## Board Reviews Holiday Tournament Policy

## The M CLean Chambers, Nicki Adams, Elliott tournament on ndependent School Cynthia Hauck, Don District Board of Hauck, Lesa Greer, Bobbi December 28, 29 and special meeting at $6: 00$ Evels, Misty Hannon, several pro and con p.m. on November 30 , Hefloy Sanders, Charlotte issues, regarding the p.m. On November 30, Hefldy, Rose, Dale and athletes competing while 2000. Board members Shaley Steel. What athletes competing while Darsey, Billie Ward, Mike Absent from the Simmons, Joh Ward, T.D. Ammons, John Holland, All votes were Don Dorsey and Bob unanimous unless were. Others present otherwise stated. <br> Superintendent. Griffin, The meeting was called Crockett, Elementary to order at $6: 10$ p.m. by Principal; Blaze Herring Opening prayer President. High School Principal; by Mike Darsey was led Leslie Darsey, Secretary; by Mike Darsey, <br> Freda Holland, Janet Rose Steel was present Glass, Rhonda Patterson, to inquire if the High Shelli Long, Renea allowed to play in the Ft . <br> McLean Receives Second At Lefors U.I.L. Meet

The M © L e a n Azzaz. third grade the
Elementary and Junior In thin High participated in Music Memory team U.I.L. events recently at Lefors. The McLean school earned a second place spot competing agai
res.
In second grade Ashley Byron won 4 th place in Creative Writing. Staci Smith won 2nd place and Sami Staton won 6th place in Storytelling. Others competing in the scond grade were Nicole McClendon, Holly Phillips and Jacob

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third grade were Caleb Crawford, Lyndsey Ell and Mark Jefferies.

The fourth grade earned a first place in Art Memory. The team consisted of Evan McMordie, Trent Darsey DaShae Tolleson, Jamic Sanderson and Arely Vega. The Music Memory team also earned Memory team also earned a first place. The team consisted of DaShae Tolleson, Camero Taylor, Emory Crawford Arely Vega and Evan McMordie. Evan also earned a perfect score. DaShae Tolleson scored a 6th place in Number Sense. Arely Vega earned a first place and Tammy Syfrett earned fourth in Oral Reading. Emory Crawford placed first and Evan McMordie first and 5th in Ready placed 5th in Ready Writing. In Spelling, Evan McMordie placed 4th and Trent Darsey placed 6th. Others participating were Nikki Alvarez and Kaid Shaller. The Fifth grade Art team earned second made up by Mark Smith, Stephanie Henson, Logan Stephanie Kring Kristen Ellis Sparling, Kristen Elis
and Lucas Webb. The and Lucas Webb. placed

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 Crawford; 4th Grade Stacie Estes; 5th Grade Matthew Jeffries; 6th Grade Amanda Fricks; 7th Crawford, 4 ih Grade Stacie Estes, Sth Grade Marihew Jeffries; Oih Grade Amanda Fricks; 7in

REMINDERS
THE TIGERS \& Ladies will travel to Ft . Elliott on Dec. 15 at 6:30 p.m. for basketball.

SANTA WILL be at the bank on Dec. 20.

FIRST BAPTIST
Church will have a Christmas Program on Dec. 17 at 7:00 p.m.

TRINITY Baptist will hold a Children's Christmas Musical on Dec. 17 at 7:00 p.m.
THE NEXT school board meeting is tentatively set for Dec. 18 at 6:00 p.m.

THE COMMUNITY
Christmas Cantata will be
on Dec. 20 at 7:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church.

HEALD Methodist Candlelight Service will be Dec. 21 at 7:00 p.m.

JR. HIGH \& Elementary will be holding a canned food drive starting Dec. 11 to benefit the Loaves \& Fishes Program in McLean.

THE McLEAN News is updating the birthday/anniversary list. If you have any info on it please contact the News office at 779-2141. Leave a message if no one is there.

THE PIONEER Study Club will meet at $2: 00$ of Mickey Jackson.

THE DEVIL'S Rope Museum. Christmas Party for the volunteers is today at 5:30 p.m.

THE 6TH - 8TH grades will go to see the Nutcracker ballet on December 3.

AUTHOR David M Sargent, Jr. will be at the school on Dec. 8, 9:009:45 to speak to grades K-4th about the importance of reading. Parents are encouraged to attend.

CITY COUNCIL will meet at 6:00 p.m. on December 11.

