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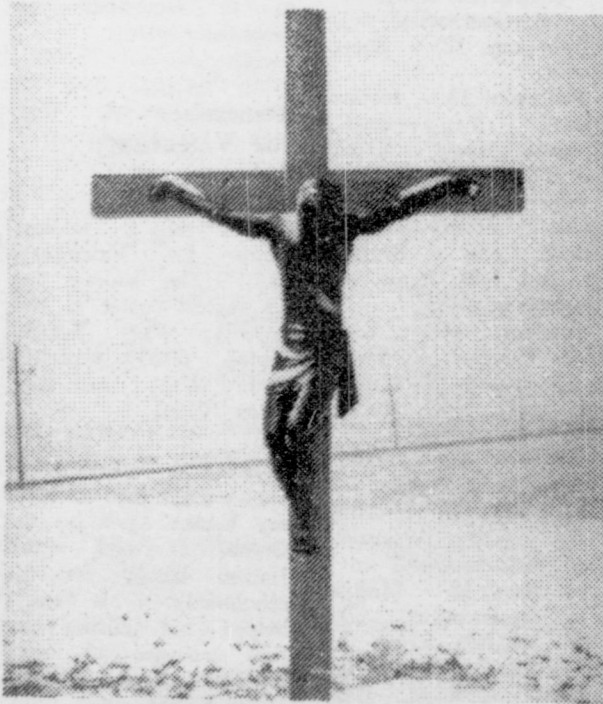
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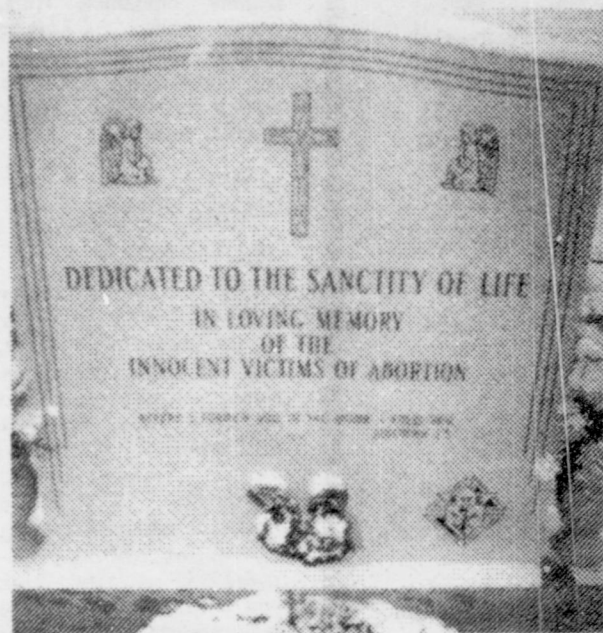
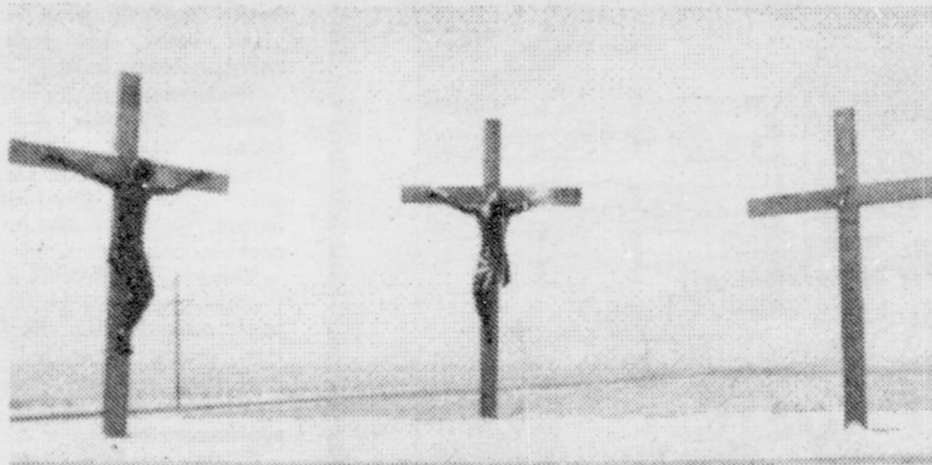
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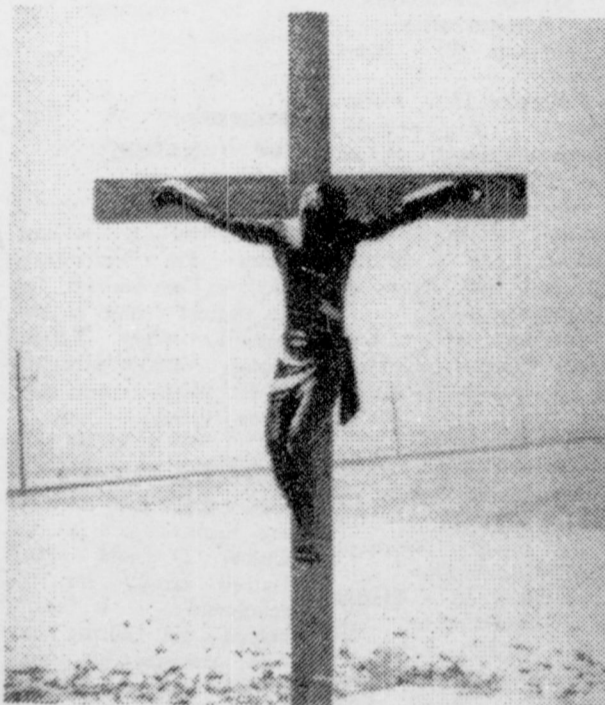
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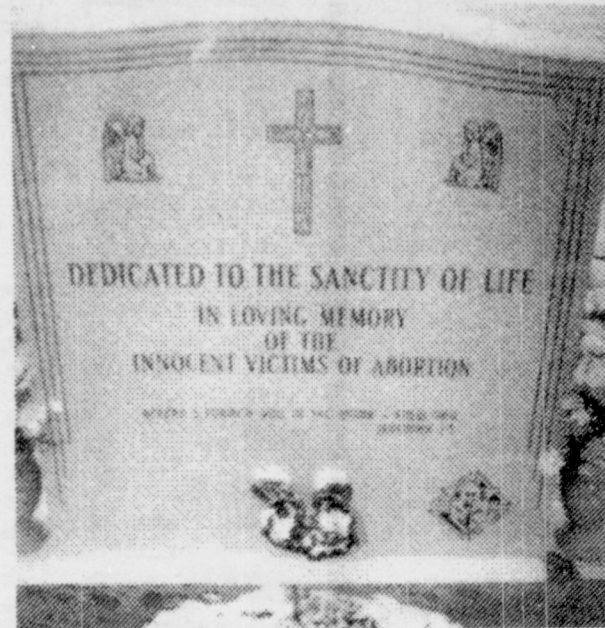
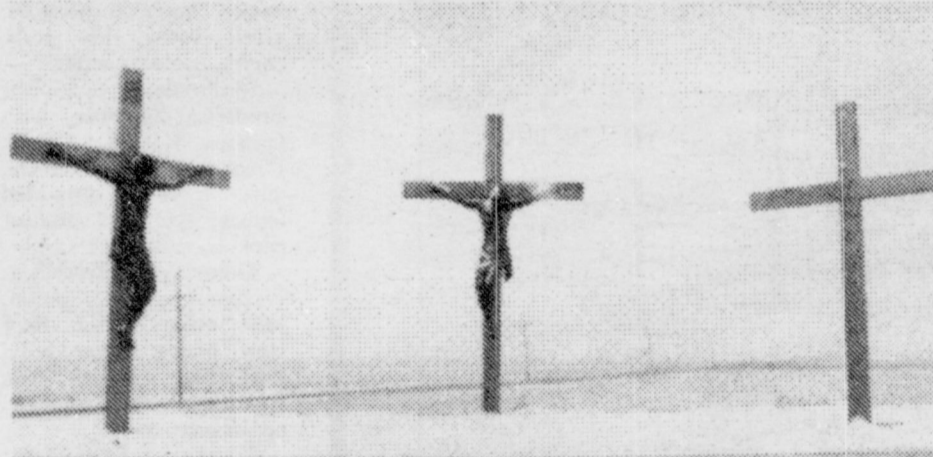
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## Local Happenings

There will be a wedding at The Cross on Saturday morning at 11 a.m. The couple being united is from Pennsylvania. Come and wish them good luck on their wedding day!

