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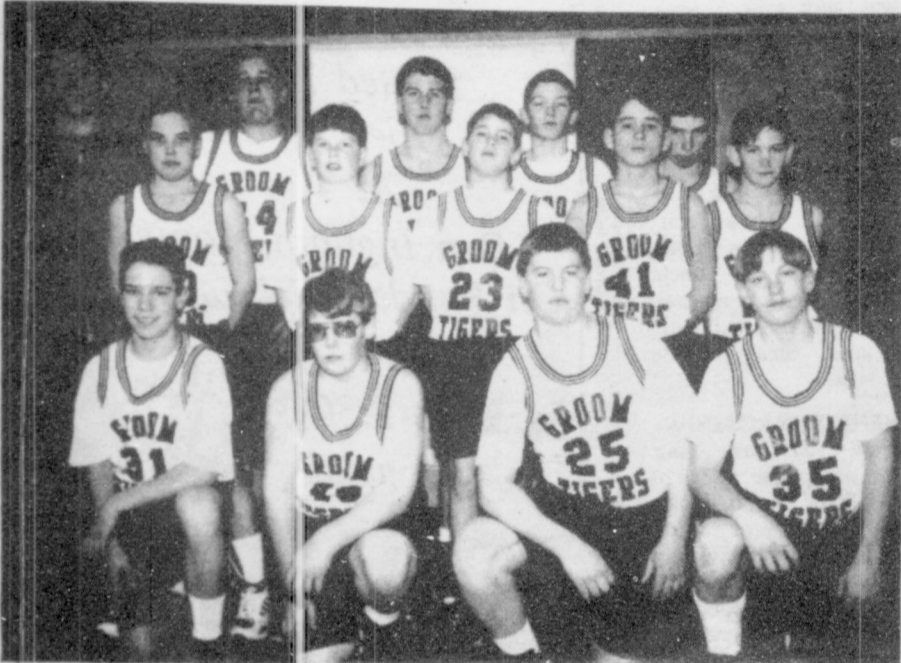
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## Jr. High Cubs & Ettes End Basketball Season



Junior High Boys 7th & 8th Grade: (Back) Coach Darren Hughes, Dusty Crump, Evan Crowell, Dustin Babcock, and Dewayne Gray. (Middle) Justin Hammon, Chris Brown, Cruise Rouand, Allen Gomez, and Russell Conrad. (Bottom) Nicholas Anthony, Travis Britten, Chris Ollinger, and Wade Ritter.

Groom Junior High cagers ended their 1995-96 season last night against Shamrock.

Coach Shirley Fields stated that she was very pleased with the progress the Junior High girls have made.

"They have come a long way since the beginning of the year. Their skills have improved tremendously. I think these eighth graders will be ready to step into the high school program next year and make a

contribution," she said.

The 8th grade girls won 35-22. Jessica Kepley had 14 points. Carrie Davis added 8, Sarah Hutsell 6, Jodi Homen 5 and Allison Eatmon 2.

In the Seventh Grade girls game the team played much better than what the score showed. Brooke Britten led the scoring with 6. Skye Brown had 5, Liz Vega 4 and Michele Stephens 3. The final score was Groom 18, Shamrock 42.

As the Junior High boys ended their season Coach Darren Hughes had this to say about his team.

"We have improved 100% since the beginning of the season. The thing that I'm most proud of is that these boys now play as a team. Everyone can bring the ball down the court and work together. Their skills, confidence and aggressiveness have improved to the point that these 8th graders will be an

See Jr. High pg. 3.



Junior High 8th Grade Girls: (Back Row) Lynsie Pool, Jessica Kepley, Kristi Barkley, and Sarah Hutsell. (Front Row) Trisha Broadway, Carrie Davis, Jodie Homen, Allison Eatmon, and Shirley Fields.



Junior High 7th Grade Girls: (Back Row) Maci Britten, Courtney Sustaire, Frances Britten, Skye Brown and Coach Shirley Fields. (Front Row) Michele Stephens, Liz Vega, Brooke Britten and Marcie Babcock.

## Bohr Celebrates 45 Years At Bank



February 1st Directors, Officers and Employees of the State National Bank of Groom honored Marie Bohr for 45 years of dedicated service. Throughout her career, Marie has witnessed numerous changes in banking. From posting each individual transaction by hand to all items now being processed by computer. Coping with each change, Marie has always devoted her attention to insure that all customers receive individual quality service. Her warm smile and pleasant attitude has always been an asset to this bank. Pictured are (left to right) Bobby Babcock, Dean Burger, Bob Pool, Page Blackwell, Ken Burger, Robert Kuehler and Marie Bohr.

## District Changes

The University Interscholastic League recently announced the new district alignments for the 1996-97 school year.

In football Groom will go down to a 6-man school. District will consist of Briscoe Ft. Elliott, Follett, Higgins, Miami and of course, Groom.

In Basketball, the Tigers and Tigerettes will be in a 4 team district with Hedley, Nazareth and Silvertown.

Superintendent Ben Ingham remarked that he was not happy with especially the basketball realignment.

"I would like to have seen them put us in the Lefors, McLean, Miami and Samnorwood district. We may file a protest but chances are that this will stand, as is."

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

TEXAS DEPT. of Health will be offering immunization vaccines at the Groom Community Center Wednesday, February 21 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm.

### Late Breaking News

District Attorney Randall Sims announced that four suspects were arrested in Hall County for Possession of Drugs and delivery with intent to sell. Nearly \$56,000 was confiscated.

The Panhandle Regional Narcotics Trafficking task Force, the U.S. Marshall's Service and Memphis Police Force served the warrants. Sims requested the investigation that began in June.

See Arrests, pg. 5

VALENTINE'S DAY is Wednesday, February 14.

GROOM ISD will have school on April 4th to make up for the lost day of January 18.

GROOM ISD Six Week Tests will be February 14, 15 and 16.

GROOM VARSITY and Junior Varsity teams play in Booker beginning at 4:00 pm Friday, Feb. 9.

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Pat and Connie Britten were in Fort Worth over the weekend for the Rodeo and Horse Show.

Melody Burton and Tuesday Whittenburg were in Groom recently to visit Melody's Mom's washing machine. A good time was had by all.

Coach Shirley Fields was presented a "Thank You" gift from her Junior High Basketball teams Monday night. She was given roses and a bottle of hair color! It was for all the times she told the girls that they were making her "white headed."

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## Local Happenings

Jodi Homen scored 18 points against the San Jacinto team.

- Groom Birthdays Anniversaries**
- February 8 - Heather Patterson, Mrs. C.F. Hermesmeyer, Dewey Cave, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bertrand (A).
  - February 9 - Jolee Burger.
  - February 10 - Mildred Burgin McWhirter.
  - February 11 - Jodi Homen, Justin Homen, Troy Ritter.
  - February 12 - Skeet Brown.
  - February 13 - Jessica Odell Baggerman, Karen and Scott Fields (A).
  - February 14 - Susan Elaine Harp, Susie Martin, Lynn Y. Britten, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Weinheimer (A).

**DRIVER SAFETY**  
 Course will be held at Clarendon College on Sat., Feb. 10, 9 am to 4 pm. Call 1-806-874-3571 for information.

