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Fire Dept. Now Equipped With Second Truck

By Brent Stephens

The Groom Community Fire Truck has returned, after a rebuild by Neal Associates in Waco. The existing chassis, a 1974 Ford two ton four wheel drive, received a new pump and bed to better serve the rural community and the city of Groom.

The truck was painted white to provide greater visibility by the public. The new pump is better suited to fighting grass fires while

also being able to control structures fires. The bed consists of many compartments to carry much needed fire suppression and safety equipment. The water tank will hold 750 gallons and has been designed for easy replacement if the need arises, without replacing the entire bed. A small tank was built for holding special chemical to suppress and control hazardous high

explosive spills such as gasoline, diesel, and airplane fuel. The storage will also be used to carry rescue equipment, lighting equipment, and tools such as the Jaws of Life.

The design to the truck took in account the ability to reduce the key rate which affects the insurance rates paid by property owners. By now equipping the truck properly it could result in a

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Decision Expected On Commissioner This Week

Carson County Judge J.R. Roselius said in a Monday morning interview that he expects to appoint a man to fill the unexpired term of Precinct 4 Commissioner before the commissioners court meets on Monday, December 11.

"I have visited with many people from the White Deer and Skellytown area and think I've had a strong signal of what they want done," he said.

The precinct 4 Commissioners seat was vacated on November 22, when Lee Lockridge submitted his resignation to Roselius. By law Judge Roselius has the responsibility of filling the position by appointment. The term expires at the end of 1990.

"People in Precinct 4 want the appointment made as quickly as possible," Roselius said, "I can understand that. They want to be represented."

"Several people, including Tracy Kotara, Plez Meadows, Dave Downey, Cohen Gallegly, Bob Lawrence, James Max Owens and Don Elledge have shown a definite interest in the job," he continued.

"I think I have about zeroed in on one, but in this business you can never tell what might come up tomorrow or the next day or the next to change things. I will let you know as soon as I make the decision, but I know it won't be soon enough for you to get in the paper (this week)... maybe Thursday or Friday."

Deputy Taylor Investigating Four Males

Carson County Sheriff's Deputy, Tim Taylor said he is investigating four white males for the Groom burglaries that occurred November 25. Crimestoppers reported the burglaries Tuesday night but no further leads or evidence has been recovered. Taylor asks anyone seeing or hearing anything on the Saturday night and early Sunday morning burglaries to call him.

Pheasant Season Opens, New Laws In Effect

December 9, is the opening day of pheasant season. That means the fields around Groom will be full of visitors hunting pheasant; some local hunters and every farmer in the area running around making sure his land doesn't get torn up.

With more farmers moving to CRP, the pheasant population is expected to soar in the next three to five years. That also could mean they'll be tougher to hunt.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department wishes to remind hunters to practice

hunter safety. The law allows the hunter two cocks per day and four in possession.

A hunting license is required by law to hunt pheasant. All hunting licenses issued by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department are valid only during the period September 1 or the issuance date, whichever comes later, through the following August 31.

Hunters 17 years of age or older, while hunting, must have on their persons a

See Hunting, page 12

Community Calendar

Commodities will be distributed Tuesday, December 12 from 2:30 to 4:30 at the Groom Branch Library.

Miami High School teams will travel to Groom on December 12, games begin at 4:30 p.m.

Lazy Dazy's Christmas Party will be held Saturday, December 9 at Belinda Britten's. Don't forget your Secret Pal Gift exchange.

Santa Claus is coming to town on Friday December 15, to the Groom Dairy Queen. Children of all ages are invited to come and give your Christmas requests to Santa from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Lazy Dazy's Christmas Party will be held Saturday, December 9, in the home of Belinda Britten. Members are reminded to bring your secret pal's Christmas gift. Community Christmas Cantata will be at the First Baptist Church of Groom on December 17 at 7:00 p.m.

Spinning Spools Quilting Guild Luncheon will be held at the home of Carole Fields on December 14.

Groom Country Neighbors will meet in the home of member-Mrs. Roy Ritter on Wednesday, December 13 at 1:00 p.m.

First Baptist Children's Christmas Program will be Sunday, December 17 at 11:00 a.m.

The United Methodist Church Christmas Program will be December 20 at 7:00 p.m.

Groom ISD Christmas Program, including a band concert and performances by Kindergarten through twelfth grade will be heard on Sunday, December 19, at 2:00 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Community Center Game night will be December 14 at 6:00 p.m.

S.O.S. meets a week earlier on December 21 at the Community Center with members of the First Baptist Church congregation as hosts.

Holiday Covered Dish luncheon at the Community Center will be December 10 at noon. Everyone is invited.

St. Mary's Catholic Church Christmas Program will be held December 20, at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

Annual Christmas Home Decorating Contest judging will be December 17.

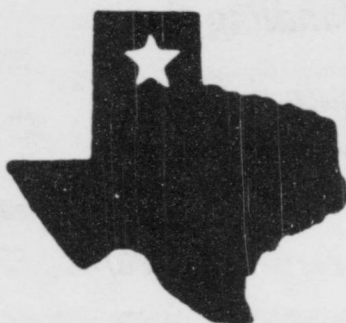


Margie Smith-Owner, Stephanie Ollinger and Sherrie Wieberg-owner were on hand to greet guests at open house hosted by the Country Junction on Saturday.

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Subscribers and readers of the Groom News are reminded to get your Christmas greeting turned in. The Christmas edition will be printed on Thursday, December 21.

Greetings are available in all sizes and costs. The popular word greetings are \$3.00. Persons wanting a greeting can drop their personal wishes by the office or call 248-7333 and we will select a verse for you. Don't be left out, deadline is December 18.

Tuesday Grain Prices

At Local Elevators

Cash prices on grain posted at grain elevators serving the Groom area Tuesday afternoon:

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TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

Tony and Tina Painter traveled to Texarkana, this past weekend and visited in the home of Billy and Jan Painter.

LaCrisha Painter, formerly of Groom, has moved to Bedford, Texas.

Kevin Collingsworth of Grandview portrayed Sitting Bull in the Clarendon College production of "Ghost Dance at Wounded Knee". The production was held November 30, and December 1-3. At the Clarendon College Theatre. The production was under the direction of Miss Leslie Schnauffer.

Kevin is the son of Rozelle Collingsworth.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Ashford visited the Danny Ashford family in Amarillo in their new home.

Laverne Schults is a patient in a Amarillo hospital at press time.

Cliff Rutherford is home after being hospitalized in Amarillo.

Essie Cooper Knowles is a patient in the Pampa Hospital.

Nellie and Burl Painter traveled to Covina, California on November 18 and returned November 26. Accompanying them on the trip was their grandson, Robbie Cervantes of Bedford, their son, Billy and Jan Painter and daughter Elizabeth of Texarkana. While in California the group visited in the home of Larry Painter and family. On the return trip home they visited in the home of Nellie's parents, Ann and Wayne Edwards of Havasu, Arizona.

Local Happenings

Finis Marchman has been a patient in the Pampa Hospital this past week.

