



# THE MCGREGOR MIRROR

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## Homes decked out for holidays Winners have been selected

McGregor homes are all decked out for the holiday season and the McGregor Chamber of Commerce has selected seven homes as winners in this year's "Best Decorated Home" contest. The mystery judges commented on how many homes were decorated, and besides the winners, gave a list of some of the best lights and neighborhoods to go see in town. The winners will be pictured in next week's Christmas issue.

Dean and Charlene Elliott, 1050 East McGregor Drive, won Best Use of Lights. David and Susan Douglas, 1318 W. 6th, won the Spirit of the Season Award. Best Traditional Award went to Paul and Robbie Jo Allison, 801 W. Sixth, and George Long, 101 Houston, won the Best Old Fashioned Award. Best Use of Theme went to the owners of 300 Navajo Trail and Verda Pyburn, 418

Pullen, won the Judge's Award. The judges selected Houston Street as the Best Decorated Street. Navajo Trails subdivision and Fifth, Sixth and Jackson Streets, Patricia Circle are other great decorated neighborhoods. Best corner was Fifth and Adams. Other pretty lights include: Ella Kelley, 208 Alamo; the Cunninghams, 307 S. Monroe; the Masuccios, 705 S. Adams; the Logans, 400 Alamo; the Spradley's barn, 2nd and Harrison; the Tippiess, 8th and Fillmore; Bobbie and Ralph Goff, Sixth and Fillmore and Brenda Jenkins, 1003 S. Jackson.

Winner of the Best Decorated Business is Sneed Insurance and Catering on Main, 313 S. Main. Second place is Texas Tea and Coffee, 402 West Third. Third place is Pat Richardson Insurance. The three gift stores on Main were excluded in the judging.



SENIOR QUALIN BROWN INTRODUCED HIS FOURTH GRADE TEACHER Emily Martin at the McGregor High School Fall Sports banquet Monday evening. Teachers have a great impact on children's lives and these senior football players wanted to give special tributes to their favorite teachers during their 12 years of school.

## Churches invite citizens for special music

McGregor churches will be offering special Christmas musicals and pageants this weekend. You will find their special invitations in this issue of The Mirror.

First Baptist Church of McGregor's choir will be performing their Christmas cantata "Touched by a Child, Touched by King" at 10:45 a.m. Sunday.

First United Methodist Church's chancel choir will

present its cantata Sunday morning at 11:00. Later that evening, the children and youth departments will present their programs. The Children's Pageant is the "Best Christmas Present Ever," and the Youth will present "The X Factor". The Praise Team will also be bringing special Christmas music during the service, which begins at 5 p.m. in the sanctuary. A reception will follow in the Fel-

lowship Hall. On Wednesday, December 19th, College Avenue Baptist Church will present "This Christmas Day," the story of Christmas sung by angels and shepherds, presented by the Wednesday Children's Groups beginning at 7:00 p.m.

A Caroling Christmas—a gift of song to the community of McGregor will be presented by

College Avenue Baptist Church on Sunday, December 23. They invite the community to come by as they are out touring Christmas lights in town.

Presentations will be at 6:00 and 7:00 on the lawn of College Avenue. They will be serving hot chocolate and cookies in the Fel-

lowship Hall at 6:30 p.m. First United Methodist Church will have its annual Christmas Eve Candlelight service at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

The children of Zion Lutheran Church will perform their Christmas pageant on Christ-

mas Eve at 6 p.m. The church will also have a Christmas Eve Midnight Candlelight Service.

Emmanuel Christian Fellowship will have a Christmas Eve Service at 9 p.m.

The community is invited to all these services.

## Extra route to be added following Christmas

IESI, the City of McGregor's waste management company, will add a city-wide route on the Wednesday following Christmas to accommodate the anticipated extra debris generated on Christmas Day.

Wiley Dugger of IESI said that their drivers would be off on Tuesday December 25th, but in order to provide sufficient service for the residents of McGregor, the McGregor Christmas week routes will run on the normally scheduled days of Monday, Thursday and Friday. The Tuesday route will run on Wednesday.

The New Years holiday week routes will run one day late beginning on Wednesday.



ADAM BROWN GIVES HIS TEACHER Rheuanna Miller a hug at the Fall Sports Banquet. All the senior football players introduced their favorite teacher and told what the impact they had on their lives.

## Police answer variety of calls

McGregor Police officers answered a variety of calls last week including a burglary, an identity theft and two forgery cases.

Police Investigator Andy Posey reported that a spokesman from Hidden Talents located at the 400 block of South Main told them someone entered the store and stole some cash and a computer. The case is under investigation.

A subject was charged last week with identity theft and tampering with a Government document.

"The subject was using another man's date of birth and social security card," Detective Posey stated. "He had also made a fake social security card. The man was transported to the McLennan County Jail.

Two forgery cases are currently being worked on. Detective Posey said subjects have been forging checks and cashing them at different locations in town.

A concerned citizen called the police last week to report a

suspicious person in their backyard. When police arrived a man was sitting in a lawn chair in the complainant's backyard. When questioned why he was there, he told the officer he thought he was in Waco. The man was charged with public intoxication.

Criminal mischief was reported at Foster Wheeler when they noticed someone had cut a hole in their back fence. Nothing was reported missing.

Harassing phone calls were reported in the 500 block of South Main and the 300 block of South Main.

A hit and run was reported at the 200 block of Main when a car was struck and the driver failed to stop. The driver has been identified and a warrant has been issued.

Detective Posey reported that a juvenile at the high school made a threat one day last week. He was transported to the Juvenile Detention Center in Waco and charged with giving a false report.

An ATV was reported stolen from a garage at the 1000 block of Monroe. It was later found in

a driveway down the street. There are no suspects in the case.

A subject was issued a citation for assault by threat in the 600 block of West McGregor Drive.

An officer, while on patrol, pulled over a vehicle on traffic at the 300 block of West 3rd. The subject was arrested for driving under the influence and failure to identify.

An assault family violence was reported in the 900 block of South Johnson Drive. An arrest was made and the subject was transported to the McLennan County Jail.

Criminal mischief was reported at the 200 block of South Monroe when the owner of a vehicle told police someone scratched their car.

Three traffic accidents were answered last week. Two accidents that resulted in no injuries were at South Main and Sixth Street, and the 600 block of Highway 84.

Another accident at the 1000 block of Main had possible injuries.

## Mullen It Over by Bonnie Mullens

### Ready or not Christmas is here

I KNOW THERE are still 14 days until it is officially Christmas, but as far as I am concerned, Christmas is here, and once again, I am way behind schedule. You might recall I said last year that this wasn't going to happen to me in 2007, but it has.

I had the best intentions of getting my Christmas shopping done early, my Christmas edition ad sales completed in the summer, and Christmas special copy finished by now. Just to let you know, that if you see me during the next few days looking a little distracted, know that none of the above items have been completed. The Christmas edition is coming along a lot better than my Christmas shopping, which I haven't even started.

My house decorations, on the other hand, are finished. This year I had lots of extra helpers as Charles and Claudia and their six children were staying at our home following their house fire just before Thanksgiving. The older four children were lifesavers in putting together and decorating our two trees. During the two days of decorating it was a flurry of activity.

While we were busy on the inside, Jimmy was working on

the outside lights. He had help with the roof lighting, but he takes his job as the shrub decorator pretty seriously. He was just commenting Sunday night as he was admiring his job and patting himself on the back, that he thought when he retired he would start hiring out as a Christmas house lighting decorator. "Just call me Mr. Christmas," he said. I reminded "Mr. Christmas" that he needed to remember he wasn't very comfortable with heights. He thought for a moment before commenting he would specialize as a Christmas bottom man.

In the next few years, if you are looking for a shrub decorator, I know someone for the job.

One of my favorite parts of Christmas is the opportunity I have to work with the children of First United Methodist Church preparing the annual Christmas pageant. I can assure you, it is never dull—the practices, and especially the performance, but there is nothing sweeter than the eager faces and the beautiful voices of these angels, shepherds, donkeys, cows, innkeepers, messengers, wise men and Mary and Joseph. I am thankful to these children and their parents for this annual job and the start of my Christmas. We got started with our

practices a little late this year, but they have been troopers and have memorized their parts beautifully. We will present "The Greatest Christmas Present Ever" on Sunday at 5 p.m. in the church sanctuary. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the telling of the birth of Christ, by these special messengers. The youth of the church will also perform a short play "The X Factor" Our Praise team will be bringing special music.

Area churches will begin presenting their annual Christmas programs. Both the First United Methodist and First Baptist churches will have their cantatas Sunday morning. Details of other special services can be found in advertising and articles in this week's Mirror.

