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## 4H-ers, FFA-ers Earn \$65,000 At Carson Co. Junior Livestock Show

A culmination of nearly a years work ended Saturday night between pride and tears for many Carson County 4-Hers and FFAers. The annual Carson County Junior Livestock Show and Sale was completed after approximately 145 animals were sold for approximately \$65,000.

Groom FFA made a clean sweep of the Beef Show with April Burton and Kori Brown taking all the top honors. April Burton took home three buckles, winning Grand and Reserve Steer as well as Reserve Heifer. Kori Brown's Heifer earned Grand Champion honors and Kori earned the Showmanship award.

White Deer FFA took home the other Grand Champion awards with Patrick Warminski showing the Grand Champion pig and Kayla Blount the Grand

Champion lamb. White Deer also had Reserve Champion pig shown by Jennifer Norton and Reserve Champion lamb shown by Jonathan Warminski.

Groom also had its share of breed winners. Dara Whatley won Best of Breed with her steer. Malorie Homen earned a Best of Breed with her pig and Ricky McCoy earned a Best of Breed with his lamb. Nicholas Anthony had a Reserve Best of Breed pig as well as Cody Britten.

The following is a complete list of placings in their appropriate classes.

Class 1 Cross Steers, 1 April Burton GRM, 2 April Burton GRM, 3 C.J. Whatley GRM, 4th Jason Prather GRM, 5th Sandy French PAN.

Best of Breed, April Burton GRM.

Class 2 English Steers, 1

Dara Whatley GRM, 2 Erik Vance PAN, 3 Opie Hileman PAN, Koty Kowalewski PAN.

Best of Breed, Dara Whatley GRM.

Reserve Best of Breed, Erik Vance PAN.

Grand Champion Steer, April Burton GRM.

Reserve Champion Steer, April Burton GRM.

Class 1 Angus Heifers, 1 Kori Brown GRM, 2 Kori Brown GRM.

Best of Breed, Kori Brown GRM.

Class 2 Chiangus Heifers, 1 April Burton GRM, 2 April Burton GRM.

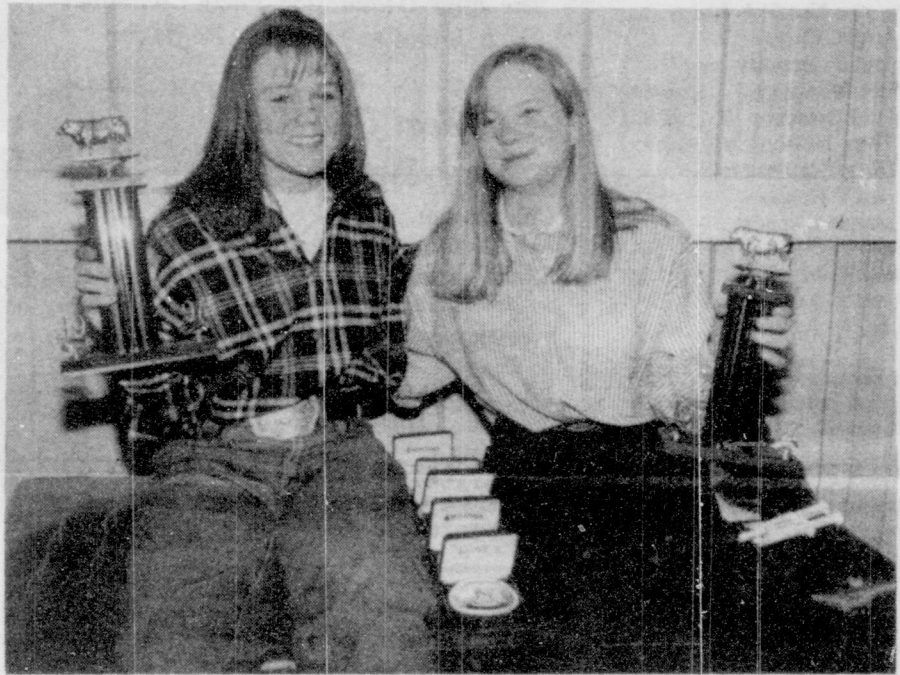
Best of Breed, April Burton GRM.

Reserve Best of Breed, April Burton GRM.

Grand Champion Heifer, Kori Brown GRM.

Reserve Champion Heifer, April Burton GRM.

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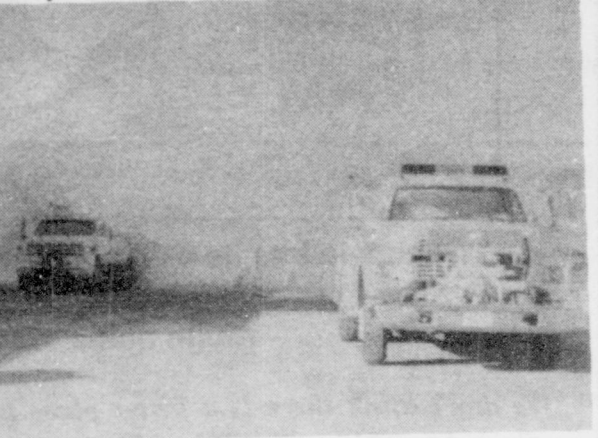
Kori Brown and April Burton show off their awards after they earned all the honors given for the Beef Show.



(Left) Cody Britten displays his pig for the buyers at Saturday's auction. (Right) Jason Prather watches the judge as he walks his calf.



The Texas Department of Transportation station at Groom had a small fire recently. A machine that is used to melt rubber to pour in cracks on the highways, caught fire after a propane hose broke. The propane tank, which fuels the fire to heat the tub, was in danger of exploding due to the heat and intensity of the fire. In addition the melted rubber is also highly flammable. Groom Volunteer Fire Department responded quickly and soon had the fire put out. The machine was declared a total loss.



### County Property Taxes Now Due

Carson County Tax Assessor-Collector Roselyn Watson announced Monday that approximately 84.9 percent of Carson County taxes have been paid. Taxes that have not been paid by January 31, will incur penalty and interest amounting to 7 percent in February. Slow payers should be aware that larger with each month that passes. Accounts not paid by July 1 will incur an additional 18 percent collection penalty.

Delinquent notices will be mailed in May for those who still owe the 1996 tax. Carson County residents should be reminded that only county taxes are to be sent to Roslyn Watson, P.O. Box 399, Panhandle, Texas 79068. School, City and Water District taxes need to be sent to the County Appraisal District, c/o Donita Herber at P.O. Box 970, Panhandle, Texas 79068.

Please do not add county and other tax bills together and send one check. This delays the process for both taxing entities.

### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

**FIRST MEETING** for Daisy and Brownie Girl Scouts will be Jan. 30, 6:00 pm at the Groom Community Center. Kindergarten through 3rd grade. Come and register. Contact Mary Head for information 248-7442.

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

**THE JUNIOR HIGH** athletes will compete in the Miami Basketball Tournament beginning today, January 30.

**GROOM SCHOOL** will be on a regular schedule this Friday.

**THERE WILL BE** no school on February 21.

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

**GROOM JUNIOR High** will play in the Miami Tournament next Thursday, January 30th.

#### TUESDAY PRICES AT ATTEBURY GRAIN CO.

Wheat-\$4.14  
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**On The Sick List**  
 Lucille Case  
 Johnny Brumley  
 Fay Wortham  
 Fred Brown  
 Twila Jackson  
 Mary Ella Schaffer  
 Bertie Helton  
 Margie Stephens

Karen Case and Sybil Harrell attended the Carson County Library Board meeting in Panhandle Wednesday morning, January 22nd.

## Local Happenings

Saints Roost Jamboree is celebrating their first anniversary February 9th at 6:30 p.m. in the Bairfield Building at Clarendon College.

Featured will be Country-Western, Gospel and Blue Grass Music. There will be door prizes and the admission is free.

Those visiting with Bertha Knight last week were Ed and Pat Musser of Canyon, William and Floretta Neal of Amarillo and Joel and Sue Adams of Pine Grove, California.

The Adams, Bertha and William's cousin, were in route from Durant, Oklahoma where they had attended funeral services for Sue's father, Joe Shelton, to their home in Pine Grove, California.

William and Floretta Neal and Bertha Knight visited Lealie and Dora Neal in the Palo Duro Nursing Home Sunday at Claude.

