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## Jr. High Boys End Year With Trophy

By Coach Dudiey Kelm The Groom Junior High Cubs basketball team closed out a successfut season last Thursday and Saturday by capturing the consolation tropty at the Miami Junior High Tourney. The Cubs played their first game of the tourney against a fine team from Canadian who were undefeated coming into the tournament. The Cubs lost a hard fought battle $42-35$. The Cubs overcame a hugh $25-11$ halftime deficit to tie the score 32.32 early in the fourth quarter. The Wildcats rallied to win but the entire Cub team the entire cur termed valiantly against a very good team. Dewayne Gray led all scorers in this game with 13 points. Other Cubs scoring were Clay Ritter 11, Nicholas Anthony 6, Grant Weinheimer 3, and Garrett Britten 2.
The Cubs resumed play Saturday morning against the Allison Antelopes and won by a convincing margin of 42-22. All of the Cubs
saw action in this game and played well as a unit with crisp passing, good rebounding and defense and overall good team play. Nicholas Anthony led Cub scorers in this game with 16 points. Other Cubs who scored were Dewayne Gray 12 , Grant Weinheimer 8, Russell Conrad 6 and Clay Ritter 2.
In the consolation finals the Cubs met the host team, Miami and handed them a defeat by a score of 42-32. In another well played game the Cubs displayed their trademark hustling defense and excellent team play. Nicholas Anthony led the scoring parade with 12 points. Others who contributed in the scoring column were Dewayne Gray 9 points, Clay Ritter 8, 9 points, Clay Ritter 8,
Grant Weinheimer 5, $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Grant } & \text { Weinheimer 5, } \\ \text { Garrett } & \text { Britten } 4 \text { and }\end{array}$ Garrett Britten 4 4 and
Russell Conrad 4. Other Cubs who played well throughout the tourney with good ball handling, passing,

See Cubs, pg. 4


Coach Kelm gives Jr. High Cagers instruction during a time out at Miami.


Michele Stephens waits for a pass from her teammates in the weekend toumament.

## Kori Brown Wins Scholarship

Kori Brown, a sophomore at Groom High School and FFA member, earned a $\$ 6,000$. scholarship in the San Antonio Junior Stock Show. Brown won Grand Champion with her Angus heifer. The daughter of Lonny and Susan Brown, Kori has been showing most of her life.
ner life.
I have won a lot of ribbons, buckles and trophies over the years," she said. "But this is something that I am extremely pleased about. I always knew that showing cattle would take me places, now I am beginning to realize just how far! I also know without the help, patience without the help, patience and love from my dad and grand-dad this would not be possible, and I want to thank them both for all the support."
Brown is a member of the Texas Club Calf Association and is currently listed as 26th in the standings and climbing fast, with points not yet in from several recent shows, such
as Reserve Champion heifer at the Fort Worth siow. Members earn points for how they place in sanctioned shows. Points are accumulated on their placings and participation. If she places in the top 10 she will be honored at a banquet and awarded a coveted "Top Ten" jacket at coveted Top Th jacket at the Houston Stock Show. eligible for scholarships.

Traditionally, heifers, unlike the steer at these shows, do not win a lot of money. While there is usually a token cash award, heifers are not sold at auction like the steers. Heifers are kept by their exhibitors to breed or sell at exhibitors to breed or sell a a later time. The stock show board at San Antonio has set a precedent for
heifer shows by offering the $\$ 6,000$. scholarship fo breed champions at their show. Exhibitors are hopeful that the trend will catch on at other major shows.


April Burton, a junior and is ranked 7th in the and FFA member also attended the show. She earned a Reserve Division Championship with her Chianina heifer Burton is also a member of TCCA

Chianina heifer standings. She is also hoping for a "Top Ten" jacket.
"We are all so proud o Kori! This is what stock See Stock Show, pg. 3

## Burgin Wins Editorial

Senior Courtney Burgin won first in editorial writing at the Dumas UIL meet last Saturday. Mary Hutsell, junior, placed fourth in news writing.
Pampa and Clarendon placed second and third in editorial; the first three places in news were taken by Plainview (first and second) and West Texas second) and West Texas
High. High.
Approximately 25 schools attended the meet. Thoas in Class A were Groom, Sunray, Channing, Texline and Hedley.
competed at the meet. Those in competition were Joe Britten, current events and headline; Jimmy Chavedo, math and science; Michael Stephens, math, science, and calculator; Sarah Hutsell, number sense; Toby Burgin, editorial, number sense and headline; Evan Crowell, science; Jessica Kepley, news and ready writing; Kristi Barkley and Trisha Broadway, ready writing; Dean Fields and Caleb Pool, editorial; and Kaylynn Britten, science.