Congratulations to all the area folks who have donated toys and money to the Firemen's Toy Drive. Organizers said they are in good shape due to the generosity of the community. We pictured the PALS last week with their donations. McGregor Elementary students also donated over 180 toys for the drive. Great job!

I recommend that you take time and get out and tour the town's decorated streets and neighborhoods. A listing of Chamber winners and other pretty lights can be found on Page One.

The Mirror is once again having its annual Football Bowl Contest. The entry form can be found on Page 2. Be sure to get it in by deadline. You could be the grand prize winner of your picture in the paper and a cup of coffee on us. *Have a great week.*

## City Council make appointments to Housing Authority, Building Standards and Community Development boards

McGregor City Councilmen made several appointments to City boards Monday evening at their December meeting.

Ella Kelley and Leanne Bowden were reappointed to the McGregor Community Development Board. They had both been serving unexpired terms of previous board members. Kelley was completing the unexpired term of Teresa Sneed and Bowden was finishing the term of Fred Masuccio.

Linda Thomas was appointed to the McGregor Housing Authority Board, replacing the late Diane Lauterbach.

Tom McPherson was appointed to serve on the Building Standards Commission Board.

All the appointments will be serving 2 year terms.

Council also approved the selling or disposal of surplus items.



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## McGregor Mirror Annual Bowl Game Contest

(Circle one team)

Date	Bowl	Team	vs	Team
Dec. 20	Poinsettia	Utah	vs.	Navy
Dec. 21	New Orleans	Memphis	vs.	Fl. Atlantic
Dec. 22	Papa John's	Southern Miss.	vs.	Cincinnati
Dec. 22	New Mex. Bowl	Nevada	vs.	New Mexico
Dec. 22	Pioneer	UCLA	vs.	BYU
Dec. 23	Sheraton Hawaii	Boise State	vs.	East Carolina
Dec. 26	Motor City	Purdue	vs.	Central Mich.
Dec. 27	Holiday	Arizona State	vs.	Texas
Dec. 28	Texas Bowl	TCU	vs.	Houston
Dec. 28	Champs Sports	Boston College	vs.	Mich.State
Dec. 28	Emerald	Maryland	vs.	Oregon State
Dec. 29	Meineke	Connecticut	vs.	Wake Forest
Dec. 29	Liberty	Central Florida	vs.	Miss.State
Dec. 29	Alamo	Penn State	vs.	Texas A&M
Dec. 30	Independence	Alabama	vs.	Colorado
Dec. 31	Armed Forces	California	vs.	Air Force
Dec. 31	Humanitarian	Georgia Tech	vs.	Fresno State
Dec. 31	Sun Bowl	South Florida	vs.	Oregon
Dec. 31	Music City	Kentucky	vs.	Florida State
Dec. 31	Insight	Indiana	vs.	Okla. State
Dec. 31	Chick-fil-A	Clemson	vs.	Auburn
Jan. 1	Outback	Wisconsin	vs.	Tennessee
Jan. 1	Cotton	Missouri	vs.	Arkansas
Jan. 1	Gator	Texas Tech	vs.	Virginia
Jan. 1	Capitol One	Michigan	vs.	Florida
Jan. 1	Rose	Illinois	vs.	Southern Cal
Jan. 1	Sugar	Hawaii	vs.	Georgia
Jan. 1	Fiesta	Oklahoma	vs.	West Virginia
Jan. 3	Orange	Virginia Tech	vs.	Kansas
Jan. 5	International	Rutgers	vs.	Ball State
Jan. 6	GMAC	Bowling Green	vs.	Tulsa
Jan. 7	BCS Champ.	LSU	vs.	Ohio State

**Tie Breaker:** Write in total number of points (both teams scores added together) of Sugar Bowl game: \_\_\_\_\_

(Example: Hawaii 40 and Georgia 20 would be 60 total points.)

Circle your choice for winner of each game and complete tie breaker question. Return to McGregor Mirror in person or mail to:

McGregor Mirror Bowl Game Contest  
P.O. Box 415  
McGregor, TX 76657

Or you may e-mail winners & tie breaker to either one of following: [bonnie@mcgregormirror.com](mailto:bonnie@mcgregormirror.com) or [charles@mcgregormirror.com](mailto:charles@mcgregormirror.com)

Only one entry per person will be accepted. Let's keep it fair. Must be delivered before kickoff of first bowl game OR postmarked OR received by e-mail by 7 pm, December 20 for you to be eligible.

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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**First Place Prize:** Photo in McGregor Mirror, braggin' rights for one year as Top Pigskin Prognosticator, tour of Mirror office, and a free cup of coffee at Texas Tea & Coffee around the corner.

*Yep, that's all you win...nuttin' else...our budget is busted!*

# News Briefs

## McGregor Santa Pictures Ready

Santa pictures taken on Saturday, December 1st following the Christmas parade are ready for pickup. The pictures are \$1 each and can be viewed at the Chamber office located in The Milo Building, 303 South Main.

## New Covenant To Sell Tamales

New Covenant Life Church at 304 S. Main, is having a Tamale Sale Fund-raiser. Orders may be placed from December 12 through December 20 by calling 470-9922 or 733-7282. May be picked up December 21st at the church.

## Stew Fund-raiser Saturday, Dec. 15

Neighborhood Council East is sponsoring a Fund-raiser on Saturday, December 15th starting at 1 p.m. They will be selling Stew and Drinks. Tickets are still available. The Neighborhood Council Center is located at Third and Rogers. Everyone is invited.

## Chili Cookoff & Toy Run Saturday

The Fifth Annual Toys for Tot's Chili Cookoff and Toy Run will be held Saturday, December 15th at McGregor Hall on Johnson Drive. Entry Fee is \$18.00. Turn in time is 2 p.m. "Chili Grind Only" Silent Auction, lots of fun and much more. There will be a Best Christmas decorated site contest. Those attending are asked to bring a new, unwrapped toy. Friday night there will be Homemade stew and corn bread, and on Saturday, bring your favorite holiday dish. The public is welcome to judge the chili. For more information call 254-486-9206.

## Legion Annual Christmas Dinner

The American Legion Post 213 will serve its annual Christmas Dinner at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 16, 2007.

## McGregor ISD Holiday Schedule

McGregor ISD will break for the Christmas Holidays on the 21st. Buses will run at 1:30 p.m. Students will return to class on January 7, 2008.

## Crawford ISD Holiday Schedule

Crawford ISD will have finals on December 19, 20 and 21 and school dismisses for the Christmas Holidays on the 21st. Buses will run at 1:00 p.m.

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**Adela Acosta**

Adela Acosta of McGregor died Saturday morning, October 27, 2007, in Fort Worth at the age of 80. Rosary was recited at 7:00 P.M. Monday, October 29, 2007, at Cole Funeral Home Chapel, 1113 West Fifth Street, McGregor. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 9:00 A.M. Tuesday, October 30, 2007, at St. Eugene Catholic Church with Father Hilario Guajardo as Celebrant. Interment followed in Bellwood Memorial Park in Temple.

Mrs. Acosta was born May 20, 1927, in Marion, Texas, the daughter of the late Feliz and Romana (Gonzales) Yanez. At a young age, she moved to the Eddy area where she attended school. On November 13, 1964, she married Atilano Aldrete Acosta in Waco, Texas. In 1963, she moved McGregor from Moody. She was employed by the Holiday Inn in Waco in housekeeping for several years. For twenty-five years Smead Manufacturing in McGregor employed her as a packer. She was a member of St. Eugene Catholic Church where she served on the Alter Society. She was also a member of S.M.D.J. in Waco and enjoyed cooking, sewing and was a Dallas Cowboy Fan.

Also preceding her in death was a brother and a sister.

Survivors include her husband Atilano Acosta of Fort Worth; a son George Acosta and wife Yolanda of North Richland Hills; a daughter, Anita Aldama and husband Lawrence of Keller; five grandchildren, Georgianna Louchery, Marinda Acosta, Jorge Adam Acosta, Graciela Acosta, Vincent Aldama; two great grandchildren, Victoria Louchery and Vanessa Louchery.

Casketbearers were Andres Acosta, Jorge Adam Acosta, Vincent Atilano Aldama, Phillip Flores, Rudy Rogers and Damien Rosado.

Please visit our memorial at [www.mem.com](http://www.mem.com) to leave a tribute or fond memory about Adela.



**Theresa Fillyaw**

Theresa Cooley Fillyaw, 45, died on Friday, November 30, at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Beaumont, Texas. Funeral Services were held at the First Baptist Church in Newton, Texas on December 3, with interment following at the Newton Cemetery.

