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Southwestern Bell Awards Grants To City of McLean & Chamber

Southwestern Bell, represented by Mr. and Mrs. Gary Stevens, announced on November 23, during a dinner at the Red River Steak House in McLean, the recipients of its 1999 Texas Economic Excellence Grants for the Panhandle area. Three organizations in the Panhandle area will be receiving approximately \$7,500 in grants to enhance the economic development in their communities.

The grant recipients for the area are McLean, Shamrock and Stinnett. The McLean Chamber of Commerce represented at

the dinner by President Vonda Averett, Vice-President Diana Roosa accompanied by husband Steve, and Mayor Charlie McClendon will receive \$1,000.00 this year.

Southwestern Bell, working with the Texas Rural Development Council, the Texas Economic Development Council, and other organizations interested in the economic development of the State of Texas, has provided approximately \$250,000 to 84 cities in Texas this year to enhance the economic well-being of individual communities.

"The Economic

Excellence Grants have become an important way for Southwestern Bell to support the communities in which it operates," said Gary Stevens, external affairs manager for Southwestern Bell. "Texas cities offer an unparalleled quality of life and Southwestern Bell is proud to lend a hand in the preservation and advancement of these communities."

During the ten years that Southwestern Bell

See Bell, pg. 9



Gary Stevens, representing Southwestern Bell presents Vonda Averett, president of the McLean Chamber of Commerce and Charlie McClendon, Mayor of the City of McLean a check for \$1,000.00.



Mayor of Stinnett Tommy Batson shakes hands with Southwestern Bell representative Gary Stevens.

Lady's Defeat Miami 44-28

Three teams played against Miami here on November 23. The Junior Varsity boys lost by a small margin of 17-20. Chris Sparling led the scoring with 7, Josh Seymour and Drew Barker both added 4 points and Ricky Smith had two points.

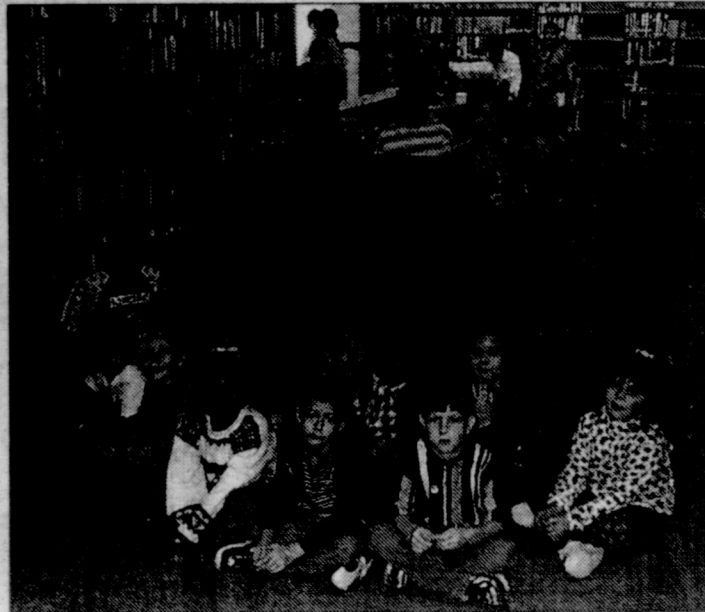
In Varsity action, the Tigers were defeated with a score of 22-40. Brett

Montgomery and Bradley Sawyer held top scores with 9 points each. Derek Studebaker had 8 points, Chris Hauck scored 2, Aaron Rice 2 and Brian Fuller had 1 point.

The Lady Tigers fared much better by defeating Miami 44-28. Lacey Steele led the pack with 16 points, Amanda Cline

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Second Graders Hatch Dinosaur



The second grade class now has a Diplodocus on display at the Lovett Memorial Library. The second grade class studied dinosaurs for about six weeks while the making of the diplodocus took place.

The students learned many facts about dinosaurs. They also

learned how to work together as a group on making decisions. Through the making of the dinosaur, students learned about proportion and color, measurement, and recycling.

The students did research using reference books to discover which Texas dinosaurs were

carnivores and which ones were herbivores. They also had a chance to pretend that they were paleontologists at a dinosaur dig. They had a chance to dig for fossils in a man-made mountain. The students also used the internet to match dinosaur skulls to the body of a dinosaur.

See Dinosaur, pg. 9

McLean Reminders...

PTA MEETING tonight at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

HIGH SCHOOL will travel to Miami for a tournament Dec. 2-4.

JR. HIGH basketball teams will play Samnorwood, here, Dec. 6 at 6:00 p.m.

H.S. BASKETBALL teams travel to Dumas Dec. 7 at 6:00 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL will meet Dec. 9 at 7:00 p.m.

MCLEAN HIGH will have a basketball tourney December 9 & 11.

GRADES 2-12 will perform a Christmas Musical December 16 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

MCLEAN ISD Christmas Holiday Dec. 18 - Jan. 3, 2000.