## Firefighters Answer <br> Scary False Alarm

## After a weekend of grass fires in the area, Groom Volunteer Firemen were called out Sunday morning when a false alarm came through the Carson County dispatchers office. <br> An alarm was issued from the Groom GTE building. When firemen arrived on the scene, no fire, smoke or sparks could be found. Officials assume that some kind of short <br> COMNUNITY <br> circuit in the telephone wiring may have caused the false alarm. <br> Had the alarm been the real thing, the entire downtown area may have been at risk. With dry conditions bordering on the extreme, residents are reminded to be exceedingly careful with cigarettes, welding sparks and other activities that could be a fire hazard. <br> CALENDAK

THE PANHANDLE Civestock Association is celebrating its 82 nd year at its annual convention on Saturday, February 8th, at the Ambassador Hotel in Amarillo. A full day of activities is planned to provide fellowship between ranching families, while informing its members of current issues pertinent to ranchers of the Texas Panhandle. PLA seeks to preserve the ranching heritage of this area.

THE TEXAS AsM Admissions recruiter will be at Groom High School, Friday, Feb. 7th at $1: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ in the Library.

AMARILLO COLLEGE will present Shakespeare's "Macbeth" on Feb. 13 at 9:00 am at the Groom School auditorium.

THE TEXAS Department of Health will have an Immunization Clinic at the Groom Community Center Feb. 19, 2:00-4:00 pm.
At the Claude Rural Health Clinic on Feb. 4, 2:00-4:00 pm.

THERE WILL BE no school on February 21.

A DRIVER SAFETY course will be held in Pampa on Sat., Feb. 15 at the Clarendon College Pampa Center at 900 North Frost, and on Sat., Feb. 22 in Clarendon at the CC Administration Building, Room 103.

THE GROOM SCHOOL semi-annual awards ceremony will be held on Friday, Feb. 7 at 10:00 a.m. Semester awards for las spring as well as this year's fall semester will be presented.


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Groom Birthdays \& Anniversaries

February 6 - Jchn Adam
Stephens, Bernice Gray.
February 7 - Rick Prather, David L Munoz, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Jones (A).

February 8 - Heather Patterson, Mrs. C.F.
Hermesmeyer Dewey Mr. and Mrs. Harold

Bertrand (A). February 9 Burger.

February 10 Mildred Burgin McWhirter. February 11 - Jodi Hornen, Justin Homen, Troy Ritter. February 12 - Skeet

## Local iappenings

Betty Martin of Watson, Oklahoma sends her "Hello" to everyone in Groom. She is Sylvia Pool's daughter. Just 10 miles from Arkansas, she said the weather was a bit chilly on Tuesday.

Listed on the Dean's List for Texas Tech University at the end of the fall 1996 semester was Trisha Treadwell daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Treadwell. and Mrs. Tony Treadwell. List earned 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 .

Homen Achieves Dean's List
Misty Homen achieved Dean's List recognition for the fail 1996 semester at Wayland Baptist University.
Students maintain at least a 3.5 grade point average while taking a full load of course work at the university level to receive this recognition.
Misty is the daughter of Brenda Homen and John Homen.

On The Sick List Fred Brown Ray Pool Johnny Brumley

## Card Of Thanks

Our heartfelt thanks for the thoughts, prayers, cards, visits and food sent our way during James' recent illness God's richest blessings to


Groom School Menu February 10-14 Monday Breakfast: Cold cereal, blueberry muffins, juice, milk. Lunch: Burritoes, bean dip, tortilla pieces, pineapple, milk.

Tuesday Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk. Lunch: Tiger baskets, curly fries, Texas toast, pears, milk.
Wednesday Breakfast: Breakfast burritoes, hash browns, juice, milk. Lunch:

As The Interstate Turns. . South Side Edition.
On January 15, 1997 four men were found guilty in U.S Federal Guily in U.S. Fed City, Okth in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma for Possession of Cocaine with Intent to Deliver after a joint investigation by the Oklahoma City Police Department Narcotics Section, the U.S. Attorney's Office and the Texas Highway Patrol. This Highway Patrol. This
investigation started in April of 1995 after a traffic stop by Sergeant Bill Schneider and Joe Longway. All four men will be sentenced in sixty days. The weather has not been very favorable in Houston for arresting bad guys, but we are still trying. Trooper everyone's help. Everyone needs to be on their best needs to be on their best
behavior and ask him if he is studying like he is supposed to!
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District Attorney's Increases To Come From State, Not Co.
In a recent report on the Carson County Commissioners court, the Groom News reported that the commissioners had unanimously voted to increase District Attorney Randal Sims' office Attorney Randal Sims' office expenses from $\$ 1,500$. a year to $\$ 2,000$. per year and increase financial support from $\$ 27,650$. to $\$ 40,000$.
While this information was taken directly from the minutes provided by the court, it should be clarified The , The Commissioners passed a resolution that requests and supports legislative action. It will not increase

## the county taxpayers bill.

 According to District Attorney Randal Sims, the state legislature has not increased theire has not 1982, while support since 1982, while they have mandated increases in the operations performed by the D.A.'s office.The Groom News works to bring you information in a timely manner and while
the article essentially expressed what we have stated here, it was taken from the raw minutes as we went to press. We regret if went to press. We regret if the story caused any confusion for our readers.