Those spending Thanksgiving Day with their parents, the Bud Babcock's were Kenny, Linda and family; Denny, Carol and family; Gary Don, Cindy and family, all of Groom, and Joyce and Vince Barclay and family of Vega. Also joining the group was Linda's mother, Jonnie Stout of Clarendon.

Irene Baggerman, Cameron Tigg and Rozelle Collingsworth were Sunday afternoon guests in the home of Darrell and Charlotte Whatley. Irene and Cameron, came from Amarillo to attend the shower of Bruce Thornton.

Scouts Making Video

Groom Girl Scouts are in the process of shooting a video for their pen pal, Richard Weller, who is stationed in Alaska. Richard has kept in touch with these local girls through photos and letters for the past two years. The girls want to bring him a little of Groom's Christmas season. They plan to film during basketball games, local houses decorated, Dairy Queen, etc.

Girl Scouts still have a few wall calendars and pocket calendars available for personal use or gifts. For your calendars give local leaders, Donna Burton, Mary Sue Lyles and Karen Brown a call.

Clarence Merrick is a patient in an Amarillo Hospital.

Chris Ollinger, son of Kelvin and Debbie Ollinger underwent testing in Amarillo on Monday.

A special Texas Christmas has been planned by the Friends of the Governor's Mansion, in Austin. Each county in Texas has been invited to paint an ornament to be hung on the Governor's Mansion Christmas Tree. Mr. Al Goodin painted the ornament for Armstrong County.

Three scenes were depicted on the four-inch ornament. One a scene of Palo Duro Canyon, one a windmill, landscape, and another a map of the Texas Panhandle. The background was painted a glossy red, as instructed by the Friends of the Governor's Mansion.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Goodin, Mrs. Lorena Austin and other county representatives will be invited to attend an open house in December at the Governor's Mansion, in Austin. The Texas Christmas Tree will be displayed at that time. It is an honor that Armstrong County has been included in this special event.

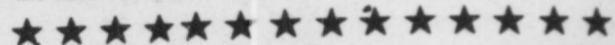
Al is a former resident of Groom.

On Saturday, Sidney Mansel was transported back to Coronado Community Hospital with pneumonia.

Members of the First Baptist Church have been busy these past few days working at the church building. A workday was held Saturday. Members cleaned, hung lights and organized the church library. Mrs. Forrest McLaughlin served lunch to the hard workers.

Doris Homer, Flora Glen Hammers, Pat Ashford and Charlene Weller were in Amarillo Friday evening for dinner and viewing the Christmas lights.

Bro. Eddie Hogan, pastor at the Groom First Baptist Church visited the emergency room Friday evening suffering with flu symptoms.



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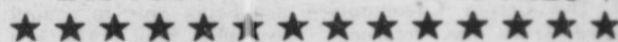
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Officers Seeking Help

White Deer-Carson County Sheriff's officers are seeking help in identifying and locating a man who allegedly assaulted and robbed a convenience store clerk on Monday, Barry Knocke, Carson County deputy, said Thursday.

The man is described as Hispanic, about 30 years old, 5 feet 10 inches tall and weighing 160 pounds. He reportedly left the scene in a 1975-77 Chevrolet four-door that was white over brown.

Knocke said the incident was reported about 1:58 a.m. Monday at the Allsup's convenience store in White Deer after the man bought

gasoline and then came into the store.

He picked up a 16-ounce glass soft drink bottle and struck the clerk, Margaret Leslie Burns of Kingsmill, on the head and then went behind the counter and got an undisclosed amount of money from the register, according to officials.

The victim was taken to Coronado Hospital in Pampa by Rural-Metro Ambulance and was treated and released from the hospital. The deputy said the clerk's head was cut by the bottle and she received stitches at the hospital to close the wound.

According to Sheriff Terry Timmons, four suspects have been questioned and

others will be interviewed. The Sheriff's office asked the Pampa Police Department to complete a composite drawing of the suspect.

In a separate incident, 10 homes and vehicles were burglarized on Saturday night or early Sunday morning in Groom. An estimated \$6,000 worth of tools and other items of value were taken.

Sheriff Timmons said residents should be alerted to lock vehicles, homes and garages. Traditionally, more burglaries occur during the Christmas season, he said.

Anyone with information on the robbery suspect or with information concerning the burglaries can contact Sheriff's Office at (806)537-3511.

Library Receives Accreditation

Carson County Library was recently accredited as a member of the Texas Library System, according to William D. Gooch, Director and Librarian of the Texas State Library.

"We are pleased to award a certificate of system membership in recognition of the efforts this community has made in providing public library services," said Gooch. "It is a symbol of having achieved a level of excellence."

Carson County Library is a member of the Texas Panhandle Library System and serves Carson County citizens in Panhandle, Groom, White Deer and Skellytown. The Library had to meet strict criteria,

according to Barbra Sparks, head librarian, such as hours of access, professional staffing requirements, number of library materials and local per capita support to become an accredited member. Public libraries must apply and qualify for system membership annually.

Authorized by the Library Systems Act of 1969, the Texas Library System was developed to improve library service in the state through cooperative efforts.

Comprised of ten regions, the statewide system provides an opportunity for local libraries to make the best possible use of both their own resources and those available elsewhere in

The grand jury on Monday completed its inquiry into Nickell's death, he said, but further inquiries will probably be taken to the jury at a later date.

Carson County Sheriff, Terry Timmons stated, "Certain other evidence is under investigation at the lab."

Card Of Thanks

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation to our children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren for the beautiful reception given in our honor to celebrate our 50th Wedding Anniversary.

We wish also to express our thanks and appreciation to our relatives and friends for the best wishes, cards and gifts received. Al and Agnes Homer

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the system. These cooperative efforts are made possible through state and federal funds appropriated to the Library Development Program of the Texas State Library will distribute about \$8 million to the ten library systems.

Some of the new books at the Groom Branch Library are: "Shelley Winters, Shelly II: The Middle of the Century", "Spencer Tracy, Tragic Idol" by Bill Davidson, "King of the Night" the life of Johnny Carson, by Laurence Leamer, Erma Bombeck, "I want to Grow Hair, I Want to Grow Up, I Want to go the Boise", "The Old Home Place" by David Caffey, "At Rick" by Alice Hoffman, "McBains Ladies" by Ed McBain, "Insects and their Relatives" by Maurice Burton, "Weddings" by Martha Stewart, "Movietown Nurse" by Betsy Bell, "Love's Quiet Corner" by Laura Parrish, "That Touch of Magic" by Alison Pace, "When Love Takes Wing" by Sharon Sanders, "The Saga of Henry Starr" by Robert J. Conley, "The Arizona Panhandle" by Richard Clark, "The Rough Rider" by Jack Cummings and "Devil's Wind" by Douglas Hirt.

Chow-Line Menu's

December 8-Brisket with brown gravy, Mashed potatoes, green beans, hot biscuits and dessert.

December 12-Chicken and dumplings, cranberry sauce, Macaroni and Cheese, spinach and dessert.

December 15-Bar-B-Que ribs, sweet potatoes, cabbage slaw, hot biscuits, birthday cake and ice cream.

December 19-Fried chicken and gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, dessert-cook's surprise.

December 22-Beef enchiladas, pinto beans, corn bread, salad, dessert.