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BRIEFS

McLean Birthdays Anniversaries
 December 2 - R.C. Parker, Mason Reynolds.
 December 4 - Inez Trostle, Buck Lee, David Burrow.
 December 5 - Tammy Carter, Ryan Swanson, Marjorie Turnage, Amber Staton, Misty Keene, Craig Cunningham.
 December 6 - Mike Long, Bud Steel.
 December 7 - Mary Emma Woods, Judy Orrick, Dawson Jackson.
 December 8 - Randall Wynn, Bo Loya, Jamie Glass, Katy Graham.

New Arrival
 Brandy and Kyle Leatherwood of McLean are the proud new parents of baby girl, Braylee Lynn. She was born on November 14, 1999 at 12:33 a.m. at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. Braylee weighed seven pounds and fourteen ounces and was twenty inches long. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. O.C. Shelton of Stinnett, Sherry Leatherwood of Tulia and Doyce and Mary Keen of Plainview.

A warm and thankful Thanksgiving was had by Jim and Darlene Hankison when they had a houseful of family. David Spencer from Dallas; Richard and Krystal Marchon from Amarillo; Raylene Houchin from Amarillo; and the Warner family from McLean. God blessed us.

Thank You Card

To everyone who helped when our daughter, Katie Warner, fell off a ladder while washing a "Big Foot" truck at their shop on W. 1st.

The E.M.S. was there within minutes and transported her to Amarillo.

She is fine now, and back home, with a sore back and bruises. Maybe she will only wash "Little Feet" from now on!
 Darlene & Jim Hankison

Thanksgiving dinner for the family of Pat Barker was held in the home of her granddaughter and her husband, Patsy and Kenny Snider in Dallas, Texas.

Those attending were Jim and Susan Barker of Amarillo, Pat Barker of McLean and Jamie Barker of West Point, New York.

While there Pat visited her high school friend, Jerry Truhill, a member of Mercury 13 women astronauts. They had not seen one another for 20 years.

Next year they all look forward to being together for the holidays in the new home of Patsy and Kenny Snider, which they are presently building in North Plano.

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Tommy Henson Performs At Steak House

If anyone has not heard Mr. Tommy Henson performing at the Red River Steak House in McLean, then you have really missed out on some good old country music. Henson performs at the restaurant from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. live Tuesday through Saturday.

Henson has been performing music for over 30 years. He combines yesterday's treasures with today's sound. The guitar Tommy uses is a 1959 Gibson Melody Maker his dad bought him brand

new. The background music you hear is not canned or cassette tapes; it is computer generated. Each sound is input into the computer with a piano keyboard, then converted into the different instruments one hears. Using a vocal processor enables Tommy to sing harmony with himself. Henson is from Pampa.



Tommy Henson performs regularly at Red River Steak House with his Gibson Melody Maker guitar. His Dad bought it for him in 1959.

McLean Briefs

A note from Pauline Pierce of Las Cruces, New Mexico stated that she enjoys reading "The McLean News." She also enjoys coming back for visits and said "There will always be a part of me there in my heart besides my mother still lives there, Minnie Erwin."

Loaves and Fishes Canned Food Drive




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| Appleauce | Lima, Ranch, Etc. |
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Drop off at McLean Elementary or Trinity Baptist Church. Thanks so much for your support the last two years! We couldn't do it without you.

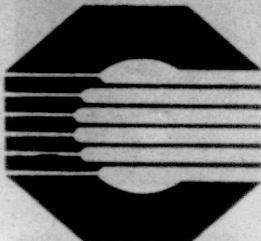
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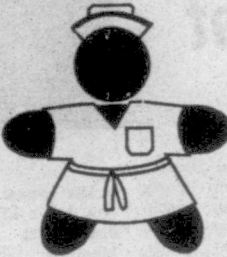



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Southwestern Bell Awards Grants

has awarded the Economic Excellence Grants, communities have used their grant money for projects including recycling programs, support for the Keep Texas Beautiful and Don't Mess With Texas Adopt a Highway programs and restoration of historic business districts. Last year, McLean Chamber of Commerce received a \$3,000.00 grant to repair storm damage to the downtown area. Windows were replaced in several businesses downtown along with shingles and paint touch-ups.

The Economic Excellence Grant is awarded in cities with a population of 125,000 or less and is only available to government entities or organizations that have an interest in the economic development of the community.

"These grants are not intended for businesses or individuals. Our wish is that government or community groups use these funds to make their cities a better place to live and work," said Stevens.

Southwestern Bell's financial assistance supports innovative proposals that fund partnerships with economic development groups, cities, counties and existing industry programs.

Others attending the awards ceremony along with Gary and Jean Stevens and others listed included Bridget Renfro,

Director, EDC, Shamrock; Alan Renfro, President EDC, FNB President, Shamrock; Noel Walton EPIA Ins. Inc./Mayor Pro-Tem, Shamrock; Jessica Brooks, County Star-News, Shamrock; James Stroud, City of Stinnett City Manager, Stinnett; Tommy Batson, Mayor Stinnett; Kathy Batson spouse of mayor of Stinnett; Phil Miller, The McLean News; Steve Roosa, Vice President Chamber of Commerce, McLean; and Mrs. Noel Walton, Shamrock.