## Letter To The Editor

The State of Texas has
144 elected prosecutors whose salary is paid by the state. State law provides these 144 prosecutors be paid from either of two appropriation provisions. If a prosecutor has a private practice in addition to his elected position, the state paid salary is pre-set at approximately $\$ 86,000.00$ If he performs his elected duties on a full time basis without a private practice without a private practice, the state paid salary is preset at a higher amount. The pay increase associated with the district having a designated full time prosecutor comes from the State and not the county budgets.
Currently, 124 ( $85 \%$ ) of these 144 officials are performing as full time prosecutors and being compensated by the state as compensated by the state as such. That number is increasing. Of the 19 who are eligible to have a private practice in addition to their elected position, three have asked this legislative session
to be considered full-time: District Attorney's from the 50 th, 88 th, and the 100th Judicial District. A fourth is going to ask this session and another has chosen to make this election at the next legislative session.

For the two years I have been your district attorney, I have worked full time as such and foregone any private practice Punishments have increased and the pending case load has been reduced. You, the has been reduced. You, the constituents of the 100 th judicial district have twice had the option of choosing between a candidate who wanted to be district attorney and maintain a private practice or one who would perform the elected duties full time. Both times the majority has chosen the full time candidate, myself.
I appreciate the opportunity to work for you. I invite anyone with questions to contact me or I will be glad to address any group.

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## 3 Federal Land Banks

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PAMPA - Three Federal Land Bank Associations in the Texas Plains join together February 1 to become the PanhandlePlains Federal Land Bank Association (FLBA).
The merger of the three member-owned lending cooperatives is the result of overwhelming approval last December by members of the FLBAs of Amarillo, Caprock-Plains in Plainview and High Plains in Pampa. It culminates two years of study and preparation by the boards of directors of the three associations.

The combined association has approximately $\$ 135$ million in loans outstanding to more than 1,300 farmers, ranchers and agribusinesses in 16 Texas Panhandle counties.
"These Federal Land Bank Associations have tong been a part of the been a part of the
agricultural business agricultural business
economy in the area and by
joining together as Panhandle-Plains FLBA, we are really marking the start of a new era of agricultural financing for our customers," said Robert R. Williams, chief executive officer. "Our members reap the benefits of combining three strong associations into one that's even stronger, better eapitalized stronger, better capitalized and more diversified, without losing any of the local service and ownership. And, it allows us to centralize administrative functions thereby freeing up the lending staff to spend more time with customers."

The association is under the direction of a ninemember board of directors, comprising of three members from each of the former FLBAs. They include Larry E Fairchild of Adrian: Carry E. Fairchild of Panhandle; Ervin J. Davis, Happy; Ronnie N. Hopper, Petersburg; Dean Turner,

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Matador, Jerry K. Oswalt, Abernathy; Jon "Mike" Garnett, Spearman; Dean H. Burger, Pampa; and John C. Duke, Follett. No changes are anticipated in office locations. The Amarillo office will be managed by Greggory S. Lloyd, who has been president of the Amarillo FLBA. Kenneth L. Hooper, formerly vice president of the CaprockPlains Association will manage the Plainview office Sandy Judice will continue andy Judice will continue manager of the Perryton office.

## Stock Show

showing is all about," stated Burton. "Education outside of the classroom, meeting people from all over the world, and being recognized by your peers for a job well done. It makes all the onely hours of brushing, feeding, washing, and walking worthwhile. Sometimes it is hard to remember that you may be brushing, feeding, washing and walking your whole future!"

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Now we join forces as one cooperative-with the FLBAs of Amarillo and Caprock-Plains in Plainview-to begin a new era of agricultural financing. W'c're still member-owned, member-directed with a commitment to complete and efficient loan service. The kind of service that's old hat to us. The only thing new is the name.

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## Jr High Girls

 End Season 9
## Wins 5 Losses

The Groom Junior High Ettes finished off the 199697 basketball season with a tournament in Miami.
Facing of with Canadian in the first game, the girls lost 14-48. Krisanne Davis led the scoring with 5
points. Brooke Britten had 3. Frances Britten, Candace Bohr and Stye Brown each had 2.
In their second match, the Ettes won 23-10. Candace Hohr led the scoring with 7 points. Krisanne Divis and Nichole Barnett eich scored 4 points. Brooke Britten, Michele Stephens, Cassie

Ashford, and Karri Britten each scored 2 points. In the game for consolation, Miami beat Groom 22-31.

Candace Bohr scored 10 points to lead the scoring. Krisanne Davis scored 8, and Cassie Ashford scored 4 points.

In the Ettes last regular season game against Shamrock they lost 13-34. Skye Brown was high point with 7 points. Brooke Britten had 5. Frances Britten and Macie Britten each had 1 point.

The Junior High Ettes end their season with a 9 win 5 loss record.


## Cubs

defense, rebounding and hustle were Hugh Weinheimer, Cody Bivens, Luke Pavlovsky, Wyatt Britten and Trey Britten.

The Cubs final season record was 8-4. They made tremendous improvement throughout the season and were playing their best games of the year in this tournament. They have been a great bunch of young men to coach and we are all very proud of each and every one of them. We look forward to great things in the future from these young men as they become our Tigers. Thanks to all of these fine young men for these fine young men for their effort, hustle and teamwork as they always showed the true spirit
Groom Tiger athletes!!