Theresa, a Little Cypress-Mauriceville second grade teacher lived in Orange, Texas, with her husband of 10 years, Bobby Fillyaw, Director of the Orange County Development Corporation. Theresa was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Orange, Texas.

She was born in Lampasas, but spent most of her childhood in Lometa, Texas. She graduated from Lamar University in 1989 with a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education. Theresa began her teaching career in Silsbee, Texas, also taught in Buna, Newton and McGregor. She loved teaching and she loved her students. Theresa traveled the world with her husband and made

friends and she went. She has a large extended family who will miss her sweet, loving nature and zest for life.

She was preceded in death by two infant daughters, Caroline and Tracy, mother-Doris Cooley, grandparents-Ed and Ruby Barefoot and Raymond and Dorothy Cooley.

Theresa is survived by her husband, Bobby Fillyaw of Orange, Texas; son, Marshall Hoozer, of Orange, Texas; sister, Nona Buckley of Cypress, Texas; brother, Trey Cooley of LaHabra, California; and uncle, Ed Barefoot, Jr. of Lometa and numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that memorial contributions be made to The American Cancer Society, 755 South 11th Street, Suite 212 Beaumont, Texas 77701. Donations should be given in honor of Victoria Enmon and/or in memory of Theresa. Victoria Enmon is a 15 year old she befriended, who is battling leukemia.

**Loraine Wendt**

Loraine Mary (Mattiza) Wendt passed from this life, Friday, December 7, 2007, at Regent Care Center in Woodway with her son and daughter at her bedside. Funeral services were 10:00 A.M. Monday, December 10, 2007, at Zion Lutheran Church 1125 West Sixth Street, McGregor, with Pastor Walter Klockers officiating. Interment followed in St. Paul Memorial Park in Crawford under the direction of Cole Funeral Home, 1113 West Fifth Street, McGregor.

Loraine was born January 30, 1922, in Crawford, the daughter of the late Henry and Annie (Lehrmann) Mattiza. She was baptized March 12, 1922, and confirmed into the Lutheran faith on April 14, 1935. Loraine graduated from Crawford High School where she excelled as a member of the Lady Pirates Basketball team of the late 1930's.

On October 2, 1940, she married Robert Wendt at Zion Lutheran Church in McGregor where she remained a member until her death. Robert preceded her in death March 2, 1999.

The passion of Loraine's life was her flowers. She owned and operated Town and Country Flowers well past her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. Her talent was shared with her church and community through her altar flowers, wedding bouquets and floral arrangements she so lovingly created.

Preceding her in death were her husband and a brother, Raymond Mattiza.

Survivors include a daughter, Betty Zimmerman of Woodway; a son Bobby Wendt and wife Sharon of Oglesby; left to cherish their "Granny's" memory are her devoted and loving grandchildren, Amber Wendt of San Antonio, Andrew Wendt of College Station, Geoffrey Zimmerman and wife Tammy of Pflugerville.

Casketbearers were Barry Abel, Ed Fehler, Chad Kasting, Jerry Mattiza, Billy Zacharias and Gary Zacharias.

For those desiring, the family has suggested Zion Lutheran Church, 1125 West Sixth Street, McGregor, Texas 76657 or McGregor Ambulance Association in care of Frances Hudson, 311 South Adams, McGregor, Texas 76657, for memorial contributions.

Please visit our memorial at [www.mem.com](http://www.mem.com) to leave a tribute or fond memory about Loraine.



**Billy Yeager**

Billy Wayne Yeager of the McGregor and Oglesby areas, passed away Thursday morning, December 6, 2007, at his residence at the age of 74. Graveside services and interment were 10:00 A.M. Saturday, December 8, 2007, at Bellwood Memorial Park in Temple under the direction of Cole Funeral Home, 1113 West Fifth Street,

McGregor with Rev. Mickey Fugitt officiating.

Mr. Yeager was born February 16, 1933, in Tanglewood, Texas, the son of the late Iron Wesley and Hattie Emma (Wagner) Yeager. As a child, he moved to McGregor where he attended McGregor High School. During the Korean Conflict, he served his country in the United States Army from March 19, 1953 to March 18, 1955. He was decorated with the Occupation Medal in Germany and the National Defense Service Medal. On November 15, 1990, he married the former Evelyn Kay White in Gatesville. Through his life he enjoyed vegetable gardening, caring for his goats and spending time in his shop. Much of his life was spent in the farming and ranching business until his 1992 retirement.

Also preceding him in death was a daughter, Diane Yeager, two brothers, Ase Yeager and Waylon Yeager.

Survivors include, his wife, Kay Yeager; a daughter, Karen Lee Rush and husband Scott of McGregor; two brothers, Wesley Yeager and his wife Ruth of Nacogdoches, Jim Yeager of McGregor; one sister, Mary Beth Tate of Baytown; a grandson, Ryan Lee Rush, granddaughter,

Audrey Forney; a great grandson, Skylar Forney, a great granddaughter, Haven Forney; numerous nieces and nephews.

For those desiring, the family has suggested, McGregor Ambulance Association in care of Frances Hudson, 311 South Adams, McGregor, Texas 76657, for memorial contributions.

Please visit our memorial at [www.mem.com](http://www.mem.com) to leave a tribute about Billy.



**McGregor EMS Memorials**

In memory of Charles Cole from Katy and Don Kruse

In memory of Billy Wayne Yeager from Ray and Helene Westerfield, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hartsell.

In memory of Loraine Wendt from Frances Hudson, Bonnie and Jimmy Mullens, Meghan Mullens

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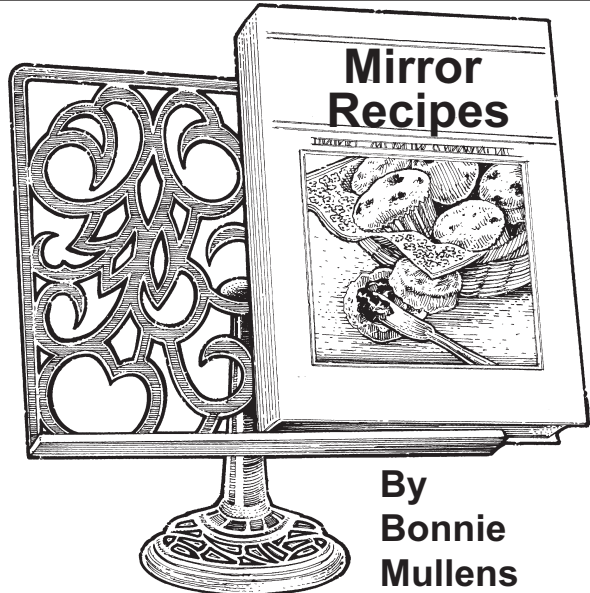
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## Santa's favorite snacks

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### BACON AND CHEESE CRACKER STACKS

Orange marmalade is a sweet surprise in this crispy cracker snack.

- 1 (8-ounce) package cream cheese with chives and onion
- 1/2 cup (2-ounces) finely shredded Cheddar cheese
- 1/4 cup finely chopped natural almonds, toasted
- 3 tablespoons orange marmalade
- 24 slices bacon
- 48 rectangular buttery crackers

Combine first 4 ingredients in a small bowl; stir well. Cover and chill. Cook bacon in batches in a large skillet over medium heat 2 to 3 minutes on each side or until lightly browned; drain well on paper towels. Spread 1 tablespoon cheese mixture on 24 crackers. Top each with another cracker. Wrap a slice of bacon around each cracker stack, overlapping bacon ends on bottom. Place, seam side down, on ungreased baking sheets. Bake at 350 degrees for 15

### TACO SNACKERS

- 1 (6-ounce) package Cheddar fish-shape crackers
  - 1 (6-ounce) package plain fish-shape crackers
  - 3 cups crispy wheat cereal squares
  - 2 cups scoop-size corn chips
  - 1/4 cup butter or margarine, melted
  - 2 tablespoons dry taco seasoning mix
- Combine first 4 ingredients in a large bowl. Combine butter and seasoning mix. Drizzle over cracker mixture, tossing gently to coat. Spread in an ungreased 15x10x1 inch jellyroll pan. Bake at 325 degrees for 15 to 20 minutes, stirring every 10 minutes. Remove from oven; let cool. Store in an airtight container. Makes 11 cups.

### SAUSAGE-DATE BALLS

These are great to freeze ahead of time. After cooking, chill thoroughly; then freeze in an airtight container. Thaw at room

- 1 pound ground pork sausage
  - 2 cups biscuit mix
  - 1/2 cup finely chopped pecans
  - 1 (8-ounce) package pitted dates, chopped
- Combine all ingredients; stir well and shape into 1-inch balls. Place on lightly greased baking sheets. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes or until browned. Serve warm or at room temperature. Makes 4 1/2 dozen.