THE McLEAN PTA will be having a Pot Luck Supper meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Dec. 11 Everyone is encouraged to come and bring a covered dish. Child care provided for the meeting.

THE LADY Tigers \& Tigers will participate in the Samnorwood tourney today and Saturday. Times to be announced.

HIGH SCHOOL basketball teams will travel to Shamrock on Dec. 12 at 6:30 p.m.

SCHOOL Christmas Holiday Dec. 21 to Jan. 2. School will be dismissed on Dec. 20 and everyone will return on Jan 3, 2001 .

THE METHODIST Women will have Christmas Party on Dec. 12 at 11 s.m. in the home of Stacey Smart Remember your covered Reme
dish.

THE FIRST Baptist Church is having a Bible Study on Dec. 14 in the home of Dan Quisenberry at 7:30 p.m. called Celebrating Live Everyone is welcome to attend.

THE CHRISTMAS Program performed by grades $2-5$ and the Tiger Choir will be held Dec 14 at 7:00 p.m.

AN IMMUNIZATION Clinic is to be held at the McLean Clinic on December 11 from 2:00 to $4: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$

VFW AUXILIARY is to have a meeting on Dec. 12 at 6:30 at Linda McAnear's house.

FAMILY Health Clinic will be closed December 5 through December 14 .

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## McLean School Lunch Menu

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& \text { December 11-15 juice, milk. Lunch: } \\
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& \text { Monday Breakfast: Chicken strips, mashed } \\
& \text { Pancakes, ham, toast and potatoes, gravy, corn, hot } \\
& \text { jelly, peanut butter, juice, rolls, fruit, milk. } \\
& \text { milk. Lunch: Chili Thursday Breakfast: } \\
& \text { cheese burgers, French Hot or cold cereal, toast } \\
& \text { fries, lettuce, tomatoes, and jelly, peanut butter, } \\
& \text { onions, pickles, cake, juice, milk. Lunch: Hot } \\
& \text { milk. pickes, cake, dogs, chili, cheese, pork- } \\
& \text { Tuesday Breakfast: n-beans, tator tots, } \\
& \text { Yogurt, graham crackers, pudding, milk. } \\
& \text { toast and jelly, peanut Friday Breakfast: } \\
& \text { butter, juice, milk. Cinnamon rolls, toast and } \\
& \text { Lunch: Nachos, meat jelly, peanut, fruit, milk, } \\
& \text { Lunch: Nachos, meat jelly, peanut, fruit, milk, } \\
& \text { salad, fruit, minto beans, Juice. Lunch: Ravioli, } \\
& \text { salad, fruit, milk. English peas, salad, } \\
& \text { Wednesday Breakfast: Texas toast, cinnamon } \\
& \text { Blueberry muffin, toast applesauce, jello, milk }
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## Christmas Tree Gets Recognition and Decorations To Celebrate Season and Longevity

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Trinity Baptist Church 603 Commerce James Mantooth Z29-3207, Sunday School 9.45 am Worship 11 an Nie stuaty 8 Prover Meeting Wed 7
contributed
Tiffani Kirklas ${ }^{4}$ each. The Ladies scored 2 . on Friday to back Pampa JV 43-34. Read Riley led the team to victory with 16 point Shaley Steel 16 points. Cesily Cadra scored 12. Sarai Sawyer contributed 6 and Kendall Newton earned 2 .
On Saturday, the Ladies were defeated by Spearman 41-74. Shaley Steel was lead score with 14. Nikki Hefley earned 12. Sarai Sawyer scored 7. Randi Riley had 4 and Cesily Cadra scored
*Shaley Steel is leading the team with 10 points per game. She is also leading the team with 15 rebounds," stated Coach Walker. "We are looking forward to the Samnorwood Tournament this weekend. We invite everyone to the games. The Lady Tigers are working hard and they deserve your support."

## Terri

and it's people justice with the paper," stated Terri. "I welcome any and all ideas about how to make McLean's paper the best it can be. come by the office or give me a call. The only way we can have
great paper is to work together. So come see mel*
Please join us in welcoming Terri back.

## Care Center

## News Report

The week has been very busy with decorating for Christmas. The holiday dinner was Saturday evening. We appreciate the families coming to eat with their loved one. The kitchen personnel out did themselves again. The tree out front was decorated and lit for the occasion. Come by and see the tree. The decorations were made by the residents.
A photographer from Shugart's Studio will be at the Nursing Home Thursday, December 7 to take pictures of the

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Eula Morrow is in the hospital. We wish her well.
There are two new residents. Genevs Kingston of McLean and Jo Ann Leathers from Clarendon.