### Groom ISD Lunch And Breakfast Menu

**Monday**  
 Breakfast: Cold cereal, blueberry muffins, juice, milk.

**Lunch:** Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, chocolate cake, milk.

**Tuesday**  
 Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk.

**Lunch:** Chili cheese dogs, tator tots, pickle spears, carrot sticks, gingerbread, milk.

**Wednesday**  
 Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, hash browns, juice, milk.

**Lunch:** Turkey and noodles, mixed vegetables, cheese zombies, fresh orange slices, milk.

**Thursday**  
 Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, milk.

**Lunch:** Enchiladas, pinto beans, shredded lettuce, Spanish rice, tortilla pieces, jello, milk.

**Friday**  
 Breakfast: Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk.

**Lunch:** Submarine sandwiches, pickle spears, fruit cocktail, milk.

## Card Of Thanks

A very special thank you to Pam and Jerry Ashford, Charleen Weller and the members of the Groom Ambulance Service for their quick response and care given to Lucille Case. Charlotte, Kevin and Jody, you did a great job.

Thank you again.  
 The family of Lucille Case

### Card of Thanks

We would like to say thank you to the following people for all the help they have given us throughout the year that has once again made our county stock show a tremendous success. President, Joe Homer and all the members of our stock show board, our County Agent, Jody Bradford and FFA advisor Charles Burk, all the animal superintendents and the ladies who run the concession stand and keep the books straight. We also thank the buyers and the people who donate the trophies and belt buckles. You make the show a night to remember. But most of all we thank our parents for their day to day support, for prodding us when we falter and clapping the loudest whether we win or lose.

Please know that your efforts are noticed and appreciated.

The Groom 4-H & FFA Kids!

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## Birthday & Anniversaries

**January 30** - Mrs. Floyd Knight, Mrs. Gordon W. Schaffer, LaVonda Barkley, Mr. and Mrs. Michael F. Britten (A).

**January 31** - Jackie H. Barnett, Michael F. Britten, Lori Jill Britten, Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Baggerman (A), Mr. and Mrs. James Moraniec (A).

**February 1** - Amos H. Britten.

**February 2** - Bobby Caleb Pool, Mrs. Kelvin Ollinger, Jeff Jenkins.

**February 3** - Amy Lynn Brown, Mrs. Kenneth Payton, Leon J. Bohr, Mr. and Mrs. Randy C. Sustairste (A).

**February 4** - Larry and Karen Reid (A), Mr. and Mrs. Leon Schaffer (A).

**February 5** - Mrs. Robert West, Mrs. Alfred Homer, Mrs. Bill Hinson, Mike Friemel, Louis Leven, Jeanie Wakefield.

*The After Graduation Party Committee is proud to present a Raffle for*

**"A Meal Out With Your Sweetheart"**

Chances on:  
 Appetizers from Chili's;  
 Lunch out at Steak & Ale or Bennigan's; or an evening meal at The Country Barn



Drawing will be Feb. 4th, Groom vs Lakeview Game. Tickets can be purchased from Any Senior Parent.

**TICKETS: \$1 EACH OR 6 FOR \$5**

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**BUCKSHOT** by Barry McWilliams

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**Area Obituaries**

**Thomas David May**  
FRITCH - Thomas David "Tom" May, 47, died Sunday, January 26, 1997.

Services were in Fritch Church of Christ with Bob Heil, minister, officiating. Burial was in Westlawn Memorial Park by Minton-Chatwell Funeral Directors.

Mr. May was an active member of the Church of Christ, where he was a deacon for six years, taught bible classes and helped with song service. He married Carolyn Elizabeth Stevenson in 1976 at Groom.

He earned his eagle scout award in 1964 and graduated from Philippe High School in 1967. He received his associate of arts degree from Frank Phillips College in 1969, and his bachelor of science degree and masters degree in counseling from West Texas State University at Canyon.

He had worked as a teacher and coach at Gruver, Vega, Spearman, Amarillo and Tucumcari, New Mexico, and was a counselor in Fritch for six years. He had worked 25 years in school systems. He enjoyed camping and traveling.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Byron May and Dallas May both of the home; a daughter, Stephanie May of the home; his mother, Louise May of Colbert, Oklahoma; a brother, Don May of Amarillo; and a sister, Diane Powell of Midland.

The family requests memorials be to High Plains Children's Home of Amarillo.

**Cloyd Marvin Bender**  
PANHANDLE - Cloyd Marvin "Kelly" Bender, 85, died Friday, January 24, 1997.

Services were in Calvary Baptist Church with the Rev. L.R. Green, pastor of Pleasant Valley Assembly of God Church, and the Rev. John K. Pratt, of Grace Fellowship, officiating. Burial was in Panhandle Cemetery by Minton-Chatwell Funeral Directors.

Mr. Bender was a lifetime resident of Panhandle and a member of Grace Fellowship Church. He was founder and member of Canadian River Gem and Mineral Society. He had worked for the City of Panhandle as superintendent of water

works before retiring.

He married Rosine Russell in 1932 at Claude.

He was preceded in death by two daughters, Bessie Marie Cullpepper and Nadine Bender.

Survivors include his wife; four sons, Robert Earl Bender of Woodville, William C. Bender of Austin, Cloyd Marvin Bender Jr. of San Diego and Michael M. Bender of Woodville; a brother, R.T. Bender of Panhandle; 13 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

**Frances Marie McCord**  
CLARENDON - Frances Marie McCord, 77, died Saturday, January 18, 1997.

Services were in First Baptist Church, with the Rev. Truman Ledbetter, pastor, and Dr. James Bell, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in Citizens Cemetery by Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc.

Mrs. McCord was born in Clarendon and had lived in Donley County most of her life. She married Lloyd McCord in 1939 at Groom.

She had worked at various businesses in Clarendon. She was a homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church, where she was active for many years in various activities.

Survivors include her husband; two daughters, Mary Louise Price of Clarendon and Sue Hardy of Floydada; a son, Lloyd Lynn McCord of Anson; her mother, Cora Belle Hearn of Clarendon; a sister, Cora Carol of White Deer; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

**Brush & Palette Club Have Jovial Meeting**

By Nita Ramming  
Brush and Palette met January 20 for their first meeting of the new year. The luncheon was a variety of pasta salads along with some green beans, and fruit salad. Seems like our minds all get on the same wave length at times.

Everyone was unusually quiet all day as we watched a video by Jerry Yarnell on composition. It was very informative and should help us with our painting composition very much.

Juandell had cold feet all day. First she stuck her feet in a pillow to watch the video. Then at lunch she turned the burners on the stove and stood like a Flamingo toasting one foot at a time! Pat kept us laughing with tales of her

new puppy, Beau. Ask her why she named him Beau. Dorthy nearly fell out of her chair once - could it be she is sneaking in something to drink or is she just growing old and unstable? Evelyn was really nice. She went down early and unlocked the door and turned up the heat for me so I wouldn't have to come so early. Now that is a good friend!

We were all so grateful for the new clock in the meeting room. The silence was golden! That other clock surely must have been an antique and placed in a museum. Anyway, we thank you.

Juandell will be hostess in February. Our luncheon meeting starts at 10 a.m. Come join us on February 3.



**Christian Mothers Plan Spring Activities, Bishop Reception**

Christian Mothers met in the home of Norma Jean Homer on Monday, January 27th.

A \$50. donation was given to Sr. Virginia Clark at the Downtown Women's Center of Amarillo.

A reception will be held at St. Vincent's Catholic Church in Pampa on March 16th from 2 to 4 pm for Bishop Leroy Matthiesen's farewell to the Diocese. A sign-up sheet will be distributed at the next meeting for cookies and

snacks for the Pampa reception.

Members are reminded to pay Marla Britten their dues of \$2.00 for 1997.

The annual Spring Fling will be held February 16 at 6:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Hall. St. Monica's Circle will set up and decorate, Regina Coeli will assist with the food, and Little Flower Circle will be in charge of

**As The Interstate Turns**

By Trooper Gary Davis  
Well it's been a busy week, again.

On 01-19-97, Trooper Gary Davis stopped a truck. The driver a Mitchell Ryan Demny was found to have outstanding DPS warrants from Houston. Subject was placed in jail, after he could not pay the \$145.00 ticket.