Rip and Joy Snyder were Pampa visitors Friday.

The Groom News staff enjoys receiving letters from Father Corcoran who is living in Panhandle at St. Joseph's.

Among his comments, he thought that Judie Mayberry, author of "Our Man Behind The Badge"

and Delbert Trew, author of many columns for The McLean News, should both be listed on the President's List at WTSU.

Thanks for reminding us to remember the veterans!

### Remember A Vet For Valentine's

Drop a line to a veteran in a medical center for Valentine's Day! The address for the nearest center is The Amarillo Vets Affairs Center, 6020 Amarillo Blvd. West, Amarillo, Texas 79106.

### Card Of Thanks

I would just like to say thanks again to the Glynn D and Sybil Harrell family for the scholarship. It really helped out during my first semester at Frank Phillips College.  
Joe Britten

### Groom School Menu

February 16-30  
Monday: No School  
Tuesday Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk.  
Lunch: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, cherry cobbler, milk.

Wednesday Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, hash browns, juice, milk.  
Lunch: Mexican Pile On, cut corn, shredded lettuce, yummy oatmeal cookies, milk.

Thursday Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, milk. Lunch: Beef stew, peanut butter, jelly, tuna salad sandwich, corn bread, crackers, applesauce, milk.

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

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If you are a senior that is planning to major in newspaper journalism, The Groom - McLean News would like to nominate you for the prestigious Panhandle Press Association Scholarship. Please contact the office in Groom by calling 806-248-7333, if you think you may meet the requirements. The deadline is March 15, don't delay!

### NOTICE

Mrs. Jean Atchley and sister from Tyler, Texas visited Uncle Rip and Aunt Joy Snyder recently.

The 10 cent pictures from The Groom News will be located at the Dairy Queen for a short time. Have a cup of coffee and look through them at your leisure.

**TA**

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### Correction

One boy was Treadwell, not Jimmy misnamed in the picture Chavedo, was pictured. on the front page of last Sorry for any weeks edition of the inconvenience the mix-up Groom News. Daniel may have caused.

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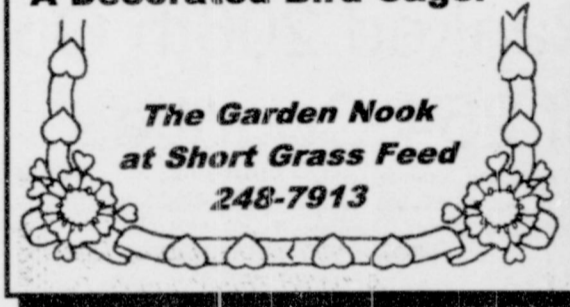
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**Groom JV & Junior High  
1998 Football Schedule**

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
09-10	* Samnorwood	Groom	6:00
09-17	Open		
09-24	** Silverton	TBA	5:00
10-01	** McLean	Groom	5:00
10-08	** Follett	Follett	5:00
10-15	* Ft. Elliott	Groom	6:00
10-22	** Miami	Miami	5:00
10-29	* Lefors	Lefors	6:00
11-05	* Higgins	Groom	6:00

\* Denotes JH Only Game  
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(This is a tentative schedule subject to change)

**Ettes Play Best  
Game Of The Year**

Last week, Groom teams played Silverton. The Junior Varsity girls team lost, 45-17. Brooke Britten led the scoring with 8 points. Skye Brown added another 5. Michele Stephens and Kristi Barkley each added 2 points.

The Junior Varsity boys won in a very close match against the Owls 44-37. Dusty Crump led the scoring with 16 points. Evan Crowell added another 8, Wade Ritter had 7, Caleb Pool 5, and Dustin Babcock had 4. Dewayne Gray and Justin Homen each added 2 points.

The Groom Ettes lost to Silverton in what could only be described as a heart breaker in overtime, 45-47.

"This is the best the girls have played all year," stated Coach Randy Yelverton. "I was very proud of them." Angie Conrad led all scorers with 11 points.

Karen Conrad and Jessica Stapp added 9 each. Mary Hutsell earned 6 points for Groom. Jessica Friemel and Melissa Anthony had 4 each and Carrie Sue Davis added 2.

The Varsity Tigers were out-distanced by

Silverton 34-71. Josh Evenson was high point with 18 points. Wyatt Weinheimer earned 5 and Chris Ollinger 4 points. Toby Burgin and Daniel Treadwell each scored 3 while Dean Fields added 1.

"I really feel like the pressure got to the boys," stated Yelverton. "We really have not been in a play-off situation in two years. Most of these boys have not experienced this kind of pressure."

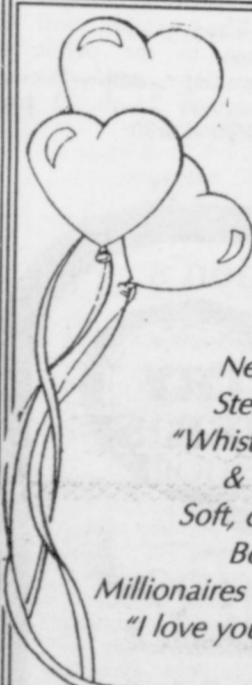
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09-18	New Home	Silverton	7:00
09-25	Cotton Center	Cotton Center	7:30
10-02	McLean	Groom	7:30
10-09	Follett *	Groom	7:30
10-16	Ft. Elliott *	Ft. Elliott	7:30
10-23	Miami *	Groom	7:30
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11-06	Higgins*	Higgins	7:30

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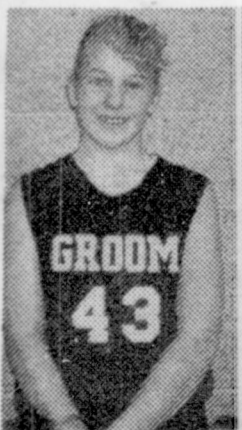
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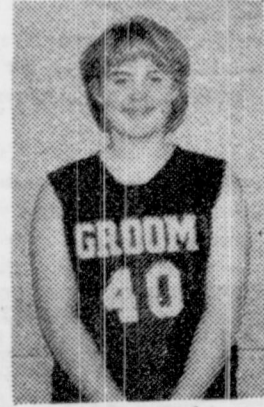
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Penny McMahan



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Stephany Fraser

**Board**



**Tina Painter  
Named Alpha Mu  
Xi Sweetheart**

Tina Painter, a member of Groom's Alpha Mu Xi Sorority since 1993 was recently chosen Sweetheart of the organization. She is currently serving as treasurer and has been involved in their Thanksgiving Senior Citizen's dinners, Groom Day events, the Nite of Music, annual Easter Egg hunt, and many other club activities. She said, "I believe the more you put into your sorority, the

more you will receive in return." Tina is married to Tony Painter. They have two children, Brady 3 and Christy 9 months. She is the daughter of Ernest and Dorothy Weller of Groom. In addition to these activities, she has been running Tina's Hair Carosel for ten years. She enjoys sewing, painting, and crafts of all kinds.

judge and Joyce Hutsell, absentee election judge.

