

# The Groom News

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## Santa Saw . . .

### Naughty:

The gate keepers at Miami tournament for rudely not accepting press passes or any other kinds of passes at the tournament. Hope we get the chance to return the favor.

Several math students waiting until the last minute to complete their 6 week project.

Doppler Dave and Len Siesick for not making up their minds about the weather.

### Nice:

Jack Barnett and Donnie Evans putting up Christmas decorations on Main Street.

Charlotte Whatley taking very good care of her patients.

Nancy Brumley running errands for "recovering from surgery" hubby, Johnny Brumley.

Little Jodie Homen sinking two free throws with no time left and the score tied to beat Wheeler.

Sharlene Lewis polishing her windows, getting ready for the holiday season.

Tandy and Joel Quisenberry helping Mom with her grocery shopping and being very patient.

Marci and Cody Babcock visiting with Sybil Brown at the Grocery Store.

## Ettes Win Tomahawk Classic

Groom Tigerettes made a clean sweep of the competition in Miami's Tomahawk Classic over the weekend. The girls played a total of four games, two on Saturday.

The girls began the contest by facing off with Trinity Christian School. Misty Homen kept the backboard hot totaling 24 points. Kay Case added 14, Melanie Friemel and Angie Conrad each scored 11 points, Stacy Fields had 3, Jill Howard, Jessica Friemel and Stephanie Ollinger each had 2. The final score was 73-33.

The Ettes' next game was a little more competitive, against White Deer. Misty Homen again was high point with 23 points. Melanie Friemel had 17, Kay Case 11, Stacy Fields 6, Sandie Conrad 5, and Sheri Koetting 2. The Ettes won 64-54.

Saturday the Ettes had an easy win against Memphis 72-46. Misty Homen was high point with 18, Melanie Friemel had 14. Kay Case added 10, Sandie Conrad 9, Stacy Fields 7, Jill Howard and Sheri Koetting each had 6 and Angie Conrad had 4.

In the championship drive the girls played Follett and won handily 57-39. Kay Case had an energetic night under the basket putting in 16 points. Melanie Friemel had 15, Misty Homen had 14, Sheri Koetting and Jill Howard each had 4 and Stacy Fields and Angie Conrad each had 2 points.

The Ettes were presented



a trophy and individual medals for their championship win.

The Tigers also played in the tournament. In their opening match they pulverized Trinity Christian 75-44. Scoring was spread evenly across the well-balanced team. Bo Burgin led the way with 11, while Seth Ritter added another 10, Jeremy Chavedo had 9, Nick Ashford, Bryan Crowell, Brad Sustaire and Stanley Homer each had 8 points. Brandon Crump had 5, Bart Britten 4 and

Justin Ritter and Ray Lott each had 2 points.

In the single elimination contest the Tigers failed to get around Spearman.

The very aggressive game had many fouls for both teams.

Bo Burgin racked up 25 points, 5 baskets being 3 pointers. Brad Sustaire had 13, Seth Ritter 8, Bryan Crowell 4, Brandon Crump 3, Jeremy Chavedo 3, Stanley Homer 2, Nick Ashford 2 and Bart Britten 2. The finals score was Spearman 70, Groom 62.

## Community Calendar

**THE GROOM LIBRARY** will be closed on December 23 and December 26.

**GROOM AMBULANCE** Service personnel will meet Sunday at 7:30 pm at the Groom ambulance barn.

All interested in the Basic EMT course needs to be there.

**THE UNITED Methodist** Congregation will host S.O.S. Thursday, Dec. 15 at noon in the Community Center.

**THE 4-H Progressive** Christmas Party will begin at 6 pm on Dec. 16 at Belinda Britten's home. It will proceed to Charlotte Whatley's home and end at Be Stephen's home.

**SEMESTER TESTS** are scheduled for Dec. 16, 19 & 20. Elementary Christmas parties will be held the afternoon of the 20th.

**GROOM ATHLETIC** Department will host their annual tournament on December 29 & 30. At this time, the varsity are the teams involved.

**VOLUNTEERS** are needed for the Groom Invitational Tourney to keep gate and work the concession stand. Booster club will be in charge of the concession stand but can use extra help. If interested contact Marcia Conrad or Shirley Fields.

**GROOM COUNTRY** Neighbors will meet Dec. 14 at 1:30 pm in the home of Sybil Harrell. Gifts for Girlstown are to be brought to this meeting.

**GROOM POST OFFICE** cordially invites you to a Customer Appreciation Day on Dec. 13 from 8 to 11:30 am.

**GRANDVIEW-HOPKINS** School will host their Christmas Program on Dec. 15th at 7:00 p.m.

**CARSON COUNTY** Show Board Meeting, December 15th, 7:00 pm at the County Ag Barn. Finalizing of show schedule!

**TUESDAY GRAIN PRICES** AT LOCAL ELEVATORS

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## Santa Claus Writes Groom's Boys & Girls

Dear Boys & Girls,

It's that time of year again! Hope you have been nice all year long. but if you haven't it's not too late. Good deeds count extra this time of year.

Some of you have been a little slow in getting me your letters. I sure hope you don't wait until the last minute. How else will I know what you really want for Christmas?

Some of you may remember from last year that you can write to me by

sending your letter to the Groom News. They will publish your letters and send me a special edition of the paper.

It is all very efficient and that way the Elves get to read them, too.

Please don't delay! Get busy right now! Write me that letter!

Don't forget to help around the house and do nice things. Go to bed early on Christmas Eve!

Love,  
Santa

## Carson County Cemetery Research Continues

The Carson County Historical Commission is researching the cemeteries in Carson County.

In 1986, as a Texas Sesquicentennial project, several county cemeteries were surveyed. In 1991, an extensive survey of the Panhandle Cemetery was made. It was updated in 1992. A survey of Liberty Cemetery was made in 1992. County residents have been contacted to update cemeteries in Groom and White Deer.