On 01-24-97, Trooper Davis and Sergeant Bill Schneider from Borger arrested a Jason Slocum for DWI. Slocum's blood alcohol content was almost twice the legal limit, which is 0.10. This arrest took place at 11 a.m. in the morning on IH-40. Slocum was placed in the Carson County Jail and charged with DWI. 1st offense - open container.

On 01-24-97, Trooper Davis worked a car vs steer accident on FM 2300 in Gray County north of Groom. A local man struck the steer as he was

southbound on FM 2300. When Trooper Davis went to the accident scene, no steer was found, tough beef.

And on 01-25-97, Trooper Davis arrested a Enrique Hernandez Portillo of Amarillo on Amarillo Police Department warrants. Portillo could not come up with the \$260.00 in fine money and was placed in the Carson County Jail.

There were 1,611 cases filed in the Groom J.P. court in 1996. Of those about 99% were DPS cases. There was \$138,859.86 in fines and court costs collected. Of that amount \$91,673.68 went into the Carson County Road and Bridge Fund.

Also I would like to commend our new County Attorney Scott Sherwood for encouraging the purchase for the Carson County Highway Patrol units of three portable breath testers.

the clean-up. The Junior CYO will cook and serve the meal for \$8.00, using the proceeds as a fundraiser for their summer excursion. Please make your reservations for the meal with Marla Britten at 248-7470. All dinner guests will be able to vote on an honoree of the parish.

Members need to bring

any empty cool whip or oleo containers to St. Mary's Hall for storage of the leftovers from the parish funeral dinners.

Father Ray shared his impressions of our newly appointed Bishop Yanta of San Antonio.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Janelle Sustaire.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Groom exchange has petitioned the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to expand its local calling area to the Canyon and Clarendon exchanges. To learn more about this petition, you may contact the petition coordinator, Debbie Anthony at 806-248-7929. Expanded Toll-Free Local Calling (ELC) Service will allow you to call and be called by the requested exchange(s) on a local call basis (no toll charges). Since Groom customers already pay a monthly per line charge of \$3.50 for residence and \$7.00 for business for ELC service to Amarillo, Pampa and Panhandle, no additional charges would be assessed if two additional exchanges pass the ballot. The fees associated with ELC are mandatory.

Within the next 15 days GTE will mail ballots to all customers in the Groom exchange to determine whether support exists for expansion of the local calling area. After marking the ballot, customers should sign their name and return the ballot to the PUC. A stamped self-addressed envelope will be provided with the ballot. At least 70% of the subscribers who return their ballots must vote in favor of expanded local calling on a per exchange basis for it to be provided. If the ballot fails to all exchanges, your service will not change. Only exchanges that pass the ballot will be added to your local calling area.

The PUC has assigned this matter Project No. 16763. Interested persons should direct any comments that they may have about the petition to the PUC, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or they may call the PUC Information Office at (512) 936-7140 or (512) 936-7136, teletypewriter for the deaf.

**AVISO PUBLICO**

El intercambio de Groom ha solicitado a la Comisión de Servicio Público de Texas ("Public Utility Commission of Texas-PUC") la expansión de la área de sus llamadas locales, a los intercambios de Canyon y Clarendon. Para aprender mas respecto a esta solicitud, sírvase contactar con el/la coordinador/a de la solicitud, Debbie Anthony al 806-248-7929. Este servicio conocido como llamadas expandidas localmente (Expanded Local Calling-ELC), le permitirá llamar a estos intercambios y ser llamado/a como una llamada local (sin cargos adicionales). Puesto que los clientes de New Boston pagan una tarifa mensual de \$3.50 por cada línea residencial y \$7.00 por cada línea comercial por llamadas expandidas locales a Amarillo, Pampa y Panhandle, no habrá cambio en la tarifa mensual por dos intercambios adicionales. Las tarifas asociadas con ELC son mandatorias.

Dentro de los próximos quince (15) días GTE despachará por correo boletas a todos los clientes en el intercambio de Groom con el fin de determinar si existe justificación y respaldo para la expansión de la área de llamadas locales. Luego de marcar la boleta, los clientes deberán firmar su nombre y remitir la boleta a la PUC. Un sobre con estampilla y dirección de retorno será incluido con la misma boleta. Por lo menos 70% de los suscriptores que retornen esta boleta deben dar su voto a favor del Servicio Expandido de Llamadas en base a cada intercambio para que este servicio sea provisto. En caso de que la boleta no satisfaga a todos los intercambios, su servicio no cambiará. Sólomente los intercambios que reciban suficientes votos a favor serán añadidos a su área de llamadas locales.

La PUC ha asignado a este Proyecto el Número 16763. Aquellas personas interesadas deberán dirigir cualquier comentario al respecto a la PUC, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, o llamar a la PUC-Oficina de Información al (512) 936-7140 o (512) 936-7136, teletipo de escribir para las personas que están privadas del sentido del oído.



Arnie Kuehler and Buddy Weller taking a break after working on the landscaping at the Gazebo all day Friday.

**Mardi Gras Dance for Adults**  
Sat., Feb. 1 9:00 pm - 2:00 am  
St. Theresa Parish Hall ~ Panhandle

Food, Setups, Door Prizes **BYOB**  
Proceeds go to St. Theresa's CYO  
**\$10 per person at door \$7.50 in advance**

**P.S.V.P. for Babysitting Service**  
\$5.00 Minimum per child. Donations accepted.  
CONTACT: Prissy Conrad at 537-5567 or  
Carolyn Snyder at 537-3321 or Shelly Roach at 537-3219



## Varsity Beats Lakeview

The Groom Varsity Tigers beat Lakeview 73-55. Justin Ritter earned top scoring honors with 20 points. Toby Burgin had 14. Josh Evenson earned 12 points, Brad Sustaire 7, Jimmy Chavado 5, Trae Kepley 4 and Daniel Treadwell 3. Marc Miller,

Todd Gray, Jamie Shuck and Joe Britten each scored 2 points.

The girls did not play a game on Friday night.

The Tigers and Tigerettes will face off with Silverton, here, on Friday night beginning at 4:00 p.m.



## New Arrival

Nick and Renee Weinheimer proudly announce the arrival of their daughter Cari Elizabeth. Cari weighed 8 pounds and 12½ ounce and was 21 inches long. Cari was welcomed home by her big sister, Amy.

Cari's grandparents are James and Janice Weinheimer of Groom and Ed and Leola Ramaekers of Nazareth. Her great grandpa is Alvin Schmucker of Hereford.

## Blood Drive Ends In Tie

The competition held between the Groom Juniors and Seniors for the annual Blood Drive has officially been declared a draw.

According to Principal Danny Chisum the classes were extremely close in donations when the Blood Bank ran out of serum bags.

"That speaks well of our students!" he commented. "The number of donations exceeded what the Bank expected."

Both classes will be treated to a pizza party for their efforts.

## School Board Month Observed

School board members are local citizens who volunteer hundreds of hours and an immeasurable amount of energy to assure that our schools are providing the best education possible for the children of our community. Board members make decisions that affect our children - what they learn, who will teach them, and what kind of facilities house their classrooms.

These elected men and women establish the policies that provide the framework

for our public schools. They represent you, and they take this responsibility seriously by attending lengthy, and sometimes turbulent, meetings, conferences, and institutes where they broaden their knowledge about education.

Our local board is one of more than 1000 across the state. These boards enable us to have local control of the public schools, meaning that decisions on school programming are made by local, elected representatives

who understand the community's unique problems, values, culture and circumstances.

Too often, we fail to recognize the dedication and hard work of these men and women who represent us. The staff and students of Groom ISD are asking all of you to take a moment to tell a school board member, "thanks for caring about our children."

Board members for Groom ISD are Denny Babcock, Adele Kotara, Steve Anthony, Barry Fields and Pat Britten.



Once again my heart is filled with appreciation for your continued support of our FFA and 4-H programs. It is with great pride that I say that the most supportive people in town bought the Grand Champion Steer! Thanks again Attebury Grain, Hi-Pro Feeds, DeKalb Seed, and the Buyers Association. You are simply terrific!

April Burton

## Teams Battle Silverton

Groom Junior Varsity teams battled Silverton last week in two extremely close games. The Junior Varsity girls lost by 2 points with a final score of 35-37. Jessica Kepley led the scoring with 12 points. Carrie Davis had 9, Kristi Barkley had 7, Jodi Homen 4 and Jacey Richardson put in 3.