Jr. High Cagers Battle Ft. Elliott

The Junior High Cubs and Cubettes played Ft. Elliott on November 29. The Cubs were defeated 40-22.

Scoring for the team was Tyler Hanes, Zane Richardson and Terrance Fite with 6 points each. Lucas Seymour and Dusty Moody helped by scoring 2 points each.

The Cubettes were also defeated with a score of 18-41. Xenia Buckhaults scored 1 for the team as did Kendall Newton. Jamie Seitz had 2 points and Jennifer Greer also had 2 points. Sarai Sawyer had top score for the team with 12 points.

Lady Tigers

added 13, Shaley Steele had 5, Randi Riley scored 4, Annie Weaver had 3, Amanda Hauck helped with 2 points and Cesily Cadra added 1 points.

The Tigers and Lady Tigers will participate in the Miami tournament that starts today and ends on Saturday.

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Jonathan Galley Inducted To Alpha Chi At WTAMU

Jonathan Galley was recently inducted into the Texas Zeta Chapter of Alpha Chi, the National Honor Society at West Texas A&M University. Membership in Alpha Chi is limited to students with a GPA of at least 3.50, who rank in the top ten percent of the Junior and Senior classes. According to Dr. Diana

J. Rosa, Sponsor of the Texas Zeta Chapter of Alpha Chi, membership in Alpha Chi is one of the highest academic honors a student may receive at WTAMU. An induction ceremony for new members was held Sunday, November 14, 1999 in the Alumni Banquet Hall of WTAMU.

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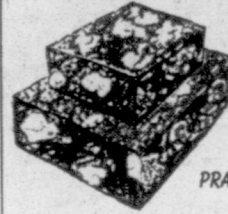
On November 22, the second graders showed their dinosaur to their parents at the library. They sang the song "Long Time Ago" under the direction of Mrs. Watkins.

The class consists of Katy Acuna, Tucker Adams, Nancy Castillo, Daniel Connors, Caleb Crawford, Lisa Ellis, Lyndsey Ellis, Sheri Haynes, Mark Jeffries, Dustin Lee, Caitlin Mantooth, Joshua Martin, Zachary Odom, Brian Shackelford, Jessi Skipper and Amber Staton.

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Prairie Flowers
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Amanda Cline

Puckett's Grocery
Bank of Commerce
C & H Supply
Country Corner
Taylor's Food Mart
The McLean News

McLean Area Obituaries

Phillip L. Lisman
BORGER - Phillip L. Lisman, former McLean resident, 73, died Friday, November 26, 1999.

Services were Monday in Brown Funeral Directors Chapel of the Fountains with the Rev. Scott Rankin officiating. Burial was in Westlawn Cemetery.

Mr. Lisman was born in Sherman and had lived in Borger for 52 years. He worked for Phillips Petroleum Company for 36 years and retired as a supervisor.

During World War II, he served with the Navy. He was a member of Fairlanes Baptist Church and a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

He married Pleasant Little in 1973 at Borger. His stepson, Craig Little, died in 1991.

Survivors include his wife; a stepson, Roger Little of Borger; a stepdaughter, Karen Griffith of Fort Worth; and a brother, Maxie Lisman of Panhandle.

The family suggests memorials be to Baptist St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79106; or Fairlanes Baptist Church in Borger.

Thelma Stevens
Thelma Stevens, 92, died Sunday, November 28, 1999.

Services were Tuesday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. James Martindale officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery by Lamb Funeral Home.

Mrs. Stevens was born in Collin County and had lived in McLean for 70 years. She was a homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church.

She married James Stevens in 1927. He died in 1994.

Survivors include three daughters, Mary Lee Turner of Pampa, and Evelyn Blaylock and Jo Ann Sherrod, both of Amarillo; a son, Jim

Stevens of Bedford; a brother, Melvin McCabe of McLean; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Lacy B. Boyd
Lacy B. Boyd, 94, died Thursday, November 18, 1999 at Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Graveside services were at Olympus Cemetery, northwest of Childress, on Monday November 22, 1999 under the direction of Johnson Funeral Home of Childress.

Mr. Boyd was born May 27, 1905 in Bartlesville, OK and married Gertie May Hall in 1928 in Childress.

She preceded him in death in 1993. A granddaughter, Kimberly Clark House also preceded him in death in 1978.

Mr. Boyd spent his working years drilling oil wells for Rowan Drilling Company, in Houston, Texas from which he retired in 1964 and lived most of the retirement years in Wellington, Texas.

He is survived by two daughters Joanne Boyd Clark and husband Merlin, Billie Boyd Larrison and husband Owen; two sisters, Luty Boyd B. Vaughn, Canyon and Pauline Boyd Wesley, Happy; four grandsons; one granddaughter; and twelve great-grandchildren.

Alice Carpenter Graham
Alice Carpenter Graham, 87, died Thursday, November 18, 1999, at Jolla, California after a brief illness.

