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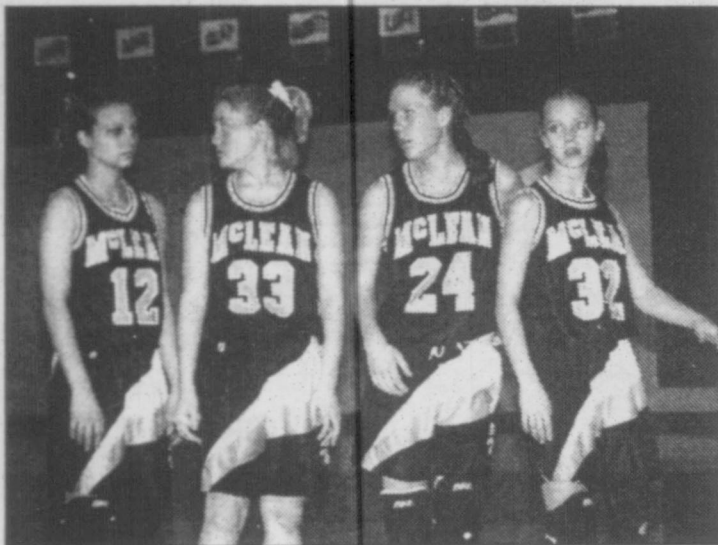
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McLean Tigers, Lady Tigers Finalize Good Season With Spirited Groom Battle

The Tigers and Lady Tigers with both teams winning third place. The Tigers ended the season against Groom



McLean Tigers 2000
Cesily Cadra, Danielle Dampier, Shaley Steel, Kendall Newton get set for an inbound play at Groom during their last game of the season.

Trew Discusses 100th Birthday

By Charles McClendon,
Mayor

The City Council of McLean met in regular session Monday, February 12, 2001, in the City Hall. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor and opened with an invocation by Rev. Billingsley at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Joe Creed Lamb, Doyle Lee, Joe Billingsley, Bob Martin, Jim McDonald, and Chris McClendon.

Others present: Fred Smith, Toni Bohlar, Allen Mixon, Donna Daley, Ann Pierce, Gordon Maddox, Alan Preen, Delbert Trew, David Reiff, Mindy Reeves, and Terry Harris.

The minutes of the January meeting was approved. All motions were unanimously approved unless otherwise stated.

The landfill had its inspection by the TNRCC and had no violations.

No progress has been made on the painting of the street signs.

The council voted to accept the McLean EDC and the City audit as presented by Gordon Maddox, C.P.A. and auditor.

Delbert Trew appeared before the city council to tell them about a few of the upcoming events and to thank the council for the new roof over the Devil's Rope Museum. In March it will be the 10 year anniversary of the opening of the Devil's Rope Museum and there will be a celebration on the 19th, 20th, and 21st of April with approximately 80-90 people expected here for 3 nights. There will be approximately 1,500 Harley Davidson riders here during the last week of June and ever Friday for 18 weeks there will be a bus tour from England stopping in at the Devil's Rope. The

Devil's Rope Museum also has an internet site-www.barbwiremuseum.com, that is doing extremely well. The year 2002 will be the 100th birthday for Gray County, McLean, Shamrock, Alanreed, and the Methodist Church here in McLean, and he wanted to ask the council to be thinking of some ideas as to how the City might want to celebrate this event and perhaps think about budgeting some extra money for some banners or something of that nature for the upcoming event.

The council voted to accept the Fire Service Contract between the McLean Fire Department and Gray County, which basically protects the City from any liability when the Fire Dept. is fighting

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REMINDERS

ADULT Volleyball will be held Monday nights at 7:00 p.m. in the old gym.

FAMILY READING night every Monday night at 7:00 in the Elementary Jr. High library.

THE MCLEAN Beauty Pageant is on Feb. 24.

PRESIDENT'S DAY is Feb 19. Public Offices and some businesses will be closed

THE MCLEAN PTA is having a raffle for a South West Airline ticket (roundtrip) and a night for 2 in Amarillo, plus a meal. Tickets are available at Taylor Mart or with a PTA member. 1 for \$2 or 3 for \$5. Funds raised are used for Senior Scholarships.

COMET CLEANERS will do Free Pickup-Tues. and Free Delivery-Thurs. at Elizabeth's in McLean. Call 779-2445 for Info.

THE SCHOOL Board will meet on Feb. 26 at 7:00 p.m.

STUDY CLUB AT 2:00 p.m. Ella Mae Beyna will be hostess.

THE CITY HALL & Library will be closed February 19.

4-H CLOTHING Project Meet will be Feb. 20 at 4:30 p.m.

THE NATIONAL Honor Society will induct new honoraries on Feb. 22 at 7:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church.

THE MCLEAN Beauty Pageant will be Feb. 24 at 7:00 p.m.

THE 4-6TH GRADE Little Dribblers will participate in the Wheeler tournament on Feb. 23 and 24.

The price for Gas in the City of McLean for the month of February is \$8.19 per mcf.

McLean School Menu

Monday Breakfast: Pancakes, ham, toast and jelly, peanut butter, fruit, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Chicken noodle soup, peanut butter or tuna sandwiches, crackers, veggie sticks, pickle spears, fruit, milk.