December 26-no dinner.
December 29-Chili with beans, Country Fried Potatoes with onions, Cornbread and Dessert.

Can Food Drive

The Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts of Groom will be collecting canned foods for the annual food drive. The volunteer firemen in cooperation with the Scouts will help distribute the cans of food.

Please bring your canned goods to one or more of the following events: December 17-10:00 a.m. The Baptist Church Christmas Program, 2:30 p.m. The Groom School Music Concert on December 20, 7:30 p.m. St Mary's Christmas Program or 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Christmas Program.

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Jury Taking Second Look

A Carson County grand jury began taking a second look at a 20 year old, unsolved murder last Monday, conducting a fact-finding investigation into the death of Elsa Nickell.

The probe of the 100th district court grand jury is headed by District Attorney David McCoy.

"It's just being examined and the investigation is being intensified in an effort to find out who the killer was because of new methods that are coming along in law enforcement all the time," said Sgt. Dan Self, Texas Department of Public Safety investigator.

Self was among the in-

vestigators who initially probed the slaying of Nickell, a 24 year old legal secretary, who was killed July 13, 1969.

Nickell was found in the bedroom of her Panhandle home by her brother the next day. She had been smothered by a pillow held over her face.

No arrests have been made in connection with the slaying, but several lie detector tests were conducted after the incident. Authorities have never determined the owner of a black, chrome covered car parked in Nickell's driveway before the time the woman's body was discovered.

Self said investigators have a suspect in the case.



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Peggy Butler Announces For Re-Election To The Position Of County Treasurer



I, Mrs. Peggy Butler, Carson County Treasurer, announce for re-election to the Treasurer's office subject to the Democratic Primary election to be held March 13, 1990.

During the past 17 years, county treasurers have been required to attend the V.G. Young Institute of County Government for 20 hours of educational courses every other year. I have attended these sessions and feel they have helped me to perform the duties of this office in a more professional manner. In addition to receiving and disbursing all county monies, I have the responsibility of investing funds. During the 1988-89 budget year, \$137,709.82 was earned in interest.

I want to express my appreciation to the citizens of Carson County for your support in the past; and if I am re-elected I will strive to carry out the duties of this office and serve you to the best of my ability.

Pol. Adv. Pd. by Mrs. Peggy Butler, Box 535, Panhandle, Texas 79068.

Locals . . .

Tonya, Mark and Tye Owens of Shamrock were in Groom this past weekend visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Treadwell.

Helen Wade underwent eye surgery this past week. She is home and reported to be feeling fine.

Several Groom Country music lovers made their way to Amarillo Friday night for the Cowboy Christmas Ball. Those attending witnessed the filming of Michael Martin Murphy's new video to be released in January.

This past week the Farm and Ranch Show was held at the Civic Center in Amarillo. Groom people were among the many attending and taking part in the educational event.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Tuggle of Houston were in Groom recently visiting in the home of her parents, Gene and Edith Wade. The Tuggle's also visited in Panhandle with Elmer Tuggle and other family and friends. Edith Wade returned home with the Tuggle family to see a bone specialist. If you wish to contact Edith you may do so by writing to her at 8127 Doorcreat Lane, Houston, Texas, 77070 or phone 713-890-3856.

The Max and Helen Wade home was filled with love and companionship during the Thanksgiving Holiday with all their children and grandchildren home. The family traveled to Childress on Thanksgiving day for a festive dinner in the home of their daughter, James and Maxine Anglin.

Ripley Albert Snyder celebrated his 77th birthday Sunday evening in the home of Cobb and Kay Britten. Guests were Lucille Britten, Nell Britten, Gloria Ledwig, Sybil Brown, Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Newsom, Rev. and Mrs. Eddie Hogan, Richard Homer, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ellington, Rev. Richard Neyer, Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Ollinger and Max Wade.

**Adela Bichsel Feted
With Birthday Dinner**

A dinner was served in St. Theresa's Parish Hall on November 25th, honoring Adela Urbanczyk Bichsel on her 88th birthday. Seventy-two family members and two special guests, Msgr. Kevin Hand of White Deer and Rev. Clifton Corcoran of Panhandle, were in attendance. Family members were from Groom: Wallace Bichsel; Adela, Lindy, Staci and Halee Kotara; Cindy, Marci and Cody Babcock.

From Pampa: Charles and Lorraine Albus; Clyde, Leslie, Benjamin and Christopher Whitten; James Bichsel; Chuck, Colleen, Tracy and Shari Albus; Kris Adams; Mike, Gina, Michael and Jacob Albus; Jason Roberts; William and Laura Clark; Eddie and Susan Daniels; Richard and Beth Bichsel. From White Deer: Robert, Marjorie and Timmy Bichsel; Bobby, Robbie and Kim Bichsel; Jeff, Paulette and Sammi Cottom; Jay, Anita, Cassy and Aaron Urbanczyk; Jackie, Christopher, and Ashley Hill.

Also, Wilfred Bichsel of

Panhandle; George and Bonnie Bichsel of Perryton; Melinda, Ashley, Missy, and Jessica Daniels of Alanreed; Tony, Jeanne, Jason and Scott Albus of Arlington; Gerald and Pam Bichsel and Stormi Middleton of Bedford;

Anglea Love of Midlothian; Lynn and Kim Guinn of Corisicana. From out-of-state: Willie Bichsel of Byers, KS; Kenneth and Kathy Bichsel of Oklahoma City; Dora, Farrow, Amanda, Jimmy, Gregory Taylor of Ringling, OK.

Miss Judith Ruthardt Honored

Miss Judith Ruthardt, bride-elect of Jerome Ingle, was honored with a pre-nuptial shower Saturday morning, December 2 in the Glynn D Harrell home. Guests were greeted at the door by the honoree, her mother, Mrs. Louis D. Ruthardt and the mother of the prospective groom, Mrs. John H. Ingle. Refreshments were served from a table laid with a white cloth and centered with an

arrangement of greenery and silver ribbon. Other table appointments were of milk glass and silver.

Other hostesses were Nancy Stroope, Evelyn Schaffer, Janice Koetting, Georgeann Hinson, Barbara Fraser, Oma Schaffer, Truman Goodlett, Helen Wade, Carolyn West, Susan Sweatt, Linda Fields, Roberta Ellington, Connie Fields, Susan Burgin, Karen Case and Margie Stephens.

Fire Call To

Pool's Home

Friday evening the Groom Fire Department was called to the home of Bobby Eul Pool, south of Groom. Pool's chicken house, storage building was on fire as the fire crew arrived. Bobby had stated that he was burning debris earlier in the day, but thought he had extinguished the blaze.

Popcorn Is In

The Popcorn is here and the Boy Scouts will be delivering your popcorn this week. Extra popcorn has been ordered. If you wish to purchase additional corn, contact Kay Britten at 248-7064. We thank the community of Groom for their support in this Boy Scout fund-raiser.

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I have deep roots in this community. I am the daughter of Mrs. Marion Calliham and the late J.P. Calliham, pioneers of Carson County. I graduated from Panhandle High School, attended Texas Tech University and Amarillo College. I am active member of First Methodist Church of Panhandle.