**Card Of Thanks**  
 My sincerest thanks to all who have been so sweet to me after my recent accident. The prayers, cards, visits, flowers and food were greatly appreciated. Thanks again for being such wonderful family, friends and neighbors.  
 Mamie Poole

## Groom School Lunch Menu

- February 12 - February 16  
 Monday Breakfast: Cold cereal, blueberry muffins, juice, milk. Lunch: Burritos, refried bean dip, tortilla pieces, applesauce, milk.
- Tuesday Breakfast: Pancakes, sausage, peanut butter, juice, milk. Lunch: Tiger baskets, curly fries, Texas toast, fresh apple slices w/caramel sauce, milk.
- Wednesday Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, hash browns, juice, milk. Lunch: Cheeseburgers, french fries, pork & beans, cherry cobbler, milk.
- Thursday Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, milk. Lunch: Pizza, salad, crackers, peaches, milk.
- Friday Breakfast: Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken breast nuggets, mashed potatoes, cut corn, pull apart bread, cheese cake, milk.

**SENIOR PARENTS!**  
 While you have your photos out please bring 20 or 30 photos of your senior student to Sandie or Marcia Conrad. These photos will be used for the Christian Mother's Senior Supper and will be returned unharmed to you.

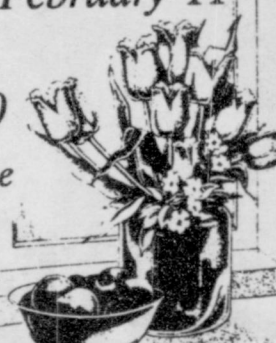
Don't Forget Valentines Day  
 Sarah Hutsell is undergoing tests at the hospital in Amarillo after an apparent basketball injury.

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## Brush & Palette Share Facilities With Guys

By Billie Bivens

Brush and Palette met today, February 5, for luncheon and a business meeting. Painting started at 10:00 AM. Some of those who started painting from a video last week, continued today. Shirley finished hers at home last week, and was of much help to others today. We shared the building with a group of farmers and others who met with a chemical representative at the invitation of Craig Howard. They were treated to a barbecue lunch. However, we ate our green and yellow vegetables and salads. They did not disturb us and we hope we did not disturb them. Isn't it wonderful that we have such a great facility which can accommodate these types

and other meetings?

Juandell, hostess, served a pie shaped dessert that tasted like crust and chocolate icing. Yummy! Rice krispie treats also. Business consisted of reading the minutes and approval. Discussion was about painting from another video. It was decided to do so. Nita seemed to be having a hard time today. She had doggie designed shoe strings. Once before she had worn doggie designed shoes. Seems the doggie re-designs whatever is around if she is left home alone. Nita, in trying to move dishes across the table, spilled her coffee, which sped across the table onto Juandell's clothes. Some of the original members remembered a trip

to Turkey, Texas to show paintings. They actually maligned my hometown. Business meeting closed. Evelyn explained the dilemma she experienced when her water froze, and the washer leaked water all over. What a mess. We've all been there. We missed Pat, who was ill. Get well soon. Nita ended up taking half of the painting off of her canvas.

(My daughter, Andrea called. She had received the Groom News with the last Brush and Palette tale. She said, "Mother, it seems that all you do is visit and eat. And that's all I've got to say about that!")

Valentine's Day  
Feb. 14

### Tiger Band Briefs

Sarah Hutsell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hutsell and Evan Crowell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Crowell were selected as members of All-Region Band.

Evan received a directors award at a recent concert for being a member for three consecutive years.

Evan also competed in the solo contest and was awarded a I.

### Jr. High

asset to the high school teams next year."

The combined boys team lost to the larger Shamrock team, 32-42. Wade Ritter led the scoring with 8 points. Dusty Crump had 6, Evan Crowell had 5, Justin Homen and Chase Holland had 4. Dustin Babcock, Nicholas Anthony and Russell Conrad each had 2 points. Chris Ollinger had 1.

## Sale Big Success After All

By Donna Burton

After reporting how the Carson County Junior Livestock Show would be facing financial woes this year, I'm happy to report that I was wrong! With tremendous support from all entities as well as the innovative fund raiser the stock show board put on, the sale netted as much as ever for the kids.

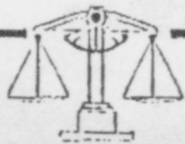
With the declining business population, surviving firms have truly dug deeply to help these 4-Hers and FFAers to achieve their goals.

As consumers, we need to support our hometown businesses and remember to say thank you.

## The 1996 Carson County Junior Livestock Show

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### Journalism Team Wins Medals

The journalism team won five medals at the Dumas Academic Meet last Saturday, two of which were first places.

Sophomore Jennifer Lewis won first in news writing; and sophomore Mary Hutsell, first in feature writing.

Sophomores Angie Conrad and Toby Burgin each placed second in their events. Conrad in feature writing and Burgin in headline writing.

Courtney Burgin, junior, placed third in editorial writing.

Only the first three places received medals.

Others placing were senior Suzy Pool, fourth in feature writing; junior Stephanie Ollinger, fourth in editorial writing; and Courtney Burgin, fourth in headline writing.

Fifth places went to junior Justin Ritter in headline writing and Conrad in news writing.

### Varsity Teams Press Toward Season's End

Groom basketball teams are gearing up for the end of their season. The Ettes are currently undefeated in district with a 4-0 record. The Tigers are 3-1 for the season. By publication time the teams will be facing only Booker in the final conference contest.

Last Thursday night the teams battled Shamrock. The Junior Varsity girls lost to the Lady Irish by 2 points.

Sara Britten led the scoring with 18 points. Melissa Anthony and Jacey Richardson each had 5. Karen Conrad and Christy Galvan added 4 points each. Julie Richardson had 3 and Maggie Thomas had 2. The final score was Shamrock 43, Groom 41.

In the Varsity girls game, Groom out-distanced Shamrock by 11 points, 54-43. Kay Case led the scoring with 20 points. Mary Hutsell had 10. Sheridan Koetting had 9 and Jessica Friemel 5. Sandie Conrad and Angie Conrad each had 4 and Stephanie Ollinger had 2.

The Junior Varsity boys put up a good fight but lost to the Shamrock JV, 44-36. Marc Miller was high point with 9, Ray Lott had 8, Jamie Shuck 6, and Josh Evenson 5. Trae Keypley, Joe Britten, Justin Tipton and Todd Gray each scored 2.

In Varsity boys action, the Tigers had a difficult time and just couldn't catch up to Shamrock. The final score was 46-58. Nick Ashford led the scoring with 11 points, Toby Burgin had 10, Justin Ritter 9, Stanley Homer 8, Brandon Crump 5, David Munoz 2 and Daniel Treadwell 1.

On Friday, the teams faced off with Wheeler. The Junior Varsity games were cancelled so the Varsity girls kicked off the action.

Kay Case had an outstanding game scoring a

whopping 30 points. Sandie Conrad added another 12. Angie Conrad had 10, Sheridan Koetting 4 and Mary Hutsell 2. The girls out-distanced the Lady Mustangs 58-51.

