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Burton, Brown Show Grand Champion Animals



Reserve Champions (left to right) are Melody Burton, Brandy Bertrand, Janie Bednorz, and Lori Millican. Grand Champions are Kori Brown, April Burton, Jeremy Blount, and Casey Lanham accepting for Christy Woodall.



Showmanship winners from left to right are April Burton, Jr. Steer; Brandy Bertrand, Sr. Steer; Jeremy Blount, Sr. Lamb; Karmen Martin, Jr. Pig; Matt Stampfli, Sr. Pig; and Revenna Barrett, Jr. Lamb.

Groom claimed two of the top four slots at the Carson County Junior Livestock Show over the weekend. Kori Brown, daughter of Susan and Lonny Brown, exhibited the Grand Champion Heifer.

April Burton, daughter of Donna and Jim Burton won Grand Champion Steer honors. This was "Domes" fourth Grand Champion win. April also won the Junior Showmanship award. Melody Burton won

Reserve Champion Heifer, and Matt Miller won Best of Breed in the British Steer category. C.J. Whately, Bart Britten, and Cody Bivens all placed 1st in their class.

STEERS

Best of Breed British, Matt Miller, Gr. FFA; **Res. Best of Breed**, Lori Millican, Pan. 4-H.

Best of Breed Cross, April Burton, Groom 4-H; **Res. Best of Breed**, Jeff Millican, Pan. 4-H.

Class 1-LL. Wt. British: 1) Koty Kowalewski, Pan. 4-H; 2) Marie Jo Phillips, Gr. 4-H; 3) Opie Hileman, Pan. 4-H; 4) Shannon Cooper, Pan. 4-H.

Class 2-Hvy. Wt. British: 1) Matt Miller; 2) Lori Millican; 3) Micca Dauer, Pan. 4-H.

Class 3-LL. Wt. Cross: 1) Amanda Thompson, WD FFA; 2) Chris Hileman, Pan. 4-H; 3) Julie Richardson, Gr. 4-H; 4) Sam Hermesmeyer, Pan. 4-H; 5) Jacey Richardson, Gr. 4-H.

Class 4-Med. Wt. Cross: 1) Jeff Millican; 2) Daniel Lewis, Pan. 4-H; 3) Stephanie Norton, WD FFA; 4) Chy Phillips, Gr. 4-H; 5) Joe Rae Richardson, Gr. FFA.

Class 5-Hvy. Wt. Cross: 1) April Burton; 2) Brandy Bertrand; 3) Amanda Thompson; 4) Micca Dauer; 5) Roy Dale Cooper, Pan. FFA; 6) Amanda Hillhouse, WD FFA.

HEIFERS

Class 1: 1) Kory Brown, Gr. 4-H; 2) Roy Dale Cooper; 3) Ty Lambert, Gr. 4-H.

Class 2: 1) Daniel Lewis; 2) Daranda Lewis, Pan. 4-H; 3) Roy Dale Cooper; 4) Jeremy Blount; 5) Kori Brown.

Class 3: 1) Melody Burton, Gr. FFA; 2) Jason Howell, WD 4-H; 3) Shannon Cooper.

SWINE

Best of Breed Chester, Jennifer Norton, WD FFA; **Res. Best of Breed**, Matt Stampfli.

Best of Breed Duroc, Ky Martin, Pan. 4-H; **Res. Best of Breed**, Melissa Hammer, WD 4-H.

Best of Breed Hampshire, Lori Millican; **Res. Best of Breed**, Stephanie Norton.

Best of Breed Yorkshire, Jennifer Norton; **Res. Best of Breed**, Christy Woodall, WD FFA.

Best of Breed Berkshire, Melissa Merrell, Pan. FFA; **Res. Best of Breed**, Marka Merrell, Pan. FFA.

Best of Breed Spot, Opie Hileman, Pan. 4-H; **Res. Best of Breed**, Bronte Britten, Gr. FFA.

Best of Breed Cross, Christy Woodall; **Res. Best of Breed**, Jason Howell.

Class 1-LL. Wt. Chester: 1) Kristi Bednorz, Pan. FFA; 2) Kyle Mesneak, WD FFA; 3) Jeff Millican, Pan. 4-H; 4) Brooke Britten, Gr. 4-H; 5) Clinton Grange, WD 4-H; 5).

Class 2-Hvy. Wt. Chester: 1) Jennifer Norton; 2) Matt Stampfli; 3) Butch Heck, Pan. FFA; 4) Sheryl Kincade, Pan. FFA.

Class 3-LL. Wt. Duroc: 1) Cortni Lemons, WD FFA; 2) Leo Britten, Gr. 4-H; 3) Justin Homen, Gr. 4-H; 4) Monica Urbanczyk, Pan. 4-H; 5) Crystal Stamps, Pan. 4-H; 6) Robert Homer, Gr. FFA; 7) Robert Homer; 8) Stan Homer, Gr. FFA.

Class 4-Med. Wt. Duroc: 1) April Hammer, WD 4-H; 2) Amber Reynolds, Pan. 4-H; 3) Amanda Freeman, WD FFA; 4) Shana Chaney, WD 4-H; 5) Butch Heck; 6) Mat Heck, Pan. FFA; 7) Janae Urbanczyk, Pan. FFA; 8) Justin Freeman, WD FFA; 9) Janae Urbanczyk; 10) Stan Homer; 11) Nick Ashford, Gr. FFA; 12) Nick Ashford.

