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Local Election Certified By Governor George W. Bush



vote so close, I felt obligated to make sure the election returns were accurate."

Kessie will be required to pay for the recount.

Roach, who defeated incumbent district attorney John Mann in a hotly contested Republican primary, said he never thought Kessie would find the votes necessary to reverse the election but doesn't hold it against him for trying.

"First off, he was perfectly within his rights to ask for a recount," Roach said. "I think, practically speaking, I've never seen a recount in this part of the world come anywhere near making that much of a difference, but I certainly don't fault him for doing it."

Roach said he is beginning the process of transitioning into his new position, including meeting with sheriffs and police chiefs in the district to foster a better working relationship with law enforcement.

One of Roach's first initiatives in office will be to ask Rep. Warren

Chisum, R-Pampa, to introduce a bill placing the 31st District Attorney under the regulation of the Professional Prosecutor's Act, which would require a district attorney to work full time and not practice private law.

"We're finally getting ready to do what we want to do for the people in the district," Roach said. "I promised the people during the campaign that I would be a professional, full-time prosecutor, and that's precisely what I'm going to do."

Roach says he's looking forward to giving up private practice and focusing solely on the district attorney's job.

As for Kessie, who did not run for re-election as Hemphill County Attorney, he will return to private practice, reviewing the lessons learned from the campaign and preparing for a return appearance in the race four years from now.

"I don't have any regrets about the

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McLean Basketball Boys Win 74-45

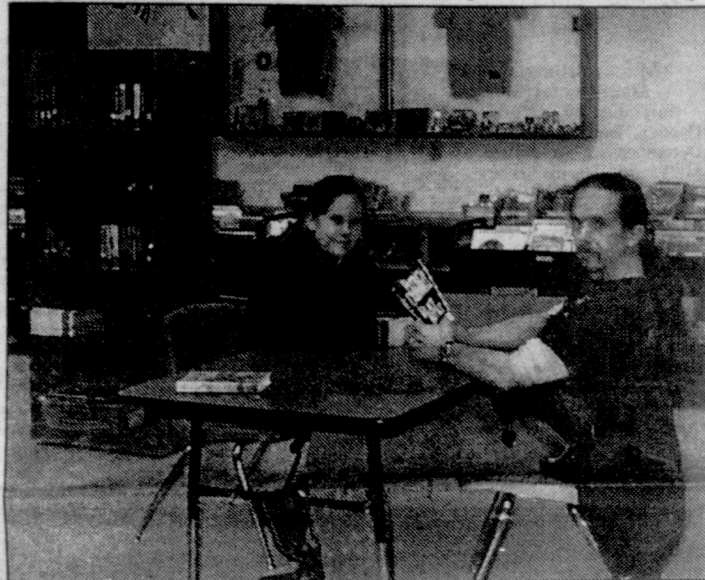
McLean Varsity boys basketball team played Pampa Academy with a resounding victory of 74 to 45.

During the exciting game Randy Floyd scored the high point of the evening with 19 points. Brad Sawyer put in 15, Terrell Hembree and Shane Estes each added 10 points, Nathaniel Roberts scored 8, and Gabriel Veza had 6. David Swafford and Jacob Eddleman each had 2 points.

The Lady Tigers were defeated by Pampa Academy 52-43.

Shaley Steel led the scoring for the Lady's

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Samantha Krueger is shown reading with her dad, Jim Krueger at one of the recent Monday night McLean Elementary Library Family Reading Nights.

Family Night Reading Program Held

McLean Elementary School has started a new after-hours program called "Family Reading Night." It's an opportunity for you and your children to come to the school one night a week to read, together or alone, and to talk about books. It's

also a chance to have fun and invest some quality time in your children, and in their education here at McLean Elementary School.

Family Reading Night is every Monday night from 7:00 - 8:00 in the school library, starting November 13, 2000.

You need not commit to See Books, pg. 10

REMINDERS

BREAST screening will be at the Claude Medical Center at 201 Parks on December 7th and at the First United Methodist Church at 201 E. Foster in Pampa on December 15th. Call 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information.

PTA MEETING will be December 5 at 7:00 pm in the school cafeteria.

VFW AUXILIARY is to have a meeting on Dec. 12 at 6:30 at Linda McAnear's house.

FAMILY Health Clinic will be closed December 5 through December 14.

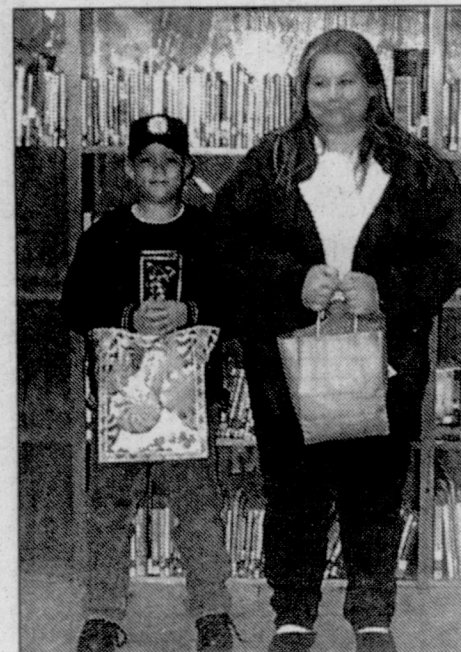
Local Resident Serves On "Silver-Haired" Legislature

Three area residents serve on the Texas Silver Haired Legislature, which met at the Texas House of Representatives in September in Austin to select 10 priority issue resolutions to present to the Texas Legislature for sponsorship.