There was a memorial service in Del Mar, CA on November 21, 1999 and a graveside service in Hillcrest Cemetery at McLean on November 24, with Jim Reyna officiating. Arrangements were by Lamb Funeral Home.

Alice was born in McLean on January 16, 1912 to Lou and John Carpenter who settled in McLean in the late 1800's. Her mother,

father, three brothers, (Ned, Bert and Milton) and sister Emma Lou preceded her in death.

Alice married George Graham in McLean in 1932. They lived in Texas, New Mexico, Nebraska and California. George preceded her in death in 1978. They had five children with daughter Lou Ann preceding her in death in 1957.

Survivors include two daughters, Jane Jones of Del Mar and Janice Graham of San Francisco; two sons, George Graham, Jr. of Palo Alto, California, and John Graham of Douglasville, Georgia; eight grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

She loved her family and cherished the time she spent with them. Her passing has left a big void in the family.

The family requests memorials be to Hillcrest Cemetery Association c/o Bill Reeves, P.O. Box 167, McLean, TX 79057.

Sherry Odell Calcote Martin

Sherry Odell Calcote Martin, 47, died November 29, 1999 in Amarillo, Texas. Services were Wednesday, December 1, 1999 in First Baptist Church of McLean with the Rev. Terry Wilson and Rev. James Martindale officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean.

Mrs. Martin was born January 19, 1952 in Pampa, Texas and married Mike Martin May 19, 1971 in McLean. She was a former resident of McLean and of Sudan, living there for ten years. She had been a resident of Amarillo for the past two years. She was a teacher's assistant and a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, Mike, of the home; two daughters, Brandy Martin and Joey Eckert both of Lubbock; her parents Odis and Katharine Calcote of

McLean Care Center News

Sunday activities began for the residents with Sunday School presented by the Friendship Methodist Church. In the afternoon church services were with the Church of Christ.

Attending services were Mary Audleman, Fern Boyd, Florence Drake, Helen Simmons, Sue Cubine, Boots Phillips, Essie Knowles, Pat Seymour, Polly Burnett, Marjorie Turnage, Dorothy Patterson, Bill Anderson, Fern Patching, Thelma Finson, Johnnie Mertel, George Orrick, Dovie Simmons, Phyllis Bailey, Beryl Halbert, Christine Shipley, Jess Coleman, Varnie Lowe, Ruth Caudill, Hadda Moore, Don York, Dick Wheeler, Charles Weaver, Relia Ayers, Bessie

Words Of Wisdom

There is a beautiful and an ugly way in which to say almost everything, and happiness depends upon which way we take. (Delia L. Porter)

McClemore, Glynda Martin, Willie Wheeler, and Truman Goodlett.

Activities this week began with barber shop on Monday for the men and bingo in the afternoon. The Lion's Club furnished bananas for the snack, which are always very much appreciated.

Tuesday morning the Church of Christ people brought goodies for the

morning social. Thursday was Thanksgiving and wishes are sent hoping everyone had a blessed and happy Thanksgiving.

Raymond Phillips is in the hospital with special wishes from everyone for his speedy recovery.

Saturday, December 4th is the December Birthdays Party. Everyone welcome to attend.

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Sunday Evening Worship 7 pm

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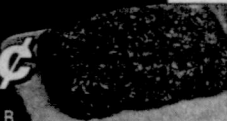
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Thursday, November 25, 1999

Tigers Leave Coyotes Howling....

Groom Advances To State Semi-Finals

The Groom Tigers leap to the semi-finals after beating Borden County last week, 20 to 12. With just one more step to the state finals the Tigers will face Rule at Floydada on Friday, December 3 at 7:30 p.m.

"Rule has a good team with a lot of speed," stated Head Coach Larry Reid. "They had several good players returning from last year and a very good athlete, perhaps their best, moved into the district last summer."

"They have some size on the line and are very explosive in their scoring techniques," continued Reid. "We have to play with the same intensity

as last week in order to be successful with this very effective team."

A pep rally will be held on Friday at 2:55 at the gym.

Get out and show your spirit as the Tigers make their bid for the state semi-finals!

Tigers Leave Coyotes Howling!

The Groom Tigers beat one of the top teams in the state of Texas last week after traveling to Floydada to face the Gail-Borden County Coyotes.

Groom led with their rushing game gaining 246 yards on 36 carries. The Coyotes were held to 159 yards on 32 carries.

Groom had 9 first downs to their 8.

The Tigers gained 45 yards with their passing game completing 6 of 12 attempts, while Borden County completed 7 of 16 passes for 54 yards and one touchdown and two interceptions.

The Tigers kicked 2 punts for an average of 37 yards. The Coyotes three punts averaged 36 yards.

Both teams had far more fumbles than Groom normally sees. The Tigers had eight, recovering two while the Coyotes had 7 fumbles, recovering only 1.

Chris Ollinger scored first on a 46 yard run

and with a successful kick by Dusty Crump the score at the end of the first quarter was 8 to 0. Borden County came back with touchdowns in the second and third quarters making the score 8-12.