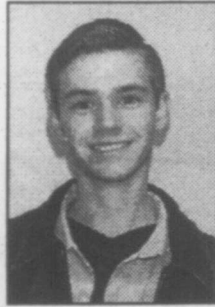
Tuesday Breakfast: Hot or cold cereal, toast and jelly, peanut butter, fruit, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Hot pockets, black-eyed peas, salad, fruit, milk.

Wednesday Breakfast: Mini pockets, toast and jelly, peanut butter, fruit, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Turkey and rice, green beans, broccoli and cheese, bread sticks, fruit, milk.

Thursday Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy, sausage, fruit, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Soft tacos, pinto beans, salad, fruit, milk.

Friday Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, toast and jelly, peanut butter, fruit, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Hamburgers, twister fries, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, pickles, strawberry cheese cake, milk.

Frost Earns DAR Honors



Will Frost, son of Gary and Carolyn Frost, was honored by the Las Pampas Chapter of the Daughters of the

Revolution last Sunday afternoon.

Will is an honor student at the McLean High School. He is a member of the National Honor Society and serves as vice-president of his class. An honor he also held last year.

He is an FFA officer, yearbook editor, and instructs Martial Arts to children in the Alanreed gym.

Will is a senior and plans to enter college after graduation.

Steel Named To Dean's List



Lacy Steel, daughter of Dale and Rose Steel, was recently named to the McMurry University's Dean List for the 200 fall semester.

The honor requires a 3.5 or better grade point average.

Lacey graduated from McLean High School in 2000. She is the granddaughter of Mary Dwyer and Bud Steel, both of McLean.

ILL OR RECOVERING
Darlene Hankison, Elmer Ware, Bradley Hannon, Irene Paran, Helen Simmons, Robert Cooper.

McLean High School has an All-around sport Student



McLean's last year's Quarter-back -- This year's basketball high scorer -- leading hitter & short stop this season in baseball -- 3rd high on senior class on a 4 year grade average -- And a talented piano player -- Participated in both Junior and Senior plays during high school--

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Happy 70th, Dad,
from the kids!

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Birthay: Feb. 20, 2001

McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

February 15 - Tony Polito, Georgia Durham, Donna Smith, Gerald and Kathy Reynolds (A).

February 16 - Martha Van Huss, Joetta Kirkland, Rose Steel, Sarah Dorsey.

February 17 - Dedra Watson, Fahoma Ladd Holder, Oleta Harris, Daniel Conners.

February 18 - Ruth Ware, Moriah McCracken, Mark Simmons, Juliana Burnett.

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

February 20 - John M. Haynes, Travis Fish.

February 21 - Jack Syfrett, Becky Simmons, Benny Watson, Bob and Claire McDowell (A).

THE CITY HALL & Library will be closed Feb. 19.

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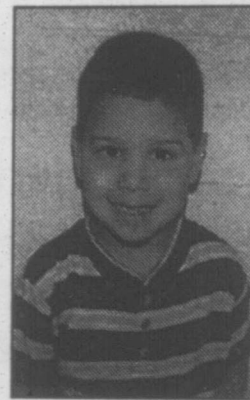
June Suggs, Receptionist

Dr. Craig Shaffer
Medical Director

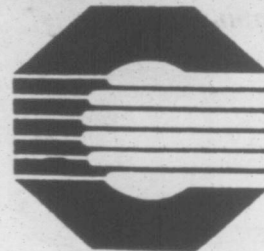
The Clinic Will Be Closed December 5 through December 14

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Gary and Jenny Fry Celebrate Their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary



On Valentine's Day Feb. 14 Richard Lee (Dick) and Effie Lou (Carpenter) Everett celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. They met when Effie's elder brother Jack Carpenter and Johnny Cubine brought Dick out to the Carpenter ranch and Effie was a little girl. Time went by and Dick was home on a naval leave when his brother Kenneth (Pete) suggested Dick take Effie on a date. Pete reassured Dick that Effie was no longer a girl.

Their first date was to go roller-skating at Kellerville.

They were married in the Church of Christ on Feb. 14, 1951 with the reception at Leta Mae Hess's house. Effie's Uncle Walter Cash gave her away, because Milton Carpenter didn't believe in giving away his daughter. They lived in Shamrock for one week where Dick had been working as a radio engineer and disk jockey. On their honeymoon Dick acquired another job in Clovis New Mexico as a radio engineer. Effie worked part-time at Montgomery Wards. Their stay in Clovis was about 3 months. Dick took a position in Pampa at a radio station as a TV engineer when he got his orders to return to his ship during the Korean War. By the time the orders had followed their many moves the ship had

sailed. He was then ordered to be an instructor at the Naval Reserve Training Center in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Effie gave birth to a girl Jenny Lee in December 1951 in Tulsa.

Dick was then transferred to Lafayette Louisiana where he served his time. Then they returned to McLean and lived where the Jaspers are presently living. Dick was a partner with George Terry briefly in an appliance store. He did radio repair and wired houses on his own.

In 1952 the foursome moved back to McLean to go into partners with Dick's dad, Peb Everett in grass seed, cattle, and hay.

In 1958 they moved a house in on the property north of town where they have lived the last 43 years. In March 1974 they lost their only son in a car accident. In November of that same year the

birth of Christie Lee Sims made them grandparents. In July of 1978 they were blessed with another granddaughter Jamie Lynn Sims. They soon purchased a plane and both got their licenses as pilots in order to see the grandkids more often.

In July 1993, Christie made them Great-Grandparents with the birth of Chelsey Lynn Sims and again in Aug. of 1999 with the birth of Trevor Allen Townson.

