## McLean School Has New Interim Superintendent For New Semester

Bob Downs has been chosen as the new interim superintendent. He has committed to at least a year and a half here in Mclean and at the end of that time a new evaluation will be conducted.

Bob has been in the schoot system for 20 years. He worked in Ft . elliott for 17 of those years, starting as a teacher then principle and finishin g He a s
superintendent. He left PL. Eliott in 1995. He then moved to Reydon, OK where he was superintendent for four years. Mr. Downs retired in 1999. Before apcepting the job here be was living in Vinson; OK where he has a small farm and runs a few
head of cattle. He is living here in McLean and going back to Oklahoma on the weekends. He is single with one son, 25 years old.
Mr. Downs says he likes Molean and likes being in the area. He says "He will do his best to get de school back into good financial shape
and still have a good education system in doing it." He said the school is in great shape academically but his number one priority will be getting the finances in order. He has had a good record at the other two schools he was in charge of both were financially sound.


Junior Giri Scout Troop 1128 made gingerbread door decorations for each nursing home resident. (Below) Intent on seeing Bob Martin demonsirate the different tools in his wonkahop are members of MeLean Wolf Cub Scouts.


## Council Dicusses Audit, Sewer Plant

The City Council of McLean met in regular sestion Monday, January 14, 2002, in the City Hall. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor and opened with an invocation by Joe Billingsley at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Joe Creed Lamb, Doyle Lee, Joe Billingsley, Bob Martin, LaVon Wason. and Jim McDonald.

Others present: Steve Bowlin, Toni Bohlar, Mindy Reeves, Bill Anderson, Jim Adams, Allen Mixon, and Gordon Maddox.

The minutes of the December meeting were approved.

Steve Bowlin informed the council that the landfill had covered the pit in clay and were waiting for compaction tests to be done and were also waiting for the engineers to close the other pits which would decrease our financial assurance for next year.

The council decided to table the animal

## ordinance until next

 month.Gordon Maddox presented the 2000-2001 financial audits for the City and the McLean Economig Development Corp. to the council members. The council voted to accept and approved the audits as

The council voted to approve Resolution $/ 282$ which states: "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of McLesm Texas approving the articles of dissolution of McLean Economic Development Corporation; authorizing and directing the execution and filing of auch articles by the Mayor and City Secretary.

The \&ouncil voted to approve the 4B By-Laws with the following changes: Page 9 Section $7: 02$, add 2nd paragraph: Any expenditure exceeding $15 \%$ of the average monthly EDC income derived from sales tar, which was not
outlined in the annual budget must have approval of the City Council.
Page 10 Section 7:03, add 3rd paragraph: The EDC board shall not enter into any contracts without the City Council's approval which relates to Real Estate, either bought, sold or received as a gift.

Steve Bowlin informed the council that the dozer was in need of repair and the cost with new parts would be approximately $\$ 14,000.00$ or with used parts or with used parts $\$ 8,500.00$ plus $\$ 1,500$
labor, with no warranty on either the new or used parts. The council voted to go with the used parts.

Discussion was held concerning the high nitrates in the City's water. After discussing
several options the council decided to let Steve check with an engineer on drilling test wells and drilling test wells and he and Bob would do some research
into grants for new wells. Discussion was held by the council concerning the sewer plant. TNRCC had written the City up with several violations on with several vioiations on Steve informed the council that we could correct all of them except the one that called for an engineers study to determine if current treatment and disposal methods are appropriate Steve thought that the problem stemmed from the permit that the City has that states that the City of McLean has a flow amount of 280,000 gallons per day of wastewater which is incorrect. He said he thought that if we got the permit changed to a more realistic figure that it would possibly correct the situation. The council decided that Steve and an engineer should go to Amarillo and meet with TNRCC and discuss the situation.
A motion was passed to pay all bills.