Groom's Tigers got back in the game in the third quarter with a 2 yard run by Wade Ritter to bring Groom a 2 point lead, 14-12.

In the fourth quarter, Clay Ritter intercepted a pass for a 54-yard return to score the final touchdown of the game.

Chris Ollinger led the yards rushing category with 8 carries for 100 yards. See Football, pg. 5



Wade Ritter carries the ball as Groom carries the victory against Borden County.

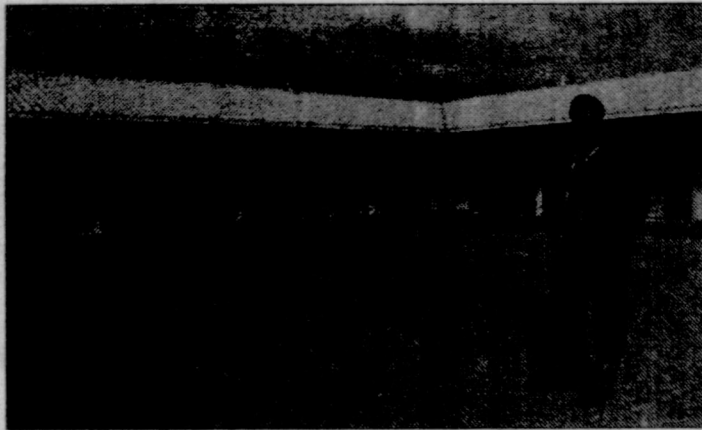
Route 66 Storage Opens Under New Ownership

Groom's storage facility is under a new name and new ownership. Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Noack have recently purchased the business from Chris Britten and are now accepting rental on the storage rooms.

"We are happy to join the business community in Groom," stated Mr. Noack, who is also the Groom School principal.

The facility has 42 units available for storing those extra items that clutter one's garage and attic. Prices range from \$19.95 to \$79.95 per

See Route 66, pg. 3



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

THE CITY Council will meet on December 14.

THE BUSY Day Luncheon will be held on December 18th from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at the home of Juanita Brown.

SCHOOL WILL be released at 3:00 p.m. on Dec. 15 & 16th. Semester test schedule.

ALL SCHOOL Christmas program will be Saturday, Dec. 13 at 6:00 pm.

FINANCIAL AID Meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on Dec. 13 for Seniors and their parents.

DEC. 17TH will begin Christmas vacation at 1:00 p.m.

THE CITY OF Groom home decorating contest will be judged on December 18. Be sure to have your home ready for judging.

METHODIST Church Christmas Program will be Wednesday, December 15 at 6:30 p.m.

COMMUNITY Choir practice for the Christmas Contata at the Methodist Church Sundays at 5:00 p.m. All voices welcome.

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As a property owner and taxpayer in our county, I am concerned that our tax dollars are spent wisely. With declining oil prices in early 1999 our mineral valuations took a big hit. As this year ends, oil

prices have rebounded greatly, which should help us regain much of our lost mineral valuations. Our county is financially sound. I am proud of the accomplishments I have made as commissioner, and I would like the opportunity to continue to serve you.

With this, I ask your continued support on my bid for re-election to the office of Carson County Commissioner Precinct 1.

Sincerely,
Mike Britten

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Local Happenings

Rip and Joy Snyder spent Monday visiting with Dorothy McKee in McLean. They had lunch at JB's Restaurant in Alanreed.

Juanita and Don Callaway and Cheryl of Channelview visited her mother, Julia McKee this past week.

On Monday, November 22, David, Diane and Janie accompanied Cleo to White Deer for a grooming appointment. The girls kept David entertained. The "Trio" enjoyed lunch and each others company at Mama Jo's.

Rip and Joy Snyder visited the Neals in Clarendon on Saturday.

Groom Birthdays Anniversaries
 December 3 - Calvin Clay Schaffer, Darlene Jones, Jill Ann Britten, Lillian Wakefield, Forrest McLaughlin, Cheyann Ellen Wortham.

December 4 - R.A. Snyder, Martie Jo Phillips.

December 6 -
 December 8 - Brooke Britten, John Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest McLaughlin (A).

Glynn D and Sybil Harrell and Bob and Louise Mulkey of Panhandle visited Thanksgiving Day in the home of Glynda Eschle in Lubbock. Others present were Darron and Brandi Eschle, Madison and Bailey of Flowermound, James and Erin Kate Wolf, Elysa and Camden of Austin and Jason Eschle and Jerry Houchin of Lubbock.

Celebrating Thanksgiving and two birthdays on Sunday were hosts Al and Ginger Alward, Jim and Donna Burton of Groom, Allie and Norris Hoyt of Groom, Terry, Brenda & Britanny Alward of Dumas, Melody Burton and her fiance and his children, Hal Simpson, Lauren, Kaytlynn, and Brittan all of Amarillo. Punkin and Patches Alward were also in attendance.

Brittian and Ginger were the birthday "kids".