In the Junior Varsity boys action, Wade Ritter and Wyatt Weinheimer were high point scorers with 9 points each. Caleb Pool had 6, Dustin Babcock and Dusty Crump each added 4 points. Dean Fields had 3, Chris Ollinger and Evan Crowell each had 2 points to finish the scoring for the J.V. Tigers. The game ended with the Silverton Owls 46 and the Tigers 39.



# GROOM TIGERS & TIGERETTES



Hugh Weinheimer  
7th Grade



Russell Conrad  
8th Grade



Garrett Britten  
7th Grade



Cody Bivens  
7th Grade



Clay Ritter  
7th Grade



Luke Pavlovsky  
7th Grade

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**Commissioners Increase Bond**

Commissioners' Court met on January 27, 1997 with all members present. Minutes were approved as read and all claims were approved.

Information was presented concerning an education seminar which deals with the use of chemicals that are used to

spray vegetation along right-of-ways.

Commissioners were reminded to inventory road signs in their precincts. Signs which need to be replaced will be ordered.

The court approved a request to the Texas Department of Transportation for help with maintenance of a road west of Skellytown. The road is approximately a mile long and surfaced with asphalt.

The court acknowledged the bond which had

previously been obtained for the Tax Collector. The bond was increased from \$11,500.00 to \$13,000.00

The release of a \$100,000.00 safekeeping receipt with the State National Bank of Groom was approved. An additional receipt of \$100,000.00 was pledged.

An inter-local agreement between Carson County and Gray County concerning mental health services was approved by the court.

Mogie McCray, Carson County Historical Commission Chairman, and Dr. Paul Katz, Director of

the Carson County Square House Museum, presented the annual reports of the commission and museum. The reports were approved by the court.

The court traveled to Amarillo to meet with representatives of the National Resource Center for Plutonium. A brief background of the purpose and operation of the center was presented by Bob Juba of the Amarillo Economic Development Board, Bill Harris, Executive Director of the National Resource Center for Plutonium, and Dr. Dale E. Klein, Chairman of the Governing Board. The presentation covered the funding, organization, University's involved, mission and tasks of the center.

A brief discussion was held concerning mixed-oxide fuel a possible new mission for the D.O.E., Pantex Plant. A more detailed program will be given at a later date concerning the

mixed-oxide fuel (MOX) process.

**After Graduation Party**  
Parents representing all grades in High School met on Thursday to begin preparation for this year's Drug and Alcohol Free After Graduation Party. Shariene Lewis volunteered to chair this year's committee. Committees for organizing the food set-up, prizes, entertainment, and chaperons will be set at a later date. Fund raising is the main object at this time. Presently a raffle for several meals in Amarillo is set.

A drawing will be held to determine the winners at the last home Tiger/Tigerette basketball game. (Winner need not be present to win).

Surveys were handed out on Monday to all high school students to get their ideas of what they would like to do this year. Any high school parent or interested person can help in the planning of this annual event.

**Thank You**

The Carson County Stock Show Association wishes to express special appreciation to Net Java Computers; Sheila, Nathan and Robert Gideon for their time and use of the computer during the stock show.

**Gift Baskets**  
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Sheep  
 Class 1 Light Weight  
 Finewool Lambs, 1 Kerri  
 Howell WD, 2 Daniela  
 McCoy, GRM, 3 Sandy  
 French PAN.

Class 2 Heavy Weight  
 Finewool Lambs, 1 Misty  
 Rauscher PAN, 2 Jamie  
 Rotramel PAN, 3 Lynsey  
 Barrett WD, 4 Blake  
 Howell WD.

Best of Breed, Kerri  
 Howell WD.

Reserve Best of Breed,  
 Misty Rauscher PAN.

Class 3 Finewool Cross  
 Lambs, 1 Kayla Blount WD,  
 2 Ricky McCoy GRM, 3  
 Jenny Moore PAN.

Best of Breed, Kayla  
 Blount WD.

Reserve Best of Breed,  
 Ricky McCoy GRM.

Class 4 Light Weight  
 Medium Wool Lambs, 1  
 Grady Hillhouse PAN, 2  
 Tabitha McCoy GRM, 3  
 Ricky McCoy GRM, 4

Samantha Cummings PAN,  
 5 Joey Neusch PAN, 6  
 Kevin Hubbard WD, 7  
 Steven Cummins PAN.

Class 5 Medium Light  
 Weight Medium Wool  
 Lambs, 1 Terra Cranes  
 WD, 2 LaTasha Hamilton  
 PAN, 3 Brandon Howell  
 WD, 4 Bonnie Burrell  
 PAN, 5 Kevin Hubbard  
 WD, 6 Jason Sinclair PAN,  
 7 Blake Howell WD, 8  
 Marcus Arnold PAN, 9 Josh  
 Brown PAN.

Class 6 Medium Weight  
 Medium Wool Lambs, 1  
 Bana Carnes WD, 2 Peter  
 Winegeart PAN, 3 Bonnie  
 Burrell PAN, 4 Pam  
 Bednorz PAN, 5 Marcus  
 Arnold PAN, 6 Crystal  
 Stamps PAN.

Class 7 Medium Heavy  
 Weight Medium Wool, 1  
 Kayla Blount WD, 2  
 Rebecca Sinclair PAN, 3  
 Terra Carnes, WD, 4th  
 Kerri Howell WD, 5 Lindsay

Stamps PAN.

Class 8 Heavy Weight  
 Medium Wool Lambs, 1  
 Jonathan Warminski WD, 2  
 Brandon Howell WD, 3  
 Grady Hillhouse PAN, 4  
 Lynsey Barrett WD.

Best of Breed Medium  
 Wood Lamb, Kayla Blount.  
 Reserve Best of Breed,  
 Jonathan Warminski.

Class 9 Southdown  
 Lambs, 1 Pam Bednorz  
 PAN, 2 Tammy French  
 PAN, 3 Sideanna Harvey  
 PAN, 4 RaDona Hamilton  
 PAN.

Best of Breed, Pam  
 Bednorz PAN.

Grand Champion Lamb,  
 Kayla Blount WD.

Reserve Champion Lamb,  
 Jonathan Warminski WD.

Swine

Class 1 Lightweight Berk  
 Pigs, 1 Nicholas Anthony  
 GRM, 2 RaDona Hamilton  
 PAN, 3 April Hammer  
 PAN, 4 April Hammer  
 PAN.

Best of Breed, Shane  
 Chaney WD.

Reserve Best of Breed,  
 Nicholas Anthony GRM.

Class 3 Lightweight  
 Chester Pigs, 1 Malorie  
 Homen GRM, 2 Abe  
 Kotara WD, 3 Jennifer  
 Lewis PAN, 4 Stephanie  
 Asencio WD 5 Lee Oldham  
 PAN.

Best of Breed, Malorie  
 Homen GRM.

Reserve Best of Breed,  
 Abe Kotara WD.

Class 4 Lightweight Cross  
 Pigs, 1 April Hammer  
 WD, 2 Aaron Urbanczyk WD, 3  
 Brent Brown PAN, 4 Brian  
 Bixby PAN, 5 Nicholas  
 Anthony GRM, 6 Chris  
 Olson PAN, 7 Jenna Rosier  
 WD, 8 Elise McCown WD,  
 9 Lindsey McCown WD.

Class 5 Medium  
 Lightweight Cross Pigs, 1  
 Clay Cleek PAN, 2 Ashley  
 Davis WD, 3 Emily Nusser  
 WD, 4 Cody Hamilton WD,  
 5 Kimberly Gamblin WD, 6  
 Pake Freeman PAN, 7  
 Cody Murray PAN, 8 Cassie  
 Salzbrenner WD, 9 Chris  
 Lanier PAN, 10 Joshua  
 Monden WD.

Class 6 Medium Cross  
 Pigs, 1 Amanda Sinclair  
 PAN, 2 Blake Howell WD,  
 3 Erik Vance PAN, 4 Brock  
 Sherwood PAN, 5 Dale  
 Adams WD, 6 Cortini  
 Lemons WD, 7 Lainie  
 Britten GRM, 8 Byron  
 Norton WD, 9 Britteny  
 Martin GRM, 10 Josh  
 Evenson GRM, 11 Dusty  
 Crump GRM, 12 Cammie  
 Woodward WD.