Silver Haired Legislature representatives in the area include Nikki Gatlin and Mary Latham, both of Amarillo, and Bill Reeves of McLean. The group is comprised of people age 60 and older who have been

elected from 28 regions in Texas.

The Silver Haired Legislature's top priority is to ask the 77th Texas Legislature to rescind the 76th Texas Legislature's bill to terminate the Texas Department on Aging as a state unit, Gatlin said. The legislature plans to merge the entity with the Texas Department of Human Services by September 1, 2003, and rename it the Texas Department on Aging and Disability Services.



Pictured are Deborah Krueger and Mike Krueger who won the monthly drawing at Family Reading Night.

BRIEFS

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Windom and Amy spent Thanksgiving here with his folks.

Clyde Allen Windom was involved in a horrific accident recently that broke one leg in the area of the left knee and the other up at the hip. He had to be airlifted by helicopter to a hospital. He is now hospitalized in Dallas where he is in rehab. It is going to be a long and arduous process for him. Please send a card to him at: 13430 Millgrove, Dallas, Texas 75240.

McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

- November 30 - Cliffie Heasley, Pansy Mounce.
- December 1 - Robert McDonald, Shanna Dent, Anthony Shackelford.
- December 2 - R.C. Parker, Mason Reynolds.
- December 3 - Vicki Smith.
- December 4 - Inez Trostle, Buck Lee, David Burrow, Renee Conners.
- December 5 - Tammy Carter, Ryan Swanson, Marjorie Turnage, Amber Staton, Misty Keene, Craig Cunningham, Paula Wall.
- December 6 - Mike Long, Bud Steel.

SCHOOL BOARD meeting will be November 30th at 6:00 p.m. at the McLean School Business Office.

Pampa Church Sponsors Annual Pageant

The Annual Christmas Pageant presented by Central Baptist Church, Pampa, will be December 2-5 at the church auditorium. Performances will be at 7:00 p.m. nightly with pre-pageant music beginning at 6:45 p.m.

The Christmas Pageant portrays the true meaning of Christmas by telling the life story of Jesus Christ with the spectacular use of music and drama. Dramatic lighting and special effects enhance the audience's experience, but it is the simple message of the love, forgiveness and acceptance that Christ brought to this world that touches their heart and soul. The pageant takes the audience back 2,000 years to experience the life of Christ.

Tickets are free and can be obtained from the church office located at Starkweather and Brown. For other ticket information, call 665-1631.

Community Services Housing Money To Be Distributed

Panhandle Community Services has been selected by USDA Rural Development to administrate a Housing Preservation Grant in the amount of \$83,432 to renovate existing housing within the 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle. Recipients must come from communities of less than 10,000 population and whose incomes are

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prints, candles, sterling jewelry, ornaments, nativity scenes, machine embroidered garments, Christmas and western accent pieces, religious jewelry, children's and adults' novelty shirts and clothes, tamales, and baked goods, just to name a few. Door prizes awarded each half hour will provide an added bonus for those in attendance.

Jefferson. There will be unique gifts, baked goods, holiday decor items and more. The doors will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with lunch offered by Catering by Cheryl.

Among the select items available will be barnwood birdhouses, quilts, topiaries, computer generated notes and

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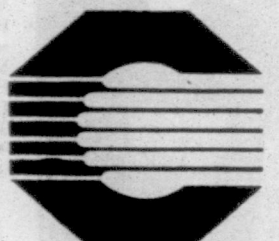
Where: Red River Steakhouse, McLean, Texas
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 (Youth) & Wed. Bible Study, Prayer Meeting 7 pm

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 Wed. Choir 7:00 pm

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 Sunday 9:15

Trinity Baptist Church 603 Commerce
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Election
 campaign," Kessie said. "I certainly don't have any hard feelings against him (Roach), but I saved my (campaign) signs and I'll be back."

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Basketball
 with 16 points. Sarai Sawyer put in 13 more points and Kendal Newton had 7 points on the night.
 The Lady Tigers are playing four freshman in each game and are improving with each game. They are looking to get Randi Riley back this week to help out the team.
 The Tigers and Lady Tigers will play in the Miami Tourney this weekend and will play Miami here in McLean on Tuesday December 5th.

Junior High Kicks Off Basketball Season
 The Junior High Cubs were victorious over the Lefors team with the score of 44-10.
 Zane Richardson led all scorers with 16 points. Tyler Hanes had 10 points for the Cubs and Terry Fite put up 8 points. Lucas Seymour netted 6 points and Andy Kitchens and Dustin Kirkland each put in 2 points.
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The Family Reading Night was attended by Amy, Jordan and Bailey Herring, Rhonda and Loga Sparling, Wendi and Hogan Ketcherside, Stephanie Henson and Gene Smart, Linda and Tammy Syfrett, Casey, Chance, Holly and their mom LaTonya, and Freda and John Holland.