Class 5-Med. Hvy. Wt. Duroc: 1) Ky Martin, Pan. 4-H; 2) Melissa Hammer, WD 4-H; 3) Kay Lynn Britten, Gr. 4-H; 4) Abe Kotara, WD FFA; 5) Brad Britten, WD FFA; 6)

Daranda Lewis, Pan. 4-H; 7) John Thomas, WD FFA; 8) Patrick Warminski, WD 4-H; 9) Albert Garcia, Pan. 4-H.

Class 6-Hvy. Wt. Duroc: 1) Stephanie Lewis, Pan. FFA; 2) Lenzi Diggs, WD FFA; 3) Caryn Fleming, Pan. 4-H; 4) Kimberly Warminski, WD 4-H; 5) Damon Ferguson, Pan. FFA; 6) Travis Stamps, Pan. 4-H; 7) David Richardson, Pan. FFA; 8) Chad O'Neal, Pan. FFA; 9) Leo Britten.

Class 7-LL. Wt. Hampshire: 1) Kevin Herrick, Pan. FFA; 2) Daniel Lewis, Pan. 4-H; 3) Jason Prather, Gr. 4-H; 4) Rusty Rauscher, Pan. FA; 5) Lacy Kosara, Pan. 4-H; 6) Matthew Daves, WD FFA; 7) Jeromey Murray, Pan. FFA; 8) John Cox, Pan. FFA; 9) Jason Prather.

Class 8-Med. LL. Wt. Hampshire: 1) Rhett Patterson, Gr. FFA; 2) Stacey Ramming, WD FFA; 3) Casey Lanham, WD FFA; 4) Layci Diggs; 5) Stefan Hardin, WD FFA; 6) Dusty Crump, Gr. 4-H; 7) Debra Searcy, WD 4-H; 8) Jeremy Stamps, Pan. 4-H; 9) Jarret Weinheimer, Pan. FFA.

Class 9-Med. Wt. Hampshire: 1) Lori Millican; 2) Dara Whately, Gr. 4-H; 3) Wyatt Britten, Gr. 4-H; 4) Adam Coffee, Pan. FFA; 5) Wyatt Britten; 6) Brent Bednorz, Pan. FFA; 7) Amanda Tackett, WD 4-H; 8) David Richardson; 9) Lance Williams, Pan. FFA.

Class 10-Med. Hvy. Wt. Hampshire: 1) Curtis Whately, Gr. 4-H; 2) Joshua Fleming, Pan. 4-H; 3) Karen Robinson, Pan. FFA; 4) Blake Barnett, Gr. 4-H; 5) Wesley Bradshaw, Pan. FFA; 6) Ky Martin; 7) Karmen Martin, Pan. 4-H; 8) Jeremy Zamora, Pan. 4-H; 9) Jeff Haiduk, WD FFA.

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Groom School Board Approves FFA Project

Groom School Board met in regular session last week. All members were present including the following visitors: Superintendent Kenneth Sweatt, Principal Judy Babcock, Clerk, Joyce Hutsell, Debra Addy, Kenneth Babcock, Margaret Babcock, Suni Barnett, LaVesta Barnett, Willie Mae Barnett, Kay Britten, Gary Britten, Mary Brooks, Betty Rae Brown, Susan Brown, Lonny Brown, Susan Burgin, Don Case, Karen Case, Annetta Childress, Whitney Crum, Barney Davis, Gary Davis, Georgann Hinson, David Hinson, Leldon Hudson, Mark Metzger, Phil Miller, Sharon Prather, and LaVeda Wood.

The board went into executive session at 7:20 p.m. after hearing concerns of local taxpayers, which was reported on in last weeks issue of the Groom News.

They reconvened at 9:10 p.m. In a unanimous decision the board agreed to postpone the consideration of the re-employment of the coaching staff personnel until the March meeting.

The meeting was again called into executive session at 9:28 p.m. and reconvened in open session at 10:38 p.m. No action resulted.

\$250,000.00 of the Districts unreserved fund balance was ordered set aside, by the board, for capital improvements to

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Tigers - Tigerettes District Champions

Groom Tigers and Tigerettes both cinched District Titles last Friday night in their final game of the regular season against McLean.

The Junior Varsity boys set the pace for the evening with a 46-32 victory.

Seth Ritter led the scoring with 23 points, Stanley Homer had 14, Robbie Evenson 7, and Brandon Crump had 2.

The Ettes got off to an early lead that maintained momentum through the game.

Karen Babcock had a good night scoring 36 points. Sophomores Misty Homen and Melanie Friemel did a great job scoring 16 and 13

respectively. Rounding out the final score of 74-47 was Melinda Burgin with 3 points, Sandie Conrad 2, Rebecca Conrad 2 and Kay Case 2.

The Tigers also won handily 82-42. Wes Hall had a tremendous night putting up 26 points for Groom. Corkey Hickey put up 18 points while Paul McLaughlin and Bo Burgin added 12 each to the Tigers credit. Also contributing were Matt Fields with 6 points, Bryan Crowell with 4 points and Rhett Patterson and Harold Cave for 2 points each.