First Baptist Youth Car Wash

Saturday, February 8 In The Church Parking Lot
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Rip and Joy Snyder had
business in Panhandle and business in Panhandle and in Pampa on Thursday.


Jr. High Trey Britten

Local Happening


Jr. High Nicholas Anthony


GRODM an Grant Weinheimer

Rip and Joy Snyder Rip and Joy Snyder at the Palo Duro Nursing Home in Claude on Sunday, Rip took Les for a ride, he enjoyed it very much.


Jr. High Wyatt Britten


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Jr. High Dewayne Gray
Rip and Joy Snyder visited in McLean on Saturday with Truman Goodiett and M.L. Rowan at the Care Center and they visited with Bill and Dorothy McKee at the Windmill RV Camp.


## Amarillo Women's Forum Seeks Annual Nominations <br> The

Forum is seeking Distinguished the annual Distinguished Service
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the Distinguished Service the Distinguished Service
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The deadline fo nominations is February 28 Presentations will be mad during a luncheon on Apri
in 1977, Agnes Howe 1979, Sister Mary Valentina Danzler 1980, Margaret Purvines Surratt 1981, Dixie Surratt, 1982, Jo Stewart Randel (Women's Hall of Fame) 1985, Dorothy Broadway 1987, Mary Ewing, Bethel Robinary 988, Methel Robinson, 198, Margaret Dauer, 1990 and Mary Ruth Evans From 1992.
From McLean Ruth Magee was selected in 1980 and Vera Back in 1983.
Inelle Bagwell from Claude was selected in 1983 and Marianne Woolridge Rutherford in 1994.

19 at the Amarillo Country Club.
For more information call 371-5426.

Former recipients of the Distinguished Service Award include Helen Witt from Groom. Helen was selected in 1981 to receive this special award.
From Panhandle Jo Stewart Randel was selected

## Area Obituaries

Lounie Riggins Lonnie Riggins, 87, diec Wednesday, January 29 1997.

Services were in Trinity United Methodist Church with the Rev. Wayne Sfeeffield of the church officiating. Burial was in Llano Cemetery by Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors.
Mr. Riggins was born in Wagoner, Oklahoma, and had lived in Amarillo for 22 years. He married Nell Robinson in 1964 at Amarillo.
He lived in England and Belgium while working as a mechanical engineer for Phillips Petroleum. He was a Methodist and a member of the Professional English Club.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Jennie Lou Touschman of Houston and Diana Sue Calvin of Katy; three step-daughters, Barbara Crawford of Amarillo, Suzann Gutley of Parker, Colorado, and Janet Baughman of Mine Hill, New Jersey; a stepson, Levi Robinson of Weatherford, OkIahoma; two grandchildren; seven stepgrandchildren; seven stepgreat-grandchildren; and a stepgreat-great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to Trinity United Methodist Church.

## John William Barber

 John William Barber, 68, died Tuesday, January 28th at Minneola District Hospital, Minneola, Kansas. Services were February 1, 1997 at the First Christian Church in Fowler, Kansas with Pastor Doug Vasey presiding. Cremation followed the service.John was the son of Joseph William Barber and

Ethel Mae Schuster, and was born September 10, 1928 in Wyaconda, Missouri. He moved his family to Pampa, Texas in 1959 and lived there until 1959 and lived there until and White Deer area. In 1970 he moved his family to 1970 he moved his family to Liberal, Kansas. He was the owner of Barber Irrigation of Fowler. He had been a resident of Fowler for the past 14 years.
Survivors include Beverly Chestnut Barber, his wife of 20 years, his ex-wife of 21 years, Juanita Buford Barber Cox, three sons, Billy Joe Barber of Ft . Worth, Texas, Steven Mark Barber of Houston, Texas, and David Lawrence Barber of Arlington, Texas; three daughters, Dianna Lynne Barber McCoy of Pampa/Groom, Brenda Gail Pampa/Groom, Brenda Gail Barber Pelegrin of
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and Lisa Gertrude Barber Jones of Ft . Worth, Texas stepsons, Charles Carr of Middleton, Oklahoma, and David Chestnut of Amarillo, Texas; stepdaughters, Peggy Chestnut Price of Liberal and Billie Jean Chestnut Smith of Fowler, Kansas; 19 grandchildren, 14 step grandchildren; and 7 great grandchildren.

## Willie Mae Bagwel

Rodgers
CIAUDE - Willie Mae Ragwell Rodgers, 96 , died Monday, January 27, 1997. Mraveside services were in Claude Cemetery with the Rev Lampton, of Claude United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was under the direction of NS Griggs and Sons N.S. Griggs and Sons Funeral
Amarillo.