Class 7 Medium Heavy  
 Cross Pigs, 1 Josh Robinson  
 GRM, 2 Wyatt Britten  
 GRM, 3 Brooke Britten  
 GRM, 4 Nicole Salzbrenner  
 WD, 5 Kimberly Warminski  
 WD, 6 Blake Barnett  
 GRM, 7 Lacy Kotara PAN,  
 8 Tanner Mitchell WD, 9  
 Mitch Monden WD, 10  
 Wyatt Britten GRM, 11  
 Dusty Crump GRM.

Class 8 Heavyweight Pigs,  
 1 Cody Beddingfield PAN,  
 2 Amanda Martin GRM, 3  
 Bradley Brown, PAN, 4  
 Erik Vance PAN, 5 Chad  
 Young PAN, 6 Erik Vance  
 PAN, 7 Lainie Britten  
 GRM, 8 Terra Carnes WD,  
 9 Blake Smith PAN, 10

Brian Brown PAN, 11  
 James Leven PAN.

Class 9 Super  
 Heavyweight Cross Pigs, 1  
 Donnie Adams WD, 2  
 Rhea Foust PAN, 3 Trey  
 Dudenhoefter PAN, 4  
 Jeremy Wilson WD, 5  
 Heather Asencio WD, 6  
 Tyrel Webb PAN, 7 Clinton  
 Grange WD, 8 Jodie  
 Homen GRM, 9 Chad  
 Smith PAN, 10 Jason  
 Caffee PAN.

Class 10 Jumbo  
 Heavyweight Cross Pigs, 1  
 Jennifer Norton WD, 2  
 Tanner Mitchell WD, 3  
 Stephanie Asencio WD, 4  
 Brian Harrah WD, 5 Brock  
 Sherwood PAN, 6 Abe  
 Kotara WD, 7 Patrick  
 Warminski WD.

Best of Breed Cross Pig,  
 Jennifer Norton WD.

Reserve Best of Breed  
 Cross Pig, Cody  
 Beddingfield PAN.

Class 11 Light Duroc  
 Pigs, 1 Brian Brown PAN, 2  
 Terra Carnes WD, 3 Sara  
 Beth Beddingfield PAN, 4  
 Cody Beddingfield PAN, 5  
 Justin Freeman, WD, 6  
 Chris Biggs PAN, 7 Jason  
 Nunn PAN, 8 Koty  
 Kowalewski PAN, 9 Greg  
 Smith PAN, 10 Chris  
 Villagomez WD, 11 Phillip  
 Purcell PAN.

Best of Breed, Shane  
 Chaney WD.

Reserve Best of Breed,  
 Nicholas Anthony GRM.

Class 12 Medium  
 Lightweight Duroc Pigs, 1  
 Cody Murray PAN, 2  
 Jennifer Asencio WD, 3  
 Justin Homen GRM, 4  
 Travis Hellman PAN, 5  
 Brent Brown PAN, 6 Aaron  
 Urbanczyk WD, 7 Joe  
 Britten GRM, 8 Brandi  
 Leven PAN, 9 Melissa  
 Brown PAN.

Class 13 Medium Weight  
 Duroc Pigs, 1 Kayla Blount  
 WD, 2 Nicole Salzbrenner  
 WD, 3 Cortini Lemons  
 WD, 4 Chris Villagomez  
 WD, 5 Nathan Matthews  
 PAN, 6 Marcus Arnold  
 PAN, 7 Rowdy Freeman  
 PAN, 8 Donnie Adams  
 WD, 9 Cody Hamilton  
 PAN.

Class 14 Heavyweight  
 Duroc Pigs, 1 Cody Dale  
 Britten GRM, 2 Chris Biggs  
 PAN, 3 Cody Dale Britten  
 GRM, 4 Heather Asencio  
 WD, 5 Brett Britten, GRM,  
 6 Jason Caffee PAN, 7  
 Amanda Sinclair PAN, 8  
 Jessica Stapp, GRM, 9  
 Emmett Riggle WD.

Best of Breed, Duroc  
 Pig, Kayla Blount WD.

Reserve Best of Breed,  
 Duroc Pig, Cody Dale  
 Britten, GRM.

Class 15 Lightweight  
 Hamp Pigs, 1 Joshua  
 Monden WD, 2 Anna  
 Johnston WD, 3 Brian  
 Bixby PAN, 4 Bryan Leven  
 PAN, 5 Zeb Rosier WD, 6  
 Michael Smith PAN, 7  
 Lindsey McCown WD, 8  
 Elise McCown WD, 9  
 Jennifer Lewis PAN.

Class 16 Medium  
 Lightweight Hamp Pigs, 1  
 Jennifer Norton WD, 2  
 Samantha Cummings PAN,  
 3 Kerri Howell WD, 4  
 Britteny Martin GRM, 5  
 Tyson Fussell PAN, 6 Trent  
 McKiernan PAN, 7 Emily  
 Wischkaemper PAN, 8  
 Jeremy Wilson WD, 9 Lacy  
 Kotara PAN.

Class 17 Medium Weight  
 Hamp Pigs, 1 Shane Chaney  
 WD, 2 Tyler Terry WD, 3  
 Marcus Arnold PAN, 4

Trena Matthews PAN, 5  
 Brandi Leven PAN, 6  
 Brandon Howell WD, 7  
 Carrie Woodward WD, 8  
 Jennifer Asencio WD, 9  
 Justin Freeman WD.

Class 18 Medium  
 Heavyweight Hamp Pigs, 1  
 Brittney Davis WD, 2 Dara  
 Whatley GRM, 3 Rowdy  
 Freeman PAN, 4 C.J.  
 Whatley GRM, 5 Josie  
 Dudenhoefter PAN, 6 Jar  
 Prather GRM, 7 Jar  
 Howell WD, 8 Jason  
 Prather GRM, 9 C. Cleek  
 PAN.

Class 19 Heavyweight  
 Hamp Pig, 1 Patrick  
 Warminski WD, 2 Cassie  
 Salzbrenner WD, 3 Chad  
 Smith PAN, 4 Byron  
 Norton WD, 5 James Leven  
 PAN, 6 Josh Evenson  
 GRM, 7 Tiffany Webb  
 PAN, 8 Peter Winegeart  
 PAN.

Best of Breed, Hamp Pig,  
 Patrick Warminski WD.

Reserve Best of Breed,  
 Cassie Salzbrenner WD.

Class 20 Landrace Pigs, 1  
 RaDona Hamilton, PAN, 2  
 Doug Richardson PAN, 3  
 Amanda Martin GRM, 4  
 Derek Brookshire PAN.

Best of Breed, RaDona  
 Hamilton PAN.

Reserve Best of Breed,  
 Doug Richardson PAN.

Class 21 Lightweight  
 Poland Pigs, 1 Clay Britten  
 GRM, 2 LaTasha Hamilton  
 PAN, 3 Jamie Rotramel  
 PAN, 4 Stephen Kirby WD,  
 5 Tammy French PAN.

Class 22 Heavyweight  
 Poland Pigs, 1 Pake  
 Freeman PAN, 2 Kimberly  
 Warminski WD, 3 Jill  
 Kotara WD, 4 Carrie  
 Urbanczyk WD, 5 Wesley  
 Bradshaw PAN.

Best of Breed, Clay  
 Britten GRM.

Reserve Best of Breed,  
 Pake Freeman PAN.

Class 23 Lightweight Spot  
 Pigs, 1 Kayla Blount WD, 2  
 Tara Kirby WD, 3 Opie

Hileman PAN, 4 Kristen  
 Coffee PAN, 5 Dale Adams  
 WD.

Class 24 Heavyweight  
 Spot Pigs, 1 Kerri Howell  
 WD, 2 James Hammer  
 WD, 3 Jenna Rosier WD, 4  
 Emily Wischkaemper PAN,  
 5 Daniel Kotara WD.

Best of Breed, Kerri  
 Howell WD.

Reserve Best of Breed,  
 Kayla Blount WD.