In the boys game, the Tigers pulverized Wheeler with a very respectable 18 points. Justin Ritter had 14, Nick Ashford 12, Brandon Crump 2. Brad Sustaire and Daniel Treadwell each and 1 point.

Friday night at Booker will decide the fate of the

district play-offs. Don't miss the action as the Tigers and Tigerettes battle for the district crown.

### Show Attended

Four FFA members attended the Fort Worth Stock Show las week.

April Burton placed 7th in class, while C.J. Whatley placed 10th in his class.

April sold her animal for \$2.00 per pound. C.J. was the last steer through the sale and received a handsome \$5.25 per pound with his animal.

Jason Prather and Scott McLaughlin did not place in the top 10 at this show.

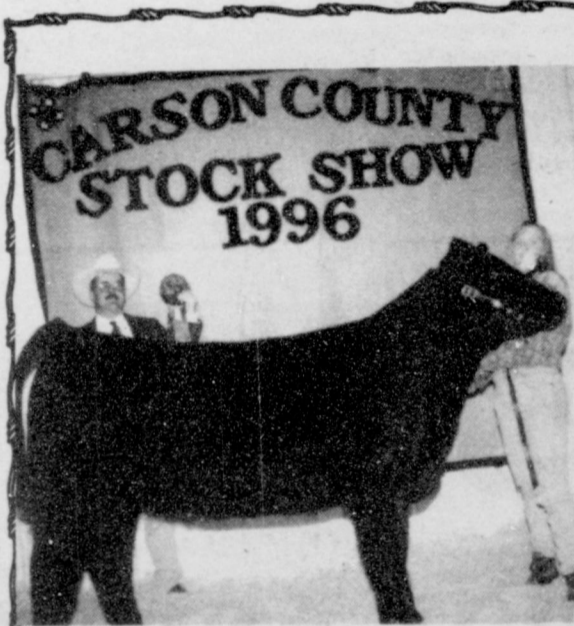
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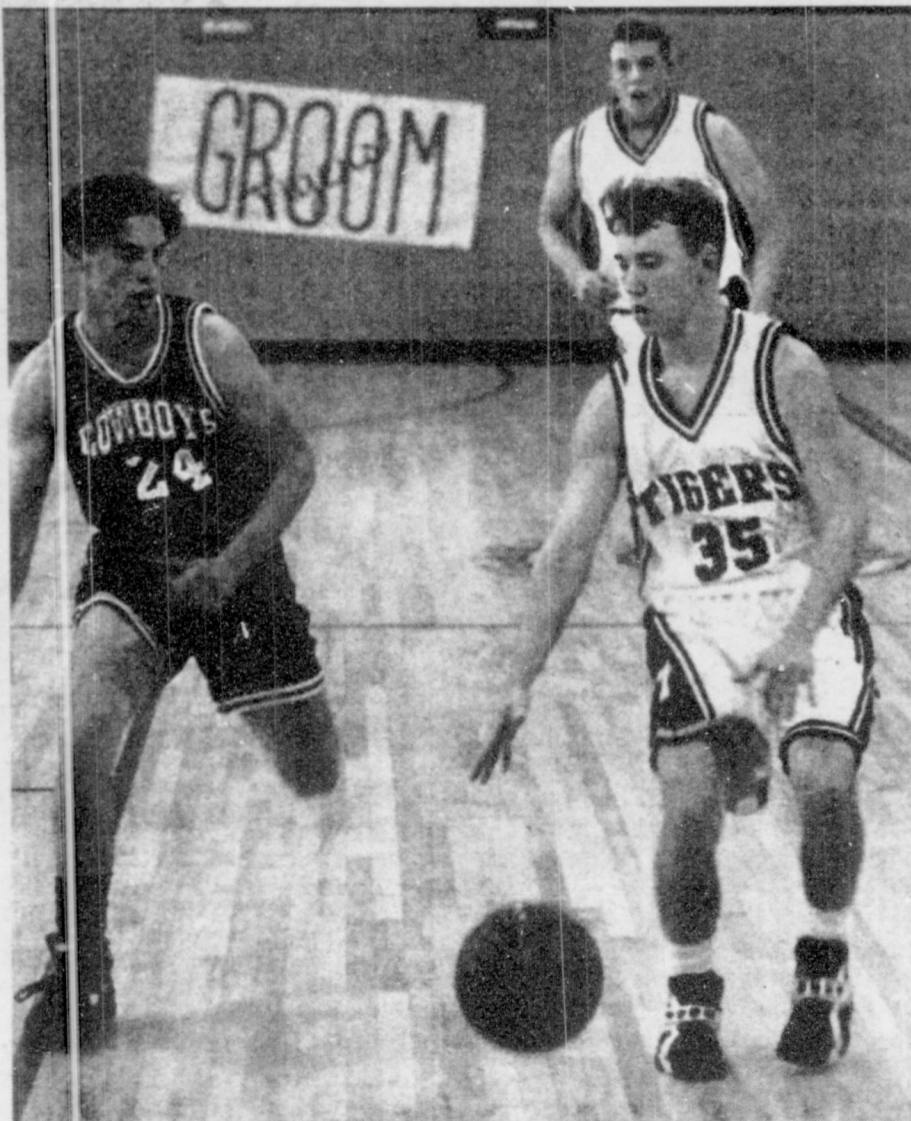


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### If You Ask Me ...And Nobody Did Pass The Phone Proposal!

By Donna Burton  
I hope the phone thing passes. Just think what being able to call Amarillo like it was across the street would be like.

Many times I have traveled the hour to Amarillo only to find that the sale item I went after has been sold out or is not available in the right size. Maybe it's silly but I don't usually call to check because I figure why pay for gas and a phone call too.

How many times have you called a place of business and they answer, "Hello, this is Dr. X's office, can you hold?"

Click! The next thing you know you are on hold for 15 minutes.

Now, I wouldn't have called if I didn't need to speak with them so I'm

faced with the dilemma of holding or hanging up or trying again.

Local dialing to Amarillo and Pampa will also make Groom much more attractive to businesses that might be looking to relocate.

If you make 1 or 2 calls a month to doctors, businesses or family I just don't see how you can pass this up. The most it can be is \$3.50 a month. Even though you may not make that many calls a month now, just think of all the calls you could make if you knew that's all it would cost.

Most of us with children spend a lot more a month. It would directly help us tremendously.

Indirect benefits will help the whole town. I, again, hope you say yes to this proposal.

### Tree Seedlings Now Available

The McClellan Creek Soil and Water Conservation District is now taking applications for tree seedlings to be delivered in March. This conservation tree program enables farmers, ranchers, and rural landowners to obtain trees at nominal cost. The program's aim is to encourage landowners to plant effective wind-barriers to protect buildings, cropland, feedlots, and control erosion.

The trees are available from both the Texas Forest Service and the Colorado State Forest Service. Species available include evergreens such as Austrian Pine, Colorado Blue Spruce, Afghan Pine, Arizona Cypress, Eastern Red Cedar, Ponderosa Pine, Pinion Pine, Rocky Mountain Juniper, Scotch Pine, and White Pine.