Thank You Card
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Thought For The Day
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Sunday, December 5
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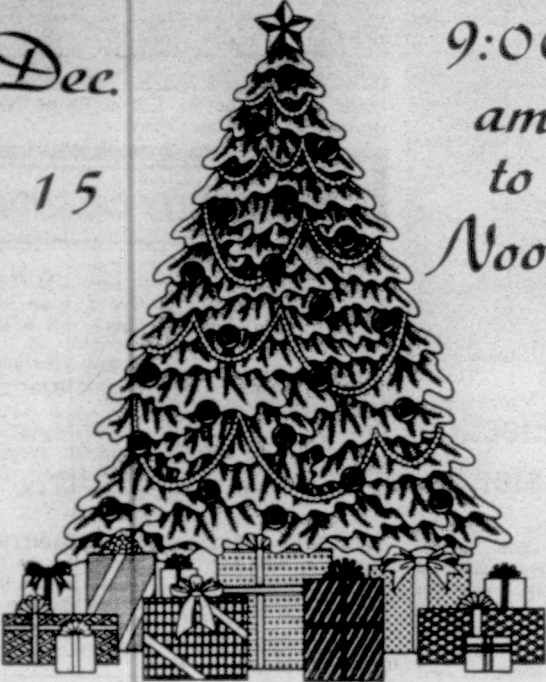
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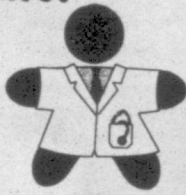
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Varsity, Jr. Varsity Girls Battle Clarendon & Claude

While Groom's attention has still been focused on the football team's bid for the state championship, Groom's basketball season is up and running.

Groom's High School played Clarendon recently.

The girls junior varsity lost to Clarendon 26 to 40. Staci Britten led the scoring with 10 points. Lauren Crowell had 7 and Jill Britten added 4 points. Jessica Bates and Michelle Stephens each contributed 2 points and Amanda Martin added 1.

The Varsity girls also lost to Clarendon by the score of 58-23.

Carrie Davis led the scoring for the Tigerettes with 11 points. Jessica Kempley added another 8 points. Amanda Conrad

and Jodi Homen each added 2 points.

The girls faced off with their long time rivals Claude last week.

The J.V. team won 37-31. Jill Britten was high point with 13 points. Staci Britten added another 9. Brin Burgin gained 5 points for Groom while Jessica Bates put in another 3 and Lauren Crowell had 2 points.

The Varsity girls lost to Claude 57-43.

Carrie Davis claimed top scoring honors netting 22 points for Groom.

Krisanne Davis added another 6 points. Amanda Conrad and Candace Bohr each put in another 4 points. Jodi Homen put in 3 points.

Skye Brown and Jessica Bates scored 2 points each.

Carson Co. Sheriff's Report

By Gary Robertson, Sheriff

There were sixteen persons booked into the Carson County Jail during the week of November 22 through November 28, 1999. Currently, there are 17 persons incarcerated and 9 additional prisoners being held in other jurisdictions. There has recently been a rash of trailer thefts and vacant building burglaries. Please reassess your methods of locking up your valuables.

Arrests for the week include:

- Clemmie Smith, 24, Traffic Tickets.
- Freddric Jackson, 22, Driving While Intoxicated, 1st.
- Troy D. Orand, 19,

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Political Calendar

The Groom News is authorized to present the names of the following candidates for office, subject to the Elections to be held on Nov. 8. A fee of \$35.00 has been paid by each candidate for listing in this column from now till the final election in November.

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Ubaldo Vargas, 25, Public Intoxication.
Fidel Pacheco, 30, Driving While Intoxicated, 1st.

Jose Escobar, 29, Driving While License Suspended.

Criminal Trespass.

Gary B. Laramore, 27, Driving While Intoxicated, 1st.

David L. Lovejoy, 22, Criminal Mischief.

Antonio Gonzales, 31, Driving While Intoxicated, 1st; Failure to Identify to Officer; Traffic Tickets.

Mario Martinez, 20, Tampering With Government Records.

Johnny E. Claunch, 62, Driving While Intoxicated, 2nd.

Groom Junior High

Groom Junior High girls played a close game against Silverton, losing by a narrow margin, 30 to 26.

Sharri Britten led the scoring with 10 points. Carol Wilson added another 8 points while Magan Bivens put in 6 points and Britteny Martin had 2 points.

Groom School Menu

December 6 - 10

Monday

Breakfast: Cold cereal muffins, juice, milk.
Lunch: Fajitas, sauteed onion and green pepper, shredded lettuce, pineapple, milk.

Tuesday

Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk.
Lunch: Tiger baskets, French fries, Texas toast, pears, milk.

Wednesday


Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, hash brown potatoes, juice, milk.
Lunch: Pizza, salad, crackers, fruit cocktail, milk.

Thursday

Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, milk.
Lunch: Soft tacos, shredded lettuce, cut corn, jello, milk.

Friday

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Clark - McMullen Exchange Vows

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MOM

GO TIGERS GOOD LUCK IN THE SEMI- FINALS
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Groom Area Obituaries

Former Groom Resident Dies In Arizona
 Rosebelle Townsend Gill, a former Groom resident, passed away with services being held in Douglas, Arizona on Thursday, December 2, 1999 at 1:30 p.m.
 She is survived by her husband, Raymond; one daughter, Patsy and one son Donald Gill.

