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THIS LITTLE PIGGY will be on his best behavior at McGregor's local livestock show and auction on Saturday at the Central Texas Youth Rodeo Arena. The show begins at 9:00 a.m. The auction will begin at 2:00 p.m. Come out and support our local FFA and 4H members at this event.

Local livestock show due Saturday at CTYRA arena

The McGregor livestock show will be held indoors this year at the spacious CTYRA arena starting at 9 a.m. Saturday and everyone is invited to attend.

The show is free to the public. An auction of the animals and baked goods will be held at 2 p.m. and prospective buyers are encouraged to show their support of these FFA and 4-H students.

The show arena will be located at the west end of the building. Spectators may enter either at the west end or from the main front entrance.

"We want to thank David and Debi Smith and the CTYRA for letting us have the show indoors at the facility this year," Seward said.

"The show will start off with the pigs at 9 a.m. followed by lambs and goats," Assistant High School Principal Tim Seward reported. "This is probably as big a local show as we have had in a long time. We have students showing 23 pigs, 16 goats and two lambs. We will also have baked goods made by the students."

Following the awarding of plaques and ribbons in the pig and goat divisions, there will be junior and senior showmanship classes. Belt buckles will be awarded for se-

nior showmanship recipients and show bags will be presented for junior showmanship winners.

Judge for this year's show is Charles Proust, the ag teacher at Bosqueville ISD.

The "Sell of Champions" starts at 2 p.m. and Seward pointed out there will be an add-on table for anyone who would like to add on some money for the students' projects.

"These FFA and 4-H students have put many long hours of work into these animals," Seward emphasized. "Everyone is invited to attend the show and auction to show your support and appreciation of their hard work."

Seward reported that seven students recently placed at the McLennan County Livestock Show held in Waco.

"It's extremely difficult to place high enough to make the sell at the county show," Seward reported. "There were 22 schools represented from county and a total of 1152 entries at the show. A total of 176 animals were sold which means only 15 percent of the animals go to the sale."

Joe Seward won Reserve Grand Champion with his Hampshire hog,

Taylor Niemeier won second with her Cross hog, Aubrie Buchannan won fourth with her Hampshire hog, Holden Seward won fourth with his Duroc hog, Joseph Clark won third with his York hog, Lindsey King won second with her goat, and Jessica Krueger won fifth with her goat.

"The total sale of these seven projects went for a little more than \$8500," Seward noted.

Other students that placed in the hog division were Lindsey Schmalriede, third with a White OPB (other purebred hog), and fifth with his Duroc; Taylor Niemeier, third with her Hampshire; T. J. Fox, six with his York; Aubrie Buchannan, seventh with her York; Joe Seward, seventh with his Cross; Holden Seward, seventh with his Cross; Blake Tieben, eighth with his Duroc.

Other students placing in the goat division included Jeannine Mooney, 10th place with her Boer goat; Vanessa Young, 12th place with her Boer goat;

"We're going to start setting up for the livestock show starting at 7 a.m. Saturday and anyone who would like to help is welcome," Seward said.

without being able to use her eyes to see, but she knew that she could and would use everything else God had given her to the utmost!

Learning Braille was a bit more difficult to do than if she had been blind since birth, but Katelyn has mastered this, along with much else. She does math on a Braille, types notes and takes tests on a great little invention called BrailleNotes, and gets anywhere she chooses at McGregor High School using a cane and a wonderful brain (with help from an occasional MHS friend)!

Now I must get personal. I was called by McGregor High School to come help a fifteen year old hurricane evacuee from Silsby, Texas, go to her classes and do her work because she could not see. What I discovered while spending over a month with this young lady, five days a week, in all of her classes and interactions, is that Katelyn can see very well! She sees the value of learning and education, the special place of a friend, the importance of kindness, the joy of laughter, the love of family (including ani-

mals!) and the importance of faith and God. Not once did I ever hear one word of complaint from Katelyn or a hint of unkindness to anyone...I should see so well!

When Katelyn was first blind, she was involved in Relay for Life with her entire third grade class. It is a wonderful memory for her! I so hope that we in McGregor will join Katelyn this May 19th as she walks the Survivor's Lap with all of our community. What an opportunity to share in such a marvelous life! Come "see" with our Katelyn!

Come join us for a Relay for Life committee meeting on Monday, February 6th, at 5:30 p.m. in Celeste Fisk's classroom at MHS. For questions, call ACS 254-753-0807.

Crawford High's Fall Sports Banquet set for Thursday

Crawford's High School Fall Sports Banquet will be held on Thursday, February 9, 2006 at the Crawford Community Center.

The doors will open at 5:45 and the program will begin at approximately 6:30 p.m. A barbecue dinner will be served. Dave Campbell will be the guest speaker.

Highlight films of the cross country team and the varsity football team will be shown. Tickets are \$6.00 and can be purchased at the Crawford High School office.

A survivor's story

By Carla Vallejo

When Katelyn Miller was nine years old, she began having "a little trouble seeing". She was taken to an eye doctor in Beaumont, who then sent her to a specialist.

Little Katelyn had an MRI and the doctors could clearly see a tumor. The physicians spoke with Katelyn's parents, Sonja and James, who took their young daughter to Texas Children's in Houston. Katelyn said that she liked it there even as doctors ran several tests for a few days.