The Board also passed a policy concerning visitors to the school. It is as follows: All visitors to the schools, including parents and Board members, are welcome to visit the campus; however, prominent notices shall be posted at each campus that all visitors must first report to the principal's office. Visits to individual classrooms during instructional time shall be permitted only with the principal's approval, and such visits shall not be permitted if their duration or frequency interferes with the delivery of instruction or disrupts the normal school environment.

The Board went into closed session at 8:50 pm to discuss personnel assignments for 1998-99. They came out of executive session at 9:40 pm. No action was necessary.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned.

**Courtney Burgin  
Named To President's  
List At North Texas U**

Courtney Burgin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Burgin of Groom, was named to the President's List at the University of North Texas for the 1997 Fall semester. She achieved a perfect grade point average of 4.0. Her name was submitted to the National Dean's List, a publication which recognizes outstanding academic achievements of

**Junior High  
Teams Finish  
97-98 Season**

Groom Junior High basketball teams finished up their 1998 season last week.

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The 8th grade girls lost by 2 points 28-31. Krisanne Davis and Amanda Martin shared high point honors with 6 each. Nichole Barnett added another 5. Amanda Conrad and Cassie Ashford each earned 4. Candace Bohr had 3 points.

S.B. and LaFern Ball of Amarillo visited Rip and Joy Snyder Sunday night.

**4-Hers, FFAers Travel  
To Stock Show**

Several 4-H and FFA members travelled to stock shows over the weekend. Dara Whatley and Cody Britten, 4-H members, went to the Fort Worth show. Dara placed first in her class of light weight polled herefords. Cody placed 8th in the American heavy weight out of 50 animals. Both made the sale.

April Burton and Kori Brown, FFA members, traveled to San Antonio for the heifer show. April earned a 1st and 2nd in each of her respective classes. Kori won a second place in her class.

**Students To Visit  
Artrain In Pampa**

Groom High School art students will be visiting the "Artrain" in Pampa in the near future. The "Artrain" is a traveling exhibit from the Smithsonian. Students will enjoy demonstrations of various types of art. The exhibit has been touring for twenty years with this being the first time it has stopped in the Texas Panhandle.

The exhibit will be open to the public on Saturday and Sunday, February 21 & 22 from 10:30 - 5:30.

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Carson County Commissioners met on February 9, 1998. Present for the meeting were Judge Roselius, Commissioners' Pat Britten, Jerry Strawn, and Kevin Howell.

Commissioner "Choc" Smith was absent. Minutes were read and approved and all claims were approved. The court reviewed and approved several requests to cross county right-of-

ways with communication and gas lines. The requests were all in Precinct #2. A request to replace an existing communication line by G.T.E. was approved. A

request to replace an existing communication line by G.T.E. was approved. A request from Red's Ditching Service to cross two roads with natural gas lines was also approved.

Judge Roselius presented a year-end report from Panhandle Community Services concerning dollars which were spent to benefit needy residents of Carson County. The assistance was in the following areas: Housing, Utility Payments, Emergency Food Payments, Rental Assistance, and Vendors.

A total of \$35,133.00 was spent in these areas by P.C.S.

A review of a report by the Carson County Extension Office concerning the Americans with Disabilities Act as relates to the courthouse

was discussed. It was noted that the building and offices were in compliance.

Commissioners' reviewed Tier II information as relates to their individual precincts. The reports concern the storage of hazardous materials on county property. The reports are due annually.

Judge Roselius informed the court that Bobby Head had been hired on a part-time basis as custodian at the courthouse.

County elected officials helped with the purchase of an animal from Groom during the recent Carson County Stock Show.

Roslyn Watson, Carson County Tax Collector, reported that 94.98% of the total taxes due have been paid as of January 31, 1998.

Court adjourned until February 23, 1998.

# Services Held For Longtime Resident, Mrs. Gladys Anglin



Tom Moore of the First United Methodist Church officiating. Arrangements were by Schooler Funeral Home, Inc.

Mrs. Anglin was born in Tell, Texas in 1911. She had been a resident of Groom since 1928. She married Irwin Anglin in 1927. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Anglin was preceded in death by her husband in 1987, a daughter, Yolanda Clark in 1991, and two sons, Kenneth and Donald Anglin.

Survivors include a daughter, Shirley A. Fields of Groom; a son, Leon Anglin of Mountain Home, Arkansas; a sister, Jewel Mitchell of Tucumcari, New Mexico; 16 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Groom Ambulance Fund.

**Gladys Anglin**  
Gladys Anglin, 86, died February 8, 1998 in Pampa, Texas.

Graveside services were Tuesday, February 10, 1998 at the Groom City Cemetery with the Rev.

# Lee Cockrell On "County Leadership"

News Release #6 February 12, 1998

Years ago you could find people at home during the day, early evening, or on week ends. Now everyone works just to make ends meet. I will continue to send my campaign messages to the voters in news releases. Years ago the average income tax was 15%. Now it is about 40%. I have a question for you. If the church makes it on 10% donations, why does the government need 40%? Our churches have businessmen as money managers, could be the answer. They are much better managed than the government. The people can take back government, a precinct, a county, and one district at a time. The public has to care enough to go vote.

County government goes back to England over 2,000 years ago. Carson County was created in 1876 from the Baxer Territory and became an organized county in 1888. My great-grandfather Garrison settled on several thousand acres near Pantex in 1891. He dug a 350' well in 1892. My other great-grandfather Ingrum settled in southwest Carson County north of Washburn in 1896. They were both county leaders. They served when asked to.

In the 1890's a county judge was selected by the residents. The residents also selected assembly men, now called commissioners to represent the public. They met one day each month without pay. Their duties were to hire a tax assessor-collector, hire a school teacher, hire a sheriff, and hire someone to maintain the roads and bridges. The county judge set the salaries and managed the county business. He still does. Now the Carson County judge sets salaries, proposes a budget, and decides how two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) each year will be spent. The judge's job as county manager and budget director is a very important job. He also proposes tax increases.

All of the heretofore mentioned jobs are now elected. At one time all county jobs were filled by civic minded citizens without pay. Now most of your elected officials are just looking for a job or a better job than the one they have. Polls show that very few people now run for an office because they want to serve, contribute, or even have a cause. The jobs are all about money. Hey, I am just telling it like it is.

Now as county judge my job would be to set salaries according to fair market value for the job while balancing the scales by looking after the interests of our tax paying residents. The idea that inflated salaries don't really hurt anyone is false. It hurts every tax payer. County government is not a jobs program. It should be a service program where county employees are paid and treated fairly according to the jobs and services they perform. I have the leadership experience to make those decisions. Only a self employed businessman has the experience to manage the county's business well.