McLean Defeats Claude At Miami Tournament

Tigers Win 5th At Miami Tournament The Tiger team earned fifth place at the Miami Tournament last weekend. The kids really played as a team," stated basketball Coach Blaze Herring.
In the first game McLean defeated Claude 57-48. Shane Estes led points. vith 20 parned 13 Brad Sawyer Floy 13 points. Randy Floyd followed with 12 Terrell Hembree scored 20 for the team and Gabe Vega put in two The second game saw defeat for the tigers against Ft . Elliott wigers against Ft . Elliott with a Estes and 34-60. Shane Estes and Brad Sawyer made top scores for the night with 10 each.

Randy Floyd contributed 5. Chris Sparling scored 3. David Swafford, Nate Roberts and Terrell Hembree each scored two points.
Victory was back in the Tiger court during he third game with the Tigers beating Booker 56-45. Randy Floyd ler, the win with 13 led Shane win with 13 points. Sawyer Estes, Brac Sawyer and Terrell Hembree followed close behind with 12 point each. Chris Sparling contributed 5 points to the teams win and David Swafford scored two points.
in's always exciting going to the Miami courney and especially winning against bigger schools, " stated Herring 'It's the best a Mcla team has done over there in years with our only loss to the champions, Ft . Elliott."

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first. Those tean Fish, Zachery Richardson and Stephen Ingle. The Listening team also placed first. Those team members were Travis Fish, Kristen Odom and Lucas Webb. Another first place for a team was in Maps, Graphs and Charts. The team members were Mark Lucas Webb. Mark Smith, Travis Fish, Stephanie Henson and
Lucas Webb made up the Music Memory team that placed first. In Number Sense, Kristen Odom, Mark Smith and Travis Mish made up the team Fish made up the team place. Stephen Ingle earned a 6th place in Shackelford earned a fifth place. In Spelling, the team consisting of Kristen Ellis, Travis Fish and Stephanie Henson placed first. Others fifth grade were Jacob Conners.
In the sixth grade, Brandon Phillips placed 1st, Cole Dampier placed 3rd and Tamara Loya placed 5th in Listening. They placed first as a team. Samantha Krueger placed 2nd and Tamara Loya placed 5th in Maps, Graphs and Charts. Traphs and Charts. They placed 2nd as a Application, Tamara Loya Application, Tamara Loy, Erin Bailey 4th and Brandon Phillips placed 6 th. They placed 2nd as a team. Brooke Seymour placed 5 th in Dictionary Skills.
Brandon Phillips placed Brandon Phillips placed
2nd, John Haynes placed 3rd and Chisum \$mith placed 4 th in placed 1st as a team. Courtney Lamb earned 2nd in Ready Writing. Chisum Smith eamed a third place and Erin Bailey earned 4th. The Music Memory team consisting of Chisum
Smith, Brandon Phillips, Tamara Loya, Brooke Seymour and Armanda Fricks earned 2nd place. Chisum Smith earnad 3rd and Courtney Lamb earned 5th in Spelling. They took 3 rd place as a team. In Number Sense John Haynes earned 5th
place.
In the seventh grade Russell Anglin took 6th in Spelling, 5th in Oral Reading, second in Listening and 4th in Modern Oratory. Dustin Kirkland earned 2nd in team Mathematics. Talitha Newton earned second place in Calculator, second in Modern Oratory, 4th in Oral Reading and 3 rd in Ready Writing. Kevin Smith placed second in team Mathematics. Krista Smith placed 5th in Calculators, 1st as a team, second in team Mathematics. Connie Vega earned 3rd in team Spelling. Audrey Ranjel spelling. Audrey Ranjel placed third in team
Spelling. Spelling.
In the
In the eighth grade Terrence Fite received
fifth place in Modern fifth place in Modern
Oratory and earned first place in Oral Reading. Ashley McClendon earned a 4th in Calculator and second place as a team. Listening earned her a 4th place. She placed second in Oral Reading and 5th in Ready Writing. Antonio Montoya earned first place in Dictionaries and second place in Teams. In Maps, Graphs and Charts he earned third and first as a team. He placed second in team Mathematics and third in eam Number Sense. Andie Ritchie eamed 6th place in Impromptu Speaking. Chloe Smith earned sixth place in Calculator and second as team. In Oral Reading she received fourth place. Mitchell Steward earned 5th place in Calculator, econd as a team, second place in Dictionaries and econd as a team. He placed second in Maps,
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School Board entered in a tournament during this time, and she felt that the experience gained would be a plus, as well as, getting the extra playing time right before
district play starts. Mrs. district play starts. Mrs. there was a local board policy stating that the basketball teams could not play during the Christmas holidays. Mr. Griffin responded that there was no such policy in effect but in the past there had been some parental problems arise which he was simply trying to avoid. T.D. Simmons felt that this was not a true board issue, but that it was an administrative decision to be discussed with the coaches. Mr. Grifin stated that he did not want the but he did not have problem if they wanted to enter a tournament for next year's schedule during the year's schay.
Mr. Griffin informed the Board and employees that the new bid for health