Mrs. Rodgers was the las
surviving member of the Dr. J.C. Bagwell family. Her parents came to Armstrong County in 1890 from Georgia and settled on Mulberry Flats, part on present day JA part of present day J.A. Ranch, later moving to the Claude area. Mrs. Rodgers earned degrees at West Texas State College as well as a master's degree from the University of Texas. She taught in

Groom, Claude, Hereford and San Angelo, retiring system after Angelo school service. She was a of Claude United member Church. She
death by preceded in death by her husband, S.T. Rodgers, in 1977.
Survivors include a stepdaughter, Mary Belle Hay of San Angelo; two

Thursday, February 6, 1997-THE GROOM NEWS-Page 5 step-grandsons; and a step- Groom and served in the great-grandson.

Orval Frederiksen
Orval Frederiksen, 84, of Normal, Illinois died February 3, 1997. Burial was at Normal.
He was born four miles northwest of Groom to Wm. M. Frederiksen and Florence J. Burgin rederiksen. He grew up in

Groom and served in the
Armed Forces of WWII.
He was preceded in death by an older brother, Marvin and a younger brother, Leroy.

Survivors include his wife, Marie, a sister, Ethel M. Nunn of Amarillo, two younger brothers, Ivan of Amarillo and Earl Gene of San Angelo.


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Cindy Babcock Elected Sorority Sweetheart


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Condy Basoxck has becen elected Sweetheart of the Alpha Mu Xi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi

She has been a member for six years. She is currently vice-president for the sorority chapter and has held numerous other offices. Cindy is the wife of Gary Babcock, the mother of three, Marci 14, Cody 11, and Tyler 5. She stays very busy with day to day activities.

High School Basketball Three of Groom's four high school teams faced off with Hedley last week.
In the boys junior varsity game, Groom played white knuckler, winning 42 . 39. Evan Crowell was hig point with 12. Caleb Pool and Dean Fields each had 10 for the Tigers. Chris Ollinger and Wyatt Weinheimer each scored points.
The Ettes had a little easier $\mathrm{win}, 74-52$. Angie Conrad took high point honors with 16 . Mary Hutsell and Jessica Stapp each had 13, Karen Conrad had 12, Jessica Friemel 5, Melissa Anthony 4, Julie Melissa Anthony 4, Julie Richardson 3, Stephanie Ollinger, Martie Phillips Christy Galvan and Sar Britten each had 2 points.
The Tigers lost to Hedley by a narrow margin, 43-57. Toby Burgin was high point with 12. Brad Sustaire had 9, while Jimmy Chavedo Daniel Treadwell and Josh Daven Trean and Josh Trae Kepley had 2.

In the Silverton match up held in Groom, all the teams played. The junior varsity Ettes won handily 34-19. Carrie Davis was high point with 14. Jessica Kepley and Jacey Richardson each had 6, Jod Homen had 4, Katrina Meaker and Trisha Broadway each had 2 points.
In the junior varsity boys game the Tigers lost by 10 points, 38-48. Wyatt Weinheimer scored 12 points to lead the scoring Dean Fields had 8, Wade Ritter and Evan Crowell each had 6. Chris Ollinger, Justin Homen and Caleb Pool each had 2 points.
The varsity girls lost 53 75 in a very fast paced match. Jessica Stapp led the scoring with 13 points, followed closely by Angie Conrad with 12 . Mary Hutsell had 10, Jessic Frieme! had 7, Melissa Anthony had 4, Stephanie Ollinger had 2 and Sara Britten had 2.

The varsity boys also had a fast and physical game but lost by 10 with a final of 52 62.

Scoring for the Tigers were Josh Evenson, Jimm Chavedo and Justin Ritter each with 10 points. Toby Burgin scored 9, Brad Sustaire 7, Trae Kepley 5 and Joe Britten had 1 point. Groom will finish it's regular season Friday night against Hedley at Hedley beginning at $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}$


Jimmy Chavedo dribbles down the court in the Tigers recent game against Silverton

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## Lorin Hall Named Miss McLean

Lorin Hall, 17-year-old Janet McCracken. daughter of David and Teri Miss Congeniality, Hall, was crowned Mis selected by the contestants McLean Saturday night at as the most helpful person Pageant at McLean High Dent, senior daughter of
School. School. The pageant,
sponsored as a fund-raisr sponsored as a fund-raiscr
by the McLean High School by the McLean High School
junior class, featured 21 MHS girls. First runner ep was Francine Abdalls, a foreign exchange student from Brazil who is livirg with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Riky during her stay in Americi. during her stay in Americ. Second runner-up wis
Moriah McCracken, 16 -yeatold daughter of Roger ard Doug and Rhonda Botton.
The new Miss McLean is a cheerleader at MHS. She has served as secretary of both her sophomore and junior classes, and was chosen Most Beautiful her junior year. She has been a member of the MHS Lady Tigers for two years and a member of Flippin' Farm Gymnastics Club in

Shamrock.
The winners were crowned and presented flowers and silver trays by Holly Jasper, Miss McLean of 1996.
Miss Jasper and Jill Hefley provided the entertainment for the audience. Joe Riley was master-of-ceremonies.
The audience was welcomed by junior class president Jesse Swafford.
Girls chosen in the top eight, in addition to the winners, were Tracy Seitz,
Tanna Shipman, Lori