My position on the Carson County judge's salary. Isn't that what you have been wanting? I believe the salary is much too high compared to the sheriff and justice of the peace. The sheriff may be called out at 2 a.m. to get shot at. The J.P. handles a lot of court cases, arraignments, and is the small claims court judge in cases up to \$5,000.00. The district judge handles the felony cases. Our district judge and district attorney operate private law offices. What would I do about the Carson County judge salary? First as judge I would recommend to the commissioners court that all car allowances be cancelled. If they refuse, I would donate my car allowance and meal allowance to a youth recreation park. Most counties have one. What is my angle on this? I don't have one. I make a donation to my church everytime I attend which averages about 25 times a year. Now wait a minute, I have never taken an IRS deduction on church donations. What is my angle? I believe in what I am doing.

O.K., I have just told you one of my causes (a recreational park) for seeking the judge's post. I will say again my main reasons are to balance the deficit budget, offer budget management, and give our citizens a better qualified choice for judge. The U.S. President has term limits as does our governor. They are limited to two 4-year terms. Our tax and spend democrat judge has had four terms or 16 years. It is time to vote term limits on him. It is time for a change. I believe tax relief is possible with new county leadership.

You have paid taxes to Carson County for years. What have you got to show for it? If you will give me four years as judge and county manager, I assure you the county will have something to show for my four years in office. Even if my four county average salary plan is accepted by commissioners, I still plan to take \$12,000 per year of my judge salary to purchase land for the recreational park and indoor events center. This would not cost the county one cent. Several months ago I started checking on land in and around Panhandle which is the center of the county. The indoor arena would be about 60' by 250'. It would seat about 2,000 people. I have 1,000 seats that I bought from Marvin Sparks in 1966 when I built an indoor sports arena in Amarillo. The building would cost about \$30,000.00. I am willing to pledge \$48,000.00 over four years from my judge salary. The indoor arena could be used for youth stock shows, youth rodeos and other sports events. Let me say again this is one of the reasons I am running for judge and it will not cost tax payers a penny. I have never seen an armored car follow a funeral convoy. I am ready to give something back to society that will benefit our youth for decades.

Lets get back to politics. I am the only candidate with the college education, corporate CEO experience, and a lifetime of self employed business, to manage the county and handle the law enforcement parts of the judgeship. As I have said before my running for judge is not about money and I don't need the job. I have things I want to accomplish for the county. One person can make a difference. I am semi-retired, but not ready to do nothing. One of the best mayors Amarillo has ever had was a 65 year old retired Pantex Plant manager. He like me was not ready to do nothing when one can still contribute to society and enjoy doing it.

As a candidate for Carson County Judge, I am asking you to vote for me in the republican primary, March 10th. Next week my news release is "What I Believe." Until our next visit, I am,

Cordially yours,  
Lee Cockrell

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Austin, Tx. -- Free tax preparation and assistance for middle and low-income older people is available from AARP Tax-Aide from February 1 through April 15. AARP Tax-Aide volunteers, trained in cooperation with the Internal Revenue Service, will be offering help with personal income tax returns to people age 60 and older at various locations throughout Texas.

"The AARP Tax-Aide program is a wonderful resource for older people," said Chris Lamberti, Southwest Regional Coordinator. "Tax laws, including special provisions for older people, can often be confusing. AARP Tax-Aide volunteers can make the process of filling out tax returns a whole lot easier."

Last year 31,000 AARP Tax-Aide volunteers helped more than 1.5 million older people file their federal, state and local tax returns. The program is offered at more than 10,000 sites around the

country including senior centers, libraries, and other convenient locations. Service is also available from homebound individuals.

Call the toll-free number, 1-888-AARP NOW (1-888-227-7669) or visit our website at <http://www.aarp.org/taxaide/home.htm> to locate an AARP Tax-Aide site near you.

## More Local Happenings

Know Someone who is sick, ailing, recovering or in the hospital? Please contact us at the Groom - McLean News Office.

Donald and Juandell Ritter were in Lubbock Saturday, February 7th, to see grandson Chance Overstreet compete in the Tega Boys Invitational Gymnastics Meet.

Chance had 4 first places and 1 second place in six events. He was first all-around in the twelve year and older group in Class 5.

## Musicians Earn High Marks At UIL Contest

Forty-three Junior High and High School students traveled to West Texas A&M University to participate in the U.I.L. solo and ensemble contest on Saturday, February 7, 1998.

Groom students worked very hard and brought home 40 medals.

Here is a list of the ensembles and their ratings.

Dustin Babcock, Evan Crowell, Josiah Scott and Sarah Hutsell earned a II rating with their brass quartet. Their judge offered this critique. . . "Good selection of music. Trumpets should play with more conviction. Good sounds by group."

Competing as a medium ensemble were Cassie Ashford, Cody Britten, Richard Barkley, Nichole Barnett, Candace Bohr, Brett Britten, Garrett Britte, Karri Britten, Lainaie Britten, Stacie Britten, Wyatt Britten, Erin Burgin, David Cockrell, Russell Conrad, Lauren Crowell, Dusty Crump, Krisanne Davis, Stephany Fraser, Amanda Martin, Penny McMahan, Amber Moore, Luke Pavlovsky, Jill Britten, and Jessica McMahan. Their judge said, "Very nice

## School Trustee Workshop To Be Held For Candidates, Members, Curious

(Amarillo, Tx) -- Area school board candidates and interested citizens

will have an opportunity to learn more about the challenges and rewards of trustee service at a school board candidate workshop, Thursday, February 26, 7-9 p.m. at the Region 16 Education Service Center (1601 South Cleveland, Amarillo).

The workshop will provide school board candidates and other interested citizens with a better understanding of

what is involved in being elected and serving as a trustee. Experienced school board members will explain board members' key responsibilities and outline the qualities necessary for effective service.

Topics to be covered include the school board's duties and responsibilities, important ethical practices during board service, how board members are accountable for the education of students and keys to responsible campaigns. Participants

will also view *A Call To Service*, a Texas Association of School Boards' video highlighting many aspects of board service featuring several experienced school trustees.

The workshop is open to all school board candidates, interested community members and current school board members. For more information contact your local superintendent or Lisa Carothers at TASB, 512-467-0222 or 800-580-8272, extension 6161.

preparation for this performance. Would like to hear this tune more separated. Over all good job."

They received a I rating.

Brooke Britten, Skye Brown, Allison Eatmon, Katrinia Meaker, and Maggie Thomas competed as a woodwind ensemble. They received a III rating.

Comments included "Good start, nice intro. Careful with breathing marks. Play together."

Receiving a I rating was a percussion ensemble consisting of Macie Babcock, Karri Britten, Lainie Britten,

Macie Britten, Sam Thomas, and Clay Ritter.

"Good overall performance," stated the judge, "work of more overall dynamic contrast."

Dustin Babcock, Travis Britten, and Doug Fields competed in a baritone trio earning a II.

The judge suggested that the group work on blend and balance and that they keep working toward a flawless performance.

A woodwind ensemble with members Cassie Ashford, Nichole Barnett, Amanda Conrad and Krisanne Davis received a I. "Overall good

performance," stated the judge. "Work for better blending."

Competing in the brass quartet were Brett Britten, Lauren Crowell, Stephanie Fraser, and Amanda Martin. "Good performance and horn sounds. Tone is the most important thing one must have."

Also earning a I rating were Candace Bohr, Wyatt Britten, Russell Conrad, Lance Ollinger, and Clay Ritter in a brass quintet.

"Overall, good sound. Work on dynamic contrast," stated their judge.

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Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to charge an additional 26 cents per month per line to recover costs for providing Expanded Local Calling service (ELC) to certain Texas Customers.

The 26 cents per month surcharge would not be billed to customers who receive ELC. However, customers who receive ELC and pay less than the maximum \$3.50 a month residential ELC charge or less than the maximum \$7 business ELC charge will have to pay the additional 26 cents per month charge.