Glenn William Reid
AMARILLO - Glenn William Reid, 67, died Friday, November 26, 1999 at San Antonio, Texas.
 Services were Tuesday, November 30, 1999 in Paramount Baptist Church in Amarillo with Rev. F.M. Byford, Pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon with arrangements by Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc. of Clarendon.

Mr. Reid was born August 28, 1932 in Clarendon and was a resident of White Deer before moving to Amarillo in 1953. He married Patsy Jackson on June 5, 1952 at Clarendon. He had been a butcher at Amarillo Packing Company from 1953 until retiring in 1993. He was a U.S. Army Veteran of the Korean Conflict, and was a member of the Paramount Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Patsy Reid of Amarillo; one daughter, Treena Stephenson of Amarillo; one sister, Bert Rackley of Long Beach,

North Carolina; and two grandchildren, Luke Stephenson and Spencer Stephenson.

Casket bearers were Mike Jackson, Steve Jackson, Tom Stephenson, Ron Weeks, Kenny Weeks and Brian McGee.

The family respectfully requests that memorials be to Citizens Cemetery Association in Clarendon or Paramount Baptist Church Building Fund in Amarillo.

W.E. Bichsel Sr. Services Held
 W.E. Bichsel Sr., 76, died Wednesday, November 17, 1999.

Wake service was held on Friday, November 19, 1999 at St. Theresa's Catholic Church of Panhandle. Funeral mass was held on Saturday, November 20, 1999, in St. Theresa's Catholic Church with the Rev. Jim Hutzler officiating. Burial was in the Panhandle Cemetery by Minton-Chatwell Funeral Directors of Panhandle.

Born in White Deer, Mr. Bichsel had been a Panhandle resident since 1946. He was a farmer and member of St. Theresa's Catholic Church, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Panhandle Country Club. During World War II, he served in the army.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lucy Marie Bichsel in 1985.

Survivors include two sons, Willie Bichsel, Jr., of Panhandle, and Ronnie Bichsel of Checotah, Oklahoma; seven brothers, Wallace, George, Louis, James,

Marian, Robert and Gerald Bichsel; one sister, Lorraine Albus; eight grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Roy M. (Hub) Hubbard
WHITE DEER - Roy M. (Hub) Hubbard, 84, died Saturday, November 27, 1999, at Amarillo. Services were in First Baptist Church of White Deer with John Collis, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery at Pampa under the direction of Carmichael-Whitely Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Hubbard was born November 30, 1914, at Prescott, Arkansas. He married Nola Smith on February 14, 1936 at Wheeler. He had been a White Deer resident since 1950. He worked for Phillips Petroleum for about 35 years, retiring in 1980.

He was a 50-year member of White Deer Lions Club and belonged to First Baptist Church of White Deer.

Survivors include his wife, Nola, of the home; two daughters, Lavanda Mankins of Marble Falls and Cindy Wegman of Fleetwood, Pa.; four grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church of White Deer or to BSA Hospice of Amarillo.



Football

yards and one touchdown. Chris also received passes for 5 yards, kicked two punts for an average of 37 yards, and had seven unassisted tackles.

Dewayne Gray rushed for 59 yards on two carries and had five unassisted tackles.

Carrying the ball 14 times for 49 yards and one touchdown, Wade Ritter also had three unassisted tackles.

Garrett Britten had a good game carrying the ball 10 times for 48 yards, 3 punt returns for 11 yards, and one fumble recovery. He also had two unassisted tackles.

Quarterback Grant Weinheimer connected on 50% of his passes gaining 45 yards for the Tigers. He also carried the ball twice.

Evan Crowell was once again a defensive leader completing 20 unassisted tackles for Groom. He caught the ball three

times for 24 yards and intercepted a pass gaining 8 yards.

Clay Ritter, also a defensive leader, gained 10 unassisted tackles for Groom. He received the ball for 18 yards on two passes and had one interception running 25 yards for a touchdown.

Dusty Crump made five unassisted tackles and kicked two extra points for Groom.

Josiah Scott and Dustin Babcock each completed one unassisted tackle for the Tiger defense.