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A one vehicle accident hu ppened on February Ist at about 3:30 p.m. when a Mangum Oil \& Gas truck overtumed 5.3 miles west of Kelleville on Farn-1o-Market Road 2473. McLean rescue crews had to call out Medivac to transpors the man to Nonhwest Texas Hospital in Amarille. The driver suffered a broken back and several broken ribs. Officials have determined that the truck was travelia g too fast for the cuve and the driver was nor wearing his sear Chad Estes of the Texas IIighway Patrol was the officer in chas



First runner up Francine Abdalla, Miss McLean

## McLean

## Reminders

THE ACT TEST will be given Sat., Feb. 8 in the Clarendon College Ad. Bldg. Students must pre-register Packets are available at local high schools. TASP test will be given Sat., Feb. 22. For information call (806) 874-3571.
on feb. 7 the McLean Tigers will travel to Samnorwood. The games will begin at $4: 00$.
the mclean cubs will be in the Tournamen at Hedley Feb. 6, 7, \& 8.

COLLEGE NIGHT for Clarendon College will be Feb. 6 at $6: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ in the high school auditorium.

PIONEER STUDY Club will meet Thursday, Feb. 6 at $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ at the Library.

McLean alcoholics Anonymous will meet at 7:00 pm, Monday at the Bank of Commerce.

THE McLEAN CUBS will be in the Hedley Tournament Feb. 6-8. Times will be announced.
there will be No School for McLean students on February 17.

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Shaley Stalls will be
having surgery on her knee,
Tuesday 4 , in Amarillo.
Vola Loya will be
traveling to Dallas to have
some dental work done.

## More

## Reminders

THE McLEAN ExStudent Association will hold a meeting, to make plans for the upcoming reunion. This is an important meeting and al local students from MHS are urged to attend. The meeting will be held at Dorothea Goodwins home at 403 Walnut at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 10.

Miss McLean
Hefley, Shaley Stalls, and Jessica Rich.

Other contestants were Kristina Carter, Sara Brown Rebecca Hembree, Jennifer Patton, Annie Weaver Rachel Galley, Lacey Steel Diana Vega, Lacey Stee Diana Vega, Dee Dee Floyd, Valerie Joiner Stephanie
Jessica Fish.

## Jessica Fish

Escorts for the girls were Donald Basham, Ike Hanes, Brodey Carter, Mark Bolton, Tobey Purcell, Scott Glass, Gary Bolton, Brian Fuller, Brett Montgomery, David Fuller, Anthony Albus, Derek Glass, Charles Harris, and Chris Flores.

Junior class sponsors are Bill Layman and Kim Oldham.

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J. Boyd Smith and Kenneth Fourier picked up trash on the Pampa highway
on Saturday for the McLean Masonic Lodge.

The Deborah Group of Methodist Women met Tuesday, February 4th at the church for study.

Wilma Barker presided and led in prayer. Loyce Murray reviewed the study of "John Wesley". It was inspiring and interesting to learn more of the Methodist Church history.

Those attending were Wilma Barker, Loyce Sherrod, Loyce Murray, Mary Powell, Mary Duyer, Mary Powell, Mary Dwyer, Fern Boyd, Maybell Nash, Evelyn Shaw and Ruth Magee.

Wanda Hindman had surgery Wednesday, January 29. The good news is she is doing great.

## More <br> Reminders

THE ANNUAL GRAY County Ag Day Program will be held on February 6, beginning at 8:00 a.m. at M.K. Brown Auditorium in Pampa.

Twentieth Century Study Club meets February 13 in the home of Lena Carter, Alanreed, visitors welcome.

Alanreed News

## The James Armbristers

 and Nora Dragoo were in Canadian on Tuesday at the Bill Hambrights where they found grandson, Hunter, ill with strep throatVirginia Dalton and Lena Carter visited in Pampa Thursday with the Jerry Carters. Ruth is recuperating from recent ankle surgery.
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bruce Mr. anarillo visited here Sunday with Lena Carter. Sunday with Lena Carter They drove to Pampa also and visited the Jerry Carters.
Dan Stinson came to this area with the oil company who were attending to the much touted "boom" in the late $20^{\prime}$ s. Stranger he was, but he became front page news when he and pal Tucker ran away with two of the prettiest town girls and got married. Dan with Ruth, daughter of local Baptist minister, S.T. Greenwood and Tucker with Lucille, daughter of local rancher, Kennedy, and niece of the late Ollie Hommel Dan stayed with the oil company 40 years is they moved on and they eventually settled in Abilene Texas where Ruth still resides. Dan Stinson died last week at 90 years of age. Denva Tidwell and Nora Dragoo were in Pampa on Saturday (last week).
surgery.
Ruth Curtis, daughter-inlaw of Lena Carter, underwent bone surgery in Oklahoma City on Friday of last week

The Fulbright place has been sold and we will have a new family in town soon. The Robert Bruces were away over the weekend visiting their children at Midland.