Through my many years in family business, Franklin Parts and Supply in Panhandle, I have gained much valuable experience. I have dealt with the public in all phases of the business, including personnel and office management. My previous employment includes secretarial work for First United Methodist Church of Panhandle, and attorneys Frank Dove and H.H. Smith. I am presently employed as full-charge bookkeeper at Pioneer Feeders in Groom.

I feel my past experience gives me a suitable background to successfully fulfill the duties of this office, and I actively seek the support of the citizens of Carson County.

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- Test lights before putting them on the tree. Unplug them before making repairs or replacing bulbs.
- Overloading circuits with too many lights can cause fire. Follow manufacturer's instructions about the number of lights allowed on one circuit.
- Never string lights on a metallic tree.
- Choose a fresh, green tree, trim its base and keep it in plenty of water. If the needles are brown and break off easily, it could be a fire risk.
- If you buy an artificial tree, make sure it has been tested for flammability by Underwriters Laboratories (UL).
- Always turn off lights before leaving home or going to bed. You'll save money and be safer, too.
- Do not use inside lights on the outside. All outside lighting equipment, including lights, cords and plugs, should be waterproof and made for outdoor use. Also, hang sockets downward and don't leave a socket empty.
- When hanging lights on the rooftop or in tall trees outdoors, stay clear of electrical lines.

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Melinda Burgin



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Jolee Burger



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Junior Favorite
Shannon Fields



Senior Favorite
Richard Jenkins



Senior Favorite
Julie Lyles



Miss GHS
Jolee Burger



Mr. GHS
Jay Britten

Students of Groom High School recently selected class favorites. This year's royalty includes: Rhett Patterson and Melinda Burgin whom represent the freshman class. Sophomore class favorites are Brian Baker and Jolee Burger, Justin Harris and Shannon Fields are the junior class favorites. Richard Jenkins and Julie Lyles are the senior class favorites.

All school favorites this year are Jay Britten, the seventeen year old son of Art and JoAnn Britten. This is Jay's senior year at Groom

High School. Jolee was selected Miss. Groom High School. She is the fifteen year old daughter of Ken and Holly Burger.

Boys Basketball Update

Groom Junior Varsity Boy's team competed in the Miami tournament on November 30, December 1 and 2 in Miami. They played the varsity teams of Lefors and Miami. The boys were beat, but not defeated. Varsity boys played Canadian Friday night. Jeffrey Fields scored 23 points and Wilbur Kempf scored 14. The team scored 66 points against Canadian's 70 points. The loss makes Groom 2 and 2 in the season. Junior High boys from the seventh and eighth grade competed in the McLean Junior High Tournament on November 30 and December 2.

outscored Groom 38 to 26. Groom then played the winner of the McLean-Lefors game, Lefors won. The 2:30, Saturday game was a victorious one for Groom. The team beat Lefors with a final score of Lefors 11 and Groom 17. Groom Cubs were named consolation winners of the tournament. Seventh grade team members are: Bart Britten, Brody Brown, Chris Burger, Bo Burgin, Bryan Crowell, Robert Homer, Ty Lambert, Tom Lambert, Seth Ritter, Eric Weinheimer, Luke Weinheimer. Eighth grade team members are: Bronte Britten, Wesley Hall, Roni Jenkins, Chy Phillips and Phillip Vaughn.

The boy's first game in the tournament was against Clarendon. Clarendon

Good Luck Groom Basketball Teams!



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GROOM CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1989

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Totals (Memorandum Only)
REVENUES:			
Local, Intermediate and Out-of-State	\$ 637,204.42	\$	\$ 637,204.42
State Program Revenues	349,977.69		349,977.69
Federal Program Revenues (Note D)	17,942.72	25,550.16	43,492.88
Total Revenues	\$ 1,005,124.83	\$ 25,550.16	\$ 1,030,674.99
EXPENDITURES:			
Instruction	\$ 531,510.76	\$ 22,172.37	\$ 553,683.13
Instructional Computing	16,703.34		16,703.34
Instructional Administration	8,654.12	2,021.00	10,675.12
Instructional Resources and Media Services	13,817.02		13,817.02
School Administration	51,757.20		51,757.20
Guidance and Counseling Services	5,404.34	60.00	5,464.34
Health Services	2,337.59		2,337.59
Pupil Transportation	44,000.98	1,112.79	45,113.77
Co-curricular Activities	72,498.57		72,498.57
Food Services	54,795.24		54,795.24
General Administration	110,315.65	184.00	110,499.65
Plant Maintenance and Operations	150,391.85		150,391.85
Community Services	3,011.56		3,011.56
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,065,198.22	\$ 25,550.16	\$ 1,090,748.38
OTHER RESOURCES AND USES:			
Other Resources	\$ 17,531.20	\$	\$ 17,531.20
Other Uses	(13,153.00)		(13,153.00)
Total Other Resources and (Uses)	\$ 4,378.20	\$	\$ 4,378.20
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Resources Over Expenditures and Other Uses	\$(55,695.19)	\$ -0-	\$(55,695.19)
Fund Balance, September 1, 1988 (Beginning)	541,670.57	-0-	541,670.57
Fund Balance, August 31, 1989 (Ending)	\$ 485,975.38	\$ -0-	\$ 485,975.38

GROOM SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Thursday-Dec. 7-Breakfast-Bacon, Biscuits, Gravy, Juice and Milk. Lunch-Pepperoni and Cheese Pizza, Salad, Pears, Crackers and Milk.

Friday-Dec. 8-Sliced Ham, Corn on the Cob, Spinach, Whole Wheat Rolls, Chocolate Cake and Milk.

Monday-Dec. 11-Meat and Cheese Enchiladas, Corn, Salad, Picante Sauce, Chips, Brownies and Milk. Breakfast-Cereal, Blueberry Muffins, Juice and Milk.

Tuesday-Dec. 12-Breakfast-Pancakes, Peanut Butter, Syrup, Juice and Milk. Lunch-Pigs in a Blanket, Cheese and Pickle Appetizers, Pork and Beans, Onion Rings, Fresh Orange Slices and Milk.

Wed.-Dec. 13-Breakfast-Scrambled Eggs, Hash Browns, Toast, Juice and Milk. Lunch-Cheese Burgers, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Onions, Pickles and Million Dollar Cookies.

Thursday-Dec. 14-Breakfast-Biscuits, Bacon, Gravy, Juice and Milk. Lunch-Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Roast Gravy, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Jello Parfait and Milk.

Groom Girls Basketball Update

November 14-Groom 47, McLean 35, Shannon Fields 22, Lesa Sweatt 8

November 21-Groom 69, Hedley 22, Shannon Fields 17, Katonia Meaker 10.

November 28-Groom 59, Adrian 41, Karen Babcock 14, Lesa Sweatt 11, Shannon Fields 10

Miami Tournament-Groom 50, Lefors 40, Jenni English 17, Shannon Fields 16

Groom 76, Darouzett 46, Shannon Fields and Lesa Sweatt 17, Karen Babcock 12 and Jenni English 11

Groom 46, Sunray 56, Shannon Fields 15, Lesa Sweatt 12

Tigerettes placed second in the tournament.

