eight years.

Survivors include three sons, Larry Evans of Page, Arizona, Scott Evans of Canadian and Rick Evans of Lubbock; two brothers, Dennis Pickerel of San Jacinto, California, and Dick Pickerel of La Mirada, California; six grandchildren, Angela Oberoi of Lubbock,

Stephanie Venchinzio of Los Angeles, California, Chris Evans of Austin, Dewayne Evans of Canadian, Elizabeth Evans of Page, Arizona, and Jack Evans of Lubbock.


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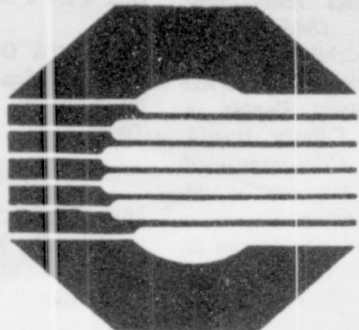
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McLean Care Center News

Residents working in crafts Monday morning were Sylvia McClellan, Thelma Finson, Imogene King, Sue Cubine, Phyllis Bailey and Truman Goodlett. In the afternoon the residents played bingo. They were Thelma Hopkins, Eula Morrow, Vernee Bowling, Beryl Halbert, Florence Drake, Virgie Everett, Phyllis Bailey, Sylvia McClellan, M.L. Rowan, Dick Wheeler, Annie Eudey, Teresa Richardson, Truman Goodlett, Sue Cubine and Jessie Watson. Bananas were furnished by the Lions Club. Volunteer helpers were Cliffie Heasley and Betty Lowe. An exercise

program was held following bingo.

Tuesday M.L. Rowan, Teresa Richardson and Imogene King played dominos. In the afternoon the following residents played bingo: Beryl Halbert, Vernee Bowling, Annie Eudey, Thelma Hopkins, Truman Goodlett, M.L. Rowan, Phyllis Bailey, Sylvia McClellan, Dick Wheeler, Teresa Richardson, Leon Tate, Eula Morrow, Jessie Watson, Thelma Finson and Sue Cubine. Following bingo was an exercise program.

Wednesday morning the residents gathered in the dining room for their donut circle. The donuts are furnished by Leta Mae Hess. They have a great time of visiting with each other. Those participating were Beryl Halbert, Vernee

Bowling, Thelma Hopkins, Truman Goodlett, Phyllis Bailey, Sylvia McClellan, Leon Burch, Sue Cubine, Ruby Ayers, Thelma Finson, Mable Dickey, Myrtle Allen, Varnie Lowe, Helen Glass, Betty McCurley, Florence Drake, and Marjorie Turnage. In the afternoon a movie was shown and popcorn was served.

Residents going out for Thanksgiving were Mable Dickey, Imogene King, Teresa Richardson, M.L. Rowan, Polly Burnett, Phyllis Bailey, Leon Tate, Maggie Lee, Helen Glass, Sue Cubine, Marjorie Turnage, Christine Shipley, Jessie Watson, Varnie Lowe, Betty McCurley and Mary Carter. A traditional dinner of turkey, dressing, vegetable, hot rolls and pumpkin pie was served to the residents that remained.

Friday "The Greatest Show On Earth" movie was shown. Those attending were George Garrett, Sylvia McClellan, Leon Tate, Virgie Everett, Florence Drake and Lula Sheegog.

Thomas-Smith Plan December Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Billy W. Thomas of McLean, Texas announce the engagement of their daughter, Amber Renee to Billy Smith, son of Bill Smith and Patricia Smith of Childress, Texas.

The bride-elect is a 1995 graduate of McLean High School. She is currently attending Amarillo College and majoring in nursing, while working at Georgia Manor Nursing Home in Amarillo.

The future groom is a 1993 graduate of Childress High School. He is currently attending WTAMU in Canyon and majoring in General Agriculture. He is self employed and works contract labor for individual ranchers in Canyon.

The couple will exchange vows on the 28th of December, 1996 at the First United Methodist Church in McLean. They plan to make their home in Amarillo while continuing their education.

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McLean Cubs

The McLean Cubs played in the Lefors tournament November 21, 22 and 23.

The girls won a 2nd place playing Pampa Academy with a score of 13-27. Teddra Simmons scored 3, Shannon Graybeal, Jessie Daniels and Nikki Hefley each had 2 points, while Austin Williams led the scoring with 4 points.

The boys won 1st place with a win over Wheeler Christian 51-3. Randy Floyd led all scorers with 16 points. Robbie Bradley added 9 while David Swafford poured in 5.

Terrell Hembree, Ben Ridgley, Josh Logan and Chris Sparling each added 4

points. Brad Sawyer had 3 and Coy Tolleson had 2.

In the game with Pampa Academy the Cubs won with a score of 44-31. Randy Floyd led scorers with 12 points with Gabriel Vega adding 10. Terrell Hembree had 8 and Ben Ridgley 6. Robbie Bradley scored 5 for the Cubs and Brad Sawyer added 3 more with Ricky Smith putting in 1 to complete the scoring.