Deciduous trees available are Shumard Oak, Desert Willow, Aromatic Sumac, Honeylocust, Mulberry, Nanking Cherry, Native Plum, Osage Orange, Russian Olive, Sandcherry, Nanking Cherry, Caragana, Cottoncaster, Honeysuckle, Green Ash, Hybrid Cottonwood, Golden Willow, Hackberry, and Lombardy Poplar. Wildlife packets of 100 trees are also available. More information may be obtained by contacting the conservation district office in Panhandle at 537-3504.

### Arrests

Those persons who have been charged are Roberto Gonzales, Troy Aguilar, Terry Ledbetter and Andre Dupree Steptoe.



**Linda Lee Richardson Named Beta Sigma Phi Sweetheart**

Linda Lee Richardson received the B.B.A. degree in marketing and real estate. She is a homemaker pursuing a professional certificate in interior design from Amarillo College. Her husband Bryan is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Groom. They have two children, Garner, four, and Caroline, two.



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Please vote YES for all of the requested cities because Groom has calling needs in all the areas requested. You must SIGN YOUR BALLOT AND LIST YOUR TELEPHONE NUMBER to make it valid. You only have fifteen days to decide. Your ballot MUST be returned to the Public Utility Commission by February 27, 1996. The monthly charge for this service cannot exceed \$3.50 per residential line or \$7.00 per business line. For more information, Call Groom City Hall at (806) 248-7929.

## As The Interstate Turns...Icy Roads Cause Several Accidents

By J.C. Longway  
Hello everyone! The cold slowed down the criminals last week but it didn't keep people from having accidents.

On Thursday, February 1st an Amarillo man struck the rear of a snow plow on

US 60 inside the Gray County line while trying to pass another vehicle. No damage was reported to the snow plow. However, the Ford Tempo now looks like a VW Bug. Later that afternoon two accidents happened simultaneously on I-40 near the westbound

rest area outside Amarillo. Both drivers from Bakersfield, California exited into the rest area too fast and one hit a sign while the other struck a tree. A Pantex ambulance arrived on the scene to verify no injuries. Citations were issued for unsafe speed,

following too closely and no insurance.

On Friday, February 2nd a Cameron, Oklahoma man was passing a truck on I-40, five miles west of Conway when he struck the rear of a snow plow. The man stated he saw a big puff of

snow but didn't think a snow plow was there. I bet he will next time. The man was issued a citation for Failed to Control Speed and No Insurance. No injuries reported.

**C & H**

## James Johnson Passes Away

James B. Johnson, 75, of Amarillo, died Wednesday, January 31, 1996.

Services were in Bell Avenue Chapel of Schooler-Gordon-Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors, with the Rev. Allen Norris of Grand Avenue Baptist Church. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Mr. Johnson was born in Tahlequah, Oklahoma, and had lived in Amarillo since 1955. He married Omette M. Poole in 1942 at Hattiesburg, Miss. She died in 1994. He was a veteran,

serving as a master sergeant in the Army Signal Corps during World War II. He later served as a master sergeant in the Air Force and retired in 1964.

Survivors include a daughter, Sherry Angell of Amarillo; a son, James S. Johnson of Fort Worth; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, Texas 79176.

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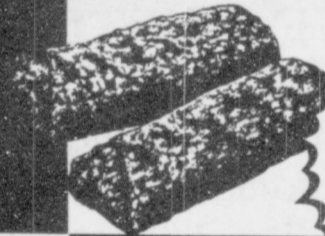
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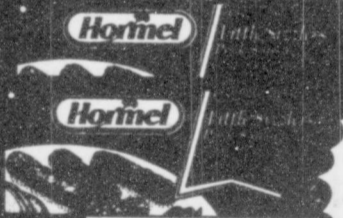
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Ray Kirkland, Milton Best, Betty Kaiser, Armelia Shipman and Pam Skipper will be your friendly faces at the new Cowboy Cafe.

## Milton Best Opens Cowboy Cafe

Milton Best has recently purchased the Cowboy Cafe. He officially opened for business on January 29.

A new menu is being made up that will consist of home style foods and daily

specials. A salad bar has been added as well as having fresh donuts every morning.

Milton is a 1974 graduate of McLean High School and the previous owner of M&S

Service Station. He is the father of two children, Derek of the home and Nicole of Bullock Creek, Michigan.

Come out and visit the All New Cowboy Cafe!

## New Miss McLean 1996 To Be Chosen Saturday Night

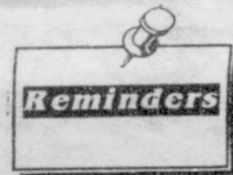
By Moriah McCracken  
MHS Tiger Rag Staff

Heather Hess, Miss McLean 1995, will end her reign Saturday, February 19 at 7 pm at McLean High School Auditorium when she passes her crown on to the new Miss McLean. Three out of town judges will choose the winner from one of the 19 girls showing their school spirit by entering this year's pageant. Weeks of planning will pay off when the girls take the stage in their evening gowns escorted by the gentlemen of MHS. The girls will not only show their physical beauty, but will have personal interviews with the three judges before show time. The businesses of McLean showed their support by choosing a girl to sponsor in the pageant. The Senior Class of 1996 would appreciate your support in this annual event.

The girls in the pageant are Senior Jill Hefley escorted by Jonathan Galley, sponsored by Simpson Insurance Agency; Senior Holly Jasper escorted by Rickie Jasper, sponsored by the Hair Gallery; Junior Tammye Cole escorted by Lee Shaw, sponsored by B & J Mowing; Junior Shanna

Dent escorted by Jonathan Bailey, sponsored by Cowboy Cafe; Junior Jessica Rich escorted by Ben Reeser, sponsored by McLean Veterinary Clinic; Junior Tanna Shipman escorted by Tobey Purcell, sponsored by Lamb-Ferguson Flowers and Gifts. Blake Crockett will escort Sophomore Lorin Hall who is sponsored by C & H Supply. Sophomore Lori Hefley is sponsored by Piccadilly Pizza and escorted by Monty Joiner. Erik Vega will escort Sophomore Bonnie Hauck, sponsored by Kirk's Auto Supply. Sophomore Moriah McCracken will be escorted by Jesse Swafford and her sponsor is McAnear Insurance. Tobey Purcell will also escort sophomore Jennifer Patton who is sponsored by Bank of Commerce. David Fuller will be escorting sophomore Traci Seitz who is sponsored by J de K. Freshman Victoria Bradley will be escorted by D.J. Basham and her sponsor is Puckett's Grocery. Sy Brown will escort freshman Sara Brown who is sponsored by Johnnie and Colleen Mertel's Boot Shop. Jonathan Galley will also escort freshman Rachel

Galley whose sponsor is Hefley's Auction. Richardson's Texaco is sponsoring freshman Vanessa Glass who will be escorted by Derek Glass. Freshman Chantell Hicks will be escorted by Randal Greer and sponsored by Country Corner Texaco. B & B Electric is sponsoring freshman Rebecca Hembree who will be escorted by Jeremy Crutcher. And Taylor Food Mart is sponsoring freshman Missy Stagle who will be escorted by Chad Richards.



**MCLEAN CARE Center** will have their Valentine party at 2:30 pm Saturday, February 10. A King & Queen of the Care Center will be crowned.