Class 25 Lightweight  
 York Pigs, 1 Amanda  
 Freeman WD, 2 Kristen  
 Coffee PAN, 3 Lindsay  
 Rogers PAN, 4 David  
 Cockrell GRM, 5 James  
 Hammer WD, 6 Melissa  
 Brown PAN, 7 Brian  
 Harrah WD, 8 Lori Millican  
 PAN, 9 Blake Barnett  
 GRM.

Class 26 Medium Weight  
 York Pigs, 1 Sara Beth  
 Beddingfield PAN, 2 Katy  
 Gordy WD, 3 Joe Britten  
 GRM, 4 Trena Matthews  
 PAN, 5 Ronnie Bruce  
 PAN, 6 Hayli Diggs WD, 7  
 Amanda Freeman WD, 8  
 Peter Winegeart PAN, 9  
 Steven Cummings PAN, 10  
 Travis Stamps PAN.

Class 27 Heavyweight  
 York Pigs, 1 Emily Nusser  
 WD, 2 Carmen Terry WD,  
 3 Trey Dudenhoefter PAN,  
 4 Josie Dudenhoefter PAN,  
 5 Bryan Leven PAN, 6  
 LaTasha Hamilton PAN, 7  
 Stephen Kirby WD, 8 Grady  
 Hillhouse PAN.

Best of Breed York Pig,  
 Sara Beth Beddingfield  
 PAN.

Reserve Best of Breed  
 York Pig, Emily Nusser,  
 WD.

Grand Champion Pig,  
 Patrick Warminski WD.

Reserve Grand Champion  
 Pig, Jennifer Norton WD.

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# The McLean News



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## John Griffin's Contract Renewed; Senior Ski Trip Denied

John Griffin, superintendent of schools in McLean since 1994, received an extension on his contract at the regular meeting of the McLean School Board of Trustees Wednesday night. Griffin, who came to McLean in 1988 as principal of the high school, also served as elementary principal before taking the reins as superintendent. The approval of his contract followed a three-hour executive session in which personnel assignments were discussed.

Griffin's contract was renewed on a motion by Billie Ward, followed by a unanimous vote.

In other action, the board approved a motion by

Eugene Galley to allow a group with "Horsemen for Christ" to present a program in the high school auditorium. The board also heard a delegation from the senior class who asked for approval of a ski trip for the senior trip. After discussing the safety and liability issues, the board voted against the request by a vote of six to one.

Motion by John Holland seconded by Billie Ward. Vote was six against the trip (John Holland, Neal Odom, Jay Dee Fish, Eugene Galley, Bob Glass, Billie Ward) and one for the trip (Don Dorsey).

The board approved a board policy update, rescinded property tax bids

as per a letter from Gray County Tax Assessor Sammie Morris, and accepted the financial report.

Attending the meeting were board members Don Dorsey, Eugene Galley, Bob Glass, Billie Ward, John Holland, Jay Dee Fish, and

Neal Odom. Also present were Griffin; elementary principal Dick Crockett; high school principal Charles Callum; secretaries Leslie Darsey and Pam Crockett; and visitors Frank Sparling, Linda Haynes, Jacque Riley, Alisha Reynolds, Kristi Tidwell, Chad Richards, Derek Glass, Jason Hooper, and Jonathan Bailey.



## Elementary Students Celebrate 100 Days

McLean Elementary's Kindergarten and First Graders celebrated one hundred days of school on Thursday, January 23. The students worked together to re-create 100 monkeys with 100 caps after hearing the story Caps for Sale.

Math activities included writing and counting to 100, putting 100 things into different sized groups and a trip to the bank. At the bank Mrs. Becky Fish

showed students 100 pennies, 100 one dollar bills and the old and current 100 dollar bill. Then they were treated to suckers and rings.

The day culminated with each student and teacher showing what 100 things he or she wore to school and refreshments. The Kindergarten teacher is Mrs. Evelyn Sanders and the First Grade teacher is Mrs. Janet Glass.

## McLean Reminders

**THE McLEAN CUBS** will host Lefors at 6:00 on Feb. 3.

**THE McLEAN CUBS** will be in the Hedley Tournament Feb. 6-8. Times will be announced.

**MISS McLEAN** Beauty Pageant will be Feb. 1 at 7:00 in the school auditorium.

**THE McLEAN-Alanreed** Museum's annual Chili Dinner will be Feb. 3 at 11:00. Remember the Country Store.

**FEB. 5, 8:00 PM** at the fire station the McLean Rodeo Club will meet. Anyone who is interested please attend.

## Groundhog Day Is February 2

**McLEAN ALCOHOLICS** Anonymous will meet at 7:00 pm, Monday at the Bank of Commerce.

**ON JAN. 31** the JVG, JVB, VG and VB will play Miami at 5:00.

**KEEP THE 3RD** of February in mind for the McLean-Alanreed Museum's annual Chili Dinner.



## Teams Split Victories With Lefors

By McLean Tiger Rag Staff  
David Fuller & Walter Handlin

On Friday, January 24 the Lefors Pirates hosted the McLean Tigers in a district basketball game.

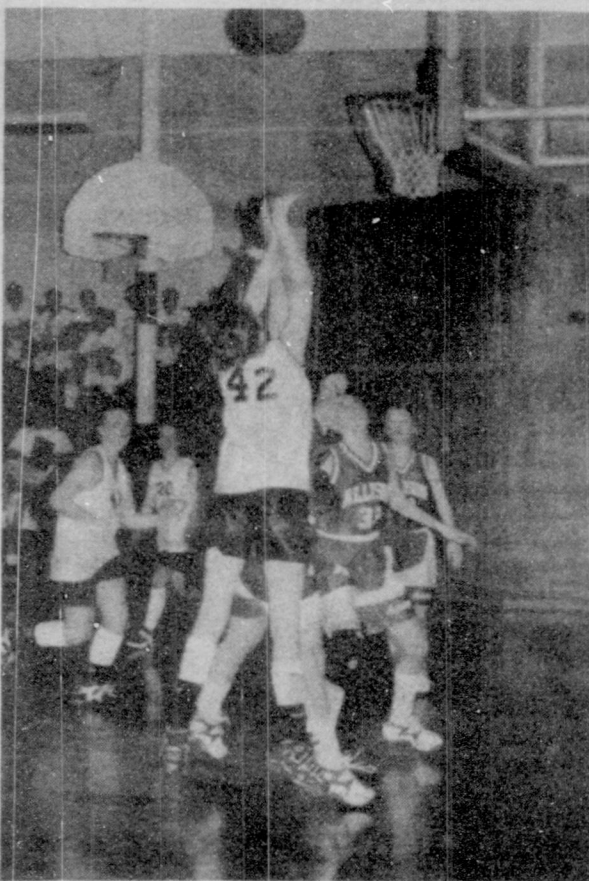
In the girls' ball game the Lady Tigers dominated the Pirates with a score of 51-24. The Lady Tigers started hard ending the first

quarter with a nine point lead. They never let down and held the Pirates to ten points in the first half. After the half the Lady Tigers stayed strong throughout the rest of the game to defeat the Pirates. Rachel Galley was the high scorer with 12 and Vanessa Glass followed closely with 11. Shanna Dent and Amanda Cline each had 8

points, Lacey Steel and Annie Weaver each had 4 points, Jesse Fish had 2 points, and Tanna Shipman and Lori Hefley each had 1 point.

In the boys game the Lefors Pirates beat the McLean Tigers with a score of 63-37. In the first quarter the Pirates led 10-4.

See Basketball, pg. 9





**Briefs-**

Marshall Hanes is home recovering after knee surgery on Thursday.

Pam Puroll made a trip to Houston and the result was good news.

The McLean Church of Christ had their December 5th Sunday dinner on Sunday January 26th.

**McLean Birthdays Anniversaries**

- January 30 - Susan Worsham Corley.
- January 31 - Clarence Williams, Ray Kirkland, Adam Barker, Oneta Harkins.
- February 1 - Lorene Guyton, Marcie Ferguson.
- February 2 -
- February 3 - Vance Coleman, Jeff Kingston,
- February 4 - Teresa Eubank.
- February 5 - Monty Joiner, Lester Allen Lee, Bill Fuller.

Cliffie Heasley is in Brownfield visiting with her sister who has had surgery.

Chad Mason visited with Lavern Back over the weekend.

Marvin Godfrey is still in Dallas but doing really well.