Over the years they have raised children, grass seed, pigs, chickens, dogs, cows, rabbits, hay, and are working on great grandchildren when given the chance. As a couple they have been very active in the community, in square dance, VFW, Boosters, golf, country club, Cemetery Association, and school board as well as other activities. They are

together presently running a working ranch. Dick enjoys his computer and Effie enjoys quilting, both enjoy the great-grandchildren.

Linda Meeder of Hobbs N.M. visited John McMordie and J. Boyd Smith.



McLean Elementary-Jr. High Students of the Week February 5-February 9: Kindergarten Jeremy Martin; 1st Grade Tori Bybee; 2nd Grade Ashley Byron; 3rd Grade Joshua Martin; 4th Grade Arely Vega; 5th Grade Kristin Ellis; 6th Grade Brandon Phillips; 7th Grade Tabitha Newton; 8th Grade Allison Hill.

ORDINANCE #275

An ordinance amending sections 1 and 2 of Ordinance #273, setting the minimum Gas Rate charge and the charge for Gas per MCF and providing for a fee for reconnection of Gas service

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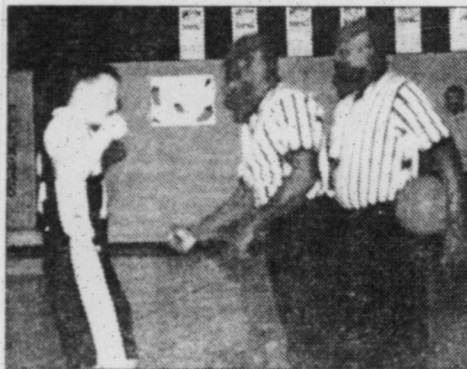
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McLean Tigers & Lady Tigers

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- Bank Of Commerce
- C & H Supply
- Chamber of Commerce
- Country Corner
- Kirk's Auto
- McLean Care Center
- McLean Feedyard
- McLean Plumbing
- Windmill RV
- The McLean News
- Puckett's Grocery
- Red River Steak House
- EPD Inc. dba
- Simpson Insurance Agency



**Congrats On
A Great Season!**



Tiger Cubs Enjoy Meeting

The McLean Tiger Cubs met for their regular meeting on Wednesday, January 17, 2001 at the Trinity Baptist Church after school. Beverly Odom showed the Tiger Cubs how to make snowflakes out of coffee filters. The boys had a great time experimenting with different cutting techniques to create different designs. The snowflakes were used to decorate the lids of the Loaves and Fishes meals

the next day. Heather Azazzi brought snacks for the boys. picture

Tiger Cubs Meeting

The McLean Tiger Cubs met for their regular meeting on Wednesday, January 31, 2001 at the McLean-Alanreed Historical

Museum with a tour given by Dorothy McKee. The boys were intrigued by the bear rug and various displays. Kim McClellan provided snacks for the boys. A few of the boys saw their parents' picture on the wall when they were in band. The boys enjoyed the opportunity to see our town's history and they each were given a pencil when the tour was over.



Pictured are (front, left to right) Trent McAnear, Kelby McClellan, Cody Azazzi, Jordan Herring, and George Patterson. (Back, left to right) Jack Odom, Daniel Jeffries, and Jacob Azazzi.



Pictured by the firetruck are (front, left to right) Jace McLain, Trent McAnear, Kelby McClellan, Jack Odom, and Cody Azazzi. (Back, left to right) George Patterson, Jordan Herring, Jacob Azazzi, and Daniel Jeffries.

Good Neighbor Pharmacy Topics By Don Biggers, Rph



PLEASE TAKE NOTE: The optimal amount of Vitamin C is 500 mg per day. A recent study suggests that if you take more than 500 mg of this potent antioxidant on a regular basis, you may actually cause genetic damage that can lead to rheumatoid arthritis and other conditions. Also, too much Vitamin C can cause excess iron absorption, a risk factor for heart disease. Please don't take too much Vitamin C daily. However, if you are feeling the onset of a cold, it is safe to take up to 3000 mg daily - 1000 mg at regular intervals with food - until the cold has subsided then return to your regular dose of 500 mg daily.

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Obituary

KATHERINE KITE
Katherine Kite, 84, of Amarillo, died Sunday, February 11, 2001.

Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday at Hillcrest Cemetery at McLean. Officiating will be Reverend Brian Quisenberry, pastor of First Baptist Church, McLean. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors, 2820 Virginia Circle.

Mrs. Kite was born in Arkansas. She had lived most of her life in McLean until moving to Amarillo in 1986. She was a homemaker and a Baptist.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Elvin Kite in 1986.

Survivors include one son, Don Kite Sr. of Amarillo; one brother, Bruce Hugg of Brazoria; one sister, Ethel Pool of Jenks, Oklahoma and eight grandchildren.

fires outside the city Cable One had sent the council a preliminary Terry Harris with agreement that will need

City

To the Gracious McLean Area People.

We wish to extend to all of you our deepest gratitude and thanks for your enthusiastic support and patronage during the short period of time we had "The Hop" restaurant in operation. Even more gratifying is the support responses we have had in the encouragement to rebuild and the offers of your generous assistance.

In our hearts this unfortunate occurrence has reestablished a fact that we were already aware of. McLean is blessed with an abundance of good, caring, and loving people.

We have many fond memories of you all that we will reflect on forever. Again, we thank all of you from the bottom of our hearts.