Ellen Dickerson Honored With Party On 86th Birthday

Ellen Dickerson was honored with a birthday party in celebration of her 86th birthday on Wednesday afternoon at the Groom Community Center. The event was hosted by her family.

Guests were served cake, ice cream, punch and coffee. The dining room area of the center was decorated in blue and white. Gifts were received by the honoree.

Those in attendance for the event were: Ethel Neal, Cleo Musser, Bertha Knight, Nellie Neal, Pearl Banks, Mary Brooks, Charleen Weller, Peggy Ham, Theresa Hermesmeyer, Ruby Milton, Helen Witt, Lucille Case, Bill and Shirley Fields, Doshia Cornett, Ray Pool, Bill and Roberta Ellington, Nancy Blackwell, Kenneth and Betty Black, Sybil Brown, Shirley Burgin, Patsy Fraser, Jack Barnett,

Compete In All Region

GHS Band Students

Groom Junior High Band Students competed in the Junior High All Region Band tryouts at Panhandle at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 5.

Auditioning were: Jamie Shuck, Misty Homen, Darcee Lyles, Bart Britten, Jill Howard, Kenzi Burger, Rebecca Conrad and Stacy Fields.

Attended Concert

On Tuesday, students enrolled in kindergarten through second grade traveled to Amarillo for the annual Kinderkonzert. The group ate lunch early and traveled by bus, which left at 11:30 a.m.

Boosters Seek Help

The Athletic Boosters Club is operating the concession at all home basketball games this year. Anyone wishing to help work for our kids can contact Nila Britten to volunteer to fill a slot in our work schedule or come by at game time to help out. We appreciate the effort put forth by all involved in our first venture last week, which was a great success, said Gary Britten.



Groom Teacher Featured On Magazine Cover

Fifth Grade Homeroom Teacher, Sonny Sanders has taught in Groom Independent School District for the past eight years. Mr. Sanders is a graduate of West Texas State University and received his masters from the same institution. He grew up in Pampa and graduated from Pampa High School. Sanders is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G.L. Sanders of Pampa.

Sanders is quick to tell people, his first love is teaching, but his second is modeling. His love for modeling began in 1980 and he has pursued his modeling career since. He is currently modeling for Diane Dick Modeling Agency of Amarillo. He was among the top 25 runway models in the IMA competition held in New York. His photo has appeared in advertisements for Southwest Airlines, Westgate Mall, Sheraton Hotel and Le Tour Condominiums. Sanders has also appeared in television commercials for the American Cancer Society, Mastercard of France, to name a few.

Most recently Mr. Sanders appeared on the cover of men's Passion, an international hair magazine.



Ellen Dickerson, with a smile on her face at her special birthday party.

THANK YOU

Ellen Dickerson would like to express her appreciation for all the cards and everyone that came to her birthday party.

Personal

Sanfra Ann Johnson, from Houston, spent a few days here visiting her Mother, Burniece Johnson.

Club Minutes

Christian Mothers

Christian Mothers met Monday, November 27th at 7:00 p.m. in the home of Belinda Britten for appetizers, hostesses for the first course of the progressive meal were; Kathleen Barkley and Tammy Bivens.

The group of 25 traveled from the Britten home to the home of JoAnn Baker's for salads. Hostesses for Jan Britten and Linda Weller.

The final course of the meal was served in the home of Kay Britten with Norma Jean Homer and Ray Lynn Cline serving desserts.

Those attending brought Christ Child gifts, that will be donated to the Catholic Family Service in Amarillo.

Lazy Dazy's

Lazy Dazy's met in the home of Laura Britten recently. Club members made plans for their upcoming Christmas Party to be held Saturday, December 9. A catered meal will be served to members and husbands in the home of Greg and Belinda Britten.

A new slate of officers were elected for the upcoming year. Next year's president will be Shonda Ruthardt, Cindy Babcock and Melanie Britten. Vice Presidents are Monica Howard, Reporter, and Julie Friemel will serve as secretary.

The club meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the homes of the members.

Kountry Kousins

Kountry Kousins gathered in the home of Mrs. Tony Painter on Thursday evening for the club's Christmas Party and gift exchange. Members brought their favorite finger food and enjoyed an evening of visiting. Secret Pal's were disclosed. A

A highlight of the evening was touring the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Greg Britten and Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Britten.

Attending the festive occasion were: Mrs. Gary Babcock, Mrs. Brent Stephens, Mrs. Sharlene Lewis, Mrs. Carl Looten, Mrs. Maurice Britten, Mrs. Darrell Whatley and hostess, Mrs. Tony Painter.

The door prize went to Mrs. Maurice Britten. In closing, the club voted to become a social club and disband membership with extension.

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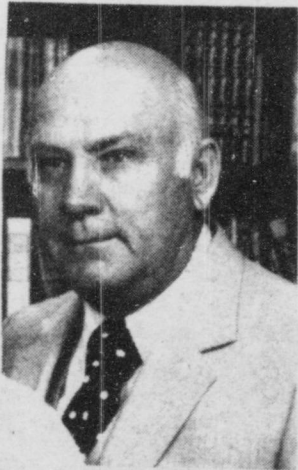
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R.C. Parker Seeks Re-Election To Justice Of Peace

Justice of the Peace R.C. Parker this week announces his candidacy for re-election in Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 4 of Gray County. Parker says, "I believe my experience qualifies me to serve this precinct. I am asking for your vote and support in the 1990 election."

Political advertisement paid for by R.C. Parker, P.O. Box 755, McLean, Texas 79057.



Z.A. Myers Resigns Accepts Job At Camp

Rev. Z.A. Myers, pastor of First Assembly of God Church officially announced his resignation December 3, 1989. He will continue his position as pastor through January 7. Rev. and Mrs. Myers has pastored First Assembly of God for 25 years. They assumed pastorate in October 1965, after pastoring in Amarillo. The Myers leaves many fond memories of their church as well as the entire community.

There are four sons, Steven, Leland, Roger and Darrell were all raised in McLean and are graduates of McLean High School.

Rev. Myers has accepted a position as camp supervisor with the Assemblies of God Youth Camp in Roaring Springs. The Youth Camp facilities are an extension of the West Texas Youth Department. The main thrust of the youth camp is training youth from all walks of life.

School Board Meetings Changed To Thursday

McLean Independent School District Board of Trustees met last Tuesday, November 28 for a special called meeting. Joe Magee and John Holland were absent for the 4:00 p.m. meeting. Board Training Tape III was observed between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m.

The new policy manual for McLean Schools was adopted with the provision that it supercedes any other policies adopted to this date.

The board approved the local policy DED concerning vacations and holidays for maintenance and custodial personnel. Also approved was the 1988-89 Annual Performance Report.

The 1989-90 Textbook Committee was approved. This committee is made up of McLean teachers. Superintendent Rex Peeples distributed the superintendent's appraisal instrument. The board will evaluate the superintendent during the December meeting of the McLean School Board.

The board will visit the football stadium, in December to formulate maintenance plans on the stadium.

Thacker Haynes made the motion to allow McLean Schools to participate in the Texas A&M sponsored "Texas School Survey of Drug and Alcohol Use." The motion was approved.