Cemeteries are a valuable historic resource. They represent settlement patterns. The names on the tombstones show a variety

of cultural influences serving as a directory of early residents. Family patterns can be seen in cemeteries. Cemeteries can also reveal information about historical events, religions, lifestyles, epidemics and genealogy. Cemeteries are established for the benefit of the living to perpetuate the memory of those who have lived.

Cemeteries are protected under Texas law (Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, Title 26, Article 912a-10 and 912a-11) which states that property dedicated as a cemetery cannot be disturbed unless the District Court for that area has See Research Pg. 12

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## More Community Calendars

**BASKETBALL** Schedule change: The varsity games against Vega slated for Dec. 12 has been changed to Dec. 13.

**THE JR. HIGH** will play Shamrock on Dec. 12 instead of January 2. Please change your schedules.

**LAST DAY FOR** the 4-H Toys for Tots Drive will be Dec. 9. Participants can bring their toys to the Community Center from 4:30-5:30 that day.

Last Tuesday evening Glynn D and Sybil Harrell, Ray Pool and Gaynell, Thelma Pool and Bertha Knight attended the senior citizens supper and program at Clarendon.

Jo Berta Helms, Clarendon music teacher, provided an interesting Christmas program with her third and fourth graders.

Jim Holston, community representative, of Amarillo presented a program "Crown of Texas" on Hospice Care.

Rip and Joy Snyder visited Mary Crutcher in Lefors Saturday and with Nita McKee in Alanreed and the Rex Brown's in Jericho on Saturday.

## Local Happenings

### Groom Birthdays Anniversaries

**December 8** - Brooke Britten, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest McLaughlin (A).

**December 9** - Emalea London.

**December 10** - Jerry Ashford, Oma Schaffer, Jimmy Burgin.

**December 11** - Evelyn Schaffer, Wynona Koetting, Sidney Mansel, Marcus Weinheimer.

**December 12** - John Stephens, Barbara Cockrell, Katonia and Robert Miller (A), Floyd Wills.

**December 13** - Patsy Fraser, Margie Smith, Janyth Bowers, Kim Longway.

**December 14** - Bill Hinson, Pamela Davis.

Cobb, and Kay Britten and family were hostess to a turkey dinner Sunday in honor of Rip Snyder's 82nd birthday. Enjoying the dinner was Father Neyer, Earl Britten, Teresa Hermesmeier, Gloria Ledwig, Jan Ledwig of Amarillo and Rip and Joy Snyder.

Sherry Martin was home from McMurry University at Abilene to visit her family, Dan, Susie and Chris at Thanksgiving.

### Card Of Thanks

Many thanks to all who helped decorate Main Street over the weekend. It look's great!

## Groom Ambulance Service Elects Lamb President

The newly elected slate of officers for the Groom Ambulance Service are: Jay Lamb, president; Kevin Kerlee, vice-president; Charlotte Whatley, secretary; David Britten, coordinator; and Melanie Britten, treasurer.

A basic Emergency Medical Technician Class has been scheduled to begin January 16. EMT's are needed by the local service to continue operation. A class of 14 is needed for Amarillo College to make the class available in Groom. Groom needs you!

If you are interested contact Jay Lamb, Charlotte Whatley or David Britten.

For EMT's wishing to advance their skills to special skills/paramedic, a class will begin January 17, from 6 to 9 pm at White Deer E.M.S. For more information contact Bill Daves at 848-2374.

All EMT's are invited to the Panhandle Emergency Medical Services System annual banquet on Saturday, January 7, 6:30 pm, at Amarillo Civic Center, Grand Plaza, 400 S. Buchanan, Amarillo, Texas.

Please mark your calendars. They would like to invite all those involved in PEMSS, past and present, and in the Panhandle Regional Advisory Council to share an evening of fun and memories and a warm homecoming visit for Betty, who was instrumental in the development of PEMSS under the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission when a group representing all emergency interests in the Panhandle area first joined together in 1971 to develop a planning, policy making and coordinating body for regional EMS activities. Betty served as Executive Director for PEMSS from 1974 through 1980 when she accepted her current position.

There will also be a reception honoring Betty on Friday afternoon, January 6th, in Dining Room #1 at Northwest Texas Hospital (next to the cafeteria), come and go, from 1:00-4:00 pm. This should enable everyone to have sufficient time to visit with Betty.

Groom EMS was represented at the Trauma Symposium held in Amarillo by Jay Lamb and Charlotte Whatley. The two day event was intense training to upgrade medical skills.

A CPR class is being scheduled for January for those interested and those needing to recertify.

**Mike Britten & Bill Hinson**  
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## County Sheriff's Report

By Loren Brand, Sheriff  
November 5, 1994 -  
Deputy Larry Mendez assisted Texas Highway Patrol Trooper Chris Ray in the arrest of an Arkansas man and the seizure of thirty pounds of marijuana which was being transported on Interstate 40. One suspect was arrested in Amarillo earlier and gave information to authorities regarding the location and description of the second suspect and vehicle. The suspect is currently being held in the Carson County Jail.

We have also been gifted with the presence of a Tennessee man who was arrested Saturday by Trooper Ray for the theft of a vehicle from that state. This suspect attempted to pass himself as the registered owner of the vehicle with the aid of the victim's wallet and identification which was stolen with the vehicle. This subject was previously arrested in August for auto theft and is being held pending extradition to Tennessee.

An Oregon man wanted for escape from Salem, Oregon was released to Oregon authorities for return to that state. This subject faces additional charges stemming from his escape and flight from prosecution. We believe that this subject was responsible for an escape attempt in the Carson County Jail. This attempt was thwarted by information given to our officers and by the location of a weapon which had been left outside the courthouse to aid in an assault on our corrections officers. A shakedown of the jail turned up a makeshift rope which was intended to tie up our officers after being overpowered. Our investigation into this escape attempt is continuing and we are attempting to secure enough evidence to prosecute a former prisoner who had been transferred to another county.