The James Armbristers and Nora Dragoo were in Pampa on Tuesday.
Word was received here this week of the death of another old-timer. Willie Belle Guill was the daughter of L.L. (Apple) Palmer, one of the earliest of settlen and owner of the very large Palmer apple orchard.
Changes in the services at First Baptist Church are as following: Sunday School 10:30 a.mı.; Sunday Service: 11:15 a.m.; 1st Sunday Observance of "Lord's Supper"; 2nd Sunday, Covered dish luncheon in basement kitchen after services; 3rd week, singing will resume as soon as feasible.
The children and grandchildren of the Robert Bruces met out at the home to celebrate grandson Paul's seventeenth birthday.

## Dr. Bhatia, M.D. Internal Medicine Will Be At The Clinic On Friday Afternoons Call For More Information

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These McLean Student met their goal Erin Coffee, 6th grade; Ashley McClendon and Mitchell Steward, 4th grade; Seth Childers, Michael Doniz, John Haynes and Shelby Terry, 2nd grade; Travis Fish, Zachery Richardson and Lucas Webb, 1st grade.


These second graders reached the Independent Reader Cervification level this past week: Seth Childers, Amanda Fricks, Join Haynes, David Jeffries, Tamara Loya, Brooke Seymour, Kay

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Elementary Students Reach Reading Goal

McLean Elementary success with the Accelerated Reader program. Several students either met their students either met their
annual goal this week or annual goal this week or achieved one of the six reading certification levels in the r ugram. The following students have met their annual goal: Erin Coffee, 6th grade; Ashley McClendon and Mitchell Steward, 4th grade; Seth Childers, Michael Doniz John Haynes and Shelby Terry, 2nd grade; Travis Fish, Zachery Richardson

These second graders reached the Independent Reader Certification level this past week: Seth Childers, Amanda Fricks, John Haynes, David Jeffries, Tamara Loya, Brooke Seymour, Kay Taylor and Jacob Wilson. Becoming and independent reader is a an independent reader is a real milestone for these students because it means that they have made the transition from being read to or read with, to reading totally on their own. Michael Doniz, Charli Jarvis and Shelby Terry have moved up to the

Super Reader level this week. Students are considered Super Readers when they have read three books and passed the test on them entirely on their own, and have accumulated fifteen points. Readers houver ransition from the ransition from half-point books to one-point books. In addition to the accomplishments of the students listed above, the whole student body can be proud of the fact that they have already read and tested on 4,136 books this year!


McLean Independent Readers are Travis Fish, Zachery Richardson (Not Pictured), Trey Skapper, Mark Smith, Logan Sparing, Lucas Webb, Stephanie Henson and Kristen Odom-

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## \& . The Tigers \& Lady Tigers Face Off Miami

By: Lorin Hall \& Bonnie Hauck, Tiger Rag Staff Friday, January 31, the McLean Tiger Basketball teams took on the Miami Warriors. The Lady Tigers played a defensive first half

they were unable to pul) ahead of the Warriorettes, forcing them to settle for forcing score of $32-48$. Rach final score of 32-48. Rac
Galley led McLean with Galley led McLean with points, and Vanessa Glas
contributed as well with points.
The McLean Tiger challenged the Warriors next. After the first hall the score was 16-43. T Tigers had their work out for them, but show that they were up to challenge by more thi doubling their score in the third quarter, bringing the score to $35-63$. The Tigers put up a good fight, but failed to overcome th Warriors. The final sco was 51-74. High scorers the Tigers were Tob Purcell with 11, Brell Montgomery with Anthony Albus with 9, Charles Harris an
Richards with 7 .

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## McLean Care Center

Sunday Bro. Quenton Newton, pastor of the Assembly of God Church came to hold a worship service.
Monday morning Bill Hulsey, from Prmpa came to cut the men's hair. In the afternoon the residents played bingo. Those playing were Sylvia McCellan, Dick Wheeler, M.L. Rowan, Truman Goodlett, Teresa Richardson, Florence Drake, Varnie Lowe, Thelma Hopkins, Vernee Bowling, Virgie Everett, Phyllis Bailey, Lena Bailey, Eula Morrow, Leon Tate, and Morrow, Cubine. Batanas were furnished by the Lions club. furnished by the Lions club.
The volunteer helper was The volunte
Betty Lowe.
Tuesday morning the residents made valentines. Those working in crafts were Truman Goodlett, Phyllis Bailey, Imogene King, Teresa Fichardson, Vernee Bowling, Marjorie Turnage, Forence Drake, Turnage, Florence Drake, Helen Glass, Sylvia McClellan, Leon Tate and Sue Cubine. Re'reshments were served following the session. In the afternoon M.L. Rowan, Imogene King and Teresa Richardson played dominos while other residents worked in crafts. Those enjoying the craft session were Christine Shipley, Truman Goodlett, Sue Cubine, Phy lis Bailey

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and Helen Glass.
Wednesday morning Phyllis Bailey, Sue Cubine, Truman Goodlett and Teresa Richardson made name tags for the Valentine party. In the afternoon a video tape taken of several events at the Care Center in 1996 was watched.
Residents playing bingo Thursday afternoon were Ruby Ayers, Phyllis Bailey, Teresa Richardson, M.L. Teresa Richardson, M.L
Rowan, Dick Wheeler, Rowan, Dick Wheeler,
Sylvia McClellan, Lena Bailey, Eula Morrow, Truman Goodlett and Thelma Finson.