Both girls and boys teams will move forward into the play offs. The girls Bi-

See Tigers, pg. 12

Community Calendar

PUBLIC SCHOOL Week will be celebrated Mar 1 - 5th. The Elementary students are planning a program for the evening of March 4th at 7:00 p.m. Parents will be invited to eat lunch with their child at school anytime that week.

COMMODITIES will be distributed Monday 2:30-4:30 at the Library. it is time to recertify.

TUESDAY GRAIN PRICES AT LOCAL ELEVATORS

Wheat-\$3.13
Milo-\$3.36
Corn-\$4.00

FIRST BAPTIST Church will host S.O.S. Thursday at 12:00 in the Community Center.

BASKETBALL PLAYOFF DATES are as follows (Location and times not yet available on all games. Check with the school or watch next weeks paper for updates).

Feb. 19 - Girls Bi-District against Silverton, Clarendon College.

Feb. 22 or 23 will be the Girls Area Playoffs.

Feb. 26 - will be the Girls Regional and the Boys Bi-District games.

March 1 or 2 will be the Boys Area Play offs.

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Eduquest Program Here March 4

Groom School will be the sight for an IBM Eduquest program on March 4, 1993. Area Superintendents, Principals, Teachers, Curriculum Personnel, and School Board Members have all been invited to attend.

This special seminar is to show the success Groom ISD has had with its computer technology program.

Some of the subjects

participants will observe and learn about are: Process writing (preparing students for TABS); computers integrated into the curriculum, computers used in the class room (rather than a lab), restructured classrooms, and active student participation in learning.

Participants will observe and learn through third grades.

Local Happenings

Local guests of Glynn D and Sybil Harrell were her brothers Weldon and Barney York of Austin. Erin Kate Eschle of Irving and Glynda and Johnny Eschle of Lubbock. Beverly and Jim Ingram visited on Friday.

At dinner, Sunday noon in the Harrell home, January, February and March birthdays of family members were observed. Those honored for January were Lorece York of Amarillo, Bob Mulkey of Panhandle and Glynda Eschle of Lubbock. Mary Barbara Rhodes of Hooker, Oklahoma was the February honoree and Barney York of Austin, Erin Kate Eschle of Irving and Whitney Hightower of Panhandle will have birthdays in March.

Others present were: Louise Mulkey, John Eschle and Sean and Linda York, Archie Rhodes, Scott and Tony and Anjanette and David Gibler and Aaron, also of Hooker, Robert Hightower, Gerald York, Jr. of Pampa, Beverly and Jim Ingram of Amarillo, Weldon York and the hosts, Glenn D and Sybil Harrell.

Sylvia Pool would like to say hello and let all her friends know how she is doing. She had artery bypass surgery in her right leg on January 14th at Texarkana, Texas. The surgery went real good, and she is healing nicely and able to be up again. She is at her daughter and son-in-law's home in Oklahoma. She is now scheduled for cataract and glaucoma surgery on February 19th at Texarkana. She plans to be back in Groom in the spring. Her address in Okla. is P.O. Box 96, Watson, OK 74963.

GROOM BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

February 18 - Martin Hermesmeyer, Leon Schaffer, Loyd Littlefield, Sherridan Koetting, Jesse Baker.

February 19 - Suzy Pool, Brad Sustaire, Joshua Evenson

February 20 - Mrs. Amos Britten, Nicholas Anthony, Chance Keith Barkley.

February 21 - Bronte Britten, Bart Britten, Dean Fields.

February 22 - Mrs. M.B. Bolden, Chy Phillips.

February 23 - Gary Friemel, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Pool (A).

February 24 - Louis Lee Barkley, Mrs. Kenneth Burger, Robbie Ellington, LaDonna Walker.

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Services Held Saturday For Former Sheriff Connie Reed

Connie C. Reed, former Carson County Sheriff, died Thursday, Feb. 11, 1993. He was 73.

Services were at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Panhandle First Baptist Church with

Dr. Jim Perkins, pastor, officiating. Casket Bearers were Win Bishop, Dale Ross, Wallace Bichsel,

Randy Garrett, Bud Strange, Jim Kingston, Joe Garcia and Ricky Hamilton. Honorary Casket Bearers were Warren Hart, George Stevenson, Buck Fields, and Olan Poteet. Graveside services were at 3 p.m. Saturday in Lockney Cemetery at Lockney with the Rev. Harold Abney, pastor of the First Baptist

Church of Lockney, officiating. Arrangements were by Minton-Chatwell Funeral Directors.

Mr. Reed was a peace officer for 30 years. He began his law-enforcement career as a city police officer at Lockney and Floydada. He later worked as deputy sheriff in Floyd County before transferring

in 1972 to Carson County, where he continued working as a deputy sheriff. He then was appointed Carson County sheriff after Frank Whitehead resigned in 1977. He remained Carson County sheriff for 11 1/2 years.

Mr. Reed was born in Wynnewood, Okla. He married Flois Cunningham



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president of the Panhandle Peace Officers Association.