### ANGEL WINGS

- Napkins are a necessity
  - 18 chicken wings (about 5 pounds)
  - 1/2 cup sugar
  - 1/2 cup water
  - 1/2 cup soy sauce
  - 1/4 cup orange juice
  - 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
  - 1 teaspoon grated fresh ginger
  - 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- Remove and discard wing tips; cut wings in half at joint. Place wing pieces in a 13x9x2-inch baking dish. Combine sugar and remaining 6 ingredients; pour mixture over chicken, turning to coat. Cover and chill 8 hours. Remove chicken from marinade, reserving marinade. Place chicken on lightly greased 15x10x1-inch jellyroll pan. Bring marinade to a boil in a small saucepan; reduce heat and simmer 5 minutes. Bake chicken at 350 degrees for 40 minutes or until done, basting twice with marinade. Place chicken on a serving platter; serve warm. Makes 3 dozen.

### HAM-PINEAPPLE NIBBLES

- Commercial crescent rolls encase this savory ham and pineapple filling.
- 1 large egg, lightly beaten
- 1 1/2 cups ground cooked ham
- 1/2 cup (2-ounces) shredded mozzarella cheese
- 1/4 cup soft breadcrumbs
- 1/4 teaspoon rubbed sage

- 5 green onions, sliced
  - 1 (8 1/4-ounce) can crushed pineapple, drained
  - 3 (8-ounce) cans refrigerated crescent rolls
- Combine first 7 ingredients in a large bowl; set aside. Separate each package of rolls into 4 rectangles, pressing perforations to seal. Roll each rectangle into an 8x4-inch rectangle; cut each crosswise into thirds. Place about 1 tablespoon ham mixture in center of each third of dough. Fold dough over ham mixture, pressing edges to seal; crimp with a fork. Place on ungreased baking sheets. Bake at 375 degrees for 10 minutes or until golden. Makes 3 dozen.

### CHICKEN NACHO CHEESECAKE

- 1 23 cups finely crushed tortilla chips
  - 1/4 cup butter or margarine, melted
  - 3 (8-ounce) packages cream cheese, softened
  - 4 large eggs
  - 1/2 cup mayonnaise
  - 1 (1.25-ounce) package taco seasoning mix
  - 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
  - 1 1/2 cups drained and finely chopped canned premium chunk white chicken
  - 1 1/2 cups (6-ounces) shredded colby-Monterey Jack cheese blend
  - 1 (8-ounce) carton sour cream
- Toppings: sliced rip olives, cooked whole kernel corn, chopped green onions, chopped fresh tomato

Picante sauce or salsa  
Combine tortilla chips and butter; stir well. Firmly press into bottom of a 10-inch springform pan; set aside. Beat cream cheese

at high speed of an electric mixer until creamy. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Add mayonnaise, taco seasoning mix and flour; beat at low speed until smooth. Stir in chicken and cheese. Pour batter into prepared pan.

Bake at 325 degrees for 55 minutes. Spread sour cream on top of cheesecake; bake 10 additional minutes. Let cool to room temperature in pan on a wire rack; cover and chill at least 8 hours. To serve, carefully remove sides of pan. Arrange toppings on cheese cake. Serve with picante sauce. Make one 10 1/2 inch cheesecake.

### HOT CRANBERRY BAKE

- 4 cups peeled, chopped cooking apples
- 2 cups fresh cranberries
- 1 1/2 teaspoons lemon juice
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 1/3 cups quick-cooking oats, uncooked
- 1 cup chopped walnuts
- 1/3 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup butter or margarine, melted
- Vanilla ice cream

Combine apple and cranberries in a lightly greased 2-quart baking dish. Sprinkle with lemon juice; top with sugar. Combine oats, walnuts, brown sugar, and butter. Stir mixture just until dry ingredients are moistened and mixture is crumbly. Sprinkle over fruit. Bake at 325 degrees for 1 hour. Serve warm with vanilla ice cream. Serves 8.

### WHITE CHOCOLATE CHESS TART

There's just enough white chocolate in this tart to create a creamy, butter unforgettable des-

- sert. A thin slice is an indulgence.
- 1/2 (15-ounces) package refrigerated piecrusts
- 4 ounces white chocolate, chopped
- 1/2 cup buttermilk
- 3 large eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- 1 1/4 cups sugar
- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon cornmeal
- Pinch of salt

Fit 1 pie crust into a 9-inch tart pan with removable bottom according to package directions trim edges. Line pastry with aluminum foil, and fill with pie weights or dried beans. Bake at 450 degrees for 8 minutes. Remove weights and foil; bake 3 to 4 additional minutes. Let cool on a wire rack. Combine chocolate and buttermilk in a saucepan; cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until chocolate melts and mixture is smooth. Let cool 15 minutes.

Combine eggs and vanilla; gradually stir in chocolate mixture. Combine sugar and remaining 3 ingredients; gradually add to chocolate mixture, stirring until blended. Pour into piecrust. Bake at 325 degrees for 50 minutes or until a knife inserted in center comes out clean. Let cool on a wire rack. Makes 9-inch tart.

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# The Rear View Mirror

It Happened This Week . . . 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80 Years Ago  
A look back at McGregor's Past — by Bonnie Mullens

### DECEMBER 16, 1927—

□WC. Riddle, local Ford dealer, was expecting the new Ford Model T car on December 21st. People had been coming in the showroom since December 2nd to see the pictures of the new Ford.

The McGregor Fire Boys gave McGregor's new paved Main Street a thorough washing.

With only eight more shopping days until Christmas, lots of Christmas gift ideas were advertised in The Mirror from Lee Hardware, S. Amsler, Cuenod's, Harper's, E.J. Thomason Jewelers and McGregor Dry Goods.

Fred Wiese was announced the winner of the state pig ton-liter contest. Wiese's 12 Poland Chinas topped the bean at 3,422 pounds at the age of six months, averaging 285 pounds per pig.

George England was elected Eminent Commander of McGregor's Knight's Templar.

Free Christmas turkeys were given away by Cuenod's.

### DECEMBER 31, 1937—

The 1934 Bulldog team won the Christmas Day game with the 1937 McGregor football team by a score of 33-7. Over 300 attended the game and proceeds went to the jacket fund at McGregor High School.

L.C. Wood was named as one on a committee to formulate the rule by which football will be played in America. He was the first Class B coach in the history of football to be named to such a committee. The committee met at the Roosevelt Hotel New Orleans.

December was the wettest December on record for the past 10 to 15 years in McGregor. Rainfall was 4.27 inches.

(NO 1947 ON FILE FOR LAST WEEK OF DECEMBER)

### DECEMBER 13, 1957—

Mr. and Mrs. Tap Wells celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

McGregor High School band placed first in inspection and second in marching at the regional contest.

□Gus Quebe received a 20-year pin from REA at the annual Christmas party. He had been on the Board of Directors since its organization.

The Crouch family marked 50 years with the McGregor Mill.

### DECEMBER 15, 1967—

Dean Elliott became the administrator for the 50-bed Westview Manor Nursing Home.

Robert Johnson, a senior at North Texas University, was hired by the McGregor school board as the new band director.

McGregor firemen kept all night vigils fighting a stubborn fire at the McGregor Milling and Grain that burned for 64 hours.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Stone celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Ray Harris was elected the new president of the McGregor Volunteer Fire Department.

Winners of the Home Decoration Contest sponsored by the Chamber were John Gardner, Paul Fehler, Lester Hoover, Mike Swetnam and William Felder.

C.D. Connor was elected vice president of the McGregor School Board.

Zion Lutheran Women made Chrismons for the church sanctuary tree.

### DECEMBER 17, 1987—

The McGregor Bulldogs, picked to finish third in the district 15 weeks earlier, were getting ready to battle for the Class 3-A state championship Friday at Memorial Stadium in Austin against the Cuero Gobblers. Bulldogs beat South Lake Carroll 28-14.

McGregor Ministerial Fellowship organized a church food pantry to be housed in the Senior Citizen Center.

The first Chamber of Commerce mystery shopper, George Vowel, was identified by

Raymond Collins. Five-year-old Meghan Mullens was the second mystery shopper caught by Debbie Smith.

Shiloh Baptist Church advertised and performed an outdoor Christmas drama.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Sandhoff celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

The McGregor 4-H Float won first place in the Chamber Christmas parade.

### DECEMBER 18, 1997—

McGregor's first Christmas Home Tour was a success, with over 300 tickets sold raising approximately \$2,000 to go toward community projects.