Saturday, February 8 will be the Valentine party at which time a King and Queen of the Care Center will be crowned. This will take place at $2: 30 \mathrm{pm}$. take place at $2: 30 \mathrm{pm}$.
Everyone is invited to come Everyone is invited to come
join in the fun. join in the fun.

McLean School Menu
February 10-14
Monday Breakfast: Pancakes, bacon, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken fajitas w/fixings, salad, ranch style beans, no bake cookies, milk.
Tuesday Breakfast: Cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Hamburger steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, jello and topping, milk.
Wednesday Breakfast: Cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Hamburger stew, Lunch: Hamburger stew,
bologna/cheese or pimento bologna/cheese or pimento
cheese sandwiches, crackers, fruit, milk.

Thursday Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, bacon, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets, gravy, mashed potatoes, English pea salad, bread, dessert, pea
milk.
Friday Breakfast: Waffles, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Stuffed potatoes, meat, cheese sauce, salad, bread sticks, dessert, milk.

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## Amber McColum - Brad Dickey Exchange Vows

Mr . and Mrs. Anthony McColum of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Terry Dickey of McLean are pleased to announce the marriage of their children, Amber Breck McColum and Brad Glen Dickey.
The ceremony was performed January 12, 1997, by Q.D. Bevill in the home of the groom's parents. Melanie Cannon, cousin of

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1-20-97: Responded to 200 block of Kingsley on medical. Transported one to Columbia.

1-23-97: Responded to the 400 block of 5th Street on a medical. Transported one to Parkview.

1-27-97: Responded to the 600 block of North Pine on a medical. Transported one to Baptist-St. Anthony's.

1-27-97: Responded to the 400 block of East 4th on a medical. Transported one to Columbia.

1-28-97: Responded to McLean Care Center on a medical. Transported one to Parkview.

2-1-97: Responded to the 500 block of Cedar on a possible fall. Transported one to Shamrock General.

2-2-97: Responded to the 900 Block of 4 th on a medical. Transported one to Parkview.
2-2-97: Responded to 9 miles north and $21 / 2$ miles east on an 18 wheeler rollover. Transported one rollover. Transported one patient to Medivac.
2-3-97: Responded to 140 mile marker on I-40 on a Code 99. Transported one to Shamrock General.
the bride, was matron of honor and John Dickey, brother of the groom, was best man.
The bride attends West Texas A\&M University pursuing a degree in psychology. The groom attended West Texas A\&M University and is employed University and is employed by Amarillo Grain
Exchange. The couple Exchange. The in Canyon.


## Area Obituaries

## Samuel G. Robinson


#### Abstract

WICHITA FALLS - \#1082 of the Brotherhood Samuel G. Robinson, Jr., 69, brother of McLean residents, died Tuesday, January 28, 1997. Graveside services were in Chillicothe Cemetery at Chillicothe with the Rev. Brian Hughes, officiating Brian Hughes, officiating. Burial was under the direction of Sullivan Funeral direction of Sulliva Home of Vernon.

Mr. Robinson was born at Tompkinsville, Ky . He had been a Texas Panhandle and Wichita Falls resident most all his life. He retired as section He retired as section foreman for Fort Worth and Denver Railroad. He was a U.S. Army veteran and member of Lodge \#f 1082 of the Brotherhood of Maintenance and Ways. daughter, Elizabeth Shorter daughter, Elizabeth Shorter of Lawton, Oklahoma, five sons, John Robinson of Lubbock, Rick Robinson of Austin, Mike Robinson of Wichita Falls and Sammy Robinson and Ken Robinson, both of Vernon; three sisters, Ruby Nell Dismuke and Mildred Dalton, both of San Antonio, and Olene Brown of McLean; four brothers, Carter Robinson of Fort Worth, Benny Robinson of McLean and Lewis Weldon Robinson of Lewisville; 17 grandchildren; and six greatgrandchildren.


## Willie Bell Palmer Guill

Willie Bell Palmer Guill,
92 died Saturday, January 25, 1997.
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Graveside services were in Memory Gardens Cemetery at Pampa with Dr. R.L. Kirk, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Arrangements were by Carmichael-Whatiey Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Guill was born in Van Zandt County and her family settled on McClellan Creek at Alanreed, Gray County in $1918 . \quad$ She married Harry Gray Guill in 1927 at Clarendon.
She had lived in Pampa
more than 55 years, where she had served as assistant county auditor. She had beena Sunday school teacher in the primary department of First United Methodist Church and was a member of the Historical Society. She was an avid gardener.

She was preceded in death by her husband.

Survivors include a daughter, June Guill Persing of Plainfield, Mass., and two grandsons.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite memoria


The McLean-Alanreed Museum had a nice warm day for their chili dinner. Appraximately yo people attended and enjoyed to good food and music by Steve Brass. The items from the Country Store were auctioned off by James Hefley. beverly Odom won the drawing for a beautiful afghan, donated by Mary Emma Woods.

A Note From Zora Petty Billingsley
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