insurance, which was approved at the previous meeting, had been increased by $\$ 100.00$ per person, and would therefore have to be declined. Mr. Griffin will continue to search for the best possible provider, with the most affordable price. Unicare will remain as the provider, but they also had an increase in premium, and the benefits are not top of the line. McLean ISD will continue to pay $100 \%$ of the employee's premium as of now, but could be forced to the point of not being able to do so, if the premium cost continues to insurance for publice school insurance for public school
employees is supposed to be discussed at the next Legislative session, but if the state agrees to provide the coverage, it is more than likely that they will have to cut out teacher raises.
Mr.
Mr. Crockett gave a warm welcome to the Board introduced the Elementary introduced the Elementary
teachers before they gave their presentations regarding the Accelerated Reading program. Mrs. Holland program. with an explanation of what $A R$ is, how it of what AR is, how it
works, and the positive works, and the positive
results seen in the students. Each student has a goal and this is established by the teacher, and the child's
ability. Careful records
with each student's progress are kept from year to year, and students are tested periodically, or if a teacher notices a specific change in the reading habits. Each leacher had a turn to speak, and told the Board about heir leaching cricria, and how well the AR program complimented the daily task of colucation. AR to be used as part of the student's reading grade, but each reacher has her own percentage as to how much it will count. Every teacher it will count. Every teacher
agreed that AR was such an agreed that AR was such an
important part of the success, in that the school has been recognized as Exemplary the past two years. The teachers like the
way AR compliments their way AR compliments their learning curriculum, helping by having a better reading comprehension developed by the continued daily use of the AR program. It is a nationwide program, which is used by many schools, and by most schools in the
Texas panhandle. AR offers Texas panhandle. AR offers
diversity to the kids, diversity to the kids,
promotes success, builds promotes success, builds system, and has an instant feedback report system whether the child has passed or failed the lest laken over he book they have finished reading. Everyone agreed that reading is such an lifestyle, and the best skills possible, are being taught at the Elementary $/ \mathrm{Jr}$. High level. This is so important for the student to continue to succeed during the years McLean ISD is vehool. fortunate to have an Elementary Library, to have the computers necessary to teach from, to be able to purchase new books each year, and for the devotion
and concern shown to each individual student by their teachers. We are also fortunate to have Special Ed and Reading Recovery programs; LIPS training which helps children with phonics, but especially if a student is dyslexic. These special programs allow students to receive additional learning skills necessary to progress. It is amazing that read at such an early sto read at such an early age now, and even Kindergarten and First Graders are able to participate in the
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book of passed a test. Several success stories were
shared, and the teachers shared, and the teachers were very pleased with the recent Parent/Teacher conferences that were held in the Elementary/Jr. High. The kids are excited about reading, and with the AR program they develop skills, which helps tie in skills, which helps tie in
with all the elements of with all the elements of
learning. AR is in excellent way of preparation for the TAAS tests it lor the TAAS tests, it
benefits the student, and the benefits the student, and the
improvement in TAAS scores has proven that the children are receiving the chidren are receiving the is important that parents listen to their children read, and a special night has been set up each Monday from $7-8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Elementary Library, in order for the children to come up with their parents to read and test on their book. It has $\begin{array}{lr}\text { been a success, } & \text { with } \\ \text { anywhere from } \\ 14-20\end{array}$ participants each time since the start of November 13th. Mrs. Holland also suggested that in the future a program may be started with a Reading Buddy. Mr. Crockett ended the presentation by showing had received extra acknowledgment in Reading and was in the top third of the Texas schools compared. He also showed learning objective graphs and the improvements that had been made during the last three years. Mr. Crockett always commends his teachers for all their hard work and effort. He believes that we have a good K-12 school that we should be proud of.
Mr . Crockett stated that if Mr. Crockett stated that if
any parent has a concern, he would appreciate them coming to the school to
discuss them. Many misconceptions have been
formed about the school,
and the community should be able to work with the

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 to her neighbors

Mrs. Witt delivering wonderful Santa cookies to the Groom News staff.