Mr. Reed was an Army veteran of World War II, serving in the Medical Corps in the Pacific Theater with the 142nd General

Hospital as an orthopedic technician and bone specialist. He also was stationed at China, Burma and India.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Kelly Reed of Fort Campbell, Ky.; three daughters, Connie Bertrand of Floydada, Darlene Reed of Panhandle and Kaylene Medina of Dickinson; and four grandchildren.

in 1947. He was a member of the Lockney Masonic Lodge No. 867, Lockney Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Texas Sheriff's Association. He was past

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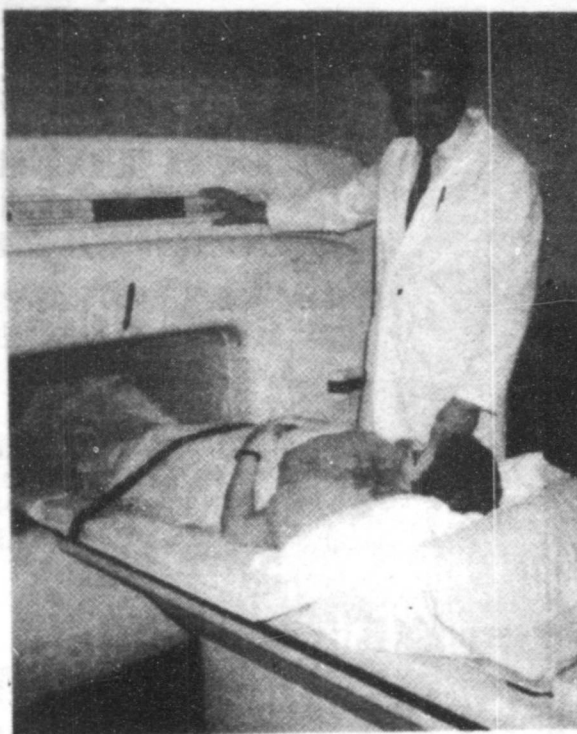
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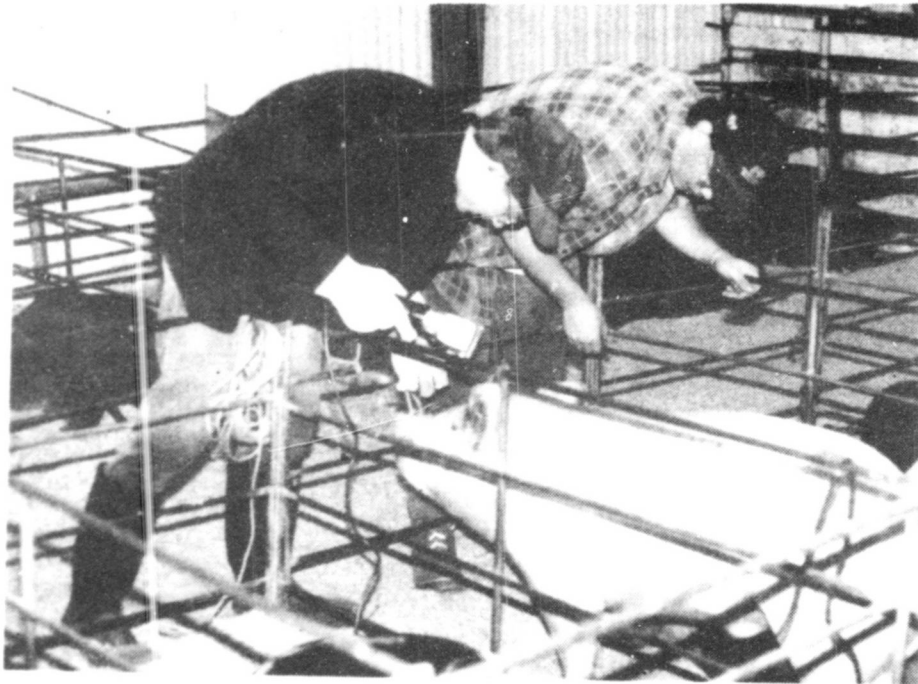
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April Barton

Groom Has Great Showing At County Show



Pictured above, Robert Homer and Jason Peters doing last minute clipping on Peters' pig before the Carson County Show began last weekend.



Jodie Homen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Allen Homen of Groom, is in the show ring last weekend showing her pig in front of the judge.



Todd Gray, shown above, worked very hard the last few months on preparing his pig for this particular show, Carson County Stock Show and Sale.

Coach Serves Pizza

Coach Jay Lamb served pizza Monday night to the little guys who helped him keep statistics in this year's basketball games. They were Marc Miller, Toby Burgin and Daniel Treadwell.

Groom School Lunch Menu

February 22 & 23 - Ski Holiday.
February 24 - Breakfast: Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk. Lunch: Burritos w/chili & cheese,
February 25 - Breakfast: corn, tortilla pieces, pear halves w/cherry belly buttons, milk. Lunch: Biscuits, bacon, gravy, juice, milk.
February 26 - Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, hash browns, juice, milk. Lunch: German sausage wrap, sauerkraut, baked beans, pickle spears, flour tortilla, million dollar cookies, milk.

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D.P.S. Report

By Joe Longway

As The Interstate Turns.....