Our department is investigating reports of vandalism to railroad crossing warning lights and to Carson County road signs. While most people will understand the danger this creates for our families and friends, there will always be a certain element of the population that is incapable of the type of responsible adult thinking which allows the realization of the importance of these warning devices. As for the county road signs, they carry valuable information regarding street and block data which corresponds with 9-1-1 and Carson County Emergency Management maps. This information is crucial when dispatching law enforcement, fire and ambulance personnel.

Chief Deputy Lovell Kennard has been monitoring information on

rural thefts from areas surrounding our county and has indicated that the theft of aluminum pipe and other irrigation equipment is expected to increase with the rising aluminum prices. Also, with the approaching Christmas season, there are many who choose to do their shopping at the expense of Carson County residents. 'Tis the season to lock your doors and secure your property when you attend holiday events and celebrations or take your family on shopping trips. You may not be the only one out looking for bargains.



### It's A Boy!

John and Patricia Holt are pleased to announce the new addition to their family, Talacen Wilburn Ray Holt. He was born on December 4, 1994 at 7:06 p.m. He weighed 7 lbs 5½ ozs. He was 20 inches long.

The proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ray Davis of Groom.

## Billington-Joseph Wed In Civil Service

LeAnn Billington and Jon Joseph were married recently by a justice of the peace in Austin, Texas.

The bride is the daughter of Scottie and Fran Billington of Amarillo. She is the granddaughter of Ruby Denton of Groom.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Joseph of Portland, Oregon.

The maid of honor was Heather Billington, sister of the bride, of Austin.

The bride attends Austin Community College in Austin and plans to attend the University of Texas in the fall. She works for Roemish Consulting.

The groom graduated from Bucknell University in Lewisburg, Pa. He plans to begin graduate school at UT next semester. He works for the Texas State

Lottery.

### 3 Named To All Region Band

Twelve. Groom Junior High students traveled to All Region Band try-outs last week in Panhandle.

Of the twelve 3 students qualified for the prodigious group of musicians. Evan Crowell was named 1st chair trombone, Sarah Hutsell 7th chair trumpet, and Jodi Homen 11th chair clarinet.

These students will attend a clinic on January 20 and give a concert on January 21 at West Texas A & M University. More specific details will be available later.

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**Clarendon Wins  
3 of 4 Games**

The Groom High School teams traveled to Clarendon last Tuesday night. The action began with the Jr. Varsity girls. The Ettes played an exciting game, but lost 16-27. Mary Hutsell was high point with 8. Kay Lynn Britten, Jennifer Lewis, Christy Galvan and Melissa Anthony each had 2 points. The J.V. boys played a white-knuckler kind of game. Leading in the first quarter by two points and spending the other three in a game of tag for the lead. Ray Lott led the scoring with 16 points. Toby Burgin had 12, Jimmy Chavedo had 8, Justin Ritter and Terry Eatmon each had 7 and Sean Crowell had 2. The final score was Clarendon 56 - Groom 52.

The Varsity girls had another stunning victory, beating Clarendon 54-37. Kay Case was the top scorer. Melanie Friemel had 13, Misty Homen had 7, Sandie Conrad had 6, Angie Conrad 6, and Jill Howard 5.

The Varsity boys lost their bid for victory against Clarendon 53-83. Seth Ritter led the scoring with 17 points, Bart Britten had 8, Bo Burgin and Nick Ashford each had 7, Bryan Crowell 6, Brad Sustaire had 4 and Jeremy Chavedo each had 2.

**Reed And Cattaneo Plan Wedding**

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Reed of Groom are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Donna Carol Reed to Michael Paul Cattaneo.

Michael is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cattaneo of Canyon.

Nuptials will be exchanged on January 21, 1995 at the Southwest Church of Christ in Amarillo.

The bride-to-be received a BBA degree from Abilene Christian University and currently is employed at Turnkey Computer System, Inc.

The prospective groom attended WTSU and is currently employed by Gorman Phillips.



**Happenings**

Marci Babcock's name was left off the winners list in the 4-H Food Show, recently. She will be going to the regional competition.

Rip and Joy Snyder visited Les and Dora Neal in Clarendon on Sunday.

Rip Snyder had a surprise birthday call on Sunday from an old friend in Lubbock that he grew up with. Ned Craig, some of you may know him.

**Jr. High Plays Wheeler**

Groom Junior High matched up with Wheeler Monday night. In the 7th grade boys game Wheeler beat Groom by a narrow margin 28 to 23.

Dustin Babcock was the top scorer with 6 points. Evan Crowell, Chris Ollinger, and Justin Homen each had 4. Dusty Crump had 3 and Wade Ritter had 2.

In the combined 7th & 8th grade girls game Groom squeaked past Wheeler 28-26. Sara Britten was high point with 10. Karen Conrad had 8, Jodi Homen 5, Kori Brown and Sarah Hutsell had 2 each and Carrie Davis had 1.

In the boys 8th grade game the Cubs won easily 51-28. Josh Evenson was lead scorer with 15 points, including 2 three point shots. Jamie Shuck had 13, Wyatt Weinheimer had 11, Marcus Miller had 6 and Daniel Treadwell had 4.

The Junior High will not have another game until January 2.