Expanded Local Calling was created in 1993 by Texas legislation that requires telephone companies to provide toll-free calling between small towns that share a community of interest such as a school or hospital district. The legislation allows telephone companies to recover costs not paid through customer charges by applying a surcharge to all other customers in the state who do not receive the ELC service or who do not pay the maximum ELC rate. The maximum monthly ELC rate allowed under state law is \$3.50 per line for residential customers and \$7 per line for business customers.

Southwestern Bell estimates that the 26 cents per month per line charge will recover the \$27 million annual cost of providing ELC service that is not recovered from ELC rates.

If approved by the PUC, the monthly statewide surcharge of 26 cents per line per month will begin with the April, 1998 billing cycles, with an agreement to refund all or part of the charge if the PUC does not approve it.

For questions about the reasons for the charge, please call the Southwestern Bell Business Office listed in your directory.

The PUC assigned Docket Number 18513 to this proceeding. The deadline for intervention in this matter is March 31, 1998. Persons who wish to intervene or comment in these proceedings should notify the PUC by March 31, 1998. All requests to intervene should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX, 78711-3326. For information intervening, please call the PUC at 1-888-782-8477 or at 512-936-7120.

## AVISO PUBLICO

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) presentó una solicitud ante la Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (PUC) para cobrar 26 centavos más al mes por línea para recuperar los costos por el servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) a ciertos clientes en Texas.

El cargo de 26 centavos al mes no se cobrará a los clientes que reciben ELC. Sin embargo, los clientes que reciben ELC y pagan menos del máximo de \$3.50 al mes por el servicio ELC residencial o menos del máximo de \$7 por el servicio ELC comercial, tendrán que pagar 26 centavos adicionales a su pago mensual.

El servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) fue establecido en 1993 por la legislación del estado de Texas y requiere que las compañías prestadoras de servicios telefónicos ofrezcan llamadas de larga distancia gratuitas entre pequeñas poblaciones que comparten un interés común tales como distritos escolares y de hospitales. Esta ley permite que las compañías telefónicas recuperen los costos no pagados mediante cargos a clientes, a través de un cargo a todos los demás clientes en el estado que no reciben el servicio ELC o que no pagan la tarifa máxima del servicio ELC. La tarifa máxima mensual permitida por la ley estatal es \$3.50 por línea para clientes con servicio residencial y \$7 por línea para clientes con servicio comercial.

Southwestern Bell calcula que los 26 centavos al mes por línea cubrirán los \$27 millones del costo anual del servicio ELC que no está cubierto por las tarifas de ELC.

Si la PUC autoriza el cargo mensual estatal de 26 centavos al mes por línea éste comenzará a partir de los ciclos de facturación de abril 1998, con el acuerdo de reembolsar todo o parte del cargo si la PUC no lo autoriza.

Para preguntas relacionadas con este cargo, por favor llame a la Oficina Local de Southwestern Bell listada en su directorio telefónico.

La PUC asignó el número de registro de 18513 a este procedimiento. El plazo de intervención sobre este asunto terminará el 31 de marzo de 1998. Las personas que deseen intervenir o hacer comentarios sobre este procedimiento deberán notificar a la PUC antes del 31 de marzo de 1998. Todas las solicitudes de intervención deberán enviarse por correo a Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. Para mayor información sobre la intervención, por favor comuníquese con la PUC al 1-888-782-8477 o al 512-936-7120.

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## Gray Co. 159th, Out of 254 Texas Counties For Tax Rates

Comparing county and school tax rates has just been made easier thanks to a new report by TTARA Research Foundation - an Austin-based, non-profit research group that is affiliated with the Texas Taxpayers and Research Association.

The report lists and ranks city's with populations over 3,500 as well as Counties and School Districts. While McLean does not fall into that category, it does have some interesting data on the status of the county and the school district.

Among the state's largest cities, looking at 1995-96 overall property tax rates, adjusted to account for appraisal level differences, the highest is Fort Worth at \$2.93 per \$100 value and lowest in Laredo at \$2.18 per \$100.

Gray County was ranked 159 out of 254 counties in Texas. The county rate was \$ 0.4107 compared to an average of \$0.4829 statewide. Breaking down the tax, 0.0619 goes for Farm to Market Flood Control and 0.3488 is intended for the general fund.

High on the numerical list was Motley County, coming in 14th in the state with a whopping \$0.7900 per \$100 valuation. Other

neighboring counties were as follows:

- 133. Wheeler County - \$0.4503
- 153. Castro County - \$0.4310
- 206. Carson County - \$0.3433
- 211. Hutchinson County - \$0.3400
- 212. Donley County - \$0.3388
- 213. Armstrong County - \$0.3382

The average school district rate for 1995 was \$1.37 per \$100 value. McLean ISD fell under the state average with \$1.31. Other area districts reported as follows:

- Allison - \$1.32
- Canyon - \$1.26
- Channing - \$1.12
- Childress - \$1.18
- Chillicothe - \$1.40
- Claude - \$1.13
- Dumas - \$1.33
- Follett - \$1.50
- Grandview - \$1.30
- Groom - \$1.34
- Happy - \$1.10
- Hart - \$1.09
- Hedley - \$1.19
- Higgins - \$1.50
- Kelton - \$1.25
- Kress - \$1.36
- Lefors - \$1.50
- Miami - \$1.38
- Motley - \$1.09
- Pampa - \$1.43
- Panhandle - \$1.30
- Quanah - \$1.32
- Wheeler - \$1.33
- White Deer - \$1.30



## Student Wins Trip To Washington D.C.

By Dee Ann Burkes  
McLean High School sophomore Deborah Morrow was recently announced a winner in Greenbelt Electric Cooperative's Washington D.C. Youth Tour Contest. Morrow's winning essay, entitled, "How Electricity Has Affected My Life" has entitled her to an all expense paid trip to Washington D.C. where approximately 1,000 high school students will convene for a week long tour of the nation's

capitol June 4-16, 1998. Morrow will be among 80 Texas youths participating in the trip which will originate and conclude in Arlington, Texas. After an orientation party there, the group will board three chartered buses and head for Washington where they will meet up with youths from across the nation, all winners of similar contests sponsored by rural electric companies.

Once in Washington,

the participants will tour many historic places such as Mt. Vernon, Library of Congress, Kennedy Center, FBI Building, Treasury Department, the Smithsonian Institute and the various memorials. Students will also have the opportunity to tour Capitol Hill where they will watch their congressmen in action and have a chance to visit with them.

Greenbelt Electric Co-op holds the essay contest annually. Applicants are required to submit a 750 word essay on a given subject related to electricity.

The contest is open to any high school student in the Greenbelt service area, which includes: Clarendon, Claude, Hedley, Kelton, McLean, Mobeetie, Samnorwood, Shamrock, Wellington, and Wheeler. Essays are then judged by a panel of three independent judges. Morrow, the 15-year-old granddaughter of Cecil and Lillie Hook of McLean, is the first applicant and the first winner ever from McLean.

Morrow says she entered the contest because of her grandmother's encouragement. "At first I decided to enter because my grandmother wanted me to, but I like to write and I thought it would be fun to go on a trip," she says.

Brent Wheeler, manager of member services for Greenbelt Electric Co-op, publicizes the contest and organizes the trip each year. While the contest is open to any high school student in the Greenbelt service area, Wheeler does not want teachers to have students enter as part of a school assignment.