On Sunday, February 7, 1993, two Amarillo men were arrested for felony possession of marijuana when approximately 2 1/2 pounds of marijuana was found in the vehicle on I-40, 11 miles west of Groom. To make matters worse the driver was also intoxicated. The driver was placed in the Carson County Jail for DWI - 1st offense and the felony possession of marijuana. The passenger was arrested for felony possession of

marijuana.

The county is also in the process of seizing the driver's car and gun used in the commission of the crime. Both suspects were arraigned before Justice of the Peace Tyler.

On Monday, February 8, the Grand Jury indicted the Peoria, Illinois man for possession of LSD. The man is still residing in the Carson County Jail awaiting trial.

Carson Co Sheriff's Report

By Loren Brand, Sheriff

Our office completed the investigation into the death of an Altus, Oklahoma serviceman. The subject had been found in his pickup in a field near Highway 2880 Monday morning. Pathologist Dr. Elizabeth Peacock of Amarillo determined that the death was a suicide. The cause of death was found to be carbon monoxide poisoning.

The Carson County Sheriff's Department is working with the Woodward, Oklahoma Police Department to investigate a burglary of a business in Woodward. Our department recovered a safe near White Deer last week and our investigation showed that the safe (marked Oklahoma City-County Health Department) had been sold by the Health Department to a private

individual who used the safe for his business. This individual had a number of business documents in the safe as well as pieces of jewelry belonging to his late wife. The thief pried the back of the safe to gain access and removed the jewelry before dumping the safe near White Deer. Our investigation revealed that the suspect(s) also stole a truck from the Woodward man. The truck came through the White Deer area then travelled to San Antonio and was finally left abandoned in Longview. Our department is assisting the Oklahoma authorities in their pursuit of two suspects.

To provide faster and more efficient service to county residents, our department asks that you update your address whenever you move so that we can have that

information entered into our 9-1-1 computer. The computer can only supply what information is available to our dispatchers and that information comes from your telephone number. If you move and do not provide us with updated information, valuable time could be lost when emergency service personnel

go to your previous address. Our personnel attempt to verify addresses while dispatching emergency crews, but the callers are often hysterical and we have to rely on the computerized information when relaying the address to responders. Please remember that you can also have pertinent medical information (heart

patient, diabetic, etc.) as well as other valuable data (elderly woman - living alone, wheel chair patient, guard dog in back yard) which will expedite the distribution of information to the persons responding to your emergency. You can also indicate the name and telephone number of persons you wish to have

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notified in the event of an emergency. 9-1-1 update sheets are available at the Carson County Sheriff's Department or

Attends Funeral

Jimmy and Zoah Britten attended the funeral of John A. Hayden in Amarillo Saturday.



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Junior High Finishes Season

The Junior High students played their final games of the season last Monday night.

The seventh grade girls won a close game against Shamrock with a final of 31 Groom, Shamrock 27.

Jessica Friemel was top scorer with 12 points, Martie Phillips had 7 points and April Burton had 6. Mary Hutsell contributed 4

and Melissa Anthony had 2. The eighth grade girls played the Irish a very close match. Shamrock slipped past them with a final of Shamrock 26, Groom 19.

Christy Galvan and Julie Richardson each had 8 points. Brenda Fields had 2 and Stephanie Ollinger had 1.

In the seventh grade boys match, Shamrock managed to slip past Groom with a

final score of 29-26. Toby Burgin contributed 18 of those points with teammates C.J. Whatley adding 4, Todd Gray 2, and David Fields scoring 2.

52-29 was the end result of a tough match between the eighth grade boys teams, Shamrock sweeping past Groom.

Byron Slaton scored 11 points, while teammates Justin Ritter had 5, Brad

Sustaire had 3, Leo Britte.. had 3, Jeremy Lewis had 3 and Joe Britten had 2.

The teams ended a good season and are to be congratulated on their efforts and show of good sportsmanship on and off the court. Good luck in track.



BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Tom and LaNita McClure are proud to announce the birth of a daughter Kelsey Marie, born Feb. 15, 1993, weight 5 lbs. 1 oz. Proud grandparents are Kenny and LaVerne Schultz of Groom, Frank and Shirley McClure of Amarillo. Great-grandparents are Clara Schultz of Westbrook, Minn., Betty Wolden and Emma McClure both of Amarillo.

Wills Named Sweetheart

Sue Wills was recently named Alpha Mu Xi Sweetheart for 1993. She is the wife of Melvin and mother of Floyd, who is currently in the U.S. Navy.

Wills has been a Sorority member for five years. She was President of Alpha Mu Xi in 1990 and was named Girl of the Year in 1990. She was Recording Secretary for two years.

She is also a member of Christian Mothers and the Brush and Pallet Club.

GOOD LUCK

In The Bi-District Play-Offs

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Lamb Says District Will Help Residents Keep Buildings Open. . . .

McLean ISD To Absorb Alanreed

Alanreed ISD will officially become part of the McLean School District as of July 1st, was the announcement after the Gray County Commissioners meeting Monday in Pampa.

Bill Riley of Alanreed presented two petitions to the commissioners. One was signed by the 32 people who owned property in the disputed Alanreed School district. Riley said that this represented about 90% of the district's landowners. The other petition was signed by 14 of the 16 parents who have school age children in the district. Both petitions were in favor of McLean as the receiver of the Alanreed students and property.