Waldean Cheatham is out of the hospital and is staying with her daughter in Lefors

**Gray County Sheriff's Report**

By Don Copeland, Sheriff  
The Basic Jailer School being held in the Gray County Sheriff's Office classroom graduated January 25.

Our department graduated four employees. I offer my congratulations to them for successfully completing the course.

The jail inmate count is 61 as of January 27, 1997.

**McLean Care Center News**

Sunday, members of the Church of Christ came to hold a worship service.

Residents making valentines Monday morning were Truman Goodlett, Helen Glass, Sue Cubine, Phyllis Bailey, Jessie Watson, Teresa Richardson, Mable Dickey, Sylvia McClellan, Imogene King and Thelma Finson. Refreshments were served following the craft session.

In the afternoon residents played bingo. Those playing were Dick Wheeler, M.L. Rowan, Truman Goodlett, Sylvia McClellan, Leon Tate, Teresa Richardson, Phyllis Bailey, Lena Bailey, Eula Morrow, Beryl Halbert, Vernee Bowling, Lucille Cullison, Jessie Watson, Sue Cubine and Marjorie Turnage. Bananas were furnished by the Lions club. Volunteer helpers were Betty Lowe and Lois Myers. An exercise program was held following bingo.

Tuesday morning was the Church of Christ social. Members serving were George Watson, Mary Emma Woods and Oleta Harris. In the afternoon M.L. Rowan, Dick Wheeler and Teresa Richardson played dominos.

Wednesday morning eighteen residents gathered in the dining room for their donut circle. The donuts

were furnished by Leta Mae Hess. In the afternoon they watched a movie and had popcorn.

Thursday the following residents played bingo Lena Bailey, Teresa Richardson, Phyllis Bailey, Dick Wheeler, M.L. Rowan, Florence Drake, Thelma Finson, Sylvia McClellan, Eula Morrow, Truman Goodlett and Virgie Everett.

**More**

**Reminders**

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

ON JAN. 31 the McLean Basketball teams will travel to Miami at 5:00.

ON FEB. 4 we will be playing Lefors on home court starting at 5:00. This will be the JVG, VG and VB.

**New Subscriptions To The McLean News**

Jim Shaw  
Robert McDonald

**Hostile Environment**

By Delbert Trew 1997  
**Hostile Environment**

Ever wonder why some people act the way they do? Television tells us that it is probably because of a mean old Daddy, or a mean old Mother, a stern teacher, or a slick talking preacher. In our family, and in the case of my younger brother, his behavior could be blamed on his older brother.

I am four years older than Don and I have prayed that he live a long, healthy life, so I would not be blamed for the things I have done to him.

For instance, every time I came home from school with the chicken pox, mumps, or measles, Mother made me as comfortable as possible for my ailment, then she immediately grabbed brother Don, shoved him in bed with me in order to get it all over with at once.

Now imagine this poor innocent child, shoved into bed with a diseased, fever ridden victim of the current school malady, time after time. Could this treatment have affected Don in any way?

Another time my friend and I went down into the cellar to bring canned food up to Mother. After entering, Don closed the door down and stood on it laughing at us. We climbed

up the steps bending low. We braced ourselves, counted three and heaved up. Don went about six feet into the air, turned upside down, and landed on his head down on the third step. Surely this fall was not severe.

Still another time, while my friend and I worked on a tractor, Don repeatedly squirted us with an oil can. We caught him and rubbed wheel bearing grease into his hair. Do you think the gasoline Mother had to use to get the grease out, contributed to his receding hairline?

And last, as I discovered the ladies and began dating, Mother always made me take Don to town when I went on a date. I dropped him off at the Ellis Theater where he viewed everything twice each night, then walked to the Perryton Hotel lobby and read funny books until I picked him up.

I venture to say that every other week for three years, after I had driven the fifteen miles home and went to bed, Mother would come in and ask, "Where is Don?"


I can see it on TV now, a psychologist sitting by Don on a couch and saying, "Sir, I believe all your problems can be traced to the treatment you received from your older brother."



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## Notes From the Editor

The weather has been just beautiful. This seems to make people feel better and puts smiles on faces. The weather has made it possible for Jasper Roofing to get the new roof on the elementary school building.

McLean citizens turned out for the Texas Department of Transportation meeting on Thursday night. It is encouraging when progress is being planned.

The plans for the Prison of War Camp Marker are moving forward. This is an exciting thing to put McLean on the map. Because of this planning, I received a very interesting letter from Mattie Bailey who lives in Amarillo. This is her letter:

I read in the McLean News a while back that someone wanted some information about the Prison of War Camp at McLean during World War II. My father, (Uncle Johnny) Haynes and my husband, Frank Bailey helped build it. My dad was foreman and my husband worked for him. The prisoners which were all pretty young were allowed to go and help farmers in the fields. My husband would go and get them in the morning and take them back in the evening. I rode this paint pony to the field

to take them lemonade and cookies and they liked that. They would gather round to look and pet the pony and they loved dogs. They wanted to take ours with them. Those were bad times and good times. Our nation was united. As I think back those young men were fighting for what the leaders told them was right.

Signed, Mattie Bailey.  
I could tell more but I give out. Maybe someone else can remember. I am 96 years young.

A special thank you to Mattie for such a wonderful chapter from the past.

As usual, the first part of this letter was written on Friday, this is Monday and the weather is not just beautiful. Arctic cold has moved in to our area once more.

How wonderful the sun looks. The arctic blast has gone and everyone has survived. The weathermen seem to think we will have a few days of beautiful weather.

This well be welcome by all. As I made my rounds on Monday morning, trying to get news together, it was nice to be able to do this in shirt sleeves. Everyone had about the same comment, about how beautiful the weather is. By the time the paper is delivered, who knows what our weather will be. Running into the high school to get the schedule for the week is always good for news and a laugh or two. I do appreciate the help everyone so graciously gives. Elementary is a joy to visit. Teachers and students with smiles, a happy hello and willing to help in any way. I need for you readers to let me know some personal news. There

are good things going on in McLean, please share them with the readers. We need to know about hospital stays, trips, just personal news.

By Emma Jean McDonald

## Words Of Wisdom

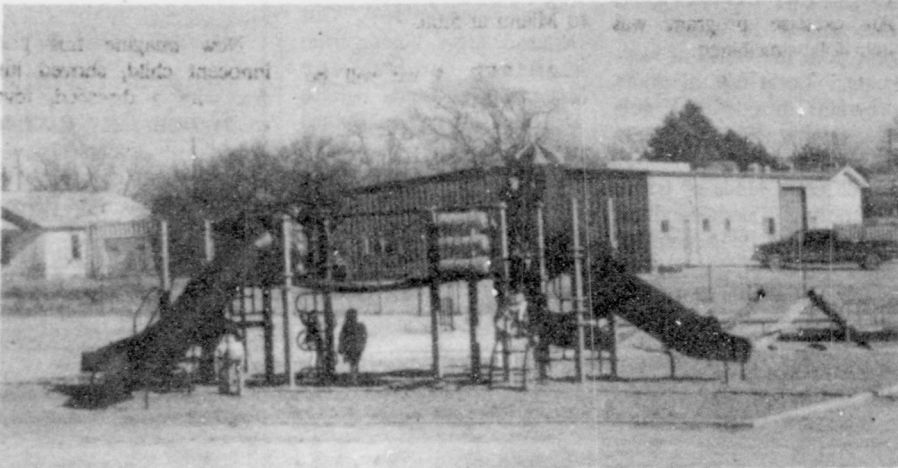
Life is a grindstone. But whether it grinds us down or polishes us up depends on what we are made of.

## Basketball

Going into the half Lefors still led 29-9. In the third quarter Lefors led 44-29. They held the lead until the end to defeat the Tigers 63-37. The leading scorer was Tobey Purcell with 10 points. Chad Richards had 9, Ike Hanes had 7, Charles Harris had 4, Gary Jones had 3, and Erik Vega had 2.



The Drama Club of McLean High School have begun practice on the One Act Play for District Contest that will be held in March. The time and date will be set in the near future.



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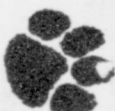
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## McLean Obituaries

### S.A. Cousins

S.A. Cousins, 87, died Saturday, January 25, 1997.

Services were in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Thacker Haynes, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery by Lamb-Ferguson Funeral Home.