McGregor Bulldog Ken Jones was named to the first team defence All District Team. Honorable mentions were Jacey Guerrero, Justin Collins, Roy Ochoa and Craig Miller.

James and JoAnn Sims celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Miss Kristi Wigley became the bride of Ronnie Wiethorn.

Crawford Pirates dominated the All District selections. Offense team members were Chad Rhea, Lance Dieterich, Shawn Massirer, Jeff Lane, Nathan Lammert, Jonathan Wittmer, Daniel Dysinger, Robert Johnson, Brady Walker, Josh Fikes and Rob Spanos. Named to Defense were Jay Tracey, Dustin Denard, Robert Johnson, Brady Walker, Mason Schmalriede, Michael Bolfing, Rob Spanos, Eliel Velasquez, Nathan Lammert, Lance Dieterich and Justin Schuerg.

Sharing Christmas memories with Mirror readers were Micki Hering, Deborah Pollei, Katherine Isbill, Frances Hudson, Kenneth Marlin, Mynette Taylor and Charles Mooney.

David Livingston, a paramedic and training officer with McGregor EMS was named Full Time Employee of the Year by the management of Rural Metro Ambulance of Waco.



JERRY DON'S LAWNS sponsored a four- and five-year-old soccer team that played the fall league in Gatesville. The team had a great season with six wins and two losses. Pictures left to right (back row) Trent Smith, Landon Patterson, Mackenzie Smith, Jhobe Smith, Coach Jimmy Ewing, Paige Melton, Cheyenne Ewing, Coach Nikki Smith, (front row) Desirea Bolin, Waylon Martin and Bailee Williams.

### ACROSS

- 1 Middle East oil org.
- 5 TXism: "saddle sores eventually \_\_\_\_"
- 6 abbr. for TXism: "legal eagle"
- 7 TX critic Rex
- 8 TXism: "trapped like \_\_\_\_"
- 17 TXism: "he's a few bricks \_\_\_\_ of a load"
- 18 TX Globetrotter Lemon
- 21 Boerne historic landmark: \_\_\_\_ Kendall Inn
- 22 modern telephone
- 23 TX bullrider champ Gay
- 24 El Paso religious mountain: Sierra de \_\_\_\_ Rey
- 29 TX Farr of "Sons of the Pioneers"
- 30 \_\_\_\_ medic
- 31 TX "Alley Oop" creator: \_\_\_\_ Hamlin
- 32 TXism: "missed \_\_\_\_ mile"
- 34 Ranger pickup
- 35 dead language (abbr.)
- 36 this B. Don is former director of Miss TX pageant
- 37 Eisenhower State \_\_\_\_ is near Denison
- 38 TXism: "it's a hard \_\_\_\_ to swallow"
- 39 TXism for nonsense
- 41 TXism: "\_\_\_\_-alarm chili (mild chili)"
- 42 TXism: "beats anything I \_\_\_\_ saw"
- 43 TX Bush said: "Read My \_\_\_\_!"
- 44 very small amount
- 45 TXism: "let '\_\_\_\_ rip!"
- 46 word describing TX Howard Hughes
- 48 Charles Whitman \_\_\_\_ crowd from UT tower in '66
- 49 in Lamar Co. on 82 50 born
- 51 TX-sized communications co.
- 52 Gay Talese book: "Honor \_\_\_\_ Father"

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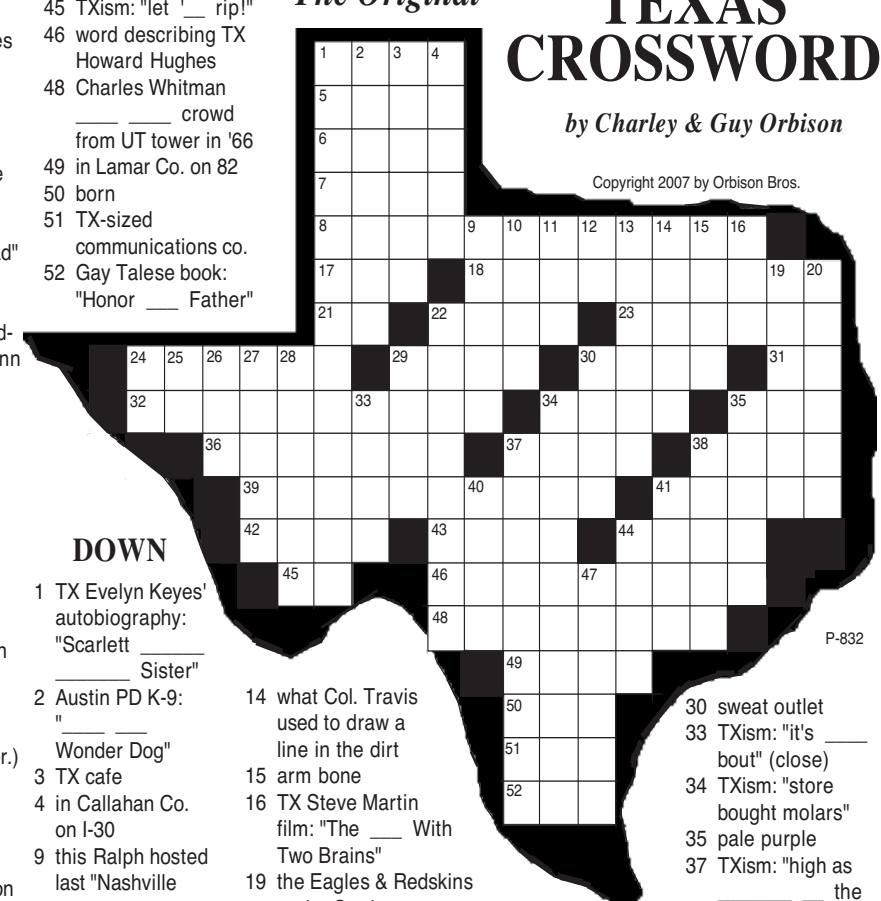
- 1 TX Evelyn Keyes' autobiography: "Scarlett \_\_\_\_ Sister"
- 2 Austin PD K-9: "\_\_\_\_ Wonder Dog"
- 3 TX cafe
- 4 in Callahan Co. on I-30
- 9 this Ralph hosted last "Nashville Now" show in TX
- 10 small TX valley
- 11 TXism: "compadre"
- 12 to die like TX Janis Joplin
- 13 TXism: "\_\_\_\_ you couldn't find your nose with both hands"
- 14 what Col. Travis used to draw a line in the dirt
- 15 arm bone
- 16 TX Steve Martin film: "The \_\_\_\_ With Two Brains"
- 19 the Eagles & Redskins to the Cowboys
- 20 TXism: "that's like the pot calling the \_\_\_\_ black"
- 22 goal of TX dealership (2 wds.)
- 24 truckers' radio
- 25 former TX senator Yarborough (init.)
- 26 TX Lyle Lovett tune: "Here \_\_\_\_"
- 27 Chappell Hill has annual "\_\_\_\_crow Festival"
- 28 TXism: "looks good enough \_\_\_\_ a sermon"
- 29 El Paso TV station
- 30 sweat outlet
- 33 TXism: "it's \_\_\_\_ bout" (close)
- 34 TXism: "store bought molars"
- 35 pale purple
- 37 TXism: "high as \_\_\_\_ the picture show"
- 38 barbecue area
- 40 TX Lotto winner
- 41 \_\_\_\_ Worth
- 44 TXism: "pay \_\_\_\_ never mind"
- 47 song by TX "?" and the Mysterians: "\_\_\_\_-six Tears"

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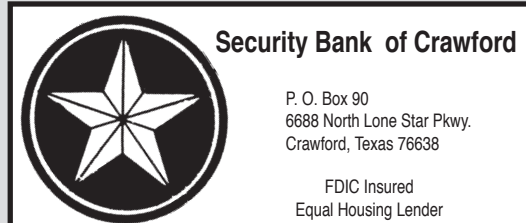
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# Lady Bulldogs defeat Brock, win championship at Salado

McGregor High School Girls Basketball Coach Kimberly Johnson received an early Christmas present this past weekend when the Lady Bulldogs defeated two state ranked teams and captured the championship at the Salado Tournament with four victories.

Angela Garrett was named as the Outstanding Player of the Tournament. Sha Brown and Destiny Kelley were both selected to the All Tournament team.

The first game was a heart-throbbing victory over #12 Brock by a score of 43-40. The contest was a thriller to the final buzzer.

McGregor led 8-6 in the first quarter, the game was tied at halftime 18-18, and the Lady Bulldogs held a 33-31 advantage starting the fourth quarter.