The Gray County Commissioners Court voted

Monday to transfer 92 square miles of the Alanreed school district's land - the portion that lies within Gray County - to the McLean school district.

The McLean school district also will own the Alanreed school building, although McLean Superintendent Stanley Lamb said the district would cooperate fully with Alanreed residents to keep the buildings open for community meetings.

The court voted 3-1 to carry the motion made by Commissioner Ted Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Jim Greene - despite objections from Lefors school officials, who had hoped a portion of the land would be annexed into the Lefors district.

"I think the weight of

evidence leaned toward McLean," Lamb said after the vote. "McLean has educated the high school students from Alanreed for a long time. And our concern is the students wouldn't have to travel so far."

Lefors Superintendent Joe Roper, however, said he was surprised by the vote.

"I thought they would probably divide the district (between McLean and Lefors)," Roper said. "I don't think they took into consideration the future of the two school districts. This could really hurt Lefors. Needless to say, we're very unhappy with the decision."

The Alanreed district consists of 181 square miles - 92 in Gray County and 89

in Donley County, Alanreed Superintendent Billy Bob Adams said. Following the vote to dissolve the district, the commissioners court in each county were saddled with dividing the land among contiguous schools within the respective counties.

Donley County commissioners have put off taking any action until June 1, Donley County Judge W.R. Christal said.

In Gray County, Simmons, Greene and County Judge Carl Kennedy voted in favor of transferring the land to McLean. Commissioner Joe Wheeley voted against the measure, and Commissioner Gerald Wright was absent.

"I don't see why it should not be divided between

McLean and Lefors," Wheeley said.

Simmons said he made the motion to transfer the entire 92 square miles to McLean because the additional tax base would help bolster the McLean district, which is classified as property-poor by the Legislature. McLean schools receive an annual supplement of about \$600,000 from County Education District 14, Simmons said.

Lefors is a budget-balanced district that must pay about \$329,000 a year to CED 14, Simmons said. By transferring the land to McLean, more local tax money would remain in Gray County, Simmons said.

Lefors school board member Charlie Sullivan disagreed.

Roper, the Lefors superintendent, said, "As far as a rich school district or a poor school district, there's not much difference. Our money is recaptured, and it puts us on an equal footing with McLean. We need it for our tax base, too. In the past year, we had to cut \$170,000 out of our budget."

"It's not going to have any effect on how much stays in the county," Sullivan said. "Gray County will just about break even as far as the money that stays in the county."

Mark McVay, a representative of Pampa Independent School District and County Education District 14, pointed out that the CED 14 money is shared among 16 member schools in six counties.

Attend Neighborhood Crime Watch Meeting Tonight. . . .

City Council Votes On Brochure & Campaign

The McLean city council met at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, February 11th. After the invocation by Mayor Sam Haynes, who read the minutes from January 14th, old business was immediately turned over to Jake Hess, chairman of the city brochure committee. "A pamphlet that we can all use and that will represent our museums and businesses, featuring the Heart of Old Route 66 slogan," was presented to the council by Hess. A slick, multicolored handout,

similar to the one Groom distributes, "full of photographs, and listing (alphabetically) all of McLean's businesses," was suggested by Mayor Haynes. Jake and Ruth Magee compared "hundreds of brochures" and talked to many city entrepreneurs, some pledging money to offset an estimated \$2300.00 cost for the first ten thousand.

Alanreed rancher and curator of the Devil's Rope Museum and Old Route 66 exhibit, Delbert Trew has

organized two large tour groups: The National Barbwire Association, April 15th and a classic car club from Europe with over 2200 tourists scheduled to visit this fall. The brochures are expected to be ready for distribution before the McLean Homecoming in June. Neil Odom has volunteered to photograph area landmarks to include some aerial shots. Hess commented that the museums have already handed out 10,000 "Devil's Rope" brochures in only

eighteen months. He also thanked Ginger Rawlins for her assistance.

A campaign to include cleaning up storefronts, parks and homes was proposed by Mary Dwyer. The facelift, to include out-of-town landowners and other vacant properties, will be new business at the March 11th meeting.

The photographs for the brochures and tourists should capture the best profile McLean can muster.

In other business, the council voted to pay their

bills, purchase new central-gas meters, and gather estimates for maintenance of the city-owned wells. Superintendent Fred Smith recommended reimbursement to Johnnie Jenkins for cleaning a sewer, after upline work by the city clogged her pipe.

Ann Pierce notified the City Council that because of Federal law (HUD regulations) she could not serve the unexpired term of Joe Billingsley. Wayne Bybee motioned to leave the seat open until May 1st elections.

State Barbed Wire Convention To Be Held April 16 & 17

The Devil's Rope Museum is sponsoring the Texas Barbed Wire Collectors, State Show and Convention on April 16 and 17 at the museum complex. McLean and Alanreed motels are expected to fill up and some collectors will have to stay in Shamrock. Several R.V.'s are also expected.

Delbert Trew, curator, says everyone is invited to come by as not only barbed wire displays are featured. The women will have their varied collections on display and many items will be for sale. Over 60 tables have been reserved for the two day show.