## Local 4-Hers, FFAers Compete In Top Of Texas Jr. Livestock Show In Pampa

McLean 4-H and FFA Medium Weight Medium showed well at the Wool, Nikki Jo Hefley, annual Top $\mathrm{O}^{\circ}$ Texas sixth place, Trent Cadra, "Jackpot" Junior seventh place; Lambs Livestock Show held in Medium Heavy Weight Pampa, Jan. 11, 2001. Medium Wool, Travis The results of the Fish, third place, Trent different categories are: Cadra, ninth place, Beef Breed Champion, Tanner Cadra, twelfth Chloe Smith, English and and sixteenth place; Cross; Lambs Breed Lambs Heavy Weight Champions, Travis Fish, Medium Wool, Travis Fine Wool: Lambs Reserve Breed Champion, Nikki Hefley, Southdown; Nikki Hefley, Southdown;
Steers/Senior
Division, Steers/Senior $\begin{aligned} & \text { Division, } \\ & \text { Chloe Smith, first place; }\end{aligned}$ Lambs Show Finewool, Lambs Show Finewool,
Travis Fish, second place, Zachary Odom, fifth place; Lambs Heavy Weight Finewool Cross, Nicholas Odom, second and sixth place, Kristen Odom, fourth place; Medium Wight Weight Medium Wool, Chloe
Smith, sixth place; Lambs Medium Weight Medium Wool, Nikki Jo Hefley, fourth place and eighth place, Chloe Smith, place, Chioe Smith,
seventh place; Lambs

## Reminder

SATURDAY, Jan. 19 is the Gray Co. 4-H Stock Show in Pampa.

## PIONEER STUDY

 Club will meet at Beverly Odom's home on Thursday, Jan. 17 at 2:00 p.m. Delbert Trew will be speaking about the McLean Pow Camp.MCLEAN-Alanreed Museum needs your recipes. They are putting together a cook book for the Gray Co. 100 year celebration. If you have a family recipe you would like included please take it to City Hall. Only recipes with names on them will be used.

CUBS Basketball will be hosting Miami on Monday the 21st at 6:00 p.m.

THERE WILL be a Shot Clinic at the Elementary School on Jan. 23 from 1:00 - 3:30 p.m. in the office.

FAMILY READING Night is Monday evenings at 7:00 - 8:00 $\mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Elementary School Library.

TIGERS Basketball will be traveling to Groom on Friday the 18th at $6: 30$ and then to Samnorwood on Tuesday the 22nd at 6:30 p.m.

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## DPS Troopers Seize $\$ 30,000$

$\$ 30,840$ was seized Thursday, January 10 by the DPS on $1-40$ near McLean. Francisco Saenz, 35 of Juarez Mexico was arrested and taken to the Gray Co Jail, for money laundering, when the money was found in spare tire in the trunk o

## It's a Girl

Braenly Faith Kennedy was born to Candace and Rodney Luther Kennedy on January 7, 2002 in St Luke's Baptist Hospital in San Antonio, Texas. She weighed 6 pounds and 12 ounces and was 18 ounces and

Grandparents are Mr and Mrs. Vernon Luther Kennedy of Belton, TX and the Late Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty of Mrs.

The greal-grandmother is Zora Petty Billingsley of Amarillo. This is her seventh great grandchild.
his 1998 Dodge Stratus, when Saenz was stopped on a traffic violation. It is believed that the money is suspected drug money, coming from Oklahoma City and was being taken to Juarez. Besides the money the vehicle was also seized.

## It's A Boy

Benjamin Robert was welcomed to the Crockett family by siblings Clay, Cody, and Callie on January 10, 2002 at West Texas Hospital in Amarillo. He weighed 8 pounds, $7 \quad 3 / 4 \mathrm{oz}$. and was 20 inches long.
His delighted parents are Brock and Kristie Crockett. Grandparents are David and Dixie Jo Crockett of McLean and Bob and Anita Thompson of Childress. Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. M.M. Burroughs of McLean, Mrs. Hazel Thompson of Channing, and Mrs. Ruth Reed of Childress.

## Letter To The Editor

Dear Donna,
The results of the was of the opinion that annual audit of the the audit report was not McLean ISD are in. negative! It would be While the taxpayers are interesting to see how the not privy to the complete auditors carried some report, some of the $\$ 40,000.00$ in missing report, some of the findings were included in the Jan. 10, 2001 issue of this paper.
Some of the deficiencies found which had not been corrected since the July '0 financial surprise are commented on below: Adequate checks and balances not in place for school purchases. No school purchases. No current inventory of fixed assets. Salaries continue to be paid outside the regular payroll. The auditors said this should be changed because of tax considerations!
The complete audit report should be considered a public record and published. Although the three items listed above have a significant potential for significant potential for
fraud, the local board

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## Services Held For Claude Williams

CLAUDE WILLIAMS
AMARILLO -Graveside services were held on Tuesday, January 15 at the Alanreed Cemetery in Alanreed, Tx. for longtime Pampa resident, Claude Williams.
Williams passed away on Saturday, Jan. 12,

2002 at the age of 86 in Breckenridge, Tx.