**GROOM TIGERS & TIGERETTES**

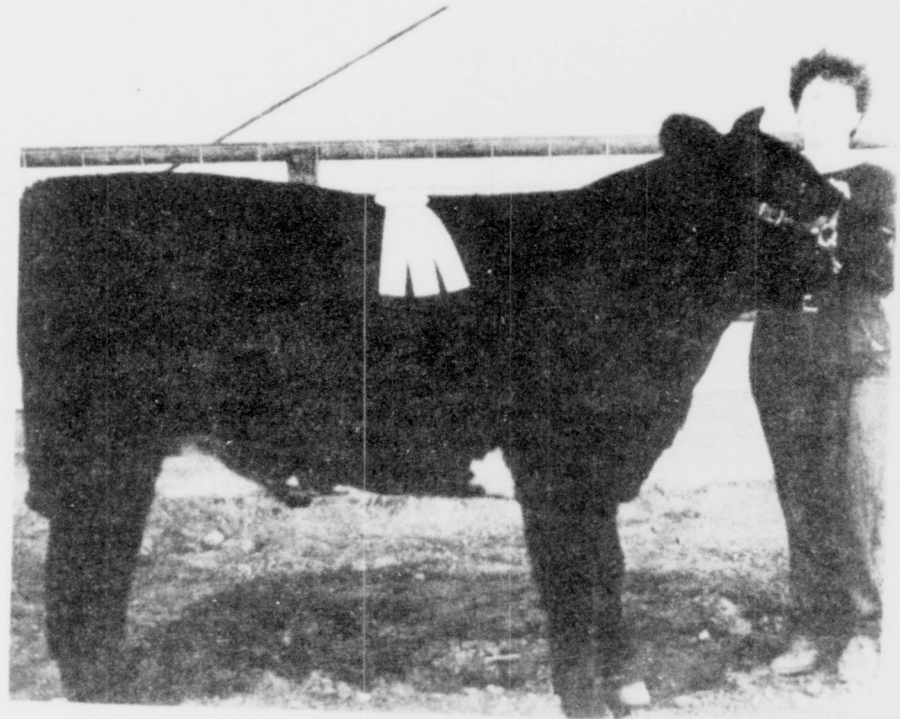
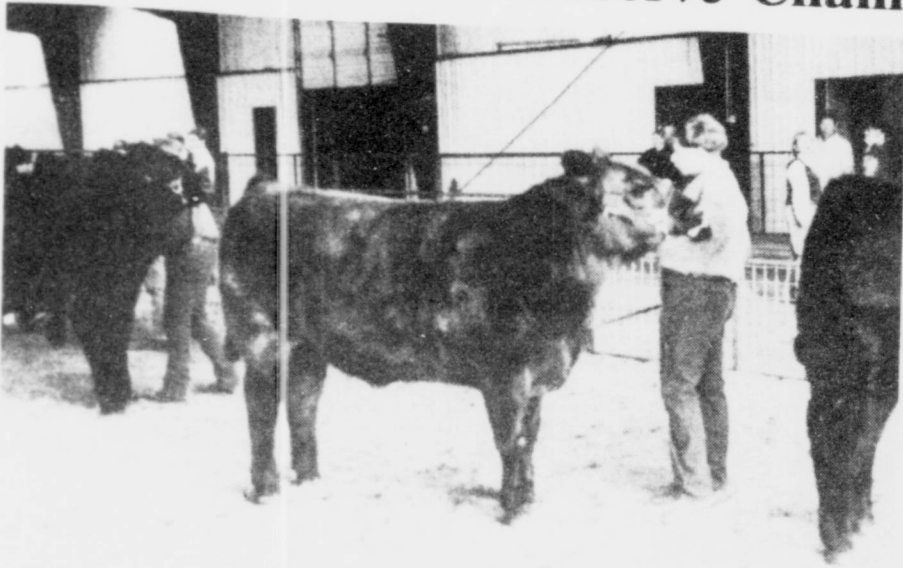
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# McLaughlin Wins Reserve Champion Heifer At Wheeler

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(Top left) C.J. Whatley shows his calf in the showmanship competition and takes Reserve. (Bottom left) Scott McLaughlin shows off his winning heifer. (Top right) Dara Whatley wins Jr. showmanship.



Several Groom 4-H & FFA students traveled to Wheeler over the weekend for a Jackpot Stock Show.

Scott McLaughlin took the heifer show by storm. His animal was named Breed Heifer, British Champion and Reserve Supreme Heifer.

Dara and C.J. Whatley took showmanship honors. Dara was Reserve Jr. Showman and C.J. was Reserve Sr. Showman.

Dara also placed 2nd in class with her animal. C.J. placed 2nd in class with one steer and 3rd with another.

Jason Prather placed 2nd in class with his animal.

#### On The Sick List

Nath Helton was taken to Pampa Hospital Friday. He was transferred to Amarillo Saturday.

Nettie Fields was hospitalized Monday through Friday in Amarillo. She was transferred to Ware Memorial Center on Friday.

Laverne Sams, mother of Donna Burger and grandmother of Connie Fields, is in North West Texas Hospital.

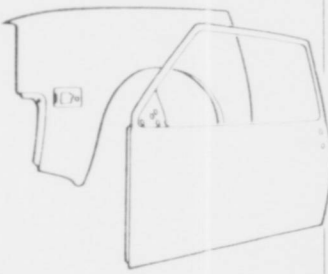
April Burton placed 3rd and 5th with her steers. The group will be attending several local shows during the Christmas break and over the next month.

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publication with forms, sample letters and tables of factual information is available for student athletes. It takes them step by step through the important process of getting an athletic scholarship and includes college and conference listings.

For information on how to get a collegiate athlete scholarship, send a self-addressed (business size), stamped envelope to the National Sports Foundation, 611A Willow Drive, P.O. Box 940, Oakhurst, NJ 07755.

## Groom ISD School Menu

**December 12 - Breakfast:** Hot and cold cereal, blueberry muffins, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Burritos w/chili and cheese, cut corn, quesadillas, pear halves w/cherry belly buttons, milk.

**December 13 - Breakfast:** Pancakes, peanut butter, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Submarine sandwiches w/shaved ham and sliced Swiss and American cheese,

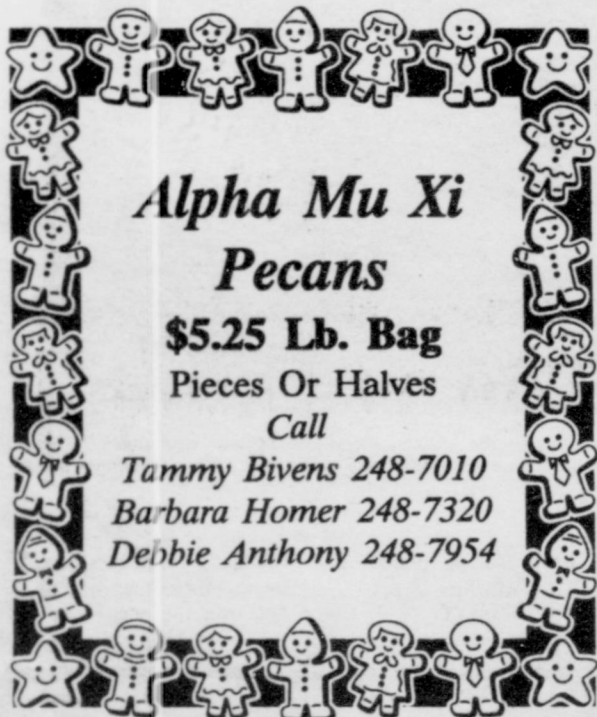
lettuce leaves, sliced tomatoes, pickle spears, carrot sticks, cherry cobbler, milk.