Prizes for the drawing were donated by Freda Holland: Popcorn Balls; Lesa Greer: Homemade Apple Butter; and John Holland: Homemade Bread.

Land Bank Operations Change Successful

Panhandle-Plains Federal Land Bank Association, FLCA announced that the move to direct lender status has proven successful based on end of year projections. The change to a Federal Land Credit Association (FLCA) was approved by the board in late 1999 and by an overwhelming vote of the stockholders in April of 2000.

Panhandle-Plains Federal Land Bank remains a part of the Farm Credit Bank of Texas; however, it now functions as a stand alone entity as opposed to being an agent for the Farm Credit Bank. According to CEO Robert Williams, Jr., "All Land Bank Associations in Texas will be direct lenders by January 1, 2001. But, there will be some variation in structure and services provided by each Association." Williams further explained, "Panhandle-Plains Federal Land Bank has chosen to remain focused on long-term mortgage lending. We believe that we can best add value to membership in the association by continuing to specialize in agricultural real estate."

The good report was echoed by Chairman of the Board, Jerry Oswald. "Thanks to another good year for the Association, Panhandle-Plains Federal Land Bank will be returning a significant payment to its stockholders. We have a

four year history of rewarding our customers in cash for their business,

and we are pleased to report that the rewards will continue in 2001." Oswald explained that the board approved a stock retirement and an interest rate reduction for new loans and existing loans as they re-price. The stock retirement, paid in cash, is to take place in January.

Positive news has been limited this year due to drought conditions, low prices, and increased production costs. Interest rates have increased during the past year as well. Both Williams and Oswald emphasized that Panhandle-Plains Federal Land Bank will remain a reliable source of low-cost, long-term credit.

Panhandle-Plains Federal Land bank directors include: Chairman Jerry Oswald of Abernathy, Ronnie Hopper of Petersburg, Daniel Krienke of Perryton, Dean Burger of Pampa, Rusty Henson of Quitaque, Ervin Davis of Happy, Larry Fairchild of Adrian, Wayne Garrett of Gruver, Dennis Babcock of Groom, and Steve Brown of Floydada. Offices are located in Amarillo, Pampa, Perryton, and Plainview.

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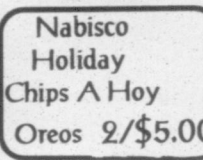
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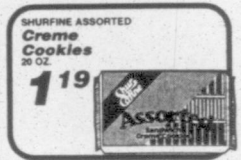
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Santa Saw...

Naughty List
Jimmy Britten for making erroneous pumpkin estimates.

Byron Williamson giving Kevin Noack a hard time.

Johnny Brumley and Bobby Cornett sneaking off for a cup of coffee.

All of the news media (us excluded) for not every shutting-up about the election.

Nice List
Don Lyles and Dan Ashford for

accompanying their wives to Branson, Missouri.

Bonnie Terbush for always being cheerful even when she's not.

Students helping pull Molly Stewart in a wagon after breaking her leg.

Lots of homes already decked out for the holidays.

Tigers Enter Quarterfinal Play-offs

Groom's Tigers will advance to the Quarterfinal game after winning the Regional Championship against Lazbuddie last week, 69-28.

"The boys played with purpose," stated Coach Larry Reid. "The atmosphere was much more like a play-off game than that of Miami vs. Groom. We had one of our best rushing nights ever after Lazbuddie tried to stop our passing game."

The Tigers earned 21 first downs to Lazbuddie's 13. On 32 carries Groom gained 397 yards while holding Lazbuddie to 28 carries and 72 yards rushing. The Tigers completed 7 of 19 passes gaining 135 yards and 2 touchdowns. Lazbuddie completed 11 of 23 passes gaining 172 yards and 3 touchdowns.

Cody Bivens began the scoring with a 31 yard pass from Grant Weinheimer in the 1st quarter.

The second quarter saw 8 touchdowns with Cody Bivens scoring the first

on an 8 yard run. Clay Ritter kicked the point after.

Lazbuddie scored their first T. D. on an 8 yard pass.

Dewayne Gray completed a 4 yard run for a touchdown to bring the score to 20-6.

Lazbuddie passed for 20 yards for a touchdown and their kick was good.

Dewayne Gray returned the kick-off for 47 yards for a touchdown. He quickly came back to score again, this time on a 4 yard run with Clay Ritter making good the kick for the extra points.

Lazbuddie scored a touchdown on a 42 yard pass.

Clay Ritter caught a 13 yard pass from Grant Weinheimer to score. He also kicked the extra points and the half retired with a score of 48-20.

Garrett Britten returned in the third quarter to make a touchdown on a 62 yard run.

Cody Bivens scored on a 35 yard punt return.

Lazbuddie scored for their final time on a 4 yard run.