A motion was made and approved to move the regu-

lar board meetings to the second Thursday of the month at 5:00 p.m. during basketball season.

McLean School Board met November 14 for their regular meeting. Absent for the meeting was Bill Thomas. The board approved to maintain the school's health insurance carrier with M.D. Physicians. Mr. Peeples announced to the board that McLean Schools has not received their accreditation letter from the T.E.A.; therefore this was expected to be discussed later. However, Peeples advised that we do need to begin work on a long range plan for the school system in the near future.

Other actions made by the board in the meeting were approving the 1989 financial statement, approving the October 1989 Tax Assessor's report, and approving the October 1989 cafeteria report.

The deficit in the yearbook fund was discussed. Mrs. Johnson reported that she had checked the records on the yearbook fund for the past several years and there had been no payments made for the yearbook during 1987-88, thus resulting in a current deficit of \$6,273.17. A motion was made by John Holland and approved to amend the budget and pay the yearbook fund deficit.

McLean Tigers Ends Football Season At Quarterfinals Game In Hamlin

McLean's path through the playoffs was blocked by Christoval in the six-man quarterfinals Friday night.

With the score tied 24-24, Kenny Rivard's two-yard scoring plunge with 9:23 to go held up for a 32-24 win for Christoval, which advances to the regional semi-finals next weekend. McLean closes out with a 12-1 record while Christoval, which is expected to advance into the 11-man ranks next season, stands at 12-0.

McLean, which was ranked sixth in the last state six-man poll, made only one turnover, but it was a costly one. The Tigers were going for the tying touchdown with 2:56 to go, helped out by a Christoval face mask penalty which put them on the Cougars' 34. A 17 yard run by Dennis Hill gave McLean a first down on Christoval's 17. But three plays later, disaster struck the Tigers. Quarterback Donald Harris passed to Dwayne Hill for an apparent three-yard gain, but Hill fumbled and Christoval's Colby Donaldson recovered the loose ball. The Cougars took control with 1:04 to go and ran out the clock.

McLean and Christoval were evenly-matched on both sides of the ball, but Barret felt the Tigers held the upper hand in the first half, even with the score tied at 16-all at intermission.

"They were beating us pretty bad with their flair passes in the first half and that had me worried," Barret said, "But we made some adjustments in the second half that made a difference."

McLean did end up with more total yardage, 355 to 271, while Christoval had the edge in first downs, 15-12.

Christoval scored on its first possession of the first quarter after forcing a McLean punt. Shorty Montalvo put the Cougars in good field position when he returned the punt 29 yards to McLean's 36. Nine plays

later, Montalvo scored from two yards out and Colley Fiveash kicked the conversion to put Christoval on the board first.

However, McLean came right back to knot the score on the ensuing kickoff. The Tigers tallied on an eight-play drive with Tres

Hess breaking a pair of tackles on a 20-yard run. Tuffy Sanders booted the two-point conversion to knot the score at 8-all.

McLean broke on top in the second quarter with an electrifying pass play that caught Christoval off-guard. Hess fired an aerial to Dennis Hill, who broke loose from a Christoval defender and ambled 50-yards for the touchdown.

The Tigers threatened to widen that gap after forcing Christoval to punt deep in its own territory. The Tigers took over on their own 32 and helped out by a 13-yard first-down pass from Hess to Hill - marched to Christoval's 15. But Christoval's defense stiffened and McLean could go no further.

Christoval took possession and quarterback Dusty Barton relentlessly drove the Cougars to paydirt. After Rivard picked up a first down on a 21 yard run into Tiger territory, Barton threw consecutive completions that put the Cougars on the 10-yard line. Randy Robertson scampered into the end zone and Fiveash's extra-points kick

tied the score once again, 16-all.

The two teams traded TDs on a pair of long runs in the second half to keep the score even until Rivard's winning tally in the fourth quarter.

Christoval took the opening kickoff to start the third quarter and Robertson broke loose up the middle on a 44-yard TD run. The Tigers retaliated on the ensuing kickoff when Harris dodged several defenders on his way to a 39-yard scoring run.

Both clubs played tenaciously on defense.

McLean's Bo Green and Cesar Looney, along with Hess and Hill, stopped Christoval runners several times behind the line of scrimmage. Green and Looney combined for a pair of sacks on Barton.

Fiveash and Barton were the defensive standouts for Christoval.

McLean's Hill and Christoval's Robertson were the top rushers for their respective teams. Hill ran for 111 yards on 14 carries while Robertson picked up 104 yards on 17 steps.

McLean Lady Cubs Win Tournament

On Thursday, November 30 and Saturday, December 2, the McLean Junior High team hosted an Invitational Tournament. The teams participating were McLean, Groom, Lefors and Clarendon.

The action on Thursday saw the McLean teams take on Lefors and Groom squared off against Clarendon.

In girls action McLean defeated Lefors by the score of 45-17. Scoring for the Lady Cubs were Joetta Bailey 14, Mindy Magee 13, Tiffany Stump 9, Heather

Hess 6 and Karen Brass 3. Scoring for Lefors were Alta Joslyn 8, Ginger Hannon 6, Tiffanie Franks 2 and Heather Maples 1.

The McLean Cubs defeated Lefors in first round action by the score of 37-21. Leading scorers for McLean were Nathan Sullins 18, Tom Pennington 6, Jeremy Thomas 5, Toby Northcutt 4, and Donald Cabler 4.

Thursday, Clarendon Lady Colts defeated Groom 28-22. Robinson from Clarendon led all scorers with 12, followed by McAnear with 8 and Shields and Knorp led one field goal a piece. Scorers for Groom were Fields 5, Homen 4, Burger 3, and Conrad, Burton, Treadwell and Friemel with 2 points each.

In the second boys game on Thursday Clarendon defeated Groom to advance to the finals, with a score of 35-23. Leading scorers for the victorious Clarendon Colts were Campbell 12, Collins and Holland added 8 and 7 respectively, Spier had 4, Johnson 2 and Alexander and Lee added a free throw a piece.

Saturday action saw the Groom Lady Cubs defeat the Lefors girls for the consol-

ation trophy by the score of 33-4. Leading scorer for Groom was Homen with 9, followed by Burger and Conrad with 8 and 6 points respectively.

In boys action Groom and Lefors battled it out for consolation honors with Groom coming out on top 17-13. Leading scorers were Burgin from Groom with 8 and Cox from Lefors with 9.

In the girls championship game the McLean Lady Cubs squeaked past Clarendon for the victory by the score of 27-26. Scoring for the champs were Joetta Bailey 12, Mindy Magee 7, Heather Hess 4, and Karen Brass and Tiffany Stump 2 points a piece. Scorers for Clarendon were McAnear 10, Robinson, Nazworth and Shields 4 points each and Hill and Koontz 2 points each.

In the boys championship game Clarendon Colts defeated the McLean Cubs by the score of 34 to 23. Leading the winning cause was Collins with 12, followed by Campbell and Spier with 6 a piece, Holland 4, Johnson, S. Alexander and Landan with 2 points each. Leading the McLean Cubs were Nathan Sullins with 14, Toby Northcutt with 5 and Tom Pennington 4.