"We find that the better, brighter students enter this contest," Wheeler says. "This isn't something they are required to do. They write and submit the essay because they want to."

The Youth Tour actually started in 1957 under the encouragement of Senator Lyndon Johnson. As a result of

his suggestion, several Texas electric

cooperatives sent groups of young people to Washington in the summer to work in Senator Johnson's office to learn about government in action. The next year, rural electric co-ops in other states caught on and started sending young people on week-long tours of the nation's capitol. Twenty years later, the Youth Tour is still a popular event among high school students nationwide.

Morrow is, to say the least, excited about the opportunity. "I was so happy to hear I had won the contest. I don't know if I will ever have the chance to go to Washington D.C. again," she says. "I am really looking forward to being with kids my age from all over the country and seeing the museums and historical monuments. I am anxious to see Capitol Hill, Washington's Monument and Ford's Theater.

"But you know what I'm the most excited about?" she asks with a smile. "Riding on the subway!"

Indeed, the sights and adventures Morrow will have during her week long stay in Washington will be something few 15-year-olds from towns the size of McLean (population 850) will ever experience.

### McLean Reminders...

REMEMBER Valentine's Day February 14.....

McLEAN'S Bank of Commerce and the Post Office will be closed for President's Day Monday.

MISS McLEAN Pageant will be Sat., Feb. 14 in the high school auditorium at 7:00 pm.

THERE WILL be no school on Monday February 16.

CITY HALL and the Lovett Memorial Library will be closed Monday, February 16.

## Jr. High Competes In Tournament

McLean Jr. High recently competed in the Hedley Tournament.

On Thursday, the girls played Hedley losing 43 - 23. Austin Williams led the scoring with 11 points. Randi Jo Riley had 6. Sara B. Hall, Shaley Steel and Jennifer Greer each had 2.

Saturday the girls beat

Samnorwood, 27-17. Austin Williams scored 10 points to lead the scoring. Randi Jo Riley and Shaley Steel each added 6 points. Nikki Hefley and Sara Beth Hall had 2 each and Caroline Cole added 1 point.

The second game played by the girls team on Saturday was against

game with Silverton winning 28 to 22.

Sara Beth Hall scored 8 for McLean while Randi Jo Riley added 7, Shaley Steel 5, and Austin Williams 2.

McLean's Junior Varsity girls played Miami on February 3 with McLean losing 17 - 26. Annie Weaver was high scorer with 9 points.

Dee Dee Floyd put in 6 and Jessica Fleming 2.

The Varsity Lady Tigers also played Miami and were victorious with a runaway score of 60-31. Rachel Galley was leading scorer with 20 points followed closely by Shaley Stalls with 15. Vanessa Glass contributed 11 points and Amanda See Basketball, pg. 10



**Briefs**

Laura Hommel hosted bunko in her home over the weekend.

Curtis Simpson was in town for a visit this week.

Kelly Byron has been to a couple of bow-shoots lately, one in Oklahoma, and has done very well.

JoAnn Wells and Allison Hill have been ill this week.

Had lots of positive feedback on the "I Remember When" column. It was Garth Thomas's idea to do the column weekly, what a suggestion!

The McLean Feedyard Women's team held practice Sunday with eight members present.

Shawn Bybee, Ronna Hopkins, and another friend went to Oklahoma City over the weekend for a craft fair.

Leslie Darsey, Eva Terry, and Tracy Brooks also went to Oklahoma City to the craft fair.

Jacob Tolleson was taken to the emergency room in Amarillo Saturday night, but is home now and doing well.

**"I Remember When . . . . ."**

By Oleta Harris  
In 1928 and 1929 there was a travelling drama club that would stop in McLean for a week or two at a time. They would perform stage plays on a vacant lot. I remember they sold cracker jacks in boxes that we loved to buy. It was a lot of fun to us back then to go to a stage play.

**McLean Birthdays Anniversaries**

February 12 - Charlie Carter, Danna Hess, Jim Barker, Doyle Lee, Anna Jean Lamb, Teresa Cheateam.

February 13 - Burl Stubbs, Ada Simmons.

February 14 - John Glass, Josh Acuna, Shaley Steel, Andy Eck.

February 15 - Tony Polito, Georgia Durham, Donna Smith.

February 16 - Martha Van Huss, Joetta Bailey, Rose Steel, Sarah Dorsey.

February 17 - Dedra Watson, Fahoma Ladd Holder, Oleta Harris.

February 18 - Ruth Ware, Moriah McCracken, Mark Simmons, Juliana Burnett.

**NHS Install New Members Recently**

By Moriah McCracken  
MHS Tiger Rag Staff  
The McLean Chapter of the National Honor Society inducted three new members on January 29th at the annual Candlelight Induction service. Senior Jennifer Barker (93.3), Sophomore Brian Fuller (95.1) and Sophomore Jessica Fleming (95.6) were selected for their outstanding scholarship, leadership, service and character.

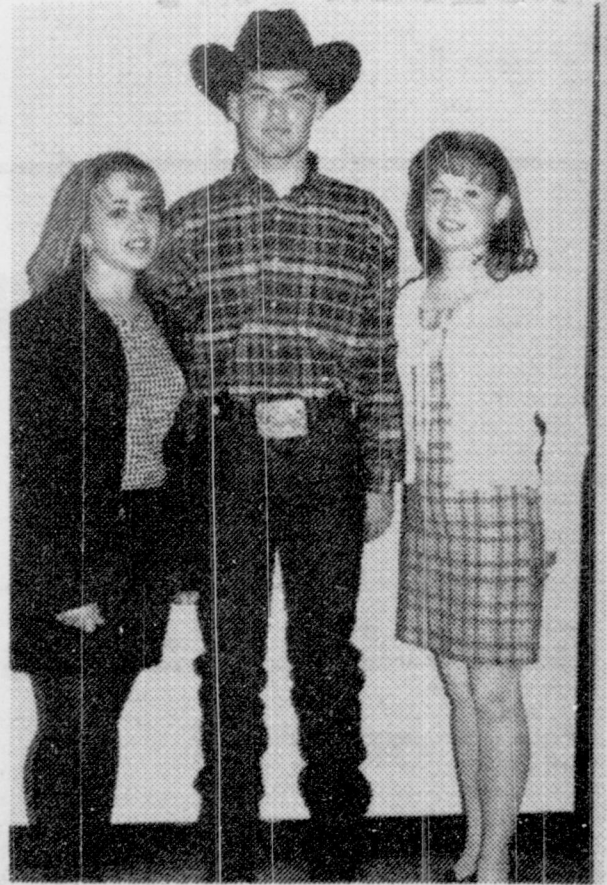
Barker is the 17-year-old daughter of Cas and Rita Barker. She is currently president of the Senior class and was Junior class representative. She has been active in Pep Club, Drama, Miss McLean, and UIL. She has received numerous class awards for outstanding student and plaques for maintaining a 94 Grade Point Average. Barker was first "Runner Up" for Miss MHS last year. She works part-time at Lamb Flowers and Gifts.

Fleming is the 15-year-old daughter of Jackie and Emily Swafford. She is active in all sports including basketball and track. She also participates in rodeo

events in her spare time. Fuller is the 15-year-old son of Bill and Linda Fuller. He is a member of the Tiger basketball and football teams. Fuller has been active in UIL and has won class awards for outstanding student and plaques for maintaining a 95 Grade Point Average.