Dewayne Gray scored a touchdown on a 45 yard run. The extra point was achieved by Clay Ritter on a pass from Grant Weinheimer.

Garrett Britten scored the games final touchdown on a 46 yard run. Clay Ritter made the point after to end the game 69-28.

Individual stats are as follows:

Garrett Britten led the Tigers rushing game with 158 yards on 8 carries, earning 2 touchdowns. He gained 26 yards receiving 2 passes and gained 8 yards on a kick-off return. Britten picked up 18 yards on a punt return and had 3 unassisted tackles.

Dewayne Gray captured four touchdowns for Groom. He carried the ball ten times for 137 yards and three of those touchdowns. He accomplished the other on a 47 yard kick off return. Dewayne also had a fumble recovery and 10 unassisted tackles.

Cody Bivens had an awesome night, rushing 71 yards on ten carries and scoring a touchdown.

He earned 47 yards and a touchdown on two receptions and 35 yards and a touchdown and a punt return.

Clay Britten had 13 yards for the Tigers on two carries and 35 yards on a kick off return. He recovered a fumble and sacked the quarterback. Clay also had 5 unassisted tackles.

Clay Ritter rushed for 10 yards. He gained 62 yards and a touchdown on three receptions. He kicked 4 times to score 8 extra points for Groom. His punts averaged 51 yards, and he had one interception. He was one of the defensive leaders with 11 unassisted tackles.

Doug Fields had 8 yards rushing. He shared defensive leaders position

by accomplishing 11 unassisted tackles.

Grant Weinheimer's quarterbacking skills have helped Groom come this far. He threw 7 of 18 passes for 135 yards and two touchdowns.

Trey Britten sacked Lazbuddie's quarterback 4 times. He also had 8 unassisted tackles.

Owen Weinheimer and Luke Pavlovsky rounded out Groom's defense with 2 unassisted tackles each.

Groom will play the Highland Hornets Friday night in Slaton at 7:30 p.m.

"They are the number 1 ranked team in the State of Texas," stated Coach Larry Reid. "They have ten seniors on their team and a lot of experience."

Highland has been in the playoffs several times in recent years. They were beat in the quarterfinals last year (in the east bracket). They won the state championship in the early 80s.

"They are definitely a football town," stated Reid. "They really haven't had a challenge all year long. We plan to give them a challenge."

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COMMUNITY CALENDER



Only 25 Days Until Christmas

THE QUARTERFINAL game against the Highland Hornets will be played at Tiger Stadium in Slaton, Texas at 7:30 p.m. Friday. Admission will be \$5.00 for adults and \$2.00 for students.

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Brooke Britten To Compete In State 4-H

4-H members from 19 of the twenty-one counties in Extension Panhandle District 1 qualified on November 18 to compete in the Texas 4-H Roundup at College Station June 11-15, 2001. This years program was sponsored by New Century Energies Foundation on behalf of Southwestern Public Service.

4-H Roundup is a public speaking and decision making event providing 4-H members the opportunity to share their knowledge and skills learned through 4-H projects. Goals of the project include:

- * Learn about organization of materials to be presented in a speech or performance.
- * Acquire the ability to speak convincingly in public.
- * Become aware of one's relationship to others - family, peers,

state, nation, world.

- * Acquire life skills that are essential for an individual to become an active, responsible citizen.
- * Learn about vocational choices and career opportunities and preparation related to the focus of a project.

Over 160 boys and girls competed in the 23

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Brooke Britten

GROOM TOWN & Country 4-H will meet Thursday, December 7th at 7:30 in the Community Center. Don't forget poinsettias will be in December 1st. If you have any questions call Jeanene 537-3882.

DON'T FORGET to enter the Holiday decorating contest by submitting your name to Groom's City Hall.

THE PEP RALLY for the Tigers will be held at 12:45 Friday. School will dismiss early at 1:00 p.m. so that people can attend the game at Slaton.

THE METHODIST Church will have their Christmas program on December 13 at 6:00 p.m.

CHOW LINE is Tuesday at noon.

Attention! Those Interested in Budget Cut Discussions Concerning Groom I.S.D. and It's Programs

The public meeting that will be held in January will not be a "Town Hall Open Forum" type meeting as previously reported. That meeting in January will be more of a group work session to be specifically aimed at finding solutions to Groom I.S.D.'s funding problems.

Any questions, answers, point of view or discussion of the budget, program cuts, personnel cuts or other topics must be held at the

DECEMBER SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

planned for December 12 during the "open forum" section of the meeting.