Christmas decorating contest is being held again this year by McLean Lion's Club. For more details check next week's paper.

Friday, December 8 and Saturday, December 9-Samnorwood Basketball Tournament.

December 9-7:45 a.m.-Brotherhood Breakfast.

December 10-The McLean Baptist Church will begin their 85th Anniversary Celebration.

December 12-2:00 p.m. Baptist Women, Royal Service.

December 13-6:00 p.m. G.A.'s and R.A.'s and 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Be sure to mark your calendar for the Christmas Cantata on December 17 at 7:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church. The title this year "O Holy Night, Beginning of Hope."

Greetings Available

Subscribers and readers of the McLean News are reminded to get your Christmas greeting turned in. The Christmas edition will be printed on Thursday, December 21.

Greetings are available in all sizes and costs. The popular word greetings are \$3.00. Persons wanting a greeting can drop their personal wishes by the office or call 779-2141 and we will select a verse for you. Don't be left out, deadline is December 18.

McLean ISD Performance Report Given

The 1988-89 Annual Performance Report for the McLean Independent School District was approved Tues-

day at a special meeting of the board of trustees, said Superintendent Rex Peeples.

The report, required of all school districts in Texas, is public information and copies of the documents are available for public inspection at the school district administration office, Peeples said. Peeples began his career as McLean ISD superintendent on July 1.

"The primary purpose of the report is to let the community know how the school is doing and how it is addressing the eight goals set by the state," the superintendent said.

According to the report the no pass/no play rule has had little, if any, impact on student academic performance. "This may be due to the fact that McLean ISD has always had such a rule," the report states.

McLean students are active in UIL literary competition and each year the students qualify for the regional meet in areas such as science and debate. Students have attended the state meet and placed in the science contest.

On the TEAMS (Texas Educational Assessment of Minimum Skills) examination, McLean students scored in the top 1/3 of the state in 1988-89. McLean tests grades 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11 each year with the

TEAMS. The level of achievement on the SRA composite test is 67 percentile, according to the report.

In 1988-89, McLean ISD employed 22 teachers with an average of 13.9 years of experience. Twenty three percent of the faculty had master's degrees. Eight teachers were on the career ladder for the 1988-89 school year. McLean provides salary incentives for teachers with advanced degrees. The incentives are equal to 1 percent above base pay and \$100 in addition to the base pay.

One of the goals of the state is that "a well balanced curriculum will be taught so all students may realize their learning potential and prepare for produc-

tive lives." Curriculum is addressed in the report.

From 1987-88 to 1988-89, McLean ISD lost \$3.5 million in taxable property valuation, according to the report. Because of the loss of revenue, the construction of facilities is not practical, the report states. The average per pupil cost, excluding capital outlay for the 1988-89 school year was \$5,182.74.

Another goal of the state educational system is that parents and other members of the community will aid in the improvement of schools.

McLean ISD has active athletic and band clubs that meet on a monthly basis. And many community members serve on the various committees for the McLean ISD, according to the report.

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Final Disposition

The final disposition of the burglaries that occurred at the McLean Pharmacy and the McLean Hardware ended in a conviction of two persons from Elk City, Oklahoma. Deputy Wayne Carter stated that Jeffery Dale Fuller, seventeen year old, pleaded guilty and received 10 years probation and Ronald Dale Mckee, 25 year old, pleaded guilty and received 10 years in the Texas Department of Corrections in Huntsville, Texas.

Social Security Office

Doing business with Social Security does not need to mean a long wait in our office, Virginia De Witt, Branch Manager in the Pampa, TX Social Security, said today.

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Wendy McDowell & William Garret Announce January Wedding Date

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McDowell and Molly McDowell announce the engagement of their daughter, Wendy Gay

McDowell, to William Paul Garrett the son of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Garrett of Lubbock. The wedding will take place on January 13, 1990.



Fifth Grade News

Our fifth grade class is really in the spirit of Christmas. We like to make crafts or special things for the people we love. We are

making colorful wreaths. Most people think wreaths are fun to make and maybe they will last many years.
Chad Richards



Terri Glass & Joseph Luna Announce Date

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Glass are pleased to announce the engagement of Terri Gay Glass to Joseph Mark Luna. The upcoming wedding will be held December 23, 1989 at eleven o'clock at First Baptist Church in Wax-

hachie, Texas. Terri will be in McLean December 9 for a wedding shower on Saturday. Also to sing at the 85th Church Anniversary on December 10 with her sisters.

Specials

- Monday-Shrimp Basket
- Tuesday-Chili Burritos Plate
- Wednesday-Chicken Fried Steak Plate
- Thursday-Chicken Strips & Fries
- Friday-Steak Fingers & JoJo's
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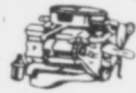
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Your School By Rex Peoples

McLean High School has just completed its most successful football season in its history. I have been told that the Tigers advanced to Regional in the past, but were unsuccessful in winning it. So, the Tigers of 1989-90 are the first Regional Champions for McLean. It is something to be extremely proud about. I would like to congratulate our boys and Coach Miller for this feat.

It has been exciting seeing our community becoming involved with this excitement. The young and old

alike participated in all of our activities. Our band and cheerleaders continued providing us with outstanding performances--the booster club provided us with bones, balloons, streamers, noise makers, and T-Shirts--all of this added to the fuel of excitement--and all of this fits into our school motto of "Pride in Excellence". I would like to thank each of you who attended our games. Without our loyal fans, this would not have been possible. Now don't forget that basketball season has begun. We are anticipating many exciting times with our boys and girls during this sport.

McLEAN LUNCH MENU

Thursday-Dec. 7-Lunch-Sloppy Joe's, French Fries, Pickles, Carrot Sticks, Chocolate Pudding and Milk.

Friday-December 8-Lunch Hamburger Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Brown Gravy, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Butter and Milk.

Monday-Dec. 11-Lunch-Hamburgers, French Fries, Pickles, Lettuce and Tomatoes, Banana Pudding and Milk.

Tuesday-Dec. 12-Lunch-Tacos, Salad, Ranch Style Beans, Sopillias, Honey and Milk.

Wed. December 13-Lunch Chicken Spaghetti, English Peas, Fried Squash, Bread Sticks, Applesauce and Milk.

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McLEAN FFA NEWS
Greenbelt District FFA

Banquet was held Monday, December 4, at Clarendon

College. The annual banquet is held to award the winners of the leadership contests held in November. There is also a sweetheart and talent team elected to represent Greenbelt District at the Area I Convention in May. Attending the banquet from McLean was Sweetheart,

Misty Riley and her parents, Bill and Shelia Riley. J.T. Haynes escorted Misty in the Sweetheart Contest. Others attending were: James McClellan, Holly Hefley, Lisa Maul, Lee Erin Stubbs, Chris Littlefield and Bill Layman.