Trew suggests that if you are considering a garage or estate sale, this would be an excellent time to do it. All of the visitors from approximately 14 states are avid collectors of almost anything. A map is being prepared now to hand out and if you want to have a garage or yard sale, we will list your name and address and mark it on the map.

Signs will be posted at the I-40 exits and many

tourists are also expected. We hope the stores in town will paint welcome signs also. Call 779-2225 or 779-3164.

Feb. 15 begins the thirty-day filing period for City candidates.

Bill Graham was unanimously appointed election judge.

Mary Dwyer will research a solution for skunk eradication.

The Mayor and the council encouraged participation in the Neighborhood Watch organizational meeting on Thursday, February 18th at the Cowboy Cafe beginning at 8:30.



Reminder

THE FIRST DAY to file for school trustee was Feb. 15, 1993 until March 17th at 5:00 p.m. at the Administration building. Positions open are (all 3 years) Jake Hess, Bill Thomas and Gwen Henley.

WINNER OF McLEAN vs Hedley Girls Varsity Basketball Game on Tuesday, Feb. 16th will play Valley Fri., Feb. 19th. Location to be announced.

NEIGHBORHOOD Watch Meeting will be Thursday night, Feb. 18, at 8:30 p.m. at the Cowboy Cafe.

McLean Loses To Groom

At press time the Lady Tigers are preparing to play Hedley to decide the No. 2 seed in the play off games. The winner will go on to play Valley in the Bi-District play offs.

Both Varsity teams played a well fought game at Groom last Friday. The girls lost 74-47. Joetta Bailey led the scoring with 18 points. Mindy Magee added another 12, while teammates Hefley had 5, Harris had 2 and Roberts had 1.

The Tigers fared about the same losing to their Groom counterparts 82-42.

See Game, pg. 10

**McLEAN BIRTHDAYS
ANNIVERSARIES**

February 18 - Ruth Ware, Leroy Blaylock, Dana Robinson.

February 19 - Tonue Brown, Ann Long, Thelma McCarty.

February 20 - John M. Haynes, Fred Patterson, Betty Lamb.

February 21 - Jack Syfrett.

February 22 - Johnie Rex McClellan, Donnie Smith, Eula Willis.

February 24 - Sally Worsham, George Watson, Brick Fry, Maggie Ruth Johnston.

Briefs

Mary Lou Glass visited her parents, Ray and Eva Miller at Friona over the weekend.

Visiting Jodie Thomas for Valentine's Day was Mike, Sandra, and Mika Clark from Pampa and Velma Kinard from McLean.



CARD OF THANKS

The McLean Alanreed Area Museum wishes to thank everyone who helped make the chili-stew dinner the best. More meals were served, more money was made and more visiting was done than ever!

**McLEAN SCHOOL
MENU**

February 22 - Breakfast: Pancakes, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Pizza, salad, corn, cookies, milk.

February 23 - Breakfast: Hot cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Tuna sandwiches, french fries, pork & beans, pickle spears, cake, milk.

February 24 - Breakfast: Long johns, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Pita sandwiches, ham, chicken, cheese, fried squash, lettuce, tomato, fruit, milk.

February 25 - Breakfast: Cream beef, peanut butter, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Burritos, chili and cheese, salad, pinto beans, sopillas, honey, milk.

February 26 - Breakfast: Cold cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets, cream gravy, mashed potatoes, english peas, hot rolls, butter, honey, milk.

Oma Lee Laughlin Lux

Oma Lee Laughlin Lux, 65, died Thursday, Feb. 11, 1993. Services were Monday at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Fines Marchman and the Rev. M.B. Smith, Baptist ministers, officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery.

Mrs. Lux was born Nov. 22, 1927, in Estelline. She married S.A. "Sid" Laughlin on Jan. 4, 1969, in Lefors; he preceded her in death on May 9, 1985. She married Arthur Lux on April 29, 1990 at Pampa. She was a member of Highland Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Arthur, of the home; a son, S.A. (Pete) Laughlin of McLean; a son and daughter-in-law, Ron and Carolyn Beezley of Midwest City, Okla.; a daughter and son-in-law Suzanne and Terry Ensey of Borger; a stepson, Charley Lux of Venice, Calif.; a stepdaughter, Arlette Lavender of Lancaster, Calif.; two brothers, Roy (R.J.) Wooten of Lake Jackson and Steve (Wesley) Wooten of Bryan; two sisters, Juanita Fisher of Pampa and Georgie Jean Melson of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; three grandchildren, Adam Ensey of Borger and Deon and Katrina

Obituaries

Laughlin, both of Lubbock; two stepgrandchildren, Todd and Chad Allen, both of Lancaster, Calif.; and several nieces and nephews.

Rexie May Greer

Rexie May Greer, 68, died Tuesday, Feb. 9, 1993. Services were Thursday at the Church of Christ with Pat Andrews, minister, officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery by Lamb-Ferguson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Greer was born Dec. 4, 1924, as Rexie May Duggins in Hedley. She married Gene Greer on April 1, 1968, in McLean. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ of McLean. She was a longtime resident of McLean.

Survivors include her husband, Gene; two sons, Kenneth Word of Palmdale, Calif., and Kirby Lee Word of Arlington; a sister, Rougene East of Henrietta; a brother, Dalton Duggins of Comstock; and four grandchildren.