Bobby Babcock making lots of Christmasy
decisions decisions

## NAUGHTY

Bobby Cornett wishing the Oklahoma Sooners would get beat

City employees putting the City Christmas decorations up on Main Street with that holiday spirit

Highland Hornets beating Groom last Friday night .
Old man winter for visiting Groom with his cold north wind breath.

## Weinheimer-Gray Selected To All-District Team



District 2-A Six-man 1 pleased to announce the coaches selections of the All-District team. The Groom Tigers made a fine showing and even had the two Most Valuable Player winners. They are \#16 Gran Weinheimer for offensive M.V.P. and \#11 Dewayne Gray for defensive M. V.P.

Grant Weinheimer, senior, has served as quarterback for the Tigers for two years. His leadership had helped bring the Tigers to the Quarterfinals for the last two years.

Dewayne Gray, also senior, has been an important member of Groom's defensive team on the line. He was also named to the AllDistrict offensive players team as a running back.
Clay Ritter \#50, was named to the offensive team. He is a junior He was also named to the defensive team as a linebacker.
Junior Garrett Britten, \#30, was named AllDistrict safety.
On the second team All-District, Garrett Britten was named to the See All District, pg. 3

## Tigers Lose To No. 1 Team


definitely the under-dogs going into the game, but Groom made Highland have to work hard for the win.
"The team played hard. The score was deceptive in that the game was much closer than that," said Reid. "The boys put them (Highland) in adverse situations that the Hornets had not experienced before." "I have to give our defense a lot of credit," he continued, "they really made Highland work for their score."
Groom had 6 first downs to Highland's 15 The Tigers were out The Tigers were out rushed, carrying the ball 26 times for 75 yards. 26 times for 75 yards. The Hornets gained 216 yards on 35 carries.
Groom passed 21 times, connecting on 9 for 150 yards and 1 touchdown. Highland completed 7 of 11 passes for 163 yards and a touchdown. Groom's punts averaged 53 yards
while theirs averaged 35 opening touchdown on a 9 yard run with a good point after kick.

Groom scored on a 41 yard pass from Grant Weinheimer to Hugh Weinheimer bringing the score to 6-9. The first quarter ended with the Hornets picking up on a 25 yard pass for a touchdown.

The Tigers held Highland to only one T.D. in the second perio of play. They scored on of play. They scored on a 13 yard run making the
20.
20.

There was no scoring by either team in the third quarter.

The Homet's scored twice in the final period of play on a five yard run and a 14 yard run. The final score was 6-34 as previously reported.

Individual stats were as follows:
Garrett Britten led with rushing yardage on 9 carries for 42 yards. He 45 yards. Britten recovered a fumble and had 3 unassisted tackles. See Tigers, pg. 3

COMMUNITY CALENDER

DON'T FORGET to enter the Holiday decorating contest by submitting your name to Groom's City Hall.

OPEN HOUSE at the Post Office on Tuesday, December 12 8:30 11:00 a.m.

THE METHODIST Church will have their Church will have their
Christmas program on December 13 at 6:00 p.m.

CHOW LINE is Tuesday at noon.

DECEMBER 12 will be the next School Board meeting.
DECEMBER 12 will be the next City Council meeting.
TUESDAY PRICES AT ATTEBUR
GRAN CO Wheat- 52.57 Wheat- $\$ 2.57$ Milo- $\$ 3.30$ Corn- $\$ 3.61$ Soybeans- $\$ 4.26$ No Moisture Reported This Week

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## The (hrman הJeforg Local Happenings



## Congrats To Elementary UIL Winners

Card Of Thanks
Thank you for the
thoughts and prayers
during my pregnancy and
possible complications
that never came to pass.
All of our worries were
resolved and Maegan
someday will have a
little brother or sister.
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7333 or $779-2141$.

Glynn D and Sybil Harrell visited in the home of Al and Edna Goodin in Claude Sunday and took the Bluebonnet Club Tour of Homes.

Father Clifton Corcoran recently sent his thanks to the Groom News staff for sending the newspaper each week. He passes the copy on to Sister Mary Louise, a Groom native, who also appreciates reading about
Groom, Texas. It is always nice to hear good things about your work especially during this holiday season.