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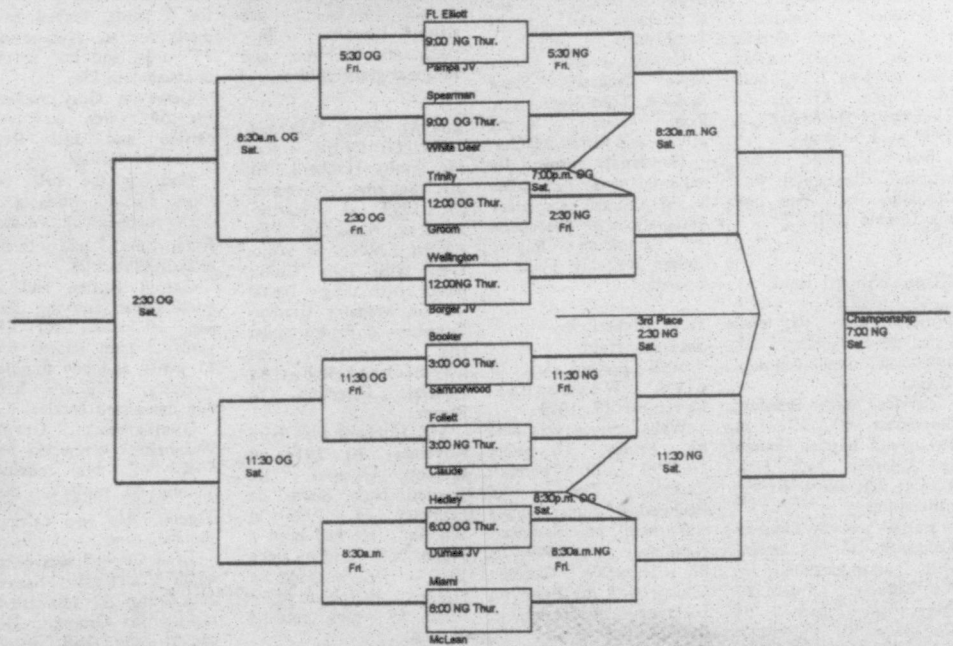
The Superintendent's Corner

Board To Begin Decision Making Process In Regard To Bond Sales

By John Wilson, Superintendent
 The Groom ISD Board of Trustees and I would like to sincerely thank all the voters in the recent bond election. Whether you voted for or against the proposal, your participation indicates an interest in the school and in the future of our students and community. We believe the sale of these bonds will provide facilities improvements that will allow the school to continue to serve students well into the next century. The district will also be in a more stable financial position as we face

uncertain funding in the future. Over the next few months the board will be making decisions regarding when to sell the bonds and details about the projects to be undertaken. We will attempt to keep the public informed at every step of the process. Congratulations to our football team as they continue to advance. They always exhibit sportsmanship and a commitment to excellence that is typical of this community. Everyone should be proud of these young men and their coaches. Go Tigers!

Miami Tomahawk Invitational December 2, 3, & 4



Carson County Food Show Held

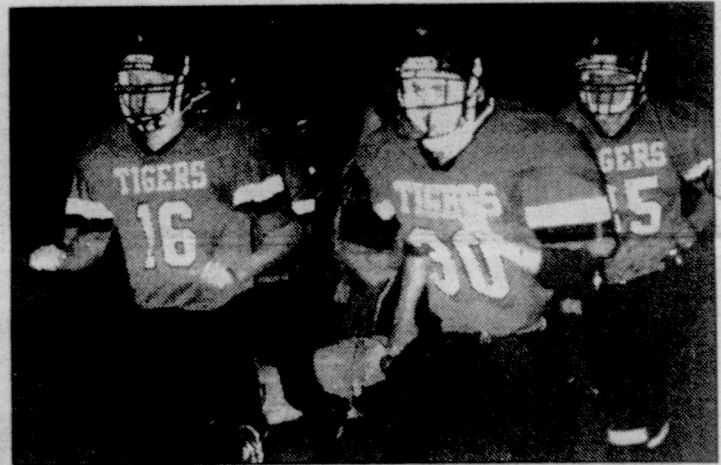
The Carson County 4-H Food Show was held Saturday, November 20, 1999 in the Panhandle First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. There were 25 contestants who prepared paperwork and their favorite dish, giving nutritional and preparation information to the Judges. Audrey Koetting, Molly Murdock, Andrea Berry and Cindy Britten were entered in the Breads and cereals division. Ryan Vance, Jade Bradford, Kate Koetting, MacKenzie Gabel, Britney Daves, Erik Vance and Brooke Britten (of Groom) prepared the Fruits/Vegetable division. Chad Ewing, Jessica Dettin, Hannah Murdock, Berkley Ruthardt (of Groom), and Lainie Britten (of Groom)

prepared a Main Dish. Brittany Weinheimer, Bailee Ruthardt, Macie Britten (Groom girls) and Matt Ewing, Georgia Trimble and Rebecca Sinclair prepared Nutritious Snacks and Desserts. The Pee Wee contestants were: Jacy Bradford, Addison Ewing and Morgan Britten (of Groom). Best Record had a three way tie for first place in the Junior Division with Hannah Murdock, Molly Murdock and Berkley Ruthardt (of Groom). The Intermediate Best Record went to Erik Vance and Senior Record Book to Cindy Britten. Best Rookie award went to Jade Bradford. Best Display was won by

Ryan Vance. Contestants with the highest scores will advance to District Contest in December. These include: Main Dish, Chad Ewing and Lainie Britten. Fruits and Vegetables, Ryan Vance, Erik Vance, Brooke Britten. Breads and Cereals, Audrey Koetting, Audrea Berry and Cindy Britten. Nutritious Snacks and Desserts, Brittany Weinheimer and Macie Britten.

Thought For The Day

Blessed is the one who is too busy to worry in the daytime and too sleepy to worry at night.



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