**December 14 - Breakfast:** Breakfast burritos, hash browns, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Lasagne w/meat and cheese, fried okra, salad, breadsticks, fruit cocktail, milk.

**December 15 - Breakfast:**

Biscuits, bacon, gravy, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls, gingerbread, milk.

**December 16 - Breakfast:** Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Bar-b-que on a bun, french fries, sliced onions, pickle and cheese appetizers, fresh apple slices, milk.



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# The McLean News



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REMINDER!

## McLean 1 Of 18 Towns In Texas To Get Decrease In Local Insurance Rate

McLean residents will get a break on their fire insurance beginning in February, thanks to the fine work of the McLean Volunteer Fire Department, according to Sam Haynes, mayor of McLean. "Homeowners will see savings from \$24 to as much as \$139 a year in the price of a typical homeowner's policy,"

Haynes said.

The drop in rates was announced recently by Texas Insurance Commissioner J. Robert Hunter. The drop affects only 18 cities across the state, and only McLean, Wheeler, Wellington and Panhandle in the Texas Panhandle, Haynes said.

"We've known for many years that McLean had one

of the best fire departments of any small town," Haynes said. "This drop in rates is just further validation of the fine job that our volunteers do. I hope everyone in town takes time to commend the fire department for saving us all some money, and making our community a safer place to live."

PIANO RECITAL at the First United Methodist Church on December 15th given by Kent Watson and sponsored by the Pioneer Study Club.

DECEMBER 17TH will be a teachers work day. There will also be a retirement party for Sue Simmons.

CITY COUNCIL will hold their regular meeting on December 8th at 7 pm.

VFW BAKE SALE & Craft Show is December 10th at the VFW hall.

McLEAN LIONS Club will have the Christmas decorations contest starting Dec. 1st through Dec. 21st. Get your decorations out and see how pretty your home can be!

SUNDAY AT 2:00 PM students and the Chamber of Commerce will put up Christmas decorations at the square across the street from the bank.

THE McLEAN SCHOOL Board will have their regular meeting December 13th at 7 pm at the business office.

ON DEC. 12 the Auxiliary is sponsoring a mammogram at the post home. We invite all ladies that are interested to call Mary Groves 779-2374, Davie Gipson 779-2766 for more information. For Medicare the cost is free or Medicaid.

THERE WILL BE a music program presented by Mrs. Watkins elementary music class at the auditorium on Thursday, December 15th at 7 pm.

SCHOOL WILL dismiss December 16th at 1:30 pm for the Christmas Holidays. School will resume January 3, 1995 at regular time.



## Burrows Named 1994 Good Samaritan

The McLean Lion's Club presented their annual Good Samaritan Award last week.

Sue Burrows, a local EMT and fire department member, was presented the award for her unselfish service to the community.

Burrows has always been interested in the medical field. At the age of 16 she became a nurse's aide. Later she became a respiratory therapist at Highland General Hospital in Pampa and then made the move to the Coronado Community Hospital.

While there, she began to supervise EMT students on

their respiratory duty assignments. Impressed with what she saw, she visited with the instructor to find out more about the program.

In 1981, Burrows began classes to become an EMT. After five years she decided to go one step further and became a paramedic.

For seven years she has been involved with McLean's Emergency Response teams and is loving every minute of it.

"I feel fortunate that God has blessed me with the desire and opportunity to help him in this way," she stated.

## Tournament Improves Tiger Skills

Despite losing two out of three games at the Miami tournament, the McLean Tigers showed steady improvement, and were playing their best ball of the season by the final game Saturday afternoon. The Tigers were knocked into the consolation bracket after the first game, when Booker easily handled the Tigers with a score of 81 to 49. Junior Jeremy Crutcher led the scoring in that game with 16 points, followed by Blake Crockett with 13 and Monty Joiner with 10.

In the second game, McLean faced the Clarendon Junior Varsity, and won the game 64 to 53. Joiner hit the bucket for 23 points in that game, with Crockett scoring 18, and Ben Reeser hitting 12.

The final game in the series was the most exciting for the Tigers as they fought a see-saw battle against Follett. Follett scored in the last few seconds to win the contest 49 to 45. In that game, Crutcher again led the scoring with 15 points,

Joiner hit 11, Reeser hit 8, and Crockett, 8.

The Lady Tigers played two games in the tournament, losing to Booker 49 to 35 in the first contest, and Clarendon 66

to 42 in the second. In Thursday's game, Heather Hess led the scoring with 26 points, and in Friday's game she had 21. Angel Harris scored 5 and 10 points in the two games. Freshman Shaley Stalls hit for 9 points in the final game.