ANY INTERESTED PERSON MAY ATTEND THESE MEETINGS. THEY WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

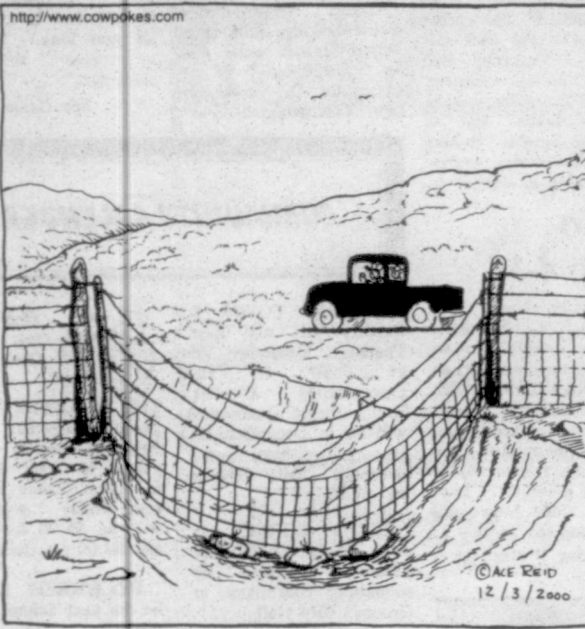
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Bill and Norma Jean Homer, Joannie Kling, Tiffani and Cody spent Thanksgiving in Rosenberg with Bill's sister and family, Leroy and Susan Littlefield, Mark and Michelle Littlefield and Greg and Stacey Littlefield of Houston.

Thanksgiving weekend visitors in the Glynn D Harrell home were Glynda Eschle and Jason and Jerry Houchin of Lubbock and Darron and Brandi Eschle, Madison, Bailey and Leighton of Flowermound.



Groom Birthdays Anniversaries
November 30 - Marcus Miller, Trent Murray, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Pavlovsky (A).
December 1 - Don Lyles, Dena Lambert, Kevin Kerlee.
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.

Rip and Joy Snyder enjoyed visitors Thursday. Albert and Michele Garcia and Jonathan, McCalia and Kristen Garcia from Canyon, Texas. Hallie Snyder from Austin, Texas and her mother Diana Woods from Amarillo. All are grandchildren of Rip and Joy.

Glynn D and Sybil Harrell hosted Thanksgiving Day dinner at the Golden Corral in Amarillo for Louise and Bob Mulkey, Steven and Sara-Allyson Hightower of Panhandle, Jim and Beverly Ingram of Amarillo and Glynda Eschle and Jerry Houchin of Lubbock. In the afternoon the group visited in the Ingram home.

Molly Stewart broke her leg over the Thanksgiving Holiday jumping on the trampoline.

Jay, Melody, Rheagan, Rachel and Rowdy Witt of Venus, Texas spent Thanksgiving with Helen Witt.

Pray For Rain

Card Of Thanks
My sincerest thanks for the calls, cards, visits and food during my illness.
Jean Morrow

Card Of Thanks
The family of Mildred Miller wish to extend their most heartfelt thanks to all those who expressed their sympathy in the recent loss of our mother. We sincerely appreciate all the acts of kindness extended to us. The flowers, cards, visits, calls and food will always be remembered. Thanks to all who brought food and provided the lunch at the church. The community really made us feel loved.

Special thanks to BSA Home Hospice for their dedicated care during her illness.

God Bless each and everyone of you.
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We Have A New Pool... And She Leaks!

Garrett and Kayla Pool of Lubbock welcomed a new baby girl to their family on November 26, 2000 at 5:30 p.m. K'Lyn Cheyenne Pool was 7 pounds 8 ounces and 20 3/4 inches long. Proud grandparents are Larry Pool of Groom,

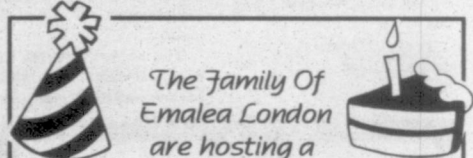
Jeff and Pam Redman of Plains, Texas and Kia Riemath of Lorenzo. Great-grandparents are Bob and Pat Pool of Groom, Mr. and Mrs. James Redman of Plains and Eloise Hurst of Lubbock.



Groom School Lunch Menu

December 4 - 8
Monday Breakfast: Cold cereal, muffins, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, chocolate cake, milk.
Tuesday Breakfast: Pancakes, peanut butter, sausage, juice, milk. Lunch: Sloppy Joes, tator tots, pickle spears, fruit cocktail, milk.
Wednesday Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, hash brown potatoes, juice, milk. Lunch: Lasagna, salad, fried okra, bread sticks, pears, milk.
Thursday Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, bacon, juice, milk. Lunch: Soft tacos, corn, lettuce, tomatoes, yogurt, milk.
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Bolden's Have Golden Anniversary

On Sunday, November 19, M.B. and Martha Bolden celebrated 50 years of marriage. They started their married life in Clarendon, Texas and later moved to Groom. The couples two daughters Linda Fields and Sandra Drum hosted the event with the assistance of their daughters Kim Richardson and Alisha Trevy. A beautiful cake decorated in yellow and white decorated the table along with a homemade apple cake made by Linda. Cake, punch and coffee was served to the following guests. Out of town guests were Travis and Wynell Bolden of Altus, Oklahoma; Bill and Sue Bolden, Doyle and Mary Faye Mobley,

J.B. and Eleana, Steven, Jordon and Cheyenne Wortham all of Amarillo; Terry, Sandra and Lonnie Drum and Alisha Trevy all of Lubbock. Those from Groom attending were: Ronnie and Linda Fields, Kenneth and Frances Payton, Tom and Glenna Reed, Helen Witt, R.B. Thornton, Lucille Merrick, Nellie Painter, Kim Richardson, T.C. and Shirley Sustaire, Tony, Tina, Brady and Christy Painter, Pete and Fay Wortham, Jerry and Nadine Thornton, Dalton and Valarie McGuire and the guests of honor, M.B. and Martha.