Williams worked for 17 years in maintenance and as head custodian at Pampa High School. He Pams a member of the First Assembly of God First Assembly of God Church in Pampa.

Survivors include his
wife, Sibyl Williams of Breckenridge, TX; 3 sons Larrie C. Williams of Hemphill, TX; Rex E. Williams of Riverside CA; Ted G. Williams of Breckenridge, TX; 3 brothers - Leo Williams of Ector, TX; B.F Williams of Sacramento, CA; Clyde Williams of Amarillo, TX; 3 sisters Florine Darnell of Odessa, TX; Virginia Stokes of Nevada City, CA; Evangeline Adams of Odessa, TX; 9 grandchildren; and 11 great grandchildren.

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Shiments of the Week for Jan. 7 - Jaw, 11: KindergartenHayley Burnert; Ist Grade-Nathan Branily; 2nd Grade-Kalyn Averell: 3rd Grade-Zachary Seymour 4th Grade-Nancy Castillo; Sth Grade-Amanda Loya: 6ith Grade-ronnie Alexander; 7ih Grade-John Haynes.

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## Junior High Boys Place Second In Tournament

McLean High School boys lost to Hedley, 68 42. Scoring: Terrence Fite, 9 ; Chris Sparling, 9; Adam Johnston, 8; Zane Richardson, 7; Jay Wallis, 7; Jeremy Jones, 2.

On Friday, Jan. 11, the High School girls lost to Hedley, 99-25. Scoring: Shaley Steel, 12; Randi Riley, 6; Nikki Hefley, 3; Jennifer Greer, 2; and Jami Seitz, 2.
At the McLean Jr. High Tournament on
Saturday, Jan. 12, the Jr.

High girls lost to Lefors and Allison. Lefors 35 , McLean 9. Scoring: Tamara Loya, 9; Anna Shackleford, 2; Allison 39. McLean 15. Scoring: Tamara Loya, 9, Krista Smith, 4; and Brooke Seymour, 2.

On Monday, Jan. 14 the Jr. High girls fell to Holy Cross, 26-17 Scoring: Erin Bailey, 5; Lindsey Ruiz, 3; Brooke Seymour, 2; Savannah Williamson, 2; Tamara Loya, 2; Amanda Fricks, 2 ; and Meagan Alexander, 1.
The Jr. High boys won 2nd place at the Jr. High Tournament. McLean edged Lefors, 23-21. Scoring: Thomas Glazner, 8; Jacob tolleson, $5 ; \quad$ Troy Pendleton, 4; Preston Todd, 2; Zach Sanderson, 2; and Chisum Smith, 2. On Monday, Jan. 14 the Jr. High boys fell to Holy Cross, 34-10. Scoring: Maudin Conklin, 2; Kevin Smith, 2; Thomas Glazner, 2; Zach Sanderson, 2; and John Haynes, 2.


Paul and Nina McCurly of McLean can tell the story of the one that didn't get away after they caught this 60 lb . blue catfish at Lake Texhoma, at their place called McCurly's Corner.



## MCLEAN

LEMENTARY/J.H. 3RD STX WEEKS
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First:
MeMordie Mendra
Richardson, Rocco
Rodriguez.
Second: Tori Bybee,
Jordan Herring, Jace Mclain, Rebecca Reyna, Moriah Wooldridge.

Third: Nicole McClendon.

Fourth:
Adams, James Krueger, Stephen Williamson.

Fifth: Emory
Crawford, Trenton
Darsey, Jamie Sanderson,
Dashae Tolleson, Arely Vega.

Th. Travis Fish
Stephanie Henson, Krister
Odom, Mark Smith,
Loucisous Webb.
Seventh: John Haynes, Courtney Lamb.
Eighth: Krista Smith,
Savannah Williamson.
Ninth: Phillip Jones, Ashley McClendon, Antonio Montoya, Chloe Smith.