The society began a tradition three years ago of inducting a community member who demonstrates the characteristics that the society holds with high esteem. Senior Moriah McCracken inducted Sam Hanes for his outstanding community involvement, service through his participation in Lion's Club and the Methodist Church and his citizenship as announcer at the Tiger football games. McCracken also received the National Honor Society Merit Award for her high-point senior in the MHS graduating class.

The 1997-1998 officers, President Lori Hefley, Vice-President Shaley Stalls, Secretary/Treasurer Lorin Hall, Parliamentarian Rachel Galley, and Historian McCracken, passed on their offices to the incoming members. The National Honor Society officers for 1998-1999 are President, Galley; Vice-President, Fuller; and Secretary/Treasurer, Fleming.



**Phi Theta Kappa Names New Members**

Clarendon College's Iota Phi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa recently welcomed honor students into its membership ranks.

Phi Theta Kappa, a National Honor Society for Junior Colleges, elects

members on the basis of grade-point-average and course credit earned. At Clarendon College, PTK members must maintain a 3.0 GPA.

John Dickey and Jill Hefley from McLean are new PTK members.

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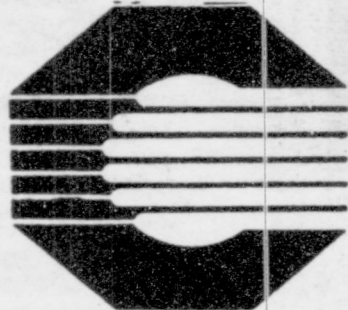
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Thursday Breakfast: Pancakes, sausage, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken fajitas, flour tortillas, refried beans, salad, sopapillas, milk.

Friday Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Nachos, meat, cheese, pinto beans, salad, fruit, milk.

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# McLean Care

## Center News . . . .

The turn-out for Sunday School and Church this past Sunday was wonderful with 27 present for Sunday School and 24 for Church.

Monday morning residents gathered in the sunroom for crafts, working some more on Valentines and boxes. That afternoon, 16 residents gathered for bingo.

Residents attending were Lopez Hauck, Don York, Phyllis Bailey, Teresa Richardson, Truman Goodlett, Dick Wheeler, Bud Simpson, Dorothy Patterson, Mattie Bailey, Joe Hefner, Jessie Watson, Sue Cutine, Vernee Bowling, Ora Billingsley, Thelma Finson, and Ruby Ayers.

Tuesday afternoon was enjoyed in two ways. Some residents played dominos while others enjoyed coloring pictures to decorate doors for Valentines.

Wednesday morning circle was enjoyed by fifteen residents this week. These residents enjoyed cookies and coffee and visited for quite a while. That afternoon residents watched "Ma and Pa Kettle Back On The Farm." Those residents

who came out were Phyllis Bailey, Truman Goodlett, Lula Sheegog, Dovie Simmons, Thelma Finson, Bud Simpson, Christine Shipley, and Ruby Ayers.

On Thursday morning, residents gathered for "Beach Ball Kick." Attending were Hadda Moore, Duella Beverly, Jesse Coleman, Lopez Hauck, Florence Drake, Don York, Dovie Simmons, Dorothy Patterson, Truman Goodlett, Thelma Hopkins, Sue Cubine, and Phyllis Bailey. By the afternoon, residents were again ready for bingo. Those playing were Teresa Richardson, Mattie Bailey, Phyllis Bailey, Don York, Jessie Watson, Lopez Hauck, Ora Billingsley, Dick Wheeler, Ruby Ayers, Dovie Simmons, Dorothy Patterson, Bud Simpson, Truman Goodlett, and Varnie Lowe.

Saturday morning was spend fixing nails for Gladys A., Florence D., Thelma F., Lopez H., Thelma H., Teresa R., Marjorie T., Jessie W., Emma G., and Helen G. Saturday afternoon was spent playing bingo with Mattie Bailey, Lena Bailey, Phyllis Bailey, Ora Billingsley, Lopez

Hauck, Thelma Hopkins, Dovie Simmons, Teresa Richardson, James Throckmorton, Don York, Dick Wheeler, and volunteer Josh Parsons.

## Card Of Thanks

The family of Pearl Mercer would like to thank all our wonderful friends for their loving support and kind gifts of food, flowers, and prayers during the recent loss of our dear little mother.

God Bless You All.  
The Mercer Family

## Women's Team Takes On Sun-Trol

The ladies playing for the McLean Feedyard women's team played in Pampa on Wednesday against the Sun-Trol women's team.

There were two twenty-minute periods with McLean never being able to overtake Sun-Trol. The final score was 59-20.

Leading the scoring for McLean was Paula Waters with nine points. Rose Steel scored four. Leslie Darsey, Eva Terry, and Kristi Crockett contributed two each, and Doe Ann Burkes had one point. Sally Seymour, Sheila Fatridge, and Sally Bchlar each had several rebounds and steals to contribute to the game.

## JV Boys Lose Intense Game To Miami

On February 3, the McLean boys Junior Varsity team had a close game with Miami, being narrowly defeated 38-32. Terrell Hembree scored 15 for the Tigers with Daniel Simpson adding 8, Derek Studebaker 7, and Randy Floyd 2.

The McLean Varsity boys whipped Miami 81-72. Scoring for McLean were Ike Hanes with 34 points, Brett Montgomery 14, Erik Vega 13, Anthony Albus 12, Brian Fuller 4, Gary Jones 2 and Chris Hauck 2.

The junior high Cubs were in the Hedley Tournament this past weekend. On Thursday,

## Stew Supper Big Success For Devil's Rope Museum

The McLean-Alanreed Area Museum held a chili and stew supper last week that was a big success. There was a fairly large group of people from McLean and Pampa attending.

"The money raised will go for operating costs," said F.J. Hess, who also added, "We do appreciate everyone who helped out and everyone who came to eat lunch for such a worthy cause."

McLean lost 48-39 to the Hedley team. Chris Sparling had 16 points, Sonny Northcutt 11, Cody Seitz 4, and Josh Seymour 4.

In Saturday's first game, McLean beat Samnorwood 26-19, with Chris Sparling putting 8 points in and Sonny

Northcutt adding 6.

In the final game of the tournament, the Cubs were defeated 56-19 by the Silverton Owls. Chris Sparling had 8 points and Josh Seymour added another 4.

This was the final games for the junior high squads for this season.