**CITY COUNCIL** will meet for regular session Thursday, Feb. 8 at 7:00 at the City Hall.

McLean School Board will meet Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 7:00 pm in the Business Office.

**TRINITY BAPTIST Church** is sponsoring a Valentine Banquet, Wed., Feb. 14 at 6:30 pm at the Coronado Inn in Pampa.

**SIX WEEKS Exams** for McLean School are Wed., Feb. 7 and Thurs, Feb. 8.

**Varsity Teams** will play a make-up game at Lefors on Thursday, Feb. 8 at 4:00 pm. Varsity teams will play a scheduled game at Miami on Friday at 6:30 pm.

**TEXAS Agricultural Extension Service** will host a one day conference for beef cattle producers and feedyard operators, Feb. 8 at Texas A&M Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Amarillo. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.

## Tigers Have First Loss Of The Season, Ladies Win

By Jonathan Galley and Mike Stone  
MHS Tiger Rag Staff

On Tuesday, January 30, McLean Junior Varsity battled with Miami Junior Varsity, but were defeated 51-31 here in McLean. The leading scorer was Junior Charles Harris with 12 points. Closely following was Freshman Gary Jones with 10 points. Junior Chad Richards and Sophomore Chris Flores had 4 points. Eric Vega also had 1 point.

McLean Lady Tigers won their second district game, crushing the Miami Lady Warriors 75-49. The Lady Tigers opened control of the game by scoring 21 points in the first quarter to Miami's 11. The rest was history. The leading scorer

was Sophomore Shaley Stalls with 29 points. Freshman Rachel Galley followed with 18 points and Freshman Vanessa Glass had 10 points. Senior Heather Hess had 9 points, Junior Tanna Shipman had 6 points and Junior Shanna Dent had 2 points. Sophomore Lori Hefley had 1 point.

McLean Tigers suffered their first district loss against Miami, 71-51. The Tigers lost their edge in the first quarter and never saw the lead again. The leading scorer was Senior Jeremy Crutcher with 16 points. Following close behind was Senior Ben Reeser with 14 points. Senior Blake Crockett had 8 points and See Tigers, pg. 10



McLean High School Drama Club members pictured are (back) Tobey Purcell, Mike Stone, Monty Joiner and Jeremy Crutcher. (front) Christy Tidwell, Shawn Sanderson, Jessica Rich, Jill Hefley, Tanna Shipman, Heather Hess, Holly Jasper and Tammye Cole.

## Drama Class Prepares For UIL

On Thursday, January 26, the McLean High School Drama Department performed a short comedy skit for the high school student body.

"If Boys Wore The Skirts" cast members are

Jeremy Crutcher, Heather Hess, Monty Joiner, Shawn Sanderson, Tobey Purcell, Holly Jasper, Jill Hefley, Mike Stone, Tammye Cole, Kristi Tidwell, Tanna Shipman and Jessica Rich with Virginia Holwick,

director.

The Drama Department still has some skits they hope to perform at a later date and are beginning to start thinking about UIL competition.

**McLean Birthdays & Anniversaries**

**February 8** - Doris Guyton, Tom Trostle, Doris Stillwell, Vera Glenn.

**February 9** - Catherine Weaver, Laura Reeser, Lanasa Sutton.

**February 10** -

**February 11** - Sandy Bowen, Fleta Hill, Peggy Adams, Jack Ayers.

**February 12** - Charlie Carter, Danna Watson, Jim Barker, Doyle Lee, Anna Jean Lamb, Teresa Chatham.

**February 13** - Burl Stubbs, Ada Simmons.

**February 14** - Suzanne Wilson, John Glass, Josh Acuna, Shaley Steel.

Andy Glass's name was omitted from the "A" Honor Roll list for the semester.

**On The Sick List**  
Ray Fish remains in ICU at Northwest Texas Hospital on life support.

**Charlie Marie To Be Missed**

**Letter To The Editor**  
Dear Editor:  
I was very saddened to learn about the recent death of Charlie Marie Shurley. I vividly remember the first time I met her at a meeting in Amarillo: she was a shining example of what enthusiasm about Route 66 could bring to a town like McLean and the Old Route 66 Association. So much so that I immediately joined the Association after that meeting!

Every time I saw Charlie Marie after that was like

getting a booster shot of happiness. I don't recall having met many people like her: she was one of the most outgoing, friendly people! I know I feel a very personal loss at learning of her death, and would like to extend my sympathy to her family and friends in McLean that will miss a very bright spot in their lives. She touched us all.