Tenth: Reo Dennis. Eleventh: Tami
Marsh, Katrina Routon, Shaley Steel.

Twelfth: Nikki Hefley, Randi Riley.
A-B HONOR ROLL
First: Nathar Brantley,
Shiloh Brown, Cassondra
Ingle, Kaela Lee, Stormy

Manns, Chance Roland, Sami Sanderson, Justin West, Rachel Young.
Second: Jamie Alvarez, K.J. Averett, Saber Bohlar, Devin Chambers, Britnie Cooper, Daniel Jeffries, Trent McAnear, Kelby McClellan, Victoria Newton, Rudy Rodriguez, Ashley Russell, Chelsey Simms, Rena Smith.
Third: Ashley Byron, Clay Crockett, Timothy Jeffries, Holly Phillips, Zachary Seymour, Anthony Shackelford, Sami Staton, Erin Vassey
Fourth: Nancy
Castillo, Daniel Conners, Caleb Crawford, Lisa Ellis, Lyndsey Ellis, Jessica Glazener, Sheri Haynes, Mark Jeffries Hogan Ketcherside, Dustin Lee, Zachary Odom, Jessica Skipper, Amber Staton.
Fifth: Nikki Alvarez, Chase Bohlar, Suzanne Howard, Amanda Loya, Jon McAnear, Evan McMordie, Kaid Shaller, Tammy Syfrett, Chris Tammy

## Walker

Sixth: Autumn
Dillman, Kriatin Dillman, Kristin Ellis, Stephen Ingle, Casey Phillips, Zacharey Richardson, Anna Shackelford, Trey Skipper, Logan Sparling, Lacee Wallis.
Eighth:
Nicholas Manden Conklin, Nicholas Odom, Zachary Sanderson, Kevin Smith.


Ninth: James Alexander, Tenener Fite, Tyler Hanes, Nicholas Jones, Zane Richardson, Lucas Seymour, Mitchell Steward.
Tenth: Sandi Anderson, Derek Best, Emily Bolin, Danielle Dampier, Jennifer Greer, Adam Johnston, Nathan Jones, Dustin Moody, Traci Rigsby, Jami Seitz, Delinda Simpson, Chris Vega, Victor Vega.
Eleventh: Trent Cadra, Amanda Hauck, Josh Seymour.
Twelfth:
Sparling.

## ENGAGEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT
Mr . and Mrs. Kim Martindale of Samnorwood are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Casey Lynnette Martindale to Kevin Michael Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Jones of Shamrock. Casey is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Reeves of Mrs. Don Reeves of
Wheeler and Mr. and Mrs. James Martindale of Mclean. Casey is also the great granddaughter of Bart Martindale and the late Lillie Martindale of Shamrock Kevin is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hagburg and Doris Jones and the late George Jones of Borger. The ceremony is scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on February 16, 2002, in the First United Methodist Church of Shamrock. The brideelect is a 2001 graduate of Samnorwood High School and will be graduating this spring from the Exposito School of Hair Design in Amarillo. The groomelect is a 1997 graduate of Shamrock High School and is employed by West Texas Gas Co., in Groom.

JAN 21-25 BREAKFAST<br>Monday: French toast, sausage, toast, jelly, peanut butter, fruit, juice<br>Wednesday: Chicken spaghetti, green beans, salad, cheese sticks, pudding, milk.<br>Thurs day : milk.

Tuesday: Donuts, toast, jelly, peanut butter, fruit, juice, milk.
Wednesday: Cinnamon toast, jelly, peanut butter, fruit, juice, milk.
Thursday:
bread, Monkey butter, fast, jelly, peanut
Frid ruit, juice, milk.
Friday: Cinnamon roils, toast, jelly, peanut butter, fruit, juice, milk. LUNCH
Monday: BBQ on a

## Susan Winborne Seeks Re-Election

## McLean School Breakfast \& Lunch Menu

Susan Winborne will scanning all real estate seek re-elections as Gray seek re-elections as Gray March Republican Primary. First elected to the position in November 1998, she said she seeks re-election to continue to serve the people of Gray County.
Since becoming County Clerk, Susan has made upgrading technology her priority in order for the public to have better access to records. Current records are indexed on computers for easier access. The Clerk's office is now