## Local Future Farmers of America Attend District Greenbelt Banquet

Four students, Juniors, Michelle Basham and Jaylene Watkins, Freshmen, Jesse Swafford and Eric Vega, traveled to Clarendon Monday, December 5 to participate in the Greenbelt District FFA Banquet. At the banquet the opening ceremony was held and a welcome to all the members, advisors and guests were given. After the meal the Greenbelt District officers presented the flag ceremony honoring the National FFA flag, the Texas flag, and the flag of the United States. The 1994

Greenbelt District Mr. and Miss FFA contest was also held. The participants were from Memphis and Childress. The participants from Childress FFA did a skit showing all the many objectives the National FFA program had to offer. They will go on to the area convention and represent the district. A talent contest was also held with participants being from Childress and Patton Springs. The group from Childress which consisted of four girls and four boys sang "End of the Road" and "The Lion Sleeps Tonight." The Patton Springs FFA All Girls Choir sang "Letters to Dear Abby" and "Thank You." The Patton Springs girls did a wonderful job and were announced as the winners. They too will go on and represent the district at the Area I Convention. Krisse Pigg, the Area I vice president gave a speech

about "Good Intentions." The district leadership banners were presented. They placed as follows: Creed: 1. Guthrie, 2. Valley, 3. Patton Springs; Quiz: 1. Motley County, 2. Spur, 3. Patton Springs; Radio: 1. Spur, 2. Childress, 3. Guthrie; Jr. Chapter Conducting: 1. Silvertown, 2. Spur, 3. Valley; Sr. Chapter Conducting: 1. Guthrie, 2. Motley County, 3. Paducah; Extemporaneous: 1. Spur, 2. Hedley; Jr. Farm Skill: 1. Clarendon, 2. Valley; Sr. Farm Skill: 1. Spur, 2. Valley, 3. Paducah. The night ended with the traditional closing ceremony by the Greenbelt District Officers: Pres. Matt Abram, Guthrie; Vice Pres. Kendra Williams, Guthrie; Sec. Will Humphreys; Tres. Cody Taylor, Childress; Reporter, Jana Hill, Hedley; and Sentinel, Cody Timmons, Motley County.

Time is running out!  
Get your Christmas  
Greeting today!

## Association Holds Meeting

**McLean Birthdays Anniversaries**  
**December 8** - Randall Wynn, Vela Gaye Richards, Jamie Glass.  
**December 9** - Katy Graham, Verna Biggers, Allen Turpen.  
**December 11** - Doris Windom, Mrs. Otis Ford.  
**December 12** - Boyd Lee Thompson, Bobby Sanderson.  
**December 13** - Darla McAnear, Wayne Bybee, Creed Lamb.  
**December 14** - Sheri Haynes.

**Lion's Club Christmas Program**  
 The McLean Lion's Club's recent Christmas Program was presented by Cynthia Hauck and her students. Poems were read and a play was presented.

The story "Alphabet of Christmas" was played by Leigh Ann Flores and Doris Serna. "In The Week When Christmas Comes" was presented by Leigh Ann Flores. "Christmas Shoppers" was by Doris Serna.

In the presentation of "Little Women Plan Christmas", Meg was played by Doris Serna, Joe played by Leigh Ann Flores, Beth played by Bonnie Hauck, Amy by Lorin Hall and the Narrator of the program was Kristina Carter.

The Texas Old Route 66 Association, met at Barnaby's Beanery on Old Route 66 in Amarillo, on November 29th. Eighteen officers, and guests were present. Special guest Leon Wood of the Department of Transportation, Manager of Traffic Operation, Amarillo District was present.

Minutes, financial reports, and committee reports were heard. Discussed in these reports were membership numbers, complimentary newsletters, copy machine usage, and billboard signs, recently erected.

Vega, Texas will host the State Convention in 1995, and JoAnn Harwell, from Vega, was appointed to the Board of Directors. Various committees were

appointed, and preliminary planning for the tourist season next year took place.

Employees Barbara Richards and David Gipson made reports on visitation, and mail inquiries. Tourism is expected to be up from 1994, and media coverage from Country Living and Forbes Magazines are in the works at this time.

Several new artifacts have been added with three more coming soon. Christmas decorating is done and nine

collections are on display in the "Collectors Corner" at this time. A Christmas party for all the museum volunteers will be held December 19th at 6:30 pm in the Western Heritage Community Room at the Museum.

Memorials recently received include:

Ella Mae Trout, N.C. and Eva Kennedy, Jim and Edna Simpson, Billy Peters, Becky Stubbs, Red Easton, and Willie Harris. All memorial donations are used in the Community Room to buy tables, chairs, paper goods, and other expenses associated with the communities use of the room.

## Fax Facts

(NAPS)—In 1994, for the third year in a row, a majority of daily fax users at both Fortune 500 and mid-size companies said that their fax usage had increased over the past 12 months, according to the recently completed Gallup/Pitney Bowes Fax Usage and Applications study. Forty percent of Fortune 500 and 49 percent of mid-sized company respondents expect their fax usage to increase over the next 12 months.

## McLean Care Center News

Sunday afternoon Bro. Dean Williamson, pastor of the Assembly of God Church was here to hold a worship service.

Monday morning the residents decorated the Christmas tree in the Sun Room. In the afternoon the following residents played bingo: Adelle Walker, Dick Wheeler, Shell Gulley, Teresa Richardson, Annie Eudey, Noema Meroney, Beryl Halbert, Kittie Hesse, Eula Morrow, Lorena Bailey, Leon Burch and Ruby Ayers. Our volunteer helper was Sylvia McClellan. Bananas were furnished for all bingo players by the Lions club.

Wednesday morning Bro. Dean and Susan Williamson were here to lead the residents in a Sing-A-Long followed by refreshments and a social.

Inez Trostle was here Thursday through Saturday to fix the ladies hair. Sue Marsh was here to assist Dick Wheeler, Teresa Richardson and Craig Morris in Games of "42".

Saturday night was our family night holiday dinner. We appreciate the many families and friends that came to enjoy this special occasion with their loved ones.

## One Killed In Fatal Accident

An Arizona woman was killed Thursday and her husband injured in a one-vehicle rollover on Interstate 40, said a spokeswoman for the Department of Public Safety in Childress.

Joy Ann Janz, 61, and her husband, Edward Janz, both of Clarkdale, Arizona, were traveling west on I-40 when the vehicle overturned about four miles west of Alanreed at 11:45 a.m., the spokeswoman said.

Edward Janz was driving the couple's 1992 Toyota when it drifted onto the

north shoulder of the road, then steered back onto the highway before spinning out of control. The car overturned, falling down an embankment and landing on its wheels, the spokeswoman said.