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to be approved in August of this year. He asked the council to look it over and make any changes that they might want to put in and get back to him as soon as possible so that their attorney could look it over. Doyle Lee asked him if Cable One was planning to make any improvements to our present cable system and Mr. Harris replied that they were looking at ways to try to improve their reception here and they were going to put in a new tower in the next few months. He said that they were also trying to put together a list of new channels that they might offer McLean in the future and when they got the list

together he would send it out to the customers here so that they could choose which ones they would like to add.

In the old Employee Retirement Plan, one of the life insurance companies that the City had for the employees had bought some shares of Met Life that was also part of the plan. When the plan was dissolved, the Met Life shares were not cashed in by the life insurance company. The council voted to cash those shares in and put the money into the Water Sewer and Gas Fund, since money had been transferred out of that fund into the Employees Retirement Fund to help dissolve the plan.

The council voted to go with the ballot proposition that gives two different propositions. The first to dissolve the Section 4A Sales Tax and the second proposition to adopt the Section 4B Sales Tax, which can be used for practically any purpose within the City. The ballot will be printed in the paper for the voters and an article will be written trying to explain what these two propositions mean. Voting for: Joe Lamb, Jim McDonald, and Doyle Lee. Voting against: Bob Martin and Joe Billingsley.

The council agreed to the following resolution calling for an election.

"BE IT RESOLVED, that an election for three full terms for Mayor and two aldermen and the propositions to dissolve and abolish the existing 4A Sales Tax to adopt

Section 4B Sales and

Use Tax at the existing rate of one-half percent, be called for the first Sunday in May being May 5, 2001, with balloting at the Lovett Memorial Library in McLean, Texas from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that filing for said positions shall start February 19, 2001, and shall close March 21, 2001 at 5:00 p.m. Early voting shall begin on April 18, 2001 and end on May 1, 2001, said early voting to be in the office of the City Secretary at the City Hall in McLean, Texas."

The council voted to appoint Marjorie Fish as this years election judge.

Discussion was held concerning a bill collection policy. A draft will be sent to the attorney for his perusal and approval. If approved by the attorney, it will be put on a future agenda for the city council's approval.

Discussion was also held concerning this years bond payment. Money is usually put back during the months of December, January, February, and March for the bond payment. This year the city has not been able to do this due to the high gas prices and some unexpected expenses that have occurred. The council decided not to take any action at this time and to keep this on the future agendas so that they may take a look at it as the year progresses.

The council approved Ordinance #275 to amend the present Gas Ordinance #273 with the following changes: the minimum charge to be changed to \$15.00 for the first mcf. The charge for gas each month will be \$1.50 per mcf over what the City of McLean pays per mcf for gas from its supplier, with a minimum amount of \$5.50 for all over 1 mcf. A section was added that should gas service be disconnected by the customer, a \$25.00 reconnection fee will be charged for the gas service to be reconnected, to become effective March 1, 2001.

The council voted to pay all bills excluding the Fire Dept. all approved.

Motion by Joe Billingsley, second by Bob Martin to pay the Fire Dept. Bills. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.



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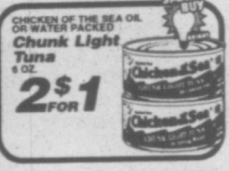
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DUNCAN HINES ASSORTED
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LIFTON TREE 5 SAUCE OR HOODLE & SAUCE
Side Dishes
3.7-4.2 OZ. **99¢**
SHURPINE ELBOW MACARONI OR
Long Spaghetti
2 12 OZ. **89¢**

SHURPINE
Harina Preparada
4 LB. **1⁷⁹**
LUCKY LEAF REG. OR WICKHAMON
Apple Sauce
4 PK. **1⁹⁹**
LUCKY LEAF
Apple Juice
64 OZ. **1⁹⁹**
ARMOUR
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2 5 OZ. **1⁰⁰**

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FARM RAISED BREADED
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(Above) Senior Cheerleaders Brooke Britten, Marci Babcock, and Courtney Sustaire are presented a rose by the Tigerettes. Senior Moms were given a rose by basketball players. (Far, right) Dewayne and Ellen Gray, (below, left) Kristen Johanson and Wamyth Britten, (center) Russell and Marcia Conrad.

Groom Basketball Seniors Recognized In Last Home Game

It was a "Senior" night at last week's final home basketball game of the season.