Everyone wishes them many more years of health, wealth and happiness.

The Art Britten's Celebrate Their 50th Anniversary

Art Britten and Jo Ann May were united in marriage on December 30, 1950, at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Amarillo. They celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on November 25, 2000, with a Mass, reception and dance hosted by their "Lucky 13", which were all in attendance.

The evening began with a Mass for the couple at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Groom. Music for the service was provided by their grandchildren and Melanie Britten, who sang Ave Maria. Nila Burgin, their daughter, read "A Tribute to our Grandmother, Arrie May and our Parents, Art and Jo Ann Britten," written by Jay M. Britten, their son. Also during communion, a 7-piece band, performed Amazing Grace. Band members were Brin Burgin, Jill Britten, Caren Howard, Kendra Hardin, Garrett Britten, Adam Britten and Wyatt Britten. The gifts were brought forward by the couples godchildren, Jeanne Barnett, Richard Homen and Ruth Bubliss.

Following the Mass, there was a reception and dance held at the legion hall. Approximately 400 people attended. The music for the dance was provided by "Texas Tonight," Richard and Louis Homen, nephews of the couple, and the Elson Clark Band with Cal Garrett and Melanie Britten.

Children of the couple, the "Lucky 13", are Dennis Britten from Clarendon, Mark Britten

and Ted Britten from Amarillo, Vickie Garrison from San Diego, California, Rana Hardin from Canadian, Rita Poor from White Deer, Jeff Britten from Bossier City, Louisiana, Jack Britten from Grapevine, Jay Britten from Denver, Colorado, and Matt Britten, Nila Burgin, Clifton Britten and Monica Howard, all from Groom.

Grandchildren of the couple are Bo, Toby and Brin Burgin, Tiffanie Carothers, Keith, Tenille, and Kody Franks, Kameron, Tancie and Trinitie Garrison, Christina, Sammy, Jennifer and Lindsey Britten, Garrett, Jill and Adam Britten, Julie Hubl, Vicky and Kendra Hardin, Shaun, Ashli and Aubri Poor, and Caren, Karla Kecia and Keeli Howard.

The couple has 2 great-grandchildren.

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Game

Reid stated that Groom would have to play a near perfect game to succeed in beating them. "We must not make mistakes," he continued. "They are very fast and very talented. They will capitalize on any error we make."

A pep rally will be held at 12:45 on Friday. School will be dismissed at 1:00 p.m.



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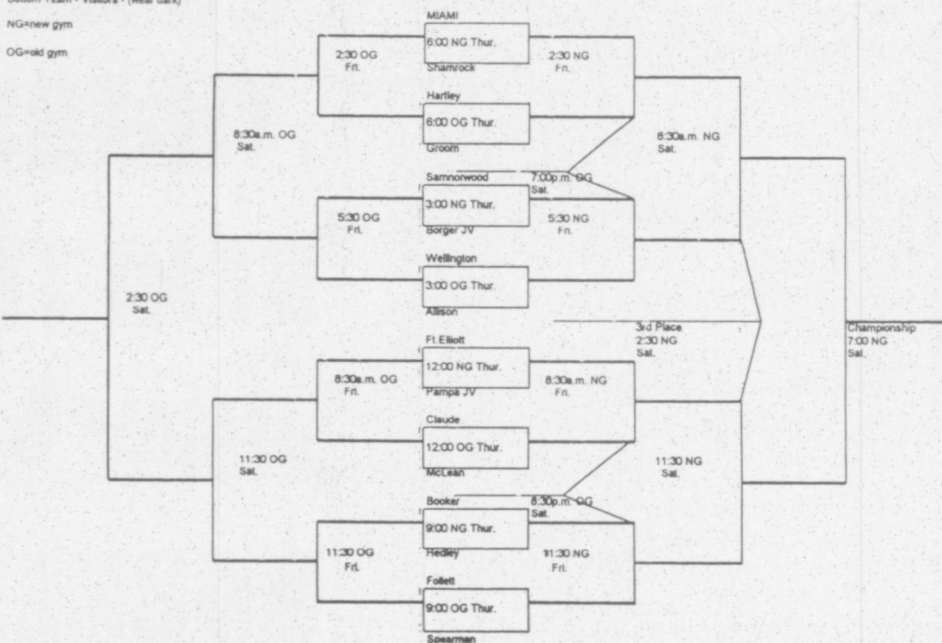
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Bottom Team - Visitors - (wear dark)

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Junior High Wins UIL Meet

Groom Junior High competed in District UIL last week. Groom won the competition, bringing home a wonderful trophy.

In seventh grade the results are as follows:

The Dictionary Skills team won first place. Individually Katy Britten was 1st, Malorie Homen 3rd and Carter Wilson 5th.