Joy Ann Janz was taken by Medivac helicopter to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo, where she died at 1:28 p.m., the spokeswoman said.

Edward Janz remained in satisfactory condition at Northwest Thursday night, a nursing supervisor said.

## Obituary

**Charles Newton Galley**  
 Charles Newton Galley, 72, of Amarillo died Friday, December 2, 1994.

Services were in Memorial Park Funeral Home Chapel of Memories, with the Rev. Gary Galley of Assembly of God and the Rev. Gene Galley of Assembly of God officiating. Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mr. Galley was born in Deaf Smith county. He moved to Amarillo in 1946 from Dawn. He married Mary Jane Pray in 1947 at Amarillo. He was an engineer for Santa Fe Railway, retiring in 1987 after 34 years. He was a member of the Santa Fe Credit Union Board from 1975 to 1990, the Will

Rogers Range Riders Club and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

Mr. Galley was a sergeant in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He served with the 839th Bomb Squadron and 487 Bomb Group. He was an Air Force mechanic for Boeing Aircraft Co. in Washington. He also served in the air offensive in Europe, Normandy, North France and Central Europe.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Gary Galley of Amarillo, Edwin Galley of Fritch and Eugene Galley of McLean; a daughter, Suzanne Price of Lubbock; a brother, Orval Galley of Tulsa; and eight grandchildren.

## Dobson Raises \$14,000 For McDonald's

Dobson Cellular Systems recently presented a check for \$14,305 to Ronald McDonald Children's Charities of Texas as the result of a two-month fund-raising campaign.

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According to Ron McVean, Jr. of the RMCC Amarillo chapter, "The partnership between Dobson Cellular Systems and Ronald McDonald Children's Charities was the most successful fund-raiser for this chapter. RMCC overwhelmingly appreciates the generosity of Dobson Cellular and their loyal clientele."

Ronald McDonald Children's Charities, one of the largest children's charities in the United States, was established in 1984 in memory of Ray A. Kroc, founder of McDonald's Corporation. RMCC offers many grants to help young people. These grants fall in the areas of: education and the arts, health care and medical research and civil

and social services.

The cornerstone of the children's charities, is the Ronald McDonald House. The Ronald McDonald House provides a home-away-from-home for families with hospitalized children. There are over 150 Ronald McDonald Houses in nine countries around the world including one in Amarillo.

"Ronald McDonald Children's Charities provides an essential service for Texas families with children in need of medical assistance. We take pride in knowing that our contribution will make a positive impact in the lives of these families," said Everett Dobson, president of Dobson Cellular Systems.



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## Students To Compete In Bridge Bash

Several teams from McLean High School and Junior High will compete in the annual "Bridge Bash" at Amarillo College December 10. The event, sponsored by the Texas Alliance for Minorities in Engineering (TAME) and Amarillo College, is designed to

foster an interest and understanding in engineering, according to Tex Buckhaults, math teacher at MHS, who is the local sponsor of the event.

TAME provides kits consisting of 16 sticks of balsa wood, and rules needed to build the bridges. The bridges must be between 22 and 24 inches long and 3 to 6 inches wide. "At the Bridge Bash, all the bridges are destroyed,"

Buckhaults said. "The engineers then compute the efficiency of the bridge based on the bridge's weight compared to the amount of weight necessary to destroy the bridge. The object of the contest is to construct a light, strong bridge."

Winners in the junior high and high school categories will receive certificates. Teams from all over the Panhandle will participate, Buckhaults said.

Teams competing from McLean High School are Monty Joiner, Trish Andrews, Jeremy Crutcher, and Andy Glass; Ben Reeser, Mike Stone,

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#### National Honor Society Raises Funds

The McLean High School National Honor Society gave away a free tank of gas this week as part of a continuing drive to raise funds for an NHS scholarship. Beverly Odom won the free tank of gas.

The NHS also completed a successful canned food drive last week. The group asked each class to bring canned goods to be donated to the Food Bank in Amarillo. The seniors were the winning class, donating the most canned goods. The class was treated to a coke party by NHS members.

Jonathan Galley, and Jessica Rich. Junior High teams are Amanda Cline and Jessie Fish; Bryan Fuller and Chris Hauck; Destiny Kirkland, Victoria Bradley, Vanessa Glass, and Rachel Galley; and D.J. Basham and Melissa Foshee. Other groups received kits and may plan to participate, Buckhaults said.

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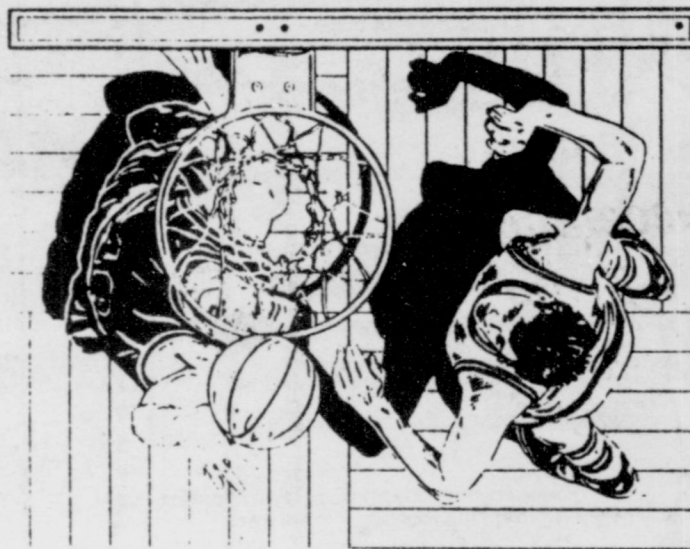
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**McLean Cubs Continue  
Their Winning Ways**  
The McLean Cubs hosted Miami to two games November 28, winning both contests by wide margins. In the girls' game, eighth-grader Vanessa Glass paced the Ladies with 14 points, with Rachel Galley, and seventh-grader Lacy Steel each hitting 10 points. The Cubs, behind the sure hand of seventh grader Brett Montgomery, who hit 16 points, won the game 38 to 18. Ike Hanes scored 12 points, Gary Jones, 4, and Joshua Swafford, D.J. Basham, and Scott Glass each scored 2.