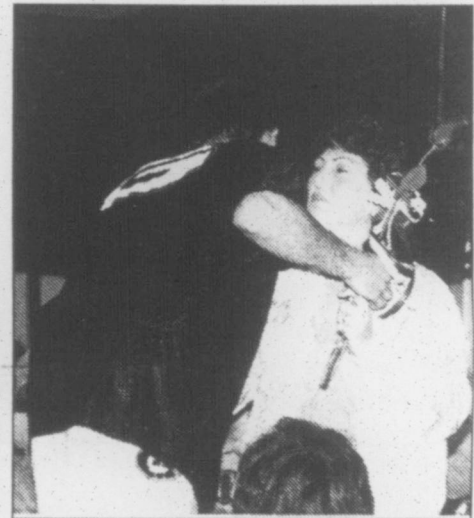
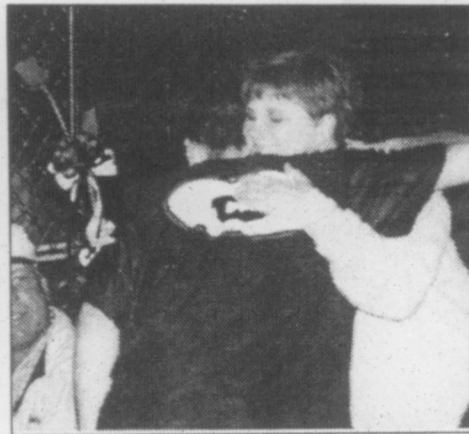
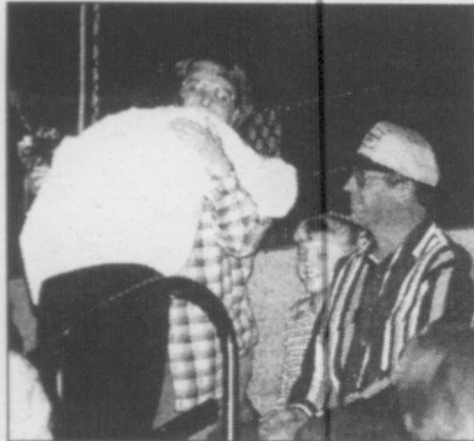
Senior Basketball players were recognized for their accomplishments. In turn, the Seniors showed their appreciation to their families by presenting their mother's a rose, in recognition of the support and encouragement given to them by their biggest fans...Mom, Dad, and families.

Groom had three Seniors participating in basketball this year. Senior Kristen Johanson presented Wamyth Britten

a rose. Johanson is one of Groom's foreign exchange students.

Russell Conrad presented his mom Marcia Conrad a rose, as did Dewayne Gray, his mom Ellen.

Senior Cheerleaders were also recognized for all their hard work and devotion to both football and basketball. Seniors recognized were Brooke Britten, Marci Babcock, and Macie Britten.



Revealing Party Culminates F.F.A. Week Festivities

Groom's Chapter of Future Farmers of America culminated week long activities with a combination Pizza-Revealing Party. Big Brother-Little Sister week has been a long time tradition at Groom High School. This year it was the boys turn to treat the girls.

Each day the girls would arrive at school to find their lockers decorated, a freshly baked snack or other goodie as a surprise from the mystery "Brother."

On Friday, approximately 60 students including 37 active FFA members got together for an all you can eat pizza party. The highlight of the evening was the announcement of the secret brothers and sisters. Many of the girls brought a gift for their generous "Brothers."

This event is held annually in conjunction with Valentines Day and FFA week.

Future Farmers of America is the last surviving "open" organization at Groom High School. Anyone in high school may be a member. Enrollment in Ag classes are not required. FFA holds three all school activities each year as well as periodic events and community service projects. Each year the entire student body is invited to attend a Yearbook-Back to School Party, a Halloween Big Brother-Little Sis Party, and then the Valentine's FFA Week event.

Senior Skye Brown stated "We are glad to have an organization that everyone can belong to. See FFA, pg 4

Carson County Court Enters Autopsy Contract With Texas Tech

On Feb. 12, 2001, the Honorable Commissioner Court of Carson County, Texas met.

Present were: Hon. Lewis W. Powers, County Judge, Mike Britten, Commissioner over Pr. 1, Kenneth Ware, Commissioner over Pr. 2, and Jerry Strawn, Commissioner over Pr. 3.

Minutes of the January 22, 2001 meeting were read and approved.

A motion was passed to pay all claims. Panhandle City Manager Chris Coffman asked for the court to approve a resolution for the county to assist in enforcing the ordinance of removing abandoned vehicles within a one-half mile radius outside the city limits. The court tabled the

request until County Attorney Scott Sherwood could research the resolution.

A motion was passed for advertisements for bids for a road grader for precinct #2.

The court recognized County Treasurer Jennie Cunningham for continuing education hours that were recently completed with Panhandle Plains County Treasurer's Association and LOGIC. A motion was passed to approve the certification for the Public Funds Investment Training.

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center asked the court to enter into a contract for autopsy services with the county. The motion was passed to accept the See Court, pg 4

COMMUNITY CALENDER

GROOM SCHOOL will offer vaccines against childhood diseases on Feb. 16 at 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

IMMUNIZATIONS will be available at Groom ISD on Feb. 16 from 9:00 to 11:00.

THE NATIONAL Honor Society will induct new members on February 27 at 7:00 p.m.

GROOM Ambulance Service needs community minded people to take E.M.T. classes. Classes begin on Feb. 18. Sat. and Sun. classes. Call 248-7963 for more information.

INTERESTED IN Education or Civic Responsibilities? Sign up for a place on the ballot for Groom ISD School Board or Groom City Council, beginning on Feb. 19, at the School Business Office or City Hall.

GROOM VS. Texline Practice game Friday Feb. 16 at Vega High School at 6:30 p.m.

BI-DISTRICT GAME Groom vs. Happy on Tuesday Feb. 20 a.m. at Caprock High School at 8:00 p.m.

Please Note Correction: Groom Track Meet will be on March 10.

GROOM TIGERS will face off with the Happy Cowboys on Tuesday Feb. 20th for the Bi-District Championship at Caprock High School in Amarillo at 8:00 p.m.

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SPRING BREAK is scheduled for March 12-16 for Groom ISD.