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Junior High Teams Defeat Miami Warriors

Jr. High Basketball McLean

The Junior High basketball teams went home with smiles after defeating the teams from Miami. The girls won 25-18. Randi Riley made two beautiful long shots. Lauren Williams and Cesily Cadra both made great lay-ups. The girls played team work ball and it paid off.

Randi Riley and Austin Williams each scored 6 points for the Lady Cubs while Teddra Simmons had 5, and Jessie Daniels 4. Cesily Cadra and Twila Williams each added 2 points.

The boys won 43-26. The game was fast, with plays executed and shots made. Coy Tolleson made some beautiful lay-up shots as a result of plays being

carried through. Great long shots were made by Terrell Hembree.

Randy Floyd scored a whopping 19 points to lead the Cubs scoring. Terrell Hembree and Gabriel Vega added 6 points each while Ben Ridgley and Robbie Bradley had 4 points. Brad Sawyer and David Swafford each scored 2 points to add to the final score.

Annie Herndon Family Holds Reunion Over Thanksgiving

The family of Annie Herndon had their annual Thanksgiving dinner reunion. Seven of eight children were present: Daughter Louise Avery, her son Kelly Avery,

daughter-in-law Terry Avery, granddaughter Chastity Avery and Grandson Bobby Avery all of Amarillo.

Daughter Ann Hanes, her daughter Carla Kirkland, granddaughter Destiny Kirkland and Destiny's nephew Hunter Kirkland of McLean. Her son Marshal Hanes, daughter-in-law Tammy Hanes, grandsons Ike and Tyler Hanes all of McLean.

Daughter Charlene Miller and her husband Pete Miller of Amarillo.

Daughter Patsy Henley of Dumas. Her son Mike Henley, daughter-in-law Linda Henley, granddaughter Sarah Elizabeth Henley of Dumas, her daughter Becky Matthews, grandson Chris Matthews and granddaughter Erin Matthews of Huttig, Arkansas.

Son Durward Herndon and wife Sue Herndon of Dumas. Their daughter Shella Pope, her husband Steve and Steve's mother all of Arlington.

Son Darryl Herndon of Houston, his wife Jane Herndon of McLean. His daughter Teresa Hasty, her sons Josh and Matthew Hasty of Perryton, his daughter Revena of Liberal, Kansas. His granddaughter Kathryn Rene' Herndon of Alanreed and her grandmother Linda Needham of Alanreed.

Daughter Kathleen Reynolds and her husband Gerald of McLean, their daughter and son-in-law Angela and Billie Billings of

Shamrock, their daughter Alicia Reynolds of McLean, their son and daughter-in-law Clay and Sherry Reynolds of McLean.

Great niece Danelle Comer and daughter Ashley of McLean.

After dinner guests, Sasha Fish and daughter Taylor Fish of McLean, Jimmy and Jenny Armbrister and Calvin of McLean and Amber Kingston of McLean.

A traditional Thanksgiving dinner and trimmings was overly enjoyed by all. Everyone enjoyed visiting and reminiscing about days gone by and looking forward to next year.

There were 51 in attendance: 7 were children, 11 were grandchildren and 12 were great-grandchildren and she has many, many more.

Class Practices Life Skills

Mrs. Hommel's Special Ed. class, grades six through high school are practicing



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The class has a "store" called H and B Mart. Items for sale are anything from pencils to tee shirts. These students are not spending real money. It is a reward system in the classroom for success in banking.

McLean School Menu

December 9 - 13

Mon. Waffles, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken strips & gravy, mashed potatoes, oven fried okra, hot rolls, brownies, milk. Tues. Cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Meat & cheese nachos, salad, crackers, ranch style beans, cobbler, milk. Wed. Cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Grilled

chicken breast, curly fries, broccoli & cheese sauce, hot rolls, cake, milk. Thurs. Scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits, juice, milk. Lunch: Burritos, chili, cheese, salad, corn, pudding, milk. Fri. Donut, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Turkey, dressing, gravy, or ham, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit salad, rolls, milk.

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Snow

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A formal administration of the Estate is not contemplated as there does not appear to be a necessity for same at this time; all

properties have been accounted for and disposed of and all known creditors paid. Bobby N. Babcock, P.O. Box 642, Groom, TX 79039, holds funds for the satisfaction of any creditors who may have valid claims against the Estate, and such creditors should present such claims to him at this time at the address shown above.

Dated this 27th day of November, 1996.

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This procedure and notice is in accordance with Chapter 262 of the Local Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated which requires publication of this notice for at least three consecutive weeks

immediately preceding the day of the scheduled bid opening. Bids are to be delivered to Agnes Bell, County Auditor of Carson County, Texas, prior to 10:00 a.m., on Friday, December 20, 1996, the date and time at which such bids shall be publicly opened, read and considered by the Commissioner's Court. The Court shall award the contract to the responsible bidder who submits the lowest and best bid, or reject all bids and publish a new notice or take such other action as is authorized by said Local Government Code. Additionally, the award of the contract, if at all, shall be made to the responsible offeror whose proposal is determined to be the lowest evaluated offer resulting from negotiation, taking into consideration the relative importance of price and other evaluation factors in accordance with Section 262.030 of said Code.

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