## Horse Training A

Over 60 people came from all over the country Saturday, Jan. 12 to attend this event. They came from Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Louisiana, and New Mexico. We all learned how to train a colt in a round pen using a rope with trainer Bob Browning from New Mexico and how to get a lot more out of your horse and better riding skills from Rick LeDoux from Louisiane. They are both very good trainers who have been in the business for about 30 years. We had great country gospel music and singing from Bill Beaty who's from Cheyenne, OK and Don and Debbie Taylor from Pampa, TX. Kitchell Collins who is the cowboy preacher at Red River Cowboy Ministry in McLean, Tx and Rick LeDoux from Louisiana brought the word of God. After a great time in the Lord, 7 people stood and

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records so that the documents received can be returned within three business days. Susan's goal is to continue to use technology to make the Gray County Clerk's office as progressive and efficient as possible.
Another of Susan's goals is for the Gray County Clerk's office to be online with the Texas Department of Health. Once the office is online with the State, anyone born in the State of Texas can obtain his or her birth certificate in the

A Big Success
accepted Jesus Christ as their savior. Sunday, Jan. 13 Rick LeDoux ministered at Cowboy Church in McLean, TX. Don and Debbie Taylor, Rick Scott and Ronnie and Julie Ferguson ministered in songs and music. God moved in a mighty way all weekend. With God as our main host, Red River Cowboy Ministries will be hosting a lot of exciting events such as this in the future. As dod dirsects the time and dates we will announce them to you
$\qquad$

Gray County Clerk's Office.
Susan is a member of the County and District Clerk's Association of Texas, Celebration of Lights, Gold Coats, and the Pampa Chamber of Commerce.

Susan was raised in Pampa and graduated from Pampa High School in 1969. She has been married to Danny married to
Winborne for 30 yanny
years. Winborne for 30 years.
They have two children, They have two children,
Matt, who lives in Matt, who lives in
Houston, and Lisa, who lives in Pampa. They also have two granddaughters, K'Lyn and Hailee.
and pray you can attend Red River Cowboy Ministries. We want to express our thanks to Kenny Berlucks (County Agent) for his kindness and for all his help, and to all of Wheeler Community for allowing us to use their Ag Barn for this training. We also want to say thanks to Jarrell Russell for the use of panels, to Billie and Angie Billingsley for all their help, and to everyone else who helped to make this a success. God bless all of you.

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## Political Calendar

The Groom-Mclean News is authorized to present the names of the following candidates for office, subject to the Elections to be beld on Nov 5. 2002 a fee of $\$ 35.00$ has been paid by each candidate for listing in this column from now till they are eleminated by the Primary election or the final election in November

| Democrat Party |
| :---: |
| For Justice of the Peace, |

Frecint 1
Bill Hinsoin

| For County Treasurer: |
| :---: |
| Jeannie Cunningham |

For County \& District Clerk:

| Celeste Bichsel |
| :---: |
| Republican Party |
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The commissioners Court is considering one or more alternate plans for the redistricting of
County
Commissioners
 in the qxisting boundaries of each Commissioners Court precinct will also have in impact on election precincts, polling places and Justice of the places Peace/Constable precincts. Public comment is sincerely solicited.
8/ Lowis Powers
Carson County Judge

NOTICE
The City of McLean is acceptifg sealed bids for the following described surplus property
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Bids will need to be in the City Hall by $5: 00$ p.m. February 8, 2002.

Bids to be addressed to: City of McLean, Surplus Property Bid, P.O. Box 9, Mclean, Tx, 79057. Bids to be opened at the City Council Meeting on February 11, 2002. The City of McLean reserves the right to reject any or all bide.

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## Groom Area fines Top $\$ 184,000$ for 2001, First Fatal Accident of the Year Occurs <br> Mark

Groom DPS and law enforcement officials have been very busy in the new year. In the Groom Justice of the Peace, Bill Hinson's office slone, fines and court costs exceeded $\$ 184,000$ in the last calendar year.
Trooper Tony Rocha was called to Highway 60 east of Panhandle on January 9th to work the first fatality of the year 2002.