Brooke's Party

Brooke Britten and friends celebrated her birthday Friday with a slumber party. The evening began with each girl painting a night shirt. Movies and pizza followed the painting. The girls keep each other up late telling scary stories. The girls rose early to "Muppet Babies" on T.V. Breakfast was served and the girls enjoyed a few hours of play before going home. Those who attended were Frances Britten, Macie Britten, Marci Babcock, Skye Brown, Sara Looten, Michele Stephens, Courtney Sustaire, Jodi Homen, Allison Eaton, Carrie Sue Davis,

TSTI Honor Roll

Amarillo-Kevin Kerlee of Groom recently was named to Texas State Technical Institute's president's honor roll with a 4.0 grade point average for the fall quarter. William Thornton, also of Groom, was named to the dean of instruction's honor roll with a 3.5 or better grade point average in aviation maintenance technology.

Fire Department

lowering of the current schedule the city now has. The Groom Fire Dept. has saved five years of funds, to pay in full, for the update of the truck. The bulk of the money was derived from County Fire Contracts for suppression of rural fires and rescue outside the city limits. We serve about 900 square miles around Groom in four different counties including Armstrong, Carson, Donley, and Gray. We have also entered into contracts with other fire departments for mutual aid which carries us out of our area at times. Contributions from business and private individuals have also helped.

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Revenue:	State Fund	Trust Fund	Local Fund
State Grants	\$2552.10		
Contributions		\$2490.00	
Dist. Activities		2284.19	
C.R.P. Funds		3084.00	
Tech Asst. Funds	3192.00		
Sub-Chapter "H" Fund	1308.00		
Totals	\$7052.10	\$7858.19	0
Expenditures:			
General Administrative	1627.33	2340.01	
Salaries	3981.43	3495.99	
Promotional Activities		1493.94	
Taxes & Sales permit	801.32	472.80	
Totals	\$6410.08	\$7802.74	0
Acct. Bal. 8/31/88	\$4943.70	\$5868.77	\$2135.29
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GROOM BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

December 7—W.A. Cornett
December 8—Brooke Michelle Britten, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest McLaughlin and Mrs. Maurice (Cobb) Britten

December 9—Mrs. John V. London and Mrs. Johnny L. Byrd

December 10—Mrs. Russell E. Frazier, Mrs. J.M. McCracken, Jerry Ashford, Mrs. H.E. Musser, Mrs. Curtis C. Schaffer and Jimmy F. Burgin

December 11—Mrs. D. Leon Schaffer, Mrs. W.G. (Bill) Koetting, Sidney L. Mansel and Owen Marcus Weinheimer

December 12—Mr. and Mrs. R.F. Fields and John L. (Jack) Stephens

December 13—Mrs. John Fraser III, Mrs. Don Smith, Mrs. Charles W. Bowers and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Vincent Looten

December 14—Floyd W. Wills, W.B. (Bill) Hinson, Jr., Pamela Chaney and Jarret Karl Weinheimer

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McLean Care Center News

McLean Care Center welcomes a new resident, Frank Howard from McLean.

Emloe Crisp is in the hospital in Shamrock and Natalie Mixon is in the Baptist Hospital in Amarillo, we wish them both a speedy recovery.

Twenty one residents attended Sunday school. Ella Mae Massey was here to sing and play the piano, other helpers were Inez Trostle, Oma Trew and Jenny Stubbs. At noon Gib Welch from Borger was here to sing and play his guitar. In the afternoon Brother Z.A. Myers, pastor of the Assembly of God Church was here to conduct services. Sarah Myers sang a solo.

Residents playing bingo on Monday were Adelle

McLean Briefs

Visiting Teresa Richardson over the weekend were Jessie and Joy Cooper and son, Clay.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Dale Glass for Thanksgiving were Sherri, Rachel and Sandi Kramer from Skellytown; John from Lubbock; Jamie Glass, who lives and teaches school in Ft. Worth; and Terri Glass, who teaches school at Waxahachie, Texas. Accompanying Terri was her fiancé, Joe Mark Luna. The family spent Friday at Sunray, where all the families of Mary Lou's met for Thanksgiving dinner. On Friday they all went to Amarillo shopping.

Visiting Alberta Fry, Gary and Elaine Simms, over the week-end were Gail and Chasity Finch from Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Smitherman spent Thanksgiving in Galveston with Bryan, who is a second year medical student. Tony and Monti Gene left on Wednesday, November 22 and drove to Dallas and picked up their daughter, Beth, and on to Galveston. While they were there they did a lot of sight seeing and had a great time.

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Tuesday Lena Carter, Brenda McLain, J.T. Pennington and Florence Walker were here to assist the following residents in dominos: Imogene King, Eula Morrow, Adelle Walker, Dick Wheeler, Leon Burch, Frank Hambright,

Ruby King, Thelma Hopkins, Pauline Miller, Mary Sliger and Virgie Evertt.

Wednesday J.T. Pennington was here and returned Thursday to assist the residents in dominos. Thursday morning the residents enjoyed the donuts furnished by Leta Mae Hess. In the afternoon the following residents attended our current events program: Teresa Richardson, Mattie Wheeler, Stella Gibson, Pauline Miller, Ida Shull, Lucille Cullison and Lillie Knox. Following the reading session refreshments were served and everyone had a "Rap" session.

Our family and friends holiday dinner will be Friday December 8 at 6:00 p.m. The December Birthday Party will be Thursday, December 14 at 2:30 p.m.

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Alanreed News

The Alanreed Community Improvement Program met on December 2, in the school cafeteria for their monthly meeting. After a scrumptious covered dish supper was enjoyed. Dan Martin, chairman, presided. Olin Weldon gave a detailed account of the recent Halloween Carnival. Dick Bode gave an account of the recent inspection of our school and complimented Mr. Adams on his leadership. He was given a round of applause. Mr. Martin suggested as a community, we compliment the McLean football team on their good record this year. Motion was made and passed. Other matters were presented and passed. Present were: Mr. and Mrs. Martin and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruce and Kay, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Bob Adams and Natasha and Rose Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Weldon, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bode, Mr. and Mrs. R.D. McLain and Brenda, Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Fish, Nell Keese and Orville and Lena Carter. Next meeting will be January 6, and will be a health program. Everyone is invited.

Rose Hall learned this week that her brother-in-law Luke Hall is in serious condition in a San Antonio hospital.

R.L. Leeder made a trip to Pampa Thursday.

The Dick Bode's sons were home for the holidays.

Rose Hall hosted her children at Thanksgiving.

Juan Alvarado has been on the sick list lately.

Kay Bruce of Pampa visited her grandparents, the Robert Bruce's, and attended the First Baptist Church. Also visiting was Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Leeder.

Visiting Nita McKee during the weekend was her daughter, Margie, of Spearman.

Denna Tidwell and Kristi spent the rest of the holiday in Kansas with husband, father and son.

J.D. Fish was taken ill Friday while visiting brother Cletus and family. He was taken by ambulance to an Amarillo Hospital.

McLEAN BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

December 7-Mary Emma Woods and Dawson Jackson
December 8-Randall Wynn, Vela Gaye Richards and Jamie Glass

December 9-Katy Graham, Verna Biggers and Allen Turpen

December 11-Doris Wisdom and Mrs. Otis Ford

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December 12-Dr. Harold F. Fabian, Boyd Lee Thompson, Betty Lou Davis, Bobby Sanderson and Bob and Jeanette Fish

December 13-Daria McAnear, Wayne Bybee and Creed Lamb


December 14-Sheri Haynes

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