Balanced scoring came from Angela Garrett with 13, Destiny Kelley and Sha Brown, with 12 points apiece. More points came from ShaQuayla Henderson, four; and Meghan Goff, two. The girls hit 8 of 14 from the free throw

line. "Brock has knocked us out of the playoffs time and time again," Coach Johnson stated. "They are well coached and very tough. Our girls played great. It was a low scoring, defensive battle. Our starting five played pretty evenly. Although our bench players didn't see much action, when they did get in, they played very well."

Second win was against Marble Falls Faith Academy, rated first in the state in TAPPS by a score of 77-60. McGregor was defeated by Faith Academy in the recent Temple Tournament by two points, but this time it was the Lady Bulldogs' turn to finish out on top.

"We got into foul trouble early in the first half," Coach Johnson reported. "In the second quarter all of our starters had two fouls each. Our bench got us to halftime only down by three points. With our second team on the court throughout the second

period, they were only outscored by one point, 18-17. They didn't miss a beat."

Coach Johnson was proud to say that the bench is really starting to contribute. The win over Faith Academy was a total team effort. Meghan Goff swished three, three-point shots and the girls had a good night at the free throw line connecting on 71 percent.

Leading scorers were Sha Brown, 23; Angela Garrett, 19; Meghan Goff, 13; Destiny Kelley, 10; Ashley Reineke, 5; TaRoya Clayborn, 5; ShaQuayla Henderson, two.

McGregor defeated Taylor in the third game 58-26, and Cameron in the fourth contest 74-40.

In the Taylor game, the Lady Bulldogs jumped out to a 14-4 lead in the first and led by a 34-15 margin at halftime.

Balanced scoring came from Sha Brown, 13; Destiny Kelley, 11; Angela Garrett, 10;

ShaQuayla Henderson, 8; Mary Ashleigh Johnson, 7; TaRoya Clayborn, 3; Cylane Rogers, 2.

In the final game against Cameron, McGregor held a 40-17 halftime lead. The girls hit 13 of 18 from the free throw line.

Scoring points were Kelley, 22; Brown, 17; Reineke, 9; Garrett, 8; Henderson, 7; Johnson, 3; Kaley Zacharias, 2; Clayborn, 2; Lena Capps, 2; Rogers, 2.

When first asked about her comments on the tournament she described it in one word, "Amazing!"

"I was on a huge high all weekend from the excitement this tournament produced," the coach said. "I couldn't be prouder of a group of girls. They played so good during this tournament, but I believe we can be better. If that happens, January should be a successful month for us."

This week the Lady Bulldogs play Gatesville on Tuesday here and Lorena on Friday here. Next Tuesday they travel to LaVega.

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After going two rounds deep in the playoffs, the McGregor High School boy's basketball teams hit the ground running.

"This season started off fast and furious," Coach Jeff Burgess stated. "We've actually played more games than we have had practices.. We're learning on the run and trying to get our legs underneath us. Our players are improving every game."

In the Jarrell Tournament last week, the Bulldogs won consolation by defeating Bruceville-Eddy 61-49, and Thrall 56-53. Their one loss came against Thorndale 35-66.

Against Bruceville-Eddy, the Bulldogs trailed the first two periods, 9-15 and 22-26, before rallying for a 41-36 lead in the third and continuing their run in the fourth.

Top scorers included Larry Smith, 15; Kyle Reineke, 13; Argelio Martinez, 11; Joe Seward, 9; Kenneth Minor, six; Jared Green, five; Harvey Lee, three.

McGregor got off to a slow start against Thorndale trailing 4-

15 in the first and 10-32 by halftime.

Scoring came from Reineke, 10; green, 9; Seward, 6; Smith, 4; Martinez, 3.

In the consolation game, the varsity Bulldogs battled to a close win over Thrall. McGregor trailed by three, 14-17 in the first; tied it up at halftime 25-25, and took a slim one point lead at the start of the fourth, 36-35.

The Bulldogs enjoyed balanced scoring from Reineke, 14; Green, 11; Kenneth Minor, 9; Smith, 8; Seward, 6; Martinez, 4; Sean Chappell, 4.

In other varsity games played this season, McGregor defeated Rosebud-Lott, 72-68; lost to Franklin, 35-56; and another win against Thrall in the Academy Tournament, 50-47.

Larry Smith had the hot hand in the Rosebud-Lott game by sinking 28 points. Also in double figures were Kyle Reineke and Kenneth Minor, both with 10 points.

Minor was the top scorer

against Franklin with 8 points. More points came from Reineke, 6; Green and Lee with four each, Smith and Seward with three apiece, and Peyton Fisk with a two pointer.

In the Academy tournament, McGregor trailed Thrall in the first and second quarters, but took the lead at the start of the fourth.

Scoring in double figures were Smith with 16, Reineke with 12, and Seward with an even dozen points.

McGregor meets Axtell there Tuesday and here against China Spring on Friday. The Jayvee B team starts at 5 p.m., Jayvee A team follows at 6:15 p.m. and the varsity game will get underway at 7:30 p.m.

McGregor freshmen jayvees are currently 2-4 with victories over Whitney 33-26, Thorndale, 29-28, and Johnson City, 32-9, and losses against Gatesville, 26-48, and Bruceville-Eddy, 26-28.

Leading scorers in the Gatesville game were Dustin Shilling, 13; and Michael Solis, 5.

Top point getters in the Whitney contest included Shilling and Solis with 10 each, and Eduardo Solis with 4.

In the close Thorndale game, Esquivel scored 11 points, and M. Solis sank 7. Solis also was high point man in the Bruceville-Eddy game with 20. Against Johnson City, Solis and Shilling made 13 and 10 shots.

McGregor Jayvees defeated Hamilton 46-22, Rosebud-Lott 67-37, and Johnson City 42-32, while losing to Academy 34-28, and Thorndale 39-25.

Tim Estrada and Carl Brown were the top two scorers against Hamilton with 16 and 6 points.

Terrance Jackson found the range against Academy hitting three 3's and Estrada added eight.

Four leading scorers against Rosebud-Lott were Cruz Chaires 17, Robertino Salas and Tim Estrada, 10 each; Clayton Alspj, 7.

Estrada and Chaires had the special touch against Johnson City by pumping in 16 and 10 points.

## 8th grade boys currently at 3-0

The 8th grade cagesters have had a successful start to their season as with a 3-0 record.

The season began with a home game against Moody in which the Bulldogs won 43-22. Keith Reineke scored 10 points and Travis Allison added 8 points.

In the second game, the Dogs traveled to Bruceville-Eddy and came away with a 38-18 victory. Every player found their way into the scoring column as Allison led all players with 11 points.

The team used a 1-0 run in the third quarter Monday night to race out to a 36-18 win over the Clifton Cubs. Abel Benitez and

Reineke each scored eight points. Damaun Tucker played outstanding defense and Jose Solis had a very strong game.

McGregor will play here next Tuesday against Reicher. There will be four games starting at 5 p.m.

The B team is currently 1-1 after a 25-10 win over Bruceville-Eddy and a 24-12 defeat at the hands of Clifton.

Bobby Dixon scored 14 points in the Eddy game and led the team with six points against Clifton.

## 7th grade defeats Moody, BE Eagles

The McGregor 7th grade boys basketball team have picked up where football left off by starting their season at 3-0.

Their first victory came at home against Moody with a final score 41-18. Marcus Irons scored 20 points and Martin Chaires got in double figures with 10 points.

McGregor then faced off against Bruceville-Eddy and won 43-8. Chris Hemphill scored 10 points, while Irons, and Chaires scored 12 and 14 points respectively. Raul Ontiveros and Coltin Ayres had good games on defense.

In the third game of the season, the Bulldogs won a hard

fought game against the Clifton Cubs 41-26. Chaires led the way with 13 points, Andra Smith tacked on 12 points, and Erik Benitez scored six. Raul Ontiveros and Jilberto Jaimes both had good games on the defensive side to propel the Bulldogs to 3-0 on the season.

The McGregor 7th grade boys B team played a hard fought first game, but lost to Clifton. Jeremy Worley and Jonathan Arteaga both scored three points and Richard Hoke scored two. Kalebwb Ayres and Bertine Raynoso had good outings defensively.