Katherine Sherrill, 35, of Amarillo was killed when she lost control of the Suv that she was driving. She was accompanied by her
who's infuries were not serious. Stine was, however, wearing a seatbelt, was not.
Trooper Rocha felt that Ms. Sherrill fell asleep at the wheel, then awoke and overcorrected.
Trooper Rocha also tnade a drug arrest after stopping Charles Hunting of Kentucky for speeding, 88 mph in a 70 mph zone. During the course of his investigation, Rocha had reason to ask for a consent to search. He found 8 grams of He found 8 grams of
meth-amphetamine in the
subjects vehicle, which is a 2nd degree felony. County i a w enforcement has also been busy. Arrests were made as follows:

Karolyn Butler, age 17 of Panhandle, TXBurglary of a building. Charles Hunting, age 22 of Bardstown, KYPossession of a controlled substance, more than 4 gr , but less than 200 gr .
Dusty Hunt, age 21 of Perryton, TX-Possession of a dangerous drug and posession of marijuana, less than 2 oz .
Brandon Mullins, age 20 of Panhandle, TX-

Influencing the selction of a winner.
Johnny Stiger, age 30 of Amarillo, TXUnauthorized use of a motor vehicle.
Javier Lugo, age 27 of Panhandle, TX-Driving while intoxicated-1st and illegal alien.
Jose Limas, age 31 of Panhandle, TX-Public intoxication with open container and illegal alien.
Elisio Avila, age 25 of Panhandle, TX-Public intoxication with open container.
Gary Wheat, age 33 of See DPS, pg 4

## City Council Approves Annual Audit, Repairs To Community Center



H'y Stock Show Timel Britney Evenson won second place in the Light Weight Hampshire Class at the Top O'Taxas Show in Pampa. This weekend is our county show. Show your support by attending the Carson County Jr. Livestock Show and Sale.
they had used to help defray the cost of these expenditures. Ellis Stapp moved and Chris Welch seconded the motion to accept the 2000-2001 Audit. The motion was carried.

Forrest McLaughlin moved that the lots at 402 Broadway be deed restricted for new construction only. Because of a lack of a second, Mr. McLaughlin withdrew the motion. Don Case moved and Chris Welch seconded the motion to not put the lots up for bid and to consult with the GEDC about the disposition of the land. The motion passed.

Don Case moved and Forrest McLaughlin moved that the repairs be made to the north entryway into the Community Center and to use a local contractor to complete the work, if at all possible. The motion passed.

The minutes of the December 11 meeting were presented and were approved as written.
Don Case and Forrest McLaughlin seconded the motion to pay the bills as presented the motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

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## Local Happenings

ILL OR RECOVERING Wayne and Adela Jack Barnett and Kotara celebrated Russell Conrad. Christmas in a big way Groom Birthdays this year. The following Anniversaries January 17 - Mrs. Herman Leven, Lamar Curtis.
January 18 - Aimee Lyles-Bussard.
January 19 - Kecia Lea Mays, Alicia Marie Hosley, Danny Ashford.
January 20 - Mrs. A.J. Newsom, Larry Pool, Gary Parrish.
January 21 - Marcie Babcock, Howard Rose, Brenda Broom, Mrs. Stanley Anthony, Matthew Miller, Cari Weinheimer.

January 22 - Dixie Anthony, Stephanie Fraser, Christina Galvan, Adrian Delgado.
January 23 - E.W. Lamberson, Ed Gray. this year. The following were dinner guest on Sunday, December 23. Halee Kotara; Lynn and Kim Guinn and Carson of Wagga Wagga, Australia; Staci Kotara of Bedford, TX; Jack and Lindy Craft and Charlotte of Clarendon; Wallace and Floris Bichsel; Darlene Reed; Kelly Reed and Buck of Panhandle; Terry and Jo Beth Nepper, Terrell and Ashley; Marci Babcock of Canyon; Cindy and Gary Babcock, Cody and Tyler of Groom; Monsignor Kevin Hand of White Deer; Woody and Jean Guinn of Cimarron, NM; Rick and Kaylene Medina; Katie and Enrique of Dickenson, TX; Joe and

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Theress Abernathy of Johnson City, TX; Frankie Abernathy and friend, Terry of Kansas City, MO.
After a big dinner everyone participated in a Chinese gift exchange.
The Guinn Family will be staying for a few weeks visit before returning to Australia.