Thank You Card

I would like to thank my family and friends for all of the phone calls, cards, prayers, flowers, and food that they have sent during my recovery from back surgery. I am back on the road to good health, thanks to so many wonderful people praying for me. Our family is very grateful for all of your thoughtfulness and help.
Georgann Hinson

ATTENTION! The Groom ISD Board Meeting has been moved to Thursday Feb. 15 at the usual time and place due to the High School Girls play-off game being held on the regular meeting night.

Burgin Earns Honor Roll Spot

Courtney Burgin was recently named to the Dean's List in the School of Visual Arts at University of North Texas. Courtney is a senior. Her major is Communication Design.

Local Happenings

Card of Thanks
Our deepest appreciation to everyone who has called, visited, sent cards, prayers, and get well wishes our way. Ed is recovering at home and doing well.
Ed Homen and Family

Bertha Knight was hospitalized with 3 broken ribs recently.

Ill or Recovering
Evelyn Ollinger, Father Ray Crossier, Bertha Knight, Eileen McConnell, Georgann Hinson, Bill Robertson.

Panhandle Girl Does Well At Ft. Worth Show

Sandy French, a 4-H member from Panhandle, exhibited a First Place Shorthorn in the Junior Steer Show at the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show in Fort Worth on February 1, 2001. This outstanding show was judged by Jack Ward of LaGrange, Indiana. There were 1,898 head in the Junior Steer Show.

The Stock Show's Junior Division this year is hosting a record 9,224 entries by youth of Texas as the culmination of yearlong agricultural educational projects in various areas of livestock production. Junior premiums will exceed \$64,038.

The junior entry list is part of the overall count of more than 22,000 head of cattle, sheep, swine, horses, mules, donkeys, llamas, goats, poultry, pigeons, and rabbits. Total Prize and premium money for the livestock show and its accompanying World's Original Indoor Rodeo will be in excess of \$800,000.

French's entry was also grandchampion at the Carson County Jr. Livestock Show.

GROOM SCHOOL BOARD TO HOLD MEETING THURSDAY

Groom School Board of Trustees will hold their regular monthly meeting tonight at 7:00 p.m. due to a play-off basketball game earlier in the week.

Among items on the agenda are: a resolution to call for a May School Board Election; a report on energy use; report on the board's continuing education; consideration of changes or curtailment in areas of vocational ag and band; teacher evaluations; principal evaluation and contract; consideration of possible non-renewal of term contract due to reduction in force; consider non-renewal of probationary contract due to reduction in force. The Principal will also give a report on events and approval for an A plus technology class. A financial report will also be presented by the business manager.

Some parts of this meeting will most likely be held in executive session.

Groom Birthdays Anniversaries

February 15 - Tom Reed, Courtney Candace Burgin, James S. Miller.

February 16 - Ricky Shuck, Kathryn Reed.

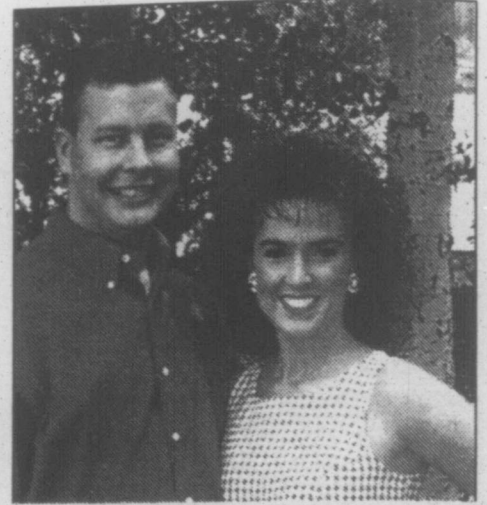
February 17 - Mrs. D.A. (Hap) Watson, Berklee Ruthardt.

February 18 - Martin E. Hermesmeier, D. Leon Schaffer, Loyd D. Littlefield, Sheridan Michelle Ward, Jess Baker, Jessica Bates.

February 19 - Suzy Delight Pool, Michael Bradley Sustaie, Josh Crooks, Rachelle Sumerall.

February 20 - Loretta Britten, Chance Keith Barkley.

February 21 - Bronte Britten, Bart Britten, Dean Allen Fields, Victoria Paige Moranic, Terri Wilson.



Appel-Homer To Exchange Vows

Myron and Linda Thomas the Apostle Appel of Pagosa Springs, Church in Amarillo. Colorado announce the Miss Appel is engagement of their daughter, Brenda, to employed by Amarillo National Bank as a lending assistant in Travis Homer. Amarillo.

The prospective groom is the son of Bill and Norma Jean Homer of Groom. Mr. Homer is employed by Enviro-Ag Engineering, Inc. in Amarillo. The couple plan to wed June 2nd at St. picture

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Macie Britten Selected As DAR Honoree



Area Students will be honored by the Las Pampas Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution at 2:30 pm., today at the Education Building of the First United Methodist Church. The students were chosen by their respective schools for exemplifying the DAR Good Citizen award requirements of dependability, leadership,

service, and patriotism. Good Citizen honorees included Macie Britten. Macie Britten is a Groom High School Student. Her honors, activities, and accomplishments include: UIL regional qualifier; band; mascot; pep squad; One-Act Play; FFA; yearbook editor; homecoming queen candidate; Student Council class officer (three years); 4-H Club member; student leader; 4-H Gold Star Award recipient; 4-H State Qualifier, clothing project (three years); 4-H Club officer (four years); Carson County 4-H District Council Representative (three years); 4-H District officer (two years); Senior Catholic Youth Minister (four years); Senior Church Choir (six years); Summer Religion

teacher's aide (two years); basketball; cross country; 2001 Lion's Club Sweetheart; and tennis. Her community service projects include sewing gowns for premature babies, decorating caps for cancer victims, helping with coat drives,

and preparing meals for the elderly. Macie is active in her church.