Several close friends Several close friends and family attended a surprise anniversary party
in honor of Kenneth and Frances Payton Sunday Frances Payton Sunday
night, November 26 th, in Amarillo. The couple have shared thirty years together. The evening was filled with lots of fun and fellowship among folks from Lubbock, Clarendon, Groom and Amarillo.

On The Sick List John Thomas, Evelyn Ollinger.

The News incorrectly took five years of age away from Cliffie Heasley. She celebrated her 95th birthday. We apologize for the error and wish her a happy birthday.

Celebrating Thanksgiving at the Al Alward home were Jim Alward home were Jim and Donna Burton, Allie and Norris Hoyt of Groom; Melody and Hal Simpson, Zoenell Simpson and Byrdelee Simpson of Amarillo; April Burton of Canyon and Brenda, Terry and Brittnee Alward of Dumas.

Jim and Donna Burton attended a birthday party in Amarillo for their grandson Britian Simpson who turned 4 on November 29. Also attending were Zonell Simpson of Amarillo, and his parents Melody, and Hal Simpson Hal Simpson and sister Lauren and Kaytlynn. Cake and pizza were
served. served.

Karen Story, Jackie Whitehead and Brian Baker joined their mom, Baker joined their mom,
Jo Ann Baker in a Jo Ann Baker in a
shopping spree and lunch shopping sp
on Sunday.

Helen Witt attended the meeting of the $\mathrm{Hi}-$ Plains chapter of the Poetry Society of Texas in Amarillo Saturday. The program consisted of the reading of winning poems in the top ten in their categories in the annual state poetry annual state poetry contest. Heien read two and "Logic: Age Four." and "Logic: Age Four." The refreshments and
serving table carried out the Christmas theme.

## Community

 CalendarTHE GROOM High School Band will perform a concert at 7:00 p.m. on December 11.

THE VERNON Invitational Basketball Tournament will be held December 7 th, 8 th and 9th. Groom boys and girls teams will both be playing.

TODAY, December 7 , is National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. Remembrance flown at
Flags should be floy Flags should be flown at
half staff in memory of the lives lost during the bombing of Pearl Harbor during WWII.

GROOM SCHOOL Board will hold their Doarember meeting on the December meeting on the 14th instead of the 12 th at $7: 00$ p.m. due
basketball games. basketball games.

Groom Birthdays Anniversaries December $\mathbf{8}$ - Brooke Britten, John Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest McLaughlin (A). December 9 - Emalea London. December 10 - Jerry Ashford, Jimmy Burgin. December 11 Evelyn Schaffer, Sidney Mansel, Owen Weinheimer, Chad Barkley, Tabitha McCoy. December 12 - John Stephens, Floyd Wills, Barbie Bowen.

December 13 - Patsy Fraser, Margie Smith, Janyth Bowers.


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The City of Groom's Christmas Lighting Contest Sign Up By Dec. 11th (You can call city Hall ot 248-7929) A ballot will be found in the Dec. 14 issue of The Groom News or pick one up at City Hall. Return ballot to City Hall or the City's night drop bu Noon on Dec. 18th. Winners will be announced in the Dec. 21st Christmas Edition of The Groom News.


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Pewter, Silver Crosses \& More
We will be open until 7:00 pm every Wednesday for your Holiday Shopping!
P.S. Santa Says: "Don't forget to sign up to win "Standing Bart Bear" to be drawn on Christmas Eve!

Superintendent's Corner...

## Workshop Planned For Jan. Meeting

## By John Wilson

Congratulations to our students for all their recent successes. The football team, of course, went ail the way to the went ail the way to the
state quarterfinals. They represented us very well represented us very well
and . brought much and brought much
positive attention to our positive attention to our
school. In academics, our elementary and junior high literary teams each won the Zone
championships. Groom tudents are always recognized for excellence and exemplary behavior. Thanks to these kids and Thanks to these kids and their coache
As reported in this paper, the school will have a public meeting/workshop in early January regarding proposed program cuts. This workshop will not be a time to air grievances regarding the shool district Participants will be split into teams who will look at problems and propose possible solutions. The input from these teams will then be considered by the board in their decision making process. By March, the board will have taken whatever action is necessary.
Opinions and ather comments regarding the the public forum section
of any regular monthly business meeting. My office is always open as well, and I will gladly pass on any concerns to the board.
This community is fortunate to have a school board that is wise and deliberative in their actions. They always consider the needs of students first and never take these decisions lightly. They also consider the needs of the community at large. Please express your support for them as they are faced with these important decisions.