Katy Britten also placed 1st in Impromptu Speaking. Carter Wilson was 3rd.

The Maps, Graphs and Charts team placed 1st. Katy Britten was 1st and Gail Drewry placed 2nd individually.

Seventh grade Math team placed 1st. Malorie Homen placed 7th.

Katy Britten placed 1st in Modern Oratory and 1st in Number Sense. The team consisting of Malorie Homen, Carter Wilson and Katy Britten placed 2nd.

Kelby Noack placed 1st in Oral Reading.

Katy Britten placed 1st in Ready Writing.

Carter Wilson placed 5th and Malorie Homen placed 6th.

The 7th grade Science team won 1st place with Carter Wilson placing 3rd, Kelby Noack 4th and Katy Britten 5th.

The Spelling team placed 1st place. Carter

Wilson was 1st, Katy Britten placed 2nd and Kelby Noack was 4th, individually.

In the 8th grade competition the results are as follows:

In Dictionary Skills, Ashley Jackson placed 2nd, Magan Bivens placed 3rd and Catherine Robertson placed 4th. The team placed 1st.

Magan Bivens won Impromptu speaking. Ashley Jackson was 2nd and Chance Barkley was 5th.

Catherine Robertson, Ashley Jackson and Chance Barkley placed second as a team in Listening.

Chance Barkley placed 2nd in Modern Oratory. Jeff Rios was 6th and Catherine Robertson placed 10th. The group as a team placed 2nd.

Adam Britten placed 3rd in Oral Reading, Catherine Robertson placed 5th and Ashley Jackson placed 6th.

In Ready Writing Adam Britten and Chance Barkley placed 4th.

In Science Chance Barkley placed 6th.

The Spelling team placed 1st. Individually Adam Britten placed 2nd, Chance Barkley placed 4th and Ashley Jackson placed 5th.

Ettes & Cub-Ettes Battle Claude

Groom girls battled one of their favorite rivals last week, Claude.

The Junior Varsity girls fought a difficult battle against the Lady Mustangs but succumbed

39-45. Cassie Ashford was high point with 19.

The Varsity girls lost 59-66. Candace Bohr was the leading scorer for the Tigerettes with 26 points. Amanda Conrad

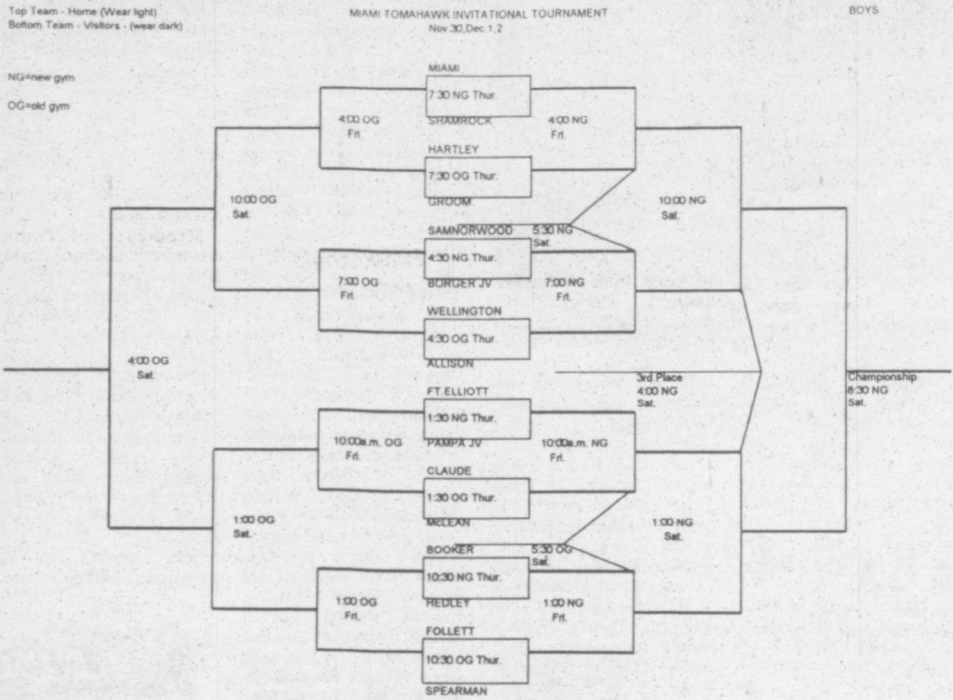
added 19, Krisanne Davis put in 12 and Amanda Martin had 2 points.

The Junior High girls also played Claude but with a different outcome.

They won 37-18. Magan Bivens scored 18 points for the Cubs. Malorie Homen scored 10.

Top Team - Home (Wear light)
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Obituaries

Russell Frazier

Mr. Russell Frazier, age 82 of Center Point, died Wednesday morning in a local hospital. A resident of Center Point and Kerr County since 1984, he was born May 20, 1918 in Roy, New Mexico. He was a member of the Protestant faith. A veteran of World War II, he entered the U.S. Army in 1941 and served through 1943, was a decorated soldier of service in Germany and received the Purple Heart. He was a member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and the DAV. During most of his lifetime he was a rancher living in Groom, Texas and Clayton, New Mexico. His wife, Mattelene Inlow Frazier preceded him in death in 1989.