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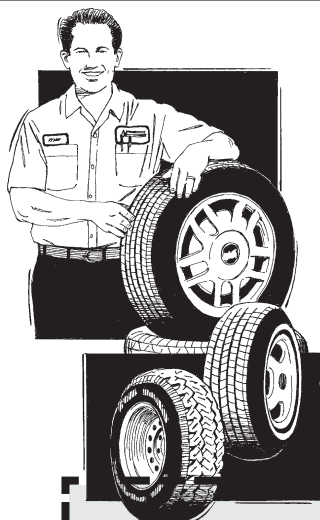
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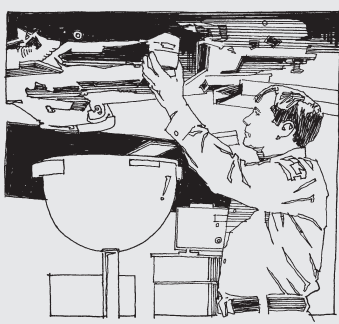
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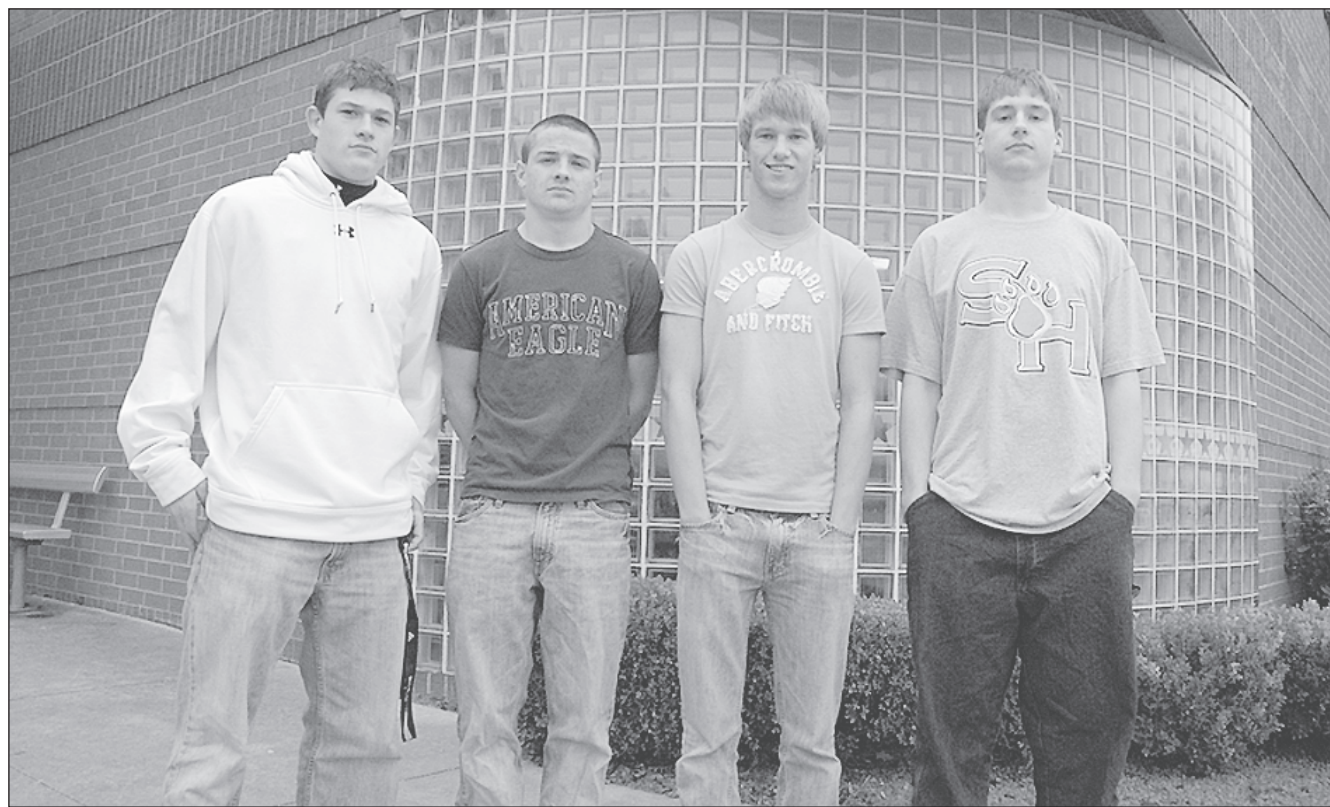
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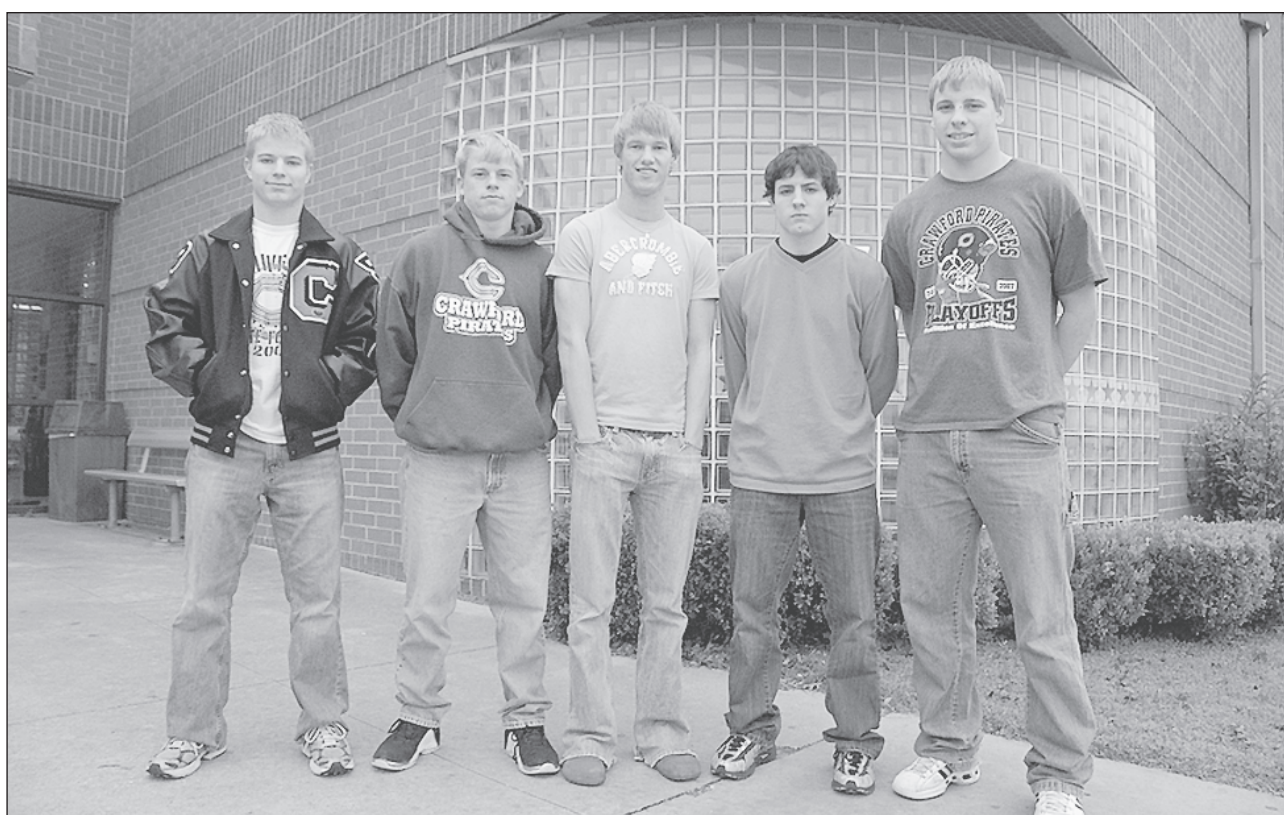
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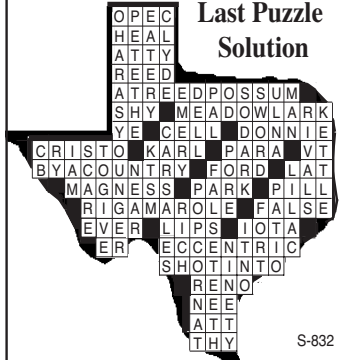
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**REAL ESTATE**

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**FOR LEASE:** Commercial building located downtown McGregor with 2098 sq. ft. community room. COMMERCIAL RETAIL SPACE available for lease or sale on Main Street with approximately 2100 sq. ft. Up to 4,000 sq. ft. may be negotiated.

**PRIME COMMERCIAL PROPERTY** for sale in downtown McGregor. The existing Toby Design Guild building. Approximately 33,000 sq. ft. in two separate locations. Each location individually priced. Call for details.

**3/1/1 CHARMER!** Older home, newly remodeled, located at 700 S. Jefferson. Built in 1906. Huge corner lot, magnificent wood floors, new carpet, new vinyl! Formal dining room, French-doors inside, lots of kewl features. Priced to sell. Hurry!