## Tigers

Dewayne Gray carried the ball 8 times for 31 yards. He gained 9 yards receiving and had 14 unassisted tackles.
Clay Ritter rushed for 14 yards on one carry. He gained 27 yards on 4 receptions and averaged 53 yards on two punts. He completed 13 unassisted tackles.
Cody Bivens rushed 3 times for a gain of 8 yards. He gained 41 yards. He gained 41 yards on a reception and had one unassisted tackle. Grant Weinheimer completed 9 of 21 passes for 150 yards and 1 touchdown.
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## The City Of Groom

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They are: A wheelchair, 2 walkers, a potty chair, and a bath stool.
caught 2 passes for 45
yards and 1 touchdown.
Clay Britten had
kick off return of 40 yards and 8 unassisted yards. and 8 unassisted
tackles. tackles.
Doug Fields recovered a fumble and had 6 unassisted tackles. Trey Britten had 4 unassisted tackles.

## All District

running back team and Junior Hugh Weinheimer was named End for the offense. On Defense Trey Britten, \#34, a Junior, was named to the defensive line.
Honorable Mention went to Cody Bivens as a running back, and Wyatt Britten as center in offense and Clay Britten, defensive line, Doug Fields, linebacker and Cody Bivens safety.
Other members of the offensive team are as follows:

Spreadback: Andrew Francis of Silverton. Runningback, Justin Davis of Valley. End Ruce Hartman of Happy. Split End, Isaiah Ivory of Silverton. Center Wes
Henson of Valley Kicker Vance Chandler of Valley.
The 2nd team offense is as follows:
Quarterback Bobby
Parish of Happy and Derick Cruse of Valley Spreadback Paul Wright of Samnorwood. Running back, Colby Davis of Happy. Split End, Red Ivory of Silverton. Center, Adrian Ramirez of Silverton. Kicker Isaac Garcia of Silverton.
Defense 1st team are as follows: Defensive line, Isaac Garcia of Silverton and Justin Lucero of Valley. Linebackers, Ryan Wellman of Valley, and Adrian Ramirez of Adrian Ramirez of
Silverton.
Safety,
Red Ivory of Silverton.
Ivory of Silverton.
The 2 nd team defense is as follows: Defensive line, Cole Calvert of Valley and Clint Ivory of Silverton. Linebackers, Paul Wright of Samnorwood, Andrew Frances of Silverton and Tyler Hardgrave of Tyler Hardgrave of
Happy. Safety, Jeremy


The Groom Athletic Booster Club

Givens of Happy, and
Damian Regalado of Happy. Punter, Vance Chandler of Valley.

In addition to the AllDistrict team 6-man All Stars were also named. Grant Weinheimer will represent Groom Dewayne Gray will serve as alternate. The game will be played in Lubbock in July.

## Carson Co.

Sheriff's
Report
According to Sheriff Gary Robertson there were five persons booked into the Carson County Jail during the week of November 27 through December 3, 2000. Currently there are nine persons incarcerated in the jail and eleven additional prisoners being held in other jurisdictions.

Arrests made this week include:

Cecil Williams (Pampa), 49, Driving While Intoxicated, 1st.
Ricky Roberts (Pampa), 33, Driving While Intoxicated, 1st.
Robert Kinkade (Lubbock), 43, Driving While Intoxicated, 1st.
Tracie Kinkade (Lubbock), 33, Public Intoxication.

Dusty Nobles (Amarillo), 20, Warrants, Potter County.

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## Tigerettes Compete In Miami Tournament

Groom's Tigerettes and Cassie Ashford put competed at the Miami in 7 points.
Tournament last weekend. The Groom Ettes They won their opening battled Hedley for the match against Hartley 57- final championship game. 12. Amanda Conrad and Candace Bohr was high Candace Bohr tied for point with 13. Amanda high point with 13 each. Conrad scored 12. Cassie Ashford added Krisanne Davis added 5. another 7. Krisanne Jill Britten, Cassie Davis added 6 as did Ashford and Amanda Brin Burgin. Amanda Martin each scored 2 Martin and Laurissa points. Lauren Crowell Noack each scored 4 earned 1 point Crowell Noack each scored 4 earned 1 point. Jill Britten and Nichole Hedley 53-37 lost to Barnett each and Nichole Hedley 53-37. makino Barnett each scored 2 them take home silver
points each. points each.
In second round action the tournament. In second round action, They will play in the the Tigerettes beat the Vernon tournament this Lady Irish of Shamrock weekend.
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Amanda Conrad scored 14 points as did Candace Bohr to take high point honors. Nichole Barnett earned 11 points earned 11 points for Groom's credit. Krisanne Davis scored 8 points and Jill Britten scored 3.