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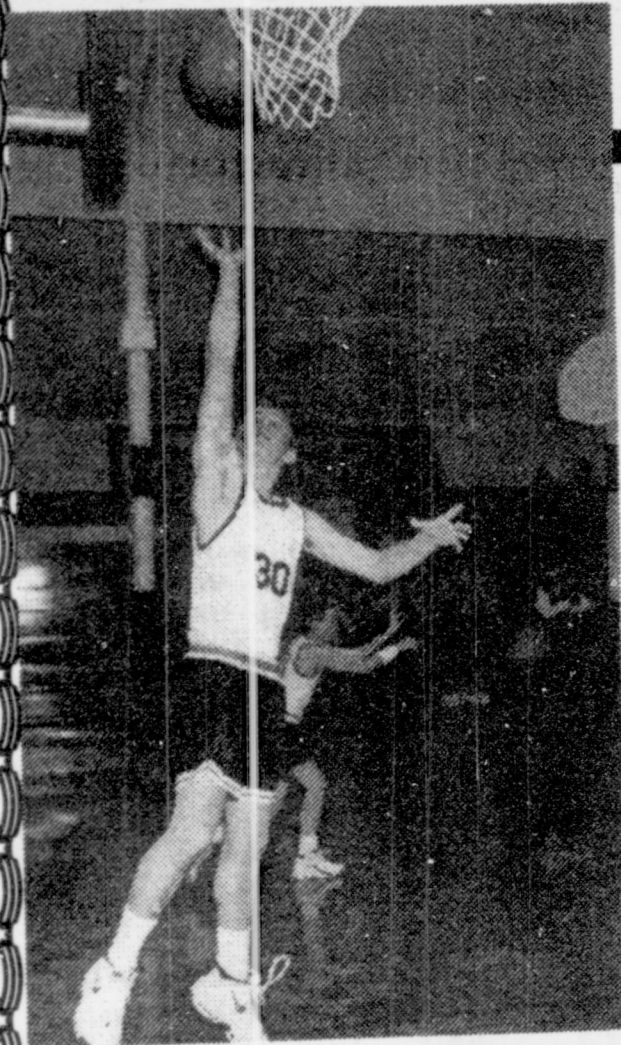
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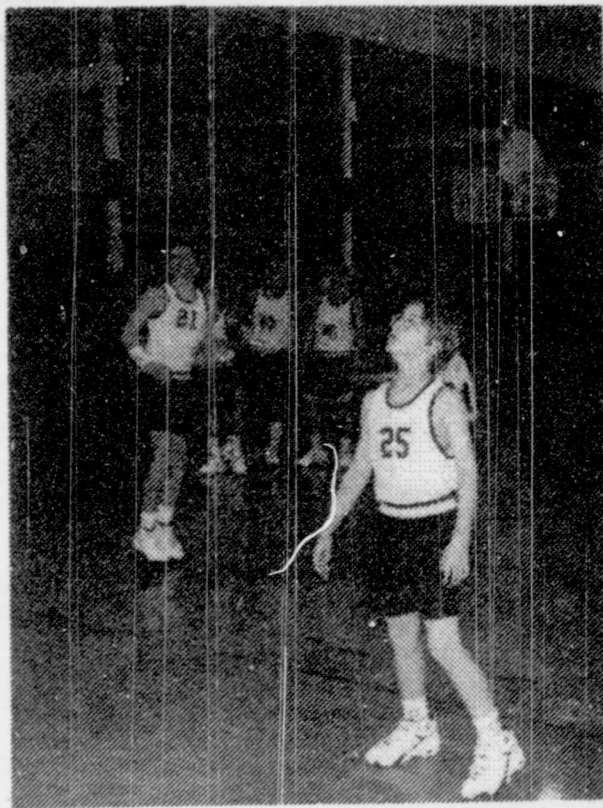
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Cody Seitz puts the ball up in preparation for a recent game at McLean.



# McLean 1997-98 Tigers & Lady Tigers



Robert Brass warms up for a recent Junior High game in the McLean gym.

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## Obituary

**Ernest Andrews**  
Ernest Andrews, 87, died Wednesday, February 4, 1998.

Graveside services were in Hillcrest Cemetery at McLean with the Rev. James Mantooth, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements were by Lamb Funeral Home.

Mr. Andrews moved to McLean from Childress in 1996. He was retired. He was a Baptist.

He married Gladys Holloway in 1959 in Amarillo.

Survivors include his wife; five sons, E.M. "Red" Andrews and Roy Andrews, both of Austin, Jimmy Andrews of Wichita Falls, Roger Andrews of North Carolina and Rodney

Andrews of Amarillo; three daughters, Billie Ann of Childress, Linda Kay Webb of Waco and Eljuana Cridle of Crenshaw, Mississippi.



**Alanreed News**

By Lena Carter  
Shades "of Old 66" when a crash occurred between a tanker truck and pickup at the intersection of 298 and Old 66. No injuries were reported.

Dennis Word (oldest son of the late A.P.

Word's, former residents here, was buried in McLean last week.

Shawn Bruce of Pampa spent Sunday with the Robert Bruce's.

Cathy Dorsey was in Amarillo on Tuesday to take son Dale for a medical appointment.

News here this week of the passing of Ollie Lowe, cousin of Virginia Dalton, and the Carter boys, former resident.

There will be a singing Saturday night, February 14 at First Baptist Church. Refreshments afterwards.

## Capping Ceremony Held for 15 LVN's At C.C.

Fifteen Clarendon College Vocational Nursing students will participate in the LVN program's annual capping ceremony on Friday, February 27, at 7 p.m. in the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Auditorium.

The traditional capping ceremony celebrates the halfway point in earning a Licensed Vocational Nursing degree. Each

Clarendon College nursing student will officially receive their nursing cap for outstanding efforts in both the classroom and in hospital clinics.

Included among the 1997-98 Vocational Nursing students were

Christy Steward, Amanda Crawford, and Thelma McCarty of McLean.

## Briefs

The McLean Lovett Memorial Library has been loaned 700 large print books by the Pampa Library. Pampa's library is undergoing remodeling and rather than put the books in storage, chose to lend them to the local library.

J.W. Meacham returned from Midland where he visited his daughter and son-in-law, Nancy and Doyle Billingsley.

## Glen Oldham Promoted To Partner In Architectural Firm

The Amarillo architectural firm of HD & D Design Collaborative L.L.P. has recently announced the advancement of Glenn R. Oldham, AIA; son of Delbert and Ruth Trew of Alanreed, to the position of partner.

With the recent retirement of senior partner J. Ray Daniel; Oldham and R. Stephen Brooks have become partners owning and operating the largest architectural firm in the Texas Panhandle. HD&D, formerly known as Hannon, Daniel & Dickerson Architects are responsible for designing over \$400,000,000 in projects over the last fifty years in the region including some of the most prominent buildings in Amarillo. Among HD&D's clients and projects have been the American Quarter Horse Headquarters and The

American Quarter Horse Museum, the recent renovations to the Amarillo International Airport, Northwest Texas Hospital, the original First National Bank, and all of the renovations at Baptist Saint Anthony's Hospital.

Oldham; a 1978 graduate of McLean High School and 1983 alumnus of Texas Tech University, has been the lead designer and project architect of the Ware Memorial Care Center at Park Central and recently completed the design of the campus of the Craig Methodist Retirement

Community, a \$29,000,000 project in Amarillo.

Glenn and his wife Jeree (Boyd), also a 1978 graduate of McLean High, live in Amarillo with their children Rachel 15, Kristen 11, and Ian 3. They are also active in Amarillo organizations where Glenn is currently president of the Amarillo Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, president of the Plemons-Eagle Neighborhood Association representing the historic district near downtown, and is a Board Member of Center City of Amarillo.

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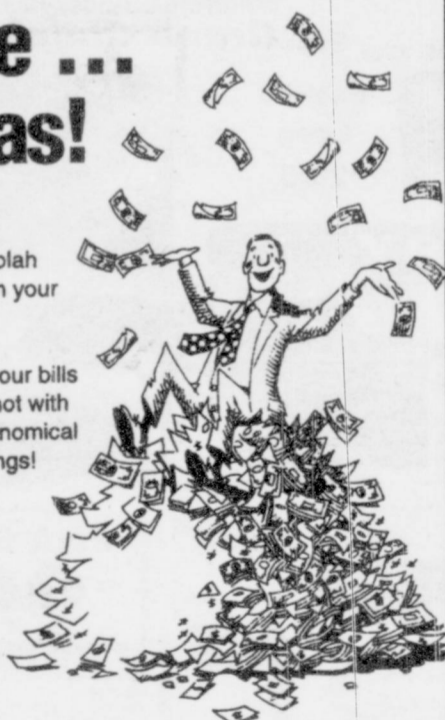
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