It's a Boy!
Aaron Joseph Vincent made his entry into the world on January 3, 2002 at $1: 48 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to loving parents, Rebecca and Toby Vincent of Dalhart. He weighed 7 Ibs .12 3/4 oz . and was 21 inches long.
Proud grandparents are Donnie and Marcia Conrad of Groom and Pete and Mary Vincent of Hartley.
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long satin pewter grey skirts and carried bouquets of 3 white oses.
The bride followed tradition and wore something new, an angel pin presented to her by her sister, Julie Lyles. Something old was a ring black velvet tops with
that belonged to the bride's great grandmother, Julia Poynor. Something borrowed was a set of pearls belonging to her mother, and something blue was a handkerchief belonging to the bride's mother.
The wedding reception was held at the First Baptist church in Groom. The hall was decorated to carry out the winter theme with silver icicles, snow flakes, snowmen and pine trees. The four tiersd cake was topped with a Snowmen bride and groom. Reception attendants were Tami Ashford, Kaylynn McLaughlin, Nichole Cartrite, and Melanie Friemel.
The bride is a graduated of Groom High School. She graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in English from West Texas A \& M University. She is an

English teacher at Dumas High School.
The groom is a graduate of Dumas High school. We graduated with a bachelor of science degree in education from Lubbock Christian University. He is a coach/teacher at Dumas Junior High School.

The couple honeymooned in Las Vegas. The will reside in Dumas.

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Bryan Newton guards an inbound play.

## Tigers Beat Lefors

## Ettes Beat Samnorwood

Groom's Varsity Girls team 'swept past Samnorwood last week 84-27. Krisanne Davis Amanda Conrad and Candace Bohr all tied for high point honors with 17 points each

Nichole Barnett added 10 to Groom's benefit. while Jill Britten scored 7. Staci Britten 4, Cassie Ashford 3, Brin Burgin 3. Larissa Noack 2 Lauren Crowell 2, and Amanda Martin 2.
The Ettes played Lefors on Friday night and added another victory to their record.

Amanda Conrad lead the scoring with 18. Candace Bohr and Krisanne Davis each contributed 12 points to Groom's side of the scoreboard

Nichole Barnett added another 8 and Jill Britten 6. Amanda Martin, Britteny Martin, Cassic Ashford and Laurissa Noack each scored 2 points for Groom.

The final score was Groom 64, Lefors 15.

The Tigers and Ettes will play McLean here on January 18.

## Jr. High Split Wins With Miami

By Coach Brad Rainer defensive tips. Lance The Tigets improved Ollinger had 5 points, 2 their district record to $2-$ 0 last week with a win over Lefors on Friday night. Wyat Britten had a rebound, Doug Fields had 5 points 1 rebound, 1 blocked thot and 6
defensive tip Luke Pavlovsky Lupe points, had 4 rebounds, 1 steal, and 2 defensive tips. Garrett Britten had 8 points, 1-3 pointer, 1 rebound, 1 steal, and 2
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Olinger had } 5 & \text { points, } \\ \text { rebounds, } & 2 \\ \text { steal, } & 1\end{array}$ assist, and 1 defensive tip. Clay Britten had 10 points, 6 rebounds, 2 steals, 6 assists, and 6 defensive tips, and 6 Befensive tips. Cody Babcock had 8 points, 5
rebounds, and 1 steal. We played real well defensively last week which enabled us to win our two games. We play McLean here Friday night to finish the first round of district play.

Groom Junior High Basketball teams gave fans a very exciting evening of games last week when they faced Miami on Thursday night.
The Girls team sailed past Miami with a win of 44 to 9 . Malorie Homen lead the scoring with 20 points. Kecia Howard added another 16 to the tally. Karla

Howard put up 6 and Gailynn Drewery 2
The boys fought a hard battle but simply ran out of time to catch up, losing 26-33

Kelby Noack was high point with 8 . Brandon Jenkins added 5. Chad Barkley contributed 4 T.J. Moraniec and Thane Barkley each added 3 Blaine Britten contributed 2 and Bryan Newton 1.


Setting up for a pass is Kecia and Karla Howard as the sisters helps the Cubs win in a recent game.

## DPS

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## Groom Honor Roll

The following is the Honor Roll for the Groom ISD students for the 3rd Six Weeks. If you do not see your child's name on this list and you feel it should be, it may be that you have not turned in your release to the school to allow them to release your child's name to the paper. Contact Julie Friemel at the school for more information.