Groom breezed past Wellington in the semifinals 62-42. Amanda Conrad $62-42$. Amanda Conrad again led the scoring with 24 points. Candace Bohr contributed another 21 points.

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Junior Krisanne Davis


## New Red Raider Fan Is Born

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The RRC announced that "We do not want Texans forced to choose between home heat and other needs."

Under the new rule, Natural gas utility companies may not disconnect a customer on a day when the previous day's temperature in the

## Teams Prepare for Tourney

## Vernon Tournament

 The annual Vernon Invitational Basketballtournament Thursday, December 7 for a three-day Games will be played D.O. Fulton Gym and the D.O. Fulton Gym and the PE Gym both on the campus of Vernon High School and King Athletic Complex on the campus of Vernon Regional Junior College.
The tournament will spotlight the talents of 38 teams. Boys teams will compete in three brackets while girls teams will be divided into two brackets.

Playing in the boys brackets will be Sherman, Pampa, Iowa Park, Graham Holliday, Archer City, Vernon, Borger Paducah, Childress Quanah, Amarillo River Road, Burkburnett JV, Road, Burkburnett JV Harrold, Vernon Northside, Chillicothe Electra, Haskell, Groom, Denton Liberty Christian, Amarillo San Jacinto Christian, and VernonJV.
Action in the Girls Maroon Bracket will feature, Holiday, Graham Quanah, Chillicothe Archer City, Electra, Paducah, Harrold Vernon-Northside, Borger, Peaster-Northside, Borger Peaster, Amarillo River Liberty Christian, Haskel Liberty Chr
and Groom.
Groom boys will play Burkburnett JV Thursday at 5:30 p.m. in the Silver Bracket at the PE Gym \#2.
Groom girls play Archer City at $4: 00 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Vernon Regional Junior College Gym on Thursday.
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Maegan McKinzie Ford Makes Appearance Just In Time For Thanksgiving

Maegan McKinzie was Ted and Jo Ann Ford of born to Michael and Perryton and Joe and Stacey Ford on Nancy Hoyle of Perryton. November 15, 2000 at Great-grandparents are $7: 53 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. She weighed Beulah and Slim Hill of 6 pounds, 13.5 ounces Oklahoma City and Janie and was 20 ipches long. Hoyle of Borger.

Her grandparents are

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## Monica Mary

Weinheimer
Monica Weinheimer, Friday, 84, died in Amarillo.
Rosary was recited in Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Groom on Sunday. Funeral Mass was Monday, December 4, at the church with the Rev. Neal Dee, pastor,
officiating. Burial was in officiating. Burial was in
St. Mary's Cemetery by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Weinheimer was born in Fredericksburg and moved to Groom in 1935. A Croom in she was a member of the she was a member of the Christian Mothers Society, the Altar Society and Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Groom. She married Eugene Weinheimer in 1924 at Fredericksburg. He died in 1971.
Survivors include six daughters, Carol Madison of Everett, Washington, Janice Cooper of Austin, Cheryl Garigan of Independence, Kansas Monica Roden of Pampa,
Martha Samples Marthart, Samples of Dalhart, and Diana Sandergriff of Chicos two sons, Jerome Weinheimer
of Onida, S.D., and Eugene Weinheimer Jr. of Columbia, Missouri; 19 grandchildren; and 13 19 grandchildren;
great-grandchildren.
The family suggest memorials be to BSA BSA memorials be to BSA
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Center, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, Texas 79176.

## John Lowe

TURKEY - John Lowe, 20, died Thursday November 30, 2000.
Services were in Church of Christ with Stuart Smith, minister, officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery at Memphis by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.
Mr. Lowe was born in Memphis. He graduated
from Claude High School.
chool.


Garrett Britten does a great job assisting Dewayne Gray with a tackle.

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The Groom Junior high boys battled Hedley on Monday night. Thane Barkley was high point with 6. Kade Brown
scored 3. Adam Britten,

Blaine Britten and Chance Barkley each put in two points.

The Cubs lost to the Owls 15-48. They will play Hedley again here
on December 11 .


Doug Fields, Hugh Weinheimer, Dewayne Gray and Grant Weinheimer wish each other luck as they prepare to begin the game against the Highland Hornets.


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