Lucille Burgess

Lucille Burgess, 72, died Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1993. Graveside services were at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Hillcrest Cemetery at McLean with the Rev. Joe G. Jernigan, pastor of

Calvary Christian Fellowship Church, officiating. Arrangements were by Wright Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Burgess was born in Oklahoma. She married Vernon Burgess at McLean. He died in 1992. There are no known survivors.

BRIEFS

The Senior Class and sponsors returned from a skiing trip at Red River on Monday evening. There were nine of fourteen seniors who attended and reported having a very good time.

**Alanreed
News**

Visiting the Robert Bruces over the weekend was Paul Bruce of Pampa.

Visiting at First Baptist Church Sunday was Jim Bible of McLean.

Nora Dragoo and Shirley Armbrister attended a church supper at the Assembly of God Church in McLean Saturday night.

Robert Bruce made a trip to Pampa on Monday. Billy Bob Adams was in Pampa on Monday.

Heather Hess visited in Idalou over the weekend.

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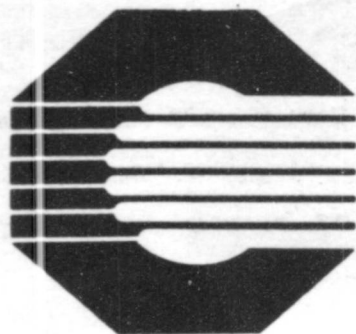
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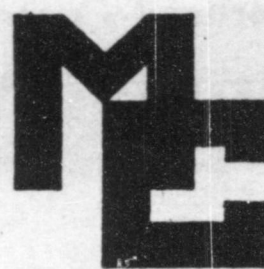
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Sunday afternoon Rev. Q.D. Beville from the Baptist Church came for church services.

Monday morning Adelle Walker, Teresa Richerson, Leon Burch, Kittie Hessey, Imogene King and Lorena Bailey made valentines in crafts. That afternoon they played bingo. Bananas were furnished by the Lions Club. Thursday morning Adelle Walker, Teresa Richerson, Lorena Bailey and our volunteer made valentines.

Tuesday morning Adelle Walker, Teresa Richerson, Lorena Bailey and volunteers helped make valentines. In the afternoon those playing dominoes were Adelle Walker, Imogene King, Eula Morrow, Dick Wheeler, Leon Burch, Teresa Richerson, and Annie Eudy. Volunteers were Nora Drago, Brenda McLain, and Lena Carter.

Wednesday, Imogene King, Adelle Walker, Teresa Richerson, and Lorena Bailey made valentines. Sue Marsh helped. Rev. Q.D. Beville and Mrs. Beville, Loree Barker, Leta Mae Williams, Rose Shanks, and Wanda Sharp came for the Sing-A-Long that afternoon.

Thursday morning Adelle Walker, Teresa Richerson, Lorena Bailey and our volunteer made valentines.

In the afternoon Dick Wheeler, Lorena Bailey, Eula Morrow, Jack Ayers, Teresa Richerson, and Adelle Walker played 42. Annie Eudy watched.

Adelle Walker and Lorena Bailey helped make valentines again Friday morning. Mary Frazier came that afternoon for Bible study. Rev. Pat Andrews led the singing. Jenny Stubbs brought a picture of Christ with a little boy and girl for the residents.

She also had a pencil sketch of Christ for each resident.

Saturday afternoon was the Valentine Party. Our royalty this year was King of Hearts Dick Wheeler and Queen of Hearts Lorena Bailey. The king and queen are voted on by the

residents. Jan Haynes crowned her mother and Dick. Cookies and punch were enjoyed by all. Those serving were Jan Haynes, Pam Zemanek and her daughter, Katherine, from Pampa, Betty Lowe, Sue Marsh and Imogene King. Loyce Murray furnished beautiful piano music. Cookies were furnished by Marjorie Reimer from Pampa, Sue Marsh and Betty Lowe. Thank you everyone for helping to make the party a success.

Pioneer Study Club Meets

The Pioneer Study Club met Feb. 4, 1993 in the Lovett Memorial Library. The meeting was called to order by the president and in the business meeting plans and committees were named for the annual Senior Tea which will honor the graduating Seniors of 1993, their parents, teachers and friends. It will be held April 25 at the Community

Room of the Barbed Wire Museum.

Program by Mary Lou Glass was on "Get Up and Do It." It was an entertaining and thought provoking program.

The Valentine motif was carried out in decorations of red and white and valentine shaped chocolate cookies with iced tea for refreshments. Hostess was Jenni Stubbs.

Others attending were: June Close, Jerry Corbin, Bonnie Nell Fabian, Margret Grogan, Wanda Lamb, Ruth Magee, Loyce Murray, Martha Parker,

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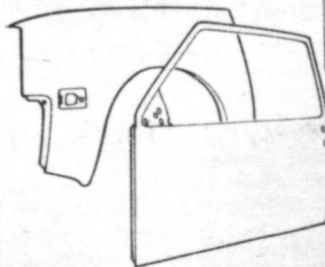
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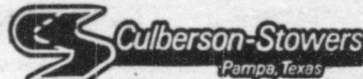
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