Sincerely,  
Joann Harwell  
Manager  
Oldham County Chamber of Commerce

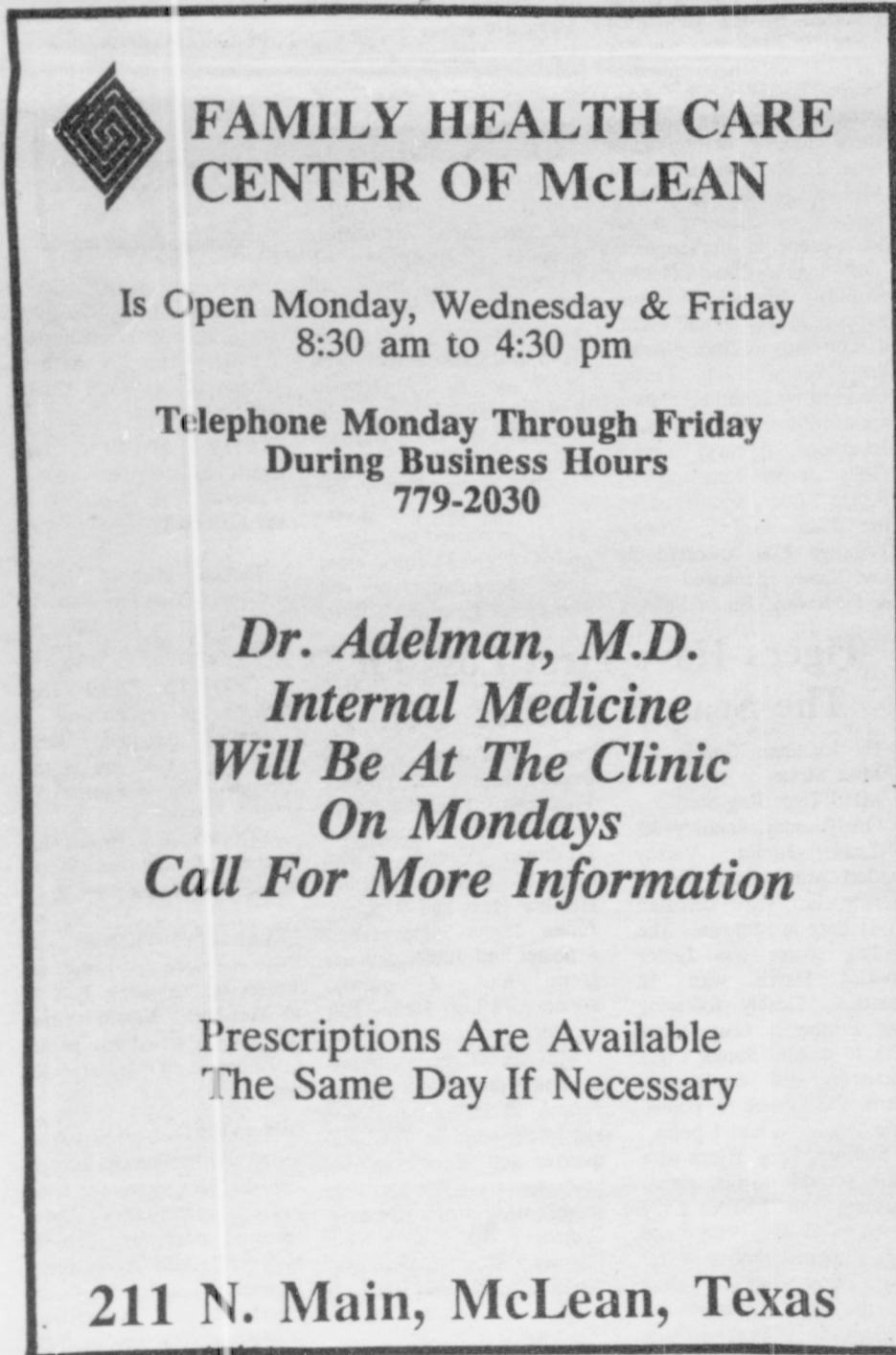


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Don C. Dorsey

**Gymnastics**  
Saturday, January 27th, athletes from "Flipin' Farm Gymnastics" traveled to Dalhart to compete in the first district meet of the year. There were approximately 150 competitors from seven teams and this area was well represented. Seventeen athletes from the "Flipin' Farm" competed in both trampoline and tumbling. The next competition will be at Shamrock High School on March 23rd in the gymnasium. Individual results from McLean athletes are as follows:

- Tumbling**  
1st place: Desha Tolleson, Brooke Seymour, Shaley Steel.  
2nd place: Shelby Terry, Valerie Joiner.  
3rd place: Misty Jo Campbell.  
5th place: Jennifer, Smith.
- Trampoline**  
1st place: Shelby Terry, Brooke Seymour, Jennifer Smith.  
2nd place: Desha Tolleson, Valerie Joiner.  
4th place: Misty Jo Campbell, Shaley Steel.

**Card Of Thanks**  
A special thank you to Jack, Cheri and Adam Johnston, Fred Johnston and Travis and Tonya Ruthardt for helping me in the cleaning and preparing for the opening of my new business.  
Milton Best

**Johnson Included In National Dean's List**  
Darren Michael Johnson, of McLean, was named to the Dean's List of Texas Tech University for the 1995 fall semester. He is an interdisciplinary agriculture major.

Johnson was also included in the 18th Annual Edition of The National Dean's List published by Educational Communications Inc. of Lake Forest, Illinois.

**Thank You Card**  
Thank you so much for all the cards, calls, food, flowers, memorials and visits. The people of McLean are so good.  
The Family Of  
Safrona Pettit

**Correction**  
A line was inadvertently left off Don Copeland's profile for election story in last week's paper.

Mr. Copeland was stationed in Wichita Falls with the Texas Highway Patrol. He remained for four months and then transferred to Electra. In 1971 he transferred to Shamrock with the Department of Public Safety where he remained until March 1980 when he transferred to Pampa.



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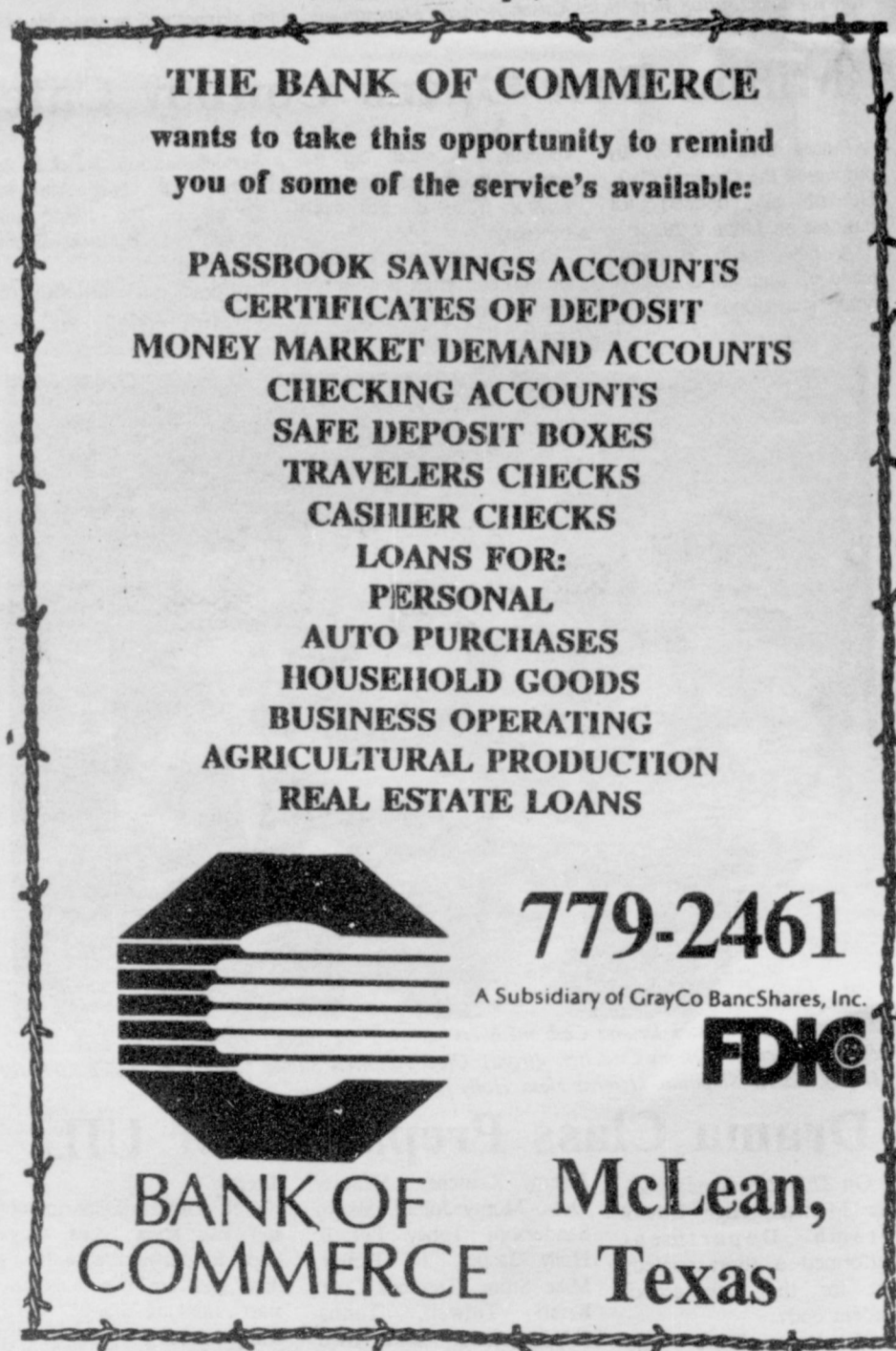
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**Alanreed News**  
By Lena Carter  
The Community Improvement meeting was postponed due to inclement weather.