**FRAME HOME** on 10th Street with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, formal living/dining room, large kitchen, enclosed breezeway and 1 car attached garage, new kitchen sink, new counter top, new sewer line, new carpet and vinyl, new aluminum screens, central heat and freshly painted interior. 75' x 100' corner lot. This one will not last long!

**WONDERFULLY UNIQUE** old home! 3 br/2.5 bath. Built 1907. 1919 sq. ft. in main house. 650 sq. ft in detached converted area. Modern appliances, but a touch of nostalgia unparalleled in McGregor! Homes rarely surface like this one! 703 Fillmore St.

**24.5 ACRES** of rolling terrain near Spring Valley with BV home built in 1979. Home has 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, utility room, kit/dining/living combo and 1 car attached garage. Other features are 475 sq. ft. detached carport, 46' 6" x 34' hay barn and feed lot, slightly wooded with large lake. Central air and heat is 3 years old and septic system was installed Dec. 2006.

**GREAT LOCATION** In quiet neighborhood. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, BV home, large kitchen with built-ins, family room with fireplace, central air and heat, utility room & 2 car attached garage with rear entry. Built in 1948 with major renovation in 1967. Large oak and elm trees.

**1989 PALM HARBOR** double wide home on 2.23 acres at Comanche Springs. This home has 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, formal living and dining rooms, built-ins, utility room

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**GREAT LOCATION—** A 2/2/1 house with a lot of potential located at 706 W. 3rd Street. A short distance to Middle School and downtown. Big fenced backyard.

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by Rev. Robert Parker,  
Pastor, First Baptist Church



One thing I've learned as a minister is that the abundant life has nothing to do with economics. Having enough to live on is a good thing — much better than a life of poverty — but merely having enough isn't enough. There is a type of abundance that transcends material possessions. That's why there are people today who don't have all the "stuff" of this world whose lives are full of the presence of God, and there are people living in prosperity who are empty as a barren wasteland.

For so many people, financial abundance is all they have or all they have to look forward to. Their happiness and their significance are measured by what they've accumulated for themselves, compared to what their neighbors or their family members have accumulated. When it comes to money, having enough isn't enough; the abundant life that Jesus promises is more than that.

We experience more blessings than we could ever count — and certainly more than we'll ever deserve. So, even though we wait for all of God's promises to come to pass, we can put on the

face of optimism today, because God's light is shining on us. We can share our vision with those around us, because hope draws people like a magnet. And we can wait as long as we need to wait, because we know that God will supply our needs according to his riches in glory, and we will have what we need when the time is right. This is what it means to hope; this is living in expectation of God's goodness. Paul referred to this in Philippians when he said, "I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do everything through him who gives me strength." (Philippians 4:11-13)

Richard Foster wrote in his book *Celebration of Discipline*, "In contemporary society our Adversary majors in three things: noise, hurry, and crowds. If he can keep us engaged in 'muchness' and 'manyness,' he will rest satisfied." At no time of the year is this observation a greater reality. Stop, be still — and rest.

by Sammie Haynes  
Pastor, Church of the Living God



*Matthew 19:30 But many that are first shall be last; and the last shall be first.*

During my early years at McGregor, in Junior High, I had the privilege of playing in band. Some of the funniest things happened to me in band. Herman Tucker Jr., Roman Brown and I, dreamed of being a famous trumpet player, like Louis Armstrong. It was all about position, and being in the right position, could land you a solo. In order to advance to the next chair we would ask the band director for a challenge. A challenge consisted of playing a sheet of music from the beginning to the end, and after the challenge, the Band Director would decide who played the music correctly and then a chair would be assigned, to the level and capability of the challenge. There were great battles for the first chair, but even greater battles, occurred not to be the one sitting in the last chair. Needless to say, we three fought hard not to be last.

But being last as a Christian is not so bad, especially, when it comes to the times we are now living. I believe God has saved

the best for last. *Acts 2: 17* "In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. The torch has been passed, and it is our time and responsibility to spread the Word of God and to let the entire World, know that Jesus is Lord.

We are standing on the shoulders of those who have gone before, so take in consideration, what it cost for us to be here. The Gospel is free, but it was with a great price, paid in full by Jesus Christ Himself, by shedding His blood, and for such a time as this, we are able to shout it from the roof top, and proclaim it in every house, city or village, that Jesus is the Son of God. That is the foundations that we walk on, but it has not been built by our labors, but by the labor of so many others in times past. Our Lord God has chosen us for this season and for this time, and needless to say, each of us could have been born, in a different time or a different season, but we are here today, because the last shall be first.



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# MCGREGOR & CRAWFORD CHURCHES

## ST. EUGENE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

207 North Johnson Drive  
McGregor  
Father Hilario Guajardo  
840-3174

### MASS SCHEDULE:

**Sunday:**  
8:00 A.M. — Spanish  
11:30 A.M. — English

## CHURCH OF CHRIST

101 Garfield Street  
McGREGOR

Tuesday evening.....7:30 p.m.  
Sunday morning.....10:30 a.m.  
Sunday evening.....3:30 p.m.

*Keeping the Ordinances as they were delivered by the Apostles  
1 Corinthians 11: 1-2*

## CHURCH OF CHRIST

3rd and Pullen  
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Bible Study.....10:00 a.m.  
Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday evening.....5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....6:00 p.m.

Minister Agathus Robinson

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Youth — 6:00 Wednesday evenings

## Church of the Living God of McGregor

112 Pullen • McGregor  
840-3468  
Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service  
10:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.  
Harold Haynes, Pastor Emeritus  
Sammie E. Haynes, Sr., Pastor

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840-2000  
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Worship 11:15 a.m.  
Evening 6 p.m.  
Wednesday  
Worship 7:00 p.m.

## Nuevo Pacto De Vida

## New Covenant Life Church

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Pastor Jesus (Jesse) Guerrero (254)470-9972

## Servicios Domingo

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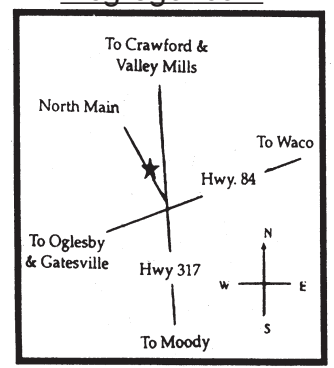
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## Sunday Service

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Wednesday Evening 7:30 p.m.  
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Morning Worship.....10:50 a.m.

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Sunday night.....5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday night.....7:00 p.m.

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McGREGOR  
840-3402  
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Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.  
Mid Week Prayer.....6:30 p.m.

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Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday night.....6:00 p.m.  
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Wed. night.....7:30 p.m.  
401 North Tyler  
McGREGOR  
Pastor: Charles Griffin  
Church phone: 840-4122

## Church of Christ

SIXTH and ADAMS  
McGREGOR

SUNDAY:  
Bible Study.....10:00 a.m.  
Worship.....10:55 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:  
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

Office: 840-3422  
Home: 840-9682

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McGREGOR  
Rev. Lionel Aviles

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday evening.....6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.  
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Sunday evening—6 p.m. Celebration Service with Curtis Jones  
Wednesday evening—7 p.m. Prayer Meeting,  
Youth Service with Lindsey Longo

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10:55 a.m. Morning Worship  
6:00 p.m. Discipleship Training  
7:00 p.m. Evening Worship  
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6:45 p.m. Youth Activities  
7:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting  
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The McGregor Mirror office will be closed for the Christmas holidays at 3 p.m. Wednesday, December 19, 2007, and will reopen on Monday, December 31st at 9 a.m. Deadline for advertising and copy for the January 3, 2008 issue is 2 p.m. December 31st. There will be no paper published the week of Christmas. Any news articles or advertising can be emailed to [bonnie@mcgregormirror.com](mailto:bonnie@mcgregormirror.com) or faxed to 254-840-2091.

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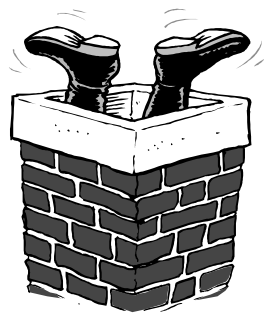
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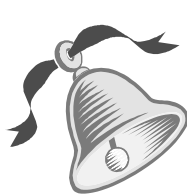
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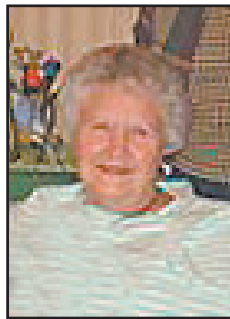
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