This all-A honor student plans to attend Texas Tech and major in education to become a teach and later an administrator. She is the daughter of Mike and Marla Britten.

Comet Cleaners will now pick up dry-cleaning on Tuesday and deliver on Thursday at Trinity & Co.

School Lunch Menu

Groom School Menu
February 19-23

Monday Breakfast: Cold cereal, muffins, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Nachos, pinto beans, shredded lettuce,

sopapillas with honey, milk.

Tuesday Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, green beans, mashed potatoes, hot rolls, rice krispie treats, milk.

Wednesday Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, hash brown potatoes, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Corn dog, tator tots, pickle spears, apple sauce, graham crackers, milk.

Thursday Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Beef stew, sandwiches, apricots, corn bread, crackers, milk.

Friday: No School

Water District Sets Up New Programs

Water District Sets Up Program

Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District is setting up a program to help determine the effectiveness, and assist in post-analysis, of their rain enhancement program. A network of 30 rain gauges will be set up in each county within the District. These gauges will be read and recorded every morning.

Persons residing in rural areas of Armstrong, Carson, Donley, Gray Potter, Roberts or Wheeler Counties are needed to assist in reading the gauges. The rain gauge and a card to record each morning's readings, with a self addressed stamped envelope to return it to the District office at the end of each month, will be provided. Person interested in participating in the project, please contact C.E. Williams or Shea Lea Clower at (806) 883-2501.

Jarrett Weinheimer Graduates From A & M University

Diplomas were awarded to approximately 3,400 Texas A&M University

graduates during fall commencement ceremonies.

Jarret Karl Weinheimer of Groom, was among those graduates. Jarret received a degree in Agribusiness.

Jarret was also named a "Distinguished Student." "Distinguished Students" are those students who earn a 3.25 to 3.75 grade point average while taking at least 15 hours.

Stephens Makes Dean's List

More than 4,000 Texas Tech University students qualified for academic honors list at the end of the fall semester.

Students on the Presidents List earned a 4.0 (A) grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of class work. Students who earned 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's List.

John Adam Stephens was recently named to the Dean's List.

8 Booked into County Jail Over Weekend on Alcohol, Drug and Violence Charges

There are 8 persons booked in to the Carson County Jail during the week of February 5 through February 11, 2001. Currently there are 14 persons incarcerated in this jail and 9 additional prisoners being held in other jurisdictions.

Arrest made this week include: Randy Powell, age 31, of Elk City OK.- Public Intoxication and Criminal Mischief.

David Medrano, age 24, of Elk City, OK.- Public Intoxication.

James Burney, age 44, of Amarillo- Driving While Intoxicated 2nd

offense. Geranimo Gutierrez, age 29, of Skelleytown- Assault-Family Violence.

Damel Wright- age 21, of Wichita, KS.- Possession of Controlled Substance greater than 4 oz, but less than 200 oz.

Calvin Smith, age 22, of Wichita, KS.- Possession of Controlled Substance greater than 4 oz., but less than 200 oz.

Orville Chapman, age 46, of Muskegee, OK.- Possession of Controlled Substance less than 1 gram.

Ben Zom, age 21, of Amarillo- Possession of Controlled Substance.

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Ettes Clobber Lady Tigers In Last Home Game

Groom Tigerettes finished their regular season last Tuesday night with their game against neighboring rivals, the Lady Tigers of McLean.

The girls were fired up and out distanced the athletes from McLean 68-24.

Candace Bohr lead the scoring with an impressive 23 points to her credit. Amanda Conrad contributed 9. Jill Britten scored 8. Amanda Martin put up 6 points. Teammates

Cassie Ashford, Lauren Crowell, and Nichole Barnett each scored 4. Brin Burgin contributed 3 points and Krisanne Davis had 2 points.

The Ettes are facing Nazareth as the paper goes to press. More on that game next week.

Tigers Blast McLean 43-30

By Brad Rainer

The Groom Tigers clinched the 2001 district championship last Tuesday at home with a victory over the McLean Tigers. It was a tight game throughout but we played very well defensively the entire game. It was a wonderful accomplishment for this group of kids to win district. They work so hard and are so unselfish for the team. All of them will do anything that is necessary for the team to succeed. They get along so well on and off the court that they play the game so much as a team, that is why they are champions. As long as we stay together as a unit anything can happen for us as we begin our playoff run.

Against McLean, Dwayne Gray had 12 points, 1-3 pointer, 4 rebounds, and 1 steal. Doug Fields had 2 points, 6 rebounds, 1 steal, 1 assist, and took a charge. Luck Pavlovsky had 1 steal. Garret Britten had 10 points, 2 rebounds, 3 steals, and 2 assists. Russell Conrad had 17 points, 2-3 pointers, 5 rebounds, 3 steals, and took a charge. Clay Britten had 2 points, 3 rebounds, and 1 assist. Cody Babcock had 3 rebounds, and 2 steals.

Prior to the game we honored our 2 seniors and their parents, Dwayne Gray, son of Ed and Ellen Gray and Russell Conrad, son of Donny and Marcia Conrad. These two young men have had a great season in leading us to our second straight district championship.