No services were held at First Baptist Church due to the weather.

The O.J. Weldon's were in Amarillo the first of the week for medical attention.

The Robert Bruce's were busy during the weekend celebrating son Bob and Grandson Paul's birthdays.

### Hommel Celebrates 95th Birthday

Mr. and Mrs. R.H. Miller hosted a dinner and party for Mrs. Beulah Hommel at their home west of Amarillo in January. Mrs. Hommel is a long-term resident of the Alanreed Community where she and her late husband, W. O. Hommel engaged in ranching and apple growing.

Attending the celebration were Mrs. Hommel's two daughters, Von Dell Grigsby and Patsy Miller with their families. From Albuquerque were Norman and Von Dell Grigsby. Wesley and Myrna Grigsby of Albany, Texas; Mark, Mary and Lelsey Grigsby; Michael, Marilyn and Daniel Miller; David, Kim, Trey, and Matthew Miller all of Amarillo attended the festive gathering.

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# Beat Miami

# Obituaries

## Violet Keeton Bowers

Violet Keeton Bowers, 72, of Pampa, died Tuesday, January 30, 1996. Mrs. Bowers was born April 21, 1922, in Hill County. She had been a Pampa resident since the early 1940s. She married Warren Bowers in 1948 in New Mexico. She was a nurse for 28 years at the Worley, Highland General and Groom hospitals. She attended the Pentecostal Holiness Church.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Nellie Keeton; and by a sister, Letha Miles.

Survivors include her husband, Warren; a daughter, Jeannie McCann of Pampa; three sons, Ronnie Barton, David Barton and Arnold Barton, all of Pampa; her father, George Keeton of Pampa; a sister, Helen Danner of Pampa; two brothers, Doyle Keeton of Pampa and J.R. Keeton of McLean; 11 grandchildren; 24 great-

grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to the Hospice of the Panhandle, Box 2795, Pampa, TX 79066-2795.

## Clyde Powell

DUMAS - Clyde Powell, 82, died Saturday, January 27, 1996.

Mr. Powell was born in Collingsworth County. He had been a resident of Moore County since 1965. He was a farmer. He married Lorene L. Powell in 1934 in McLean; she died in 1995.

Survivors include two daughters, Kay Jones of Dumas and Shirley Ann Chamberlain of Lakewood, Colorado; two sons, Royce Powell of Dumas and Doug Powell of Warsaw, Missouri; a brother, Emmett Powell of Hereford; 10 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Memorial Hospice, 224 E. Second, Dumas, TX 79029.

## Irene Webb

MOBEETIE - Irene Webb, 89, died Monday, January 29, 1996, at Amarillo.

Mrs. Webb was born December 8, 1906, at Tyrone, Oklahoma. She married Charlie Webb on December 31, 1929, at Cheyenne, Oklahoma. She was preceded in death by a brother, Sam Mixon, in 1974; and a sister, Cynthia Worthington, by only hours, on January 29, 1996.

Survivors include two sisters, Naomi Bonds Allen of Pampa and Fannie Joe Gales of Burns Flat, Oklahoma; two brothers, J.M. Mixon of Happy and Jess Mixon of Mobeetie; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to the Hospice of the Panhandle, P.O. Box 2795, Pampa, TX 79066.

## Cynthia E. Worthington

MOBEETIE - Cynthia E. Worthington, 80, died Monday, January 29, 1996,

at a rural residence north of McLean. Mrs. Worthington was born April 7, 1915, at Ravia, Oklahoma. She married Frank Worthington in 1938 in Wheeler County; he died in 1975. She served in the U.S. Air Force, stationed in Amarillo, Wichita Falls, retiring in 1977. She was a member of the First Baptist Church at Mobeetie.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Evelyn Wallis, in 1988; and by a brother, Sam Mixon, in 1974.

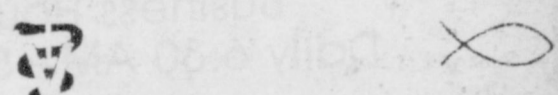
Survivors include a son, Charles Shockley of Burkburnett; two sisters, Naomi Bonds Allen of Pampa and Fannie Joe Gales of Burns Flat, Oklahoma; two brothers,

J.M. Mixon of Happy and Jess Mixon of Mobeetie; seven grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Hospice of the Panhandle, P.O. Box 2795, Pampa, TX 79066.

# Tigers

Junior Tobey Purcell had 5 points. Other scorers were Senior Seth Brown with 4 points, Seniors Monty Joiner and Casey Carter each had 2 points.



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The Chamber of Commerce meeting for February has been rescheduled due to inclement weather for Thursday, February 8th at 5:30 p.m. at the High School. Agenda items include consideration of membership in the Texas Downtown Association (a source of rebuilding and renovation grants and tax-breaks, etc.) and possible spring and summer events. Ideas for stimulating economic growth and development in the McLean/Alanreed area are always welcome. Everyone is invited to this meeting.

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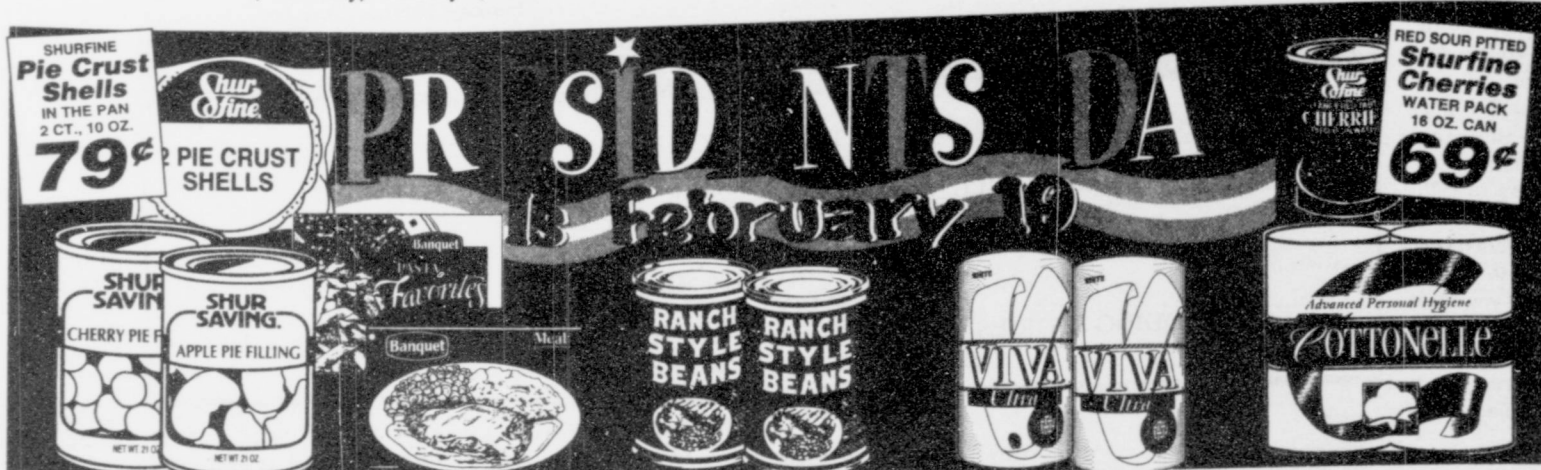
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**RANCH STYLE** REGULAR OR WITH JALAPENOS **Beans** 15 OZ. CAN **289¢** FOR