He is survived by a daughter Collene Morgan and husband Tom of Kerrville, a son, Kennion Frazier and his wife Dixie of Burlington, Wyoming; three grandchildren Jeff, Julie and Kenya and 5 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Opal Wright, Amarillo and Ima Humpreys of Nashville, Oklahoma. Graveside services for Russell Frazier were held

Monday in Garden of Memories Cemetery with Reverend Sam Ligon officiating.

Kerrville Funeral Home was in charge of funeral arrangements.

Jim V. Morris

CHILDRESS - Jim V. Morris, 65, died Friday, November 17, 2000.

Services were Monday in First United Methodist Church with Dr. Craig Dater officiating and the Rev. Johnny Robertson of the church assisting. Burial was in Childress Cemetery by Johnson Funeral Home.

Mr. Morris was born in Estelline and was a farmer. He retired after 30 years from Burlington Railroad. During World War II, he served with the Army and later, during the Berlin Crisis. He was a member of the American Legion and First United Methodist Church in Childress.

Survivors include his wife, Dana Morris; two sons, Jay Morris of Lubbock and Clay Morris of Childress; a sister, Dixie Anthony of Groom; and seven grandchildren.

The way some people find fault, you'd think there was a reward.

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activities, including speaking events, illustrated talks, method demonstrations and performing arts. Recognition awards were given in ceremonies at

the Ballroom of the Activities Center at West Texas A&M University in Canyon. Award medallions were presented

to all first, second and third place entries by New Century Energies Foundation.

To qualify for State Roundup, a team or individual must have a first or second place win in the senior division, which is for 4-H members 14 years old and older. Only first place seniors in the

performing arts advance to state finals.

Brooke Britten of Groom will advance to state in her Food & Nutrition Educational Event. Juniors do not compete beyond the district level.

County Commissioners Ponder Tax Abatement

Carson County Commissioners' Court met on November 27, 2000 with the following

members and officers present: Judge Lewis Powers; Commissioners, Mike Britten, Kenneth Ware, Jerry Strawn and Kevin Howell.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

All claims were approved as presented for payment.

Judge Powers presented certificates to County Treasurer Jeannie Cunningham from the Texas A&M University System for financial investment courses. Commissioners recognized the completion of the continuing education requirements.

The commissioners discussed proposed

medical insurance for county retirees. Texas Association of Counties will offer a "Choice Silver Plan" in 2001 at a reduced cost for supplemental insurance. The county will seek additional information for any liabilities encountered through the plan. The insurance will be presented at the next meeting.

The court discussed upcoming holidays for the county. The courthouse will be closed December 25th through the 26th for Christmas and January 1st for New Year's Day. The county Christmas party has been set for 11:00 a.m. December 20, 2000.

Commissioners recognized E.L. "Bud" Jones for 43-1/2 years of

service with Carson County. Mr. Jones passed away November 25, 2000.

Patrick Woodson with the Texas Wind Power Company met with the court to seek a tax abatement for a wind power facility proposed for construction in Carson County. Woodson said the company is asking Carson County to grant a 7-year, 100% abatement on an 80 megawatt state-of-the-art wind power facility. Woodson also said the company would pay 100% of school taxes. Commissioners decided to seek additional guidelines and restrictions to determine if the proposal would be feasible.

Court adjourned until December 11, 2000.

Basketball Season Begins For Junior High Cagers

Groom Junior High kicked off their season with a game against Claude. Joel Horn scored 3 points. Thane Barkley, Kelby Noack and Carter Wilson each scored 2 points. Chance Barkley scored 1 point. The final score was 34-10.

The Cubs played Hedley Monday night and lost 47-17. Kelby Noack scored 8 points, James Reid, Blaine Britten, Chance Barkley and Carter Wilson each scored 2 points.

The Junior High girls lost to Hedley 51-22. Malorie Homen was high point with 16. Karla Howard scored 2 points as did Kecia Howard and Katherine Robertson.

The Cubs will play Hedley again on December 4th.

Carson County Sheriff's Report

Sheriff Gary Robertson reports that there were seven persons booked into the Carson County Jail during the week of November 20 through November 26, 2000. Currently there are eleven persons incarcerated in the jail and eleven additional prisoners being held in other jurisdictions.

This is the season of giving, but, please lock up your gifts and make the crooks have to buy their own.

Arrests for the week include:

Charles Fredrick (Turpin, Ok), 50, Driving While Intoxicated, 1st.

Mandie Reynolds (Amarillo), 25, Theft By Check, Potter County.

Silvia Vaquera (Pampa), 35, Traffic Warrants, DPS.

John Mathis (Pampa), 23, Traffic Warrants, DPS.

Nancy Claggett (Borger), 60, Criminal Trespass.

Clifton Blackmon (Lubbock), 44, Driving While Intoxicated, 1st.

Sherry Sons (White Deer), 22, Endangering a Child and Assault Domestic Violence.

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