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## Coon Huntin' Mule? Fact Or Fiction

By Delbert Trew  
A few years ago, Les Darsey and I, and our spouses, were in Canton, Texas buying "Stuff". We were enjoying the thousands of booths displaying all kinds of "Stuff", when lunch time arrived. We got a bowl of red beans and some corn bread at a food booth and sat down at a table to enjoy them. At the table, already seated, was an old timer in overalls, brogans, and weathered hat. Behind him on the ground was a single tree, a set of hames, and a horse collar. We felt right at home and remarked to him, "looks like you found some bargains." He sadly shook his head and replied, "Sure wish I had brought my coon huntin' mule." I winked at Les and he grinned and punched me in the ribs, then asked the man, "Why?". He replied that there were some monied people on Dog Alley that were offering \$2500 for a good coon

huntin' mule. That got our attention fast!

Both of us still suspicious that our leg was being pulled, but if so, this old timer was a master at it. We resigned ourselves to biting the bait, and finally asked the man, "What is a coon huntin' mule?" The man was shocked, we could tell, as he realized that we were serious. We actually didn't know what a coon huntin' mule was! With a long sigh, he replied, "Tis the sweetest animal ever born, rides like a dream, thinks like a human, obeys like a wife, and makes one feel safe as in the hands of Jesus."

We both choked on our beans, as we absorbed those comments. Nothing on earth could match that. Then he went on, "a coon huntin' mule sees in the dark, won't run off a cliff, won't run under a tree limb, won't step in a hole, and stops before he hits a barbed wire fence." Our

mouths were open in awe as the old timer continued, "When the mule stops, you jump off, unsaddle him, throw the saddle over the fence, lay the blanket over the wire fence, step over and the mule jumps over the blanket. You just saddle up and get on with the hunt." Our beans were cold by this time, and the corn bread dry, as we

contemplated the wondrous story we had just heard.

Now, just this week in the paper, we read of Oreo, a coon huntin' mule from Fritch, who brought a crowd to its feet, as she soared 53 inches over a fence, then pranced a bit and gave a bow.

Isn't life wonderful?

Love consists in this that two solitudes protect and touch and greet each other.

—Rainer Maria Rilke

## George Keeton To Celebrate 95th Birthday

A long time resident of this area, Mr. George Keeton, will celebrate his 95th birthday this month. Well known for his love of singing, George still has a good voice and participates vigorously in the choir and with singing groups at his home church - and whenever or wherever there's an opportunity to sing.

His local church, First Pentecostal Holiness Church, at 1700 Alcock Street in Pampa will be having its monthly Gospel Singing from two until four o'clock on Sunday afternoon, December 11th. The program will be altered just a bit this month in honor of Mr. Keeton's birthday. There will be one hour of good, lively, Gospel songs by the congregation and the numerous singing and musical groups from this area. The second hour will be set aside to celebrate Mr. Keeton's 95th birthday. His many friends across this area are invited to attend,

share birthday cake, and celebrate with us.

Pastor Albert Maggard and the congregation welcome everyone to attend.

### Memorial Services

For Ora B. Morgan  
Memorial services were held December 7 at 1:00 pm for Ora B. Morgan at Llano Cemetery in Amarillo. No further information was available at press time.

Twenty-one Gray County 4-H members participated in the Gray County 4-H Food Show on November 19. The 4-Hers had completed a foods-nutrition project, a project record form, a day's menu, and prepared a special food and completed an interview with judges!

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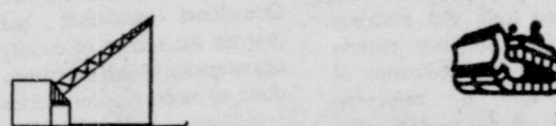
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The cemeteries of Carson County are well maintained. Occasional vandalism has marred the record of county cemeteries. Work has been done to restore older stones which have been damaged by age and weather.

The Carson County

Historical Commission is interested in any information available on cemeteries in the county. Please contact Mogie McCray, Carson County Historical Commission chairman, at P.O. Box 310, Panhandle, Texas 79068-0310 or call (806)537-5237 with your information.

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**Alanreed News**

**Community Improvement Committee Meets**

By Lena Carter  
Nora Drago's daughter shopped in Pampa Wednesday.

Robert Bruce made a trip to Lubbock Thursday.

Mrs. Winifred Tate was home this week after suffering a heart attack recently.

The Olin Weldons were in Marshall, Texas last week at sick relatives.

The Keeses received word during the weekend of the death of Nell's sister's husband downstate. He had had some heart by-passes over the year.

Robert Bruce was in Amarillo on Monday for medical attention and visited with the Jim Bruces now at home after a long stay in Northwest Hospital S.I.C.U.

The Olin Weldons were in Borger on Monday for dental appointments.

A small grass fire broke out on Betty Hill's place Sunday but was handled easily by the McLean Fire Department.

Robert Leeder was in Amarillo last week for medical attention.

The Alanreed Community Improvement Association met December 3rd for a reorganizational meeting.

A covered dish supper was enjoyed. Robert Bruce, vice-chairman, presided over

the business session. The first order of business was the election of new officers. A motion was made by Nell Keese to nominate Olin Weldon as chairman. A motion by Lena to close nominations and vote him in by acclimation was passed. A motion was made by Olin to retain Robert Bruce as vice-chairman. The motion was seconded and passed. The motion was made by Mrs. Weldon to name Lena Carter as secretary & treasurer. It was seconded and passed.

The first order of business for new officers will be a membership drive and clean up projects will begin.

Present was Mr. and Mrs. Olin Weldon, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruce, Robert Leeder, Nell Keese, Sid and Orville Keese and Lena Carter.

Motion was made by Nell and seconded by Addie to adjourn.

The next meeting will be on the first Saturday in January and all the people of the community are urged to be present. Let us continue the work we have started and we do some good. Our off ramp and overpass lights are about to be set up soon.

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