**ABSORBENT** PAPER TOWELS **Viva Ultra** ROLL **79¢**

**ADVANCED PERSONAL HYGIENE** BATHROOM TISSUE **Cottonelle** 4 ROLL PKG. **1<sup>19</sup>**

<b>Cheetos</b> CHEESE THAT GOES "CRUNCH" <b>Cheetos</b> \$2.09 SIZE <b>1<sup>49</sup></b>	<b>Wisk</b> REGULAR OR WITH BLEACH <b>Wisk Detergent</b> 42 TO 44 OZ. BOX <b>2<sup>69</sup></b>	<b>Dove</b> DISHWASHING DETERGENT <b>Dove Liquid</b> 22 OZ. BTL. <b>79¢</b>	<b>Wisk</b> REGULAR OR WITH BLEACH <b>Wisk Ultra Liquid</b> 50 OZ. BTL. <b>2<sup>69</sup></b>
<b>Kellogg's</b> APPLE JACKS, FROSTED MINI-WHEATS <b>Cereal</b> 11 TO 20.4 OZ. BOX <b>2<sup>99</sup></b>	<b>Spaghetti</b> AMERICAN BEAUTY ELBO-RONI OR LONG/THIN 10 OZ. PKG. <b>2<sup>99</sup></b> FOR	<b>V8</b> ASSORTED <b>V8 Juice</b> 6 PACK, 5.5 TO 6 OZ. <b>1<sup>99</sup></b>	<b>OATS</b> OLD FASHION OR QUICK <b>3-Minute Oats</b> 18 OZ. BOX <b>1<sup>19</sup></b>

16 OZ. PLASTIC Solo Party Cups ..... 20 CT. <b>\$1<sup>29</sup></b>	CAMPBELL'S SELECT GROUP Cream Cooking Soups ..... 10.5-10.7 OZ. <b>79¢</b>	CHICKEN OR PORK SWEET & SOUR OR ASST. CHOW MEIN Chun King RI-Pack Dinners ..... 42 OZ. <b>\$2<sup>69</sup></b>
HEAVY DUTY Reynolds Foil ..... 12" X 50' <b>\$2<sup>09</sup></b>	CAMPBELL'S SELECT GROUP Chunky Soups ..... 19 OZ. <b>\$1<sup>79</sup></b>	CHUN KING SLICED OR WHOLE Water Chestnuts ..... 4 OZ. <b>79¢</b>
FABRIC SOFTENER Snuggle Liquid ..... 64 OZ. <b>\$2<sup>99</sup></b>	CAMPBELL'S SELECT GROUP Family Size Soups ..... 26 OZ. <b>\$1<sup>19</sup></b>	CHUN KING Chow Mein Noodles ..... 5 OZ. <b>99¢</b>
ROSARITA Refried Beans ..... 30 OZ. <b>\$1<sup>39</sup></b>	CAMPBELL'S FAMILY SIZE Vegetable Beef Soup ..... 26 OZ. <b>\$1<sup>69</sup></b>	PETER PAN CREAMY OR CRUNCHY Peanut Butter ..... 28 OZ. <b>\$2<sup>99</sup></b>
CAMPBELL'S SELECT GROUP Home Cookin' Soups ..... 19 OZ. <b>\$1<sup>49</sup></b>	CAMPBELL'S FAMILY SIZE Tomato Soup ..... 29 OZ. <b>99¢</b>	

**GOLDEN RIPE Bananas** 3 LBS. **\$1<sup>49</sup>**

**U.S. NO. 1 RUSSET Potatoes** 5 LB. BAG **88¢**

SNO-WHITE Cauliflower ..... EA. <b>78¢</b>	CELLO PACK - FRESH Radishes ..... 5 OZ. <b>19¢</b>
FRESH CRISP Celery ..... 3 FOR <b>\$1<sup>00</sup></b>	FRESH LARGE Bell Peppers ..... 4 FOR <b>\$1<sup>00</sup></b>
GARDEN FRESH GREEN Onions ..... 4 FOR <b>\$1<sup>00</sup></b>	SWEET & JUICY Nectarines ..... LB. <b>99¢</b>
DOLE Cole Slaw Mix ..... 1 LB. <b>88¢</b>	TEXAS RED Grapefruit ..... 4 FOR <b>\$1<sup>00</sup></b>

**FROZEN**

BLUE BUNNY ASSORTED HEALTH SMART Ice Cream ..... 1/2 GAL. **\$2<sup>99</sup>**

BLUE BUNNY ASSORTED SWEET FREEDOM Frozen Yogurt ... 1/2 GAL. **\$2<sup>99</sup>**

BLUE BUNNY HEALTH SMART CREME BARS OR Fudge Bars ..... 6 CT. **\$2<sup>39</sup>**

BANQUET ASSORTED Cream Pies ..... 14 OZ. **\$1<sup>29</sup>**

ASSORTED Jenos' Pizza ... 7.2-8.1 OZ. **99¢**

**DAIRY**

KRAFT ORIG./MEXICAN Shredded Velveeta ... 8 OZ. **\$1<sup>69</sup>**

KRAFT STACK PACK American Singles .. 16 OZ. **\$2<sup>89</sup>**

KRAFT CREAM CHEESE Philly Free ..... 8 OZ. **\$1<sup>19</sup>**

**HEALTH & BEAUTY**

4 CT. NYQUIL HOT THERAPY OR ORIG./CHERRY NyQuil Cold Medicine 8 OZ. **\$3<sup>39</sup>**

VICKS DayQuil Liquid ..... 6 OZ. **\$3<sup>39</sup>**

TABLETS OR CAPLETS Aleve Pain Relief ..100 CT. **\$7<sup>99</sup>**

ORIGINAL OR CHERRY Pepto-Bismol Tablets ...30 CT. **\$2<sup>69</sup>**

4 OZ. MAX. STR. OR 8 OZ. ORIGINAL Pepto-Bismol Liquid YOUR CHOICE **\$2<sup>69</sup>**

ASSORTED SHAMPOO Selsun Blue or Gold.....4 OZ. **\$2<sup>99</sup>**

**FRESH Pork Butt Roast** **89¢** LB.

COUNTRY STYLE <b>Pork Ribs</b> <b>1<sup>19</sup></b> LB.	PREFERRED TRIM BNLS. <b>Top Sirloin Steak</b> <b>2<sup>59</sup></b> LB.	FRESH <b>Pork Steak</b> <b>1<sup>19</sup></b> LB.
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**HERITAGE VALLEY CHICKEN BREAST TENDERLOINS** **\$3<sup>29</sup>** LB.

TENDERIZED BEEF **Cube Steak**.....LB. **\$2<sup>49</sup>**

CUBE BEEF **Stew Meat**.....LB. **\$2<sup>39</sup>**

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