FFA

and be active in...We are all interested in farming and ranching in one way or another. It is hard to live in a community like Groom with out it (the Ag industry) touching your life some how. FFA is not only a special interest club but a social club as well. I'm proud to be a member."

Skye is the Secretary of the club. Cody Bivens is the president and Dwayne Gray is the vice president. Wyatt Britten is reporter and Grant Weinheimer is the treasurer. Trey Britten is the sentinel.

Court

agreement at \$900.00 per autopsy.

The court discussed the county's health insurance. The current provider is First Care. A possible change on continued use with the current company will be determined within the next budget year.

County Tax Assessor-Collector Barbara Cosper

reported that 93.42% of the county's taxes have been collected as of January 2001.

The court adjourned until February 26, 2001.

Jericho Home Destroyed By Fire

The home of Melba Brown Leathers was destroyed in a fire over the weekend. At about 7:00 p.m. a fire call had emergency workers scrambling.

"About a mile from town, I knew we were in trouble," said Fire Chief Tony Treadwell, "black smoke was on the horizon. By the time we were 2 miles out, I could see the flames."

The home was fully furnished and even had

vehicles in the garage, although no one was actually living there.

A frozen regulator vent on a butane tank is thought to have started the fire.

Damage estimates were undetermined, but the home was a total loss.

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Services Held For Lifelong Resident, E.N. "Bud" Babcock

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E.N. BABCOCK
Groom- E.N. "Bud"
Babcock, 76, died
Monday, Feb. 12, 2001.

Services were held
Wednesday Feb. 14,
2001, at 10:00 a.m. in
the Immaculate Heart of
Mary Church, Groom Tx.

Father Neal Dee and
Msgr. Keven Hand
officiated. Burial
services were held at St.
Mary's Cemetery, Groom
Tx.

Mr Babcock was born
in Groom. He was a
farmer in Groom. He
served in the U.S. Army,
7th Armored, in WWII.
He was wounded in
action in the Battle of
the Bulge on December
18, 1944. Mr. Babcock
received a Purple Heart,
Good Conduct Medal, a
WWII Victory Medal,
American Theater Ribbon,
European African Middle
Eastern Theater Ribbon,
with three Bronze Battle
stars. He married
Margaret Britten in
Groom on May 27, 1946.
She preceded him in

death in 1995. He is
also preceded in death by
his Granddaughter, Susan
Babcock Harp.

Survivors include a
daughter, Joyce Barclay
of Vega; three sons,
Kenneth Babcock, Dennis
Babcock, and Gary Don
Babcock, all of Groom; a
sister, Zoah Britten of
Wheeler; and nine
grandchildren.

The family suggest
memorials be to the
Susan Babcock Harp
Memorial Scholarship
Fund at West Texas
A&M, the Groom
Ambulance Fund, or a
favorite charity.

JAMES HUGH HOSEA

IRVING - James Hugh
Hosea, 73, passed away
on Feb. 8, 2001 in
Irving, Tx. He was born
December 29, 1927 in
Alney, Tx.

Services were held
Monday, Feb. 12 at
Browns Funeral Home in
Irving.

Survivors include his
wife, Betty of 37 years;
son, Larry Jim Shipmand
and wife Beth of Savage,

Mn.; daughter, Debbie
Lacy of Irving and 2
grandchildren, Luke and
Laura, also of Savage,
Mn; one brother Bill of
Dallas, Tx.

He was precede in
death by his parents, Jim
and Opal Hosea. He
was the son-in-law of the
late Crim and Truman
Goodlett. Jim retired
from Bell Helicopter in
1996 after working 37
years as a mechanic.

ETHEL MAY GILLHAM

CLAUDE - Ethel May
Knox Gillham, 91, died
Saturday, Feb. 10, 2001.

Services were held on
Tuesday, Feb. 13, in the
Claude Church of Christ
with Billy T. Jones of
Pleasant Valley Church
of Christ officiating and
Kent Watson of Claude
assisting. Burial was at
the Wayside Cemetery at
Wayside.

Mrs. Gillham was
born in Eldorado, Okla.
and was a member of
The Claude Church of
Christ. She and her
husband lived in Groom
for a time and their


children attended school
here.

Her husband, George
V. Gillham, preceded her
in death. She was also
preceded in death by her
son, Joe George Gillham.

Survivors include two
daughters, Virginia
Gillham Jones of Groom
and Mary Gillham
Bagwell of Claude; a
son, Earl Gillham of
Lubbock; a sister, Mary
Billie More of Vigo
Park; 10 grandchildren;
15 great-grandchildren;
and 4 great-great
grandchildren.

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Groom Brings Home 3 Blue Ribbons From Canadian Meet

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Groom students did very
well in the competitions.

Macie Britten won 1st
in Ready Writing and
Persuasive Speaking.

In Poetry Jessica
Bates won 1st and
Brooke Britten won 2nd.

In Feature Writing,
Lauren Crowell took 1st
place honors, and Brooke
Britten earned 2nd.

Luke Pavlovsky earned
4th place and Amanda
Martin earned 5th place
in Editorial Writing.

Garrett Britten placed
4th and Laurissa Noack
placed 6th in Science.

Laurissa Noack also
placed 5th in Headline
Writing.

Michelle Stephens
placed 6th in the Prose
competition.

Brooke Britten was 4th
and Michelle Stephens
was 5th in News.

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