Mr. Cousins was a lifetime resident of McLean, Gray County. He graduated from McLean High School and attended Texas Tech University. He married Isabel Baley in 1934 at Clarendon.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and had served during World War II. He was a retired insurance agent, working with Simpson Insurance Agency for more than 20 years. He was a Methodist and a member of McLean Volunteer Fire Department for more than 30 years. He also was a member of the McLean Lion's Club.

Survivors include his wife, and a sister, Dorothy Patterson of McLean.

### Laverne Ingram

AMARILLO - Laverne Ingram, 75, sister of a McLean resident, died Wednesday, January 22, 1997. Services were in N.S. Griggs and Sons Funeral Directors Pioneer Chapel with the Rev. Wayne Sheffield of Trinity United Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in Llano Cemetery.

Mrs. Ingram was born at Sandler. She married Cleve Ingram in 1939 at

Wellington; he died in 1978. She was a homemaker and a member of Trinity Methodist Church.

Survivors include a son Terry Ingram, of Bedford; a sister, Jeanette Hunt of Amarillo; a brother, Carrol Tolleson of McLean; and two grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the American Kidney Foundation.

There are many pictures at The McLean News Office. Please come in to see if there are any that are yours or that you would like to have!

## Troops Hold Meetings

By Beverly Odom  
Two of McLeans three Girl Scout Troops are selling cookies thru Monday, Jan. 27. The eleven Brownies & five Juniors are taking orders for eight different kinds of cookies at \$2.50 per box. Delivery dates are February 19 thru March 5. The Girl Scouts will collect the money upon delivery.

In addition to selling cookies, the Girl Scouts are inspired with the highest ideals of character, conduct, patriotism & service that they may become happy & resourceful citizens.

Girl Scouting's five worlds of interest in which activities can be focused include well-being, out of doors, today & tomorrow, arts & people. On September 11, La Donna Bradley demonstrated what to do in different first-aid emergencies to teach the girls from the world of well-being. Local out of doors programs included the girls making a leaf-shaped maple magnet decoration, hunting for different kinds of leaves & touring Lamb-Ferguson Flower Shop on September 25.

For the emphasis on the world of today & tomorrow, the girls have discussed career choices & have planned future field trips.

The troops made Christmas rabbit door ornaments for each resident of McLean Nursing Center for an art project & personally delivered them in a group of eighteen on a frigid December 18 with Christmas caroling to highlight the world of people.

On Friday evening, Jan. 10, nine Brownie Girl Scouts traveled to Overnight Discovery at the Don Harrington Discovery Center in Amarillo. Activity filled workshops included living recyclers, build a cell, the magic School Bus featuring the cell in the new portable star lab, free time with permanent displays & special experiments & a midnight lazer show. The

Magic Egg, in the planetarium. The group returned to McLean by 11:00 a.m. the next morning. The adventurers included Amanda Fricks, Haylee Hendrick, Stephanie Henson, Tamara Loya, Kristen Odom, Brooke Seymour, Anna Shackelford, Kay Taylor, Lacey Wallis & leaders Helen Taylor, Sally Seymour & Beverly Odom.

The Junior Girl Scouts will attend the Overnight Discovery on February 21 with the leadership of Deanna McClendon & La Donna Bradley.

Financial sponsors for the McLean Girl Scouts Brownie & Junior Troops this year have been United Methodist Women, B&B Turbine, Bank of Commerce & McLean Feedyard. Kristi Tidwell & Tanna Shipman are assistant leaders.

The nine Daisy Girl Scouts are kindergarten students under the leadership of Linda Syfrett, Denise Howard & Bobbie Sanderson. Scouts at this age-level do not participate in fund-raising activities such as cookie sales but have been very busy being introduced to the worlds of scouting.

## Farm Loans Available For Socially Disadvantaged

The Farm Service Agency has loan funds to help members of socially disadvantaged groups, including minorities, buy land for farming or operate farms in Gray, Donley, Armstrong, Wheeler, and Carson counties, Larry J. Goetze, FSA Ag Credit Manager, said today.

Under this program enacted by Congress, socially disadvantaged population groups are Hispanics, Native Americans, African Americans, Asians and Pacific Islanders.

FSA tries to find members of those groups who are interested in farming and qualify for an FSA farm ownership loan. The agency can sell or lease to those who are eligible for a farm held in our inventory

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People who think they may be eligible, whether they already are in farming or would like to become farmers, are urged to contact the Farm Service Agency county office in their area.

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## Carter Named Lion's Club Sweetheart

Kristina Carter, the daughter of Kathy Carter of McLean and Wayne and Carla Carter of Clarendon, was chosen as the 1997 Lion's Club Sweetheart. Kristina, a senior, was chosen as Miss MHS. Kristina will represent the club in the Miss McLean Pageant, the Miss Irish Rose Pageant and the District 2T-1 Queens Contest.



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### McLean Cubs Basketball

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The Cubs boys team won handily over the Miami team, 62-31. Randy Floyd scored 22 for high point. Ben Ridgley added another 9. Gabriel Vega had 7; Brad Sawyer, Josh Logan and Robby Bradley each had 6 points. Ricky Smith added 4 and Coy Tolleson had 2.

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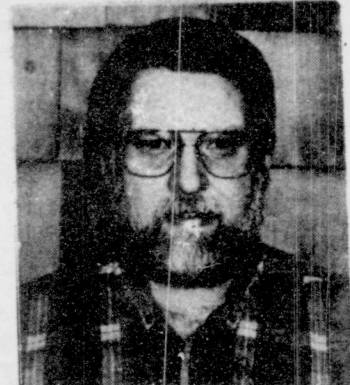
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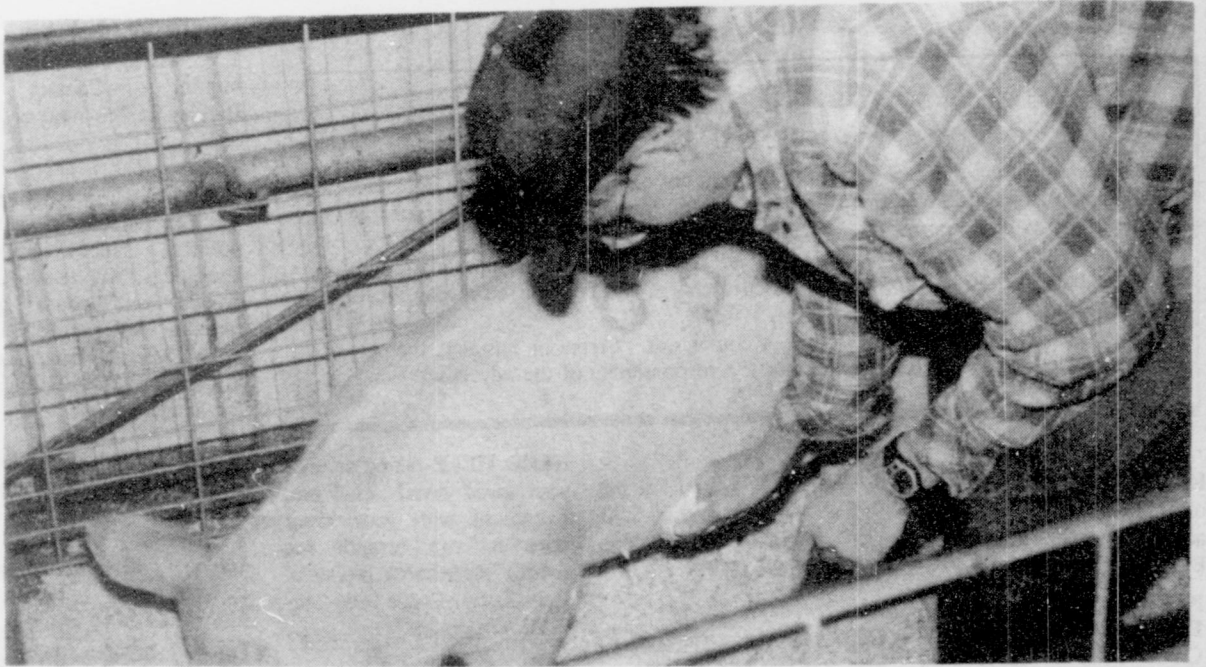


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