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HONOR ROLL
Grade 4: Tyler Case Christopher Chaney,

Kling, Jes Roskens, and Eric Torres.
Grade 5: Trent Britten, Trevor Friemel, Andrew Thompson, Ben Thompson.

Grade 6: Chad Barkley, Taylor Drewery, Katie-Lane Thompson. Grade 7: Berklee Ruthardt, Thane Barkley Grade 8: Sherri Britten, Gailynn Drewery, Keloy Noack. Grade 9: Chance Bardley. Grade 10: Lorri Britfen, Jennifer Jenkins. Grade 11: Cody Babcock, Lainie Britten, Staci Britten, Brin


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Grade 6: Michaela Roskens.
Grade 7: Karla Howard, Kecia Howard, James Reid.
Grade 8: Malorie
Homen, Katy Britten
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Grade 9: Adam Britten.
Grade 10: Carla Howard, Britteny Martin. Grade 11: Jessica Bates, Brett Britten, Jill Britten, Lauren Crowell, Doug Fields, Amanda Martin, Laurissa Noack, Lance Ollinger.

Grade 12: Candace Bohr, Nichole Barnett, Garrett Britten, Karri Britten, Wyatt Britten, Krisanne Davis, and Luke Pavlovsky.

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS
HOLD JANUARY MEETING
Christian Mothers met at the home of Sherri Wieberg on Monday, January 14th at 7 pm . Hostesses were Sandra Britten and Carla
Koetting Koetting.
A prayer of thanksgiving from each member opened the meeting.
The annual Spring Fling will be held on Sunday, February 10th at 6 pm . St. Monica's Circle will set up and decorate, Regina Coeli Circle will take reservations and take care of the meal, and Little Flower Circle will clean up after the affair. Reservations for the meal can be made by calling Mari Treadwell or Janelle Sustaire.
person/family of the year will be chosen during the evening. Parents needing babysitters may call Candace Bohr or Carrie Britten.
Michelle Bohr and Doris Britten will serve on the 2002-2004 nominating committee and will present a slate of officers at the March meeting. Please be willing to serve as an officer, if you are contacted.
Michelle Bohr will organize a video/audio library for parish members use. Christian Mothers voted in favor of purchasing some religious videos. Michelle will publish the names of the video/audio Michelle. seconds. hostesses. Rev. Dee.

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 a later date. If anyone has a video/audio to donate from their home library, should contactAlice Kuehler encouraged members to visit the web site www.thehungersite.com. Sponsors will donate the monetary equivalent of staple food to the United Nations World Food Program everytime the web user clicks the button that says "donate free food" You can donate only one time per day. The amount each day depends on the number of sponsors for that particular day, but 100\% goes to the food program. Death by hunger happens every 3.6

The next Deanery meeting will be held in Panhandle on April 9th. Please plan to attend.
The next meeting will be on March 11th at the home of Barbara Homer with Jennifer Weinheimer and Jan Britten as

The meeting adjourned with a prayer led by

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## Tigers Open District With Win

The Groom Tigers opened district play with a victory at Samnorwood last Tuesday. The boys played extremely hard and put out a great effort. Our defense won the game for us. We have practiced extremely hard and now it is paying off for us. Against the Eagles, Wyatt Britten had 3 rebounds, 1 blocked shot, and 1 defensive tip. Doug Fields had 6 points, 8 rebounds, took a charge,

Junior High Battles Lefors In Two Close Basketball Games
Groom Junior High Barkley scored 9. Javier basketball teams battled Caro scored 6. Kelby on Monday night in two Noack scored 5 points, very close matches.
The girls lost their match 17-21 Cub-Ette 7-21 Cub-Ette Weller Kecia Howard lead the moller each scored scoring with lead the more points for the win. Malorie Homen added compete in a tournament anther 4 points. Whitney at Clarendon this Evenson and Karla weekend. The girls first Howard each contributed game will be against 2 points.
In the boys game, Groom was victorious Groom was victorious boys will also play with the scoreboard at Canadian at $7: 45$. They the final buzzer showing will play again on Groom 38, Lefors $22 . \quad$ Saturday. There are no
Blaine Britten was high Friday games in this point with 10. Thane tournament.

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