She said that folks were very nice and she got to choose her meals each day! After the tests were completed, the doctors gathered Katelyn's parents, her grandmother (Nanny), and her beloved brother, James (Bubba) in one room. They were told that their precious little girl would be dead in three to twenty-four months because of the cancer. As all the adults were crying, young Katelyn asked "Why?" When told,

she replied "They don't know the God we know".

Katelyn began visiting doctors regularly, and soon began chemotherapy. The chemo was injected into a port-a-cath (insert) two or three times each month for eighteen months. These were frequently very long days for nine year old Katelyn and she often felt very sick. When she lost her hair, Katelyn would occasionally wear wigs, but much preferred hats! Her favorite was a floppy blue jean hat sporting the letters AS because it was given to her by her beloved "Bubba" who was attending college at Arizona State.

Katelyn's cancer was discovered in 1999, and she attended Camp Periwinkle in the summer of 2000. Katelyn said that she was the only blind child at the camp, and she was able to do archery, swimming, cooking and horseback riding! She loved camp!

Even though Katelyn's cancer

was discovered in August of 1999 (just as was our own Jerry Lynch's cancer!), this very determined young lady was back in school by the end of October, 1999.

Katelyn went back to school



Katelyn surrounded by friends

DWI, evading arrest calls answered by MPD

McGregor Law Enforcement officers made two driving while intoxicated arrests and stopped two motorists for evading arrest last week.

The first DWI call was reported at Highway 84 and Jackson on Jan. 25 at about 1:30 a.m.

An officer observed a white sedan driving erratically. The vehicle was finally stopped after the officer attempted to stop the vehicle for two or three blocks. A strong odor of alcohol came from the subject.

The officer determined that the Oklahoma man was too intoxicated to operate a motor vehicle. He was arrested and transported to the McLennan County Jail. Interim Chief of Police Chris Molina reported that this was the subject's second DWI arrest.

On another possible DWI call, an officer noticed a green Escort traveling at an unsafe distance behind another vehicle. The officer also observed the vehicle failing to stop at a stop sign. He stopped the vehicle around 3:10 a.m. and detected an odor of alcohol when he approached the subject.

Field sobriety tests were conducted and it was determined the man was intoxicated. The man was arrested for driving while intoxicated and was transported to the McLennan County Jail.

Officers observed a vehicle speeding on Bluebonnet Parkway at 8:20 a.m. on Jan. 24. A woman was stopped on Johnson Drive near the Dell Center. A computer check revealed her driver's license had been

See POLICE, back page

Mullen It Over by Bonnie Mullens

Local paper good advertising vehicle

WHO READS COMMUNITY NEWSPAPERS?

According to a new survey taken by the National Newspaper Association, 81 percent of adults do.

The survey, conducted by the Center for Advanced Social Research at the Missouri School of Journalism at the University of Missouri-Columbia, found that:

- 75 percent of those readers share their paper with friends, colleagues or family members, more than doubling the number of people who see the paper.

- On average, readers spend 38 minutes reading an issue of their paper.

- One quarter of readers keep their paper for more than six days, enabling them to revisit a story or advertisement.

This information should be of interest to business owners and companies when they start deciding how to spend their advertising dollars. Television and radio advertisements are great if you happen to be watching or listening during the 30 seconds to a minute they are on their air, but newspaper advertising is there to go back to again and again.

Advertisements in the local paper is also news to the readers. While your customers may not get into your place of business each week, your local newspaper goes into their home. And as the survey showed, readers share their paper with others each week, which makes the advertiser's dollar stretch even further.

If you want your advertisement to reach the greatest number of your MOC customers, The *McGregor Mirror* and *Crawford Sun* is

here for you. Whether it be a full page or a classified, McGregor Mirror advertising gets results.

While on the subject of how local advertising is a great selling tool, I would like to thank our loyal advertisers. Without them we couldn't keep publishing the news of McGregor, Oglesby and Crawford each week. We ask that you shop with your local hometown merchants, and buy local whenever possible.

The *Mirror* is now offering an online edition which can be found at www.mcgregormirror.com. Check it out and let us know what you think. For the next few weeks we will be putting the entire newspaper contents on the website by means of PDF files, but later this service will only be offered to subscribers by password. At that time, the website will continue to offer top stories and community calendar events.

The website is great way to let us know about upcoming events. There is a place to email us your news items. We invite you to go online, take a look and let us know what you think about our online site. *Have a great week.*

McGregor Junior High students win second at UIL with 426 points

Students at H.G. Isbill Junior High recently completed the final phase of this year's UIL academic competition with 115 students participating. Overall, McGregor's junior high students placed second in the meet with 426 total points.

Principal Paul Miller was proud of his school's performance.

"Our students performed well overall, in spite of the competition being delayed by over a month because of December's icy weather," Miller said. "They really enjoyed going out and competing with the best students from the other schools in our district. The competition from the other schools was very strong. Their students and sponsors all worked hard, and did a great job, but our kids were up to the task and competed quite well."

Principal Miller congratulated all his award winners, their coaches and their parents.

"I would like to thank Clifton for hosting the meet," Miller commented. "It is a tremendous amount of work to host one of these compe-

titions, and Clifton did an excellent job."

H.G. Isbill Junior High results:

Mathematics:

Sixth grade—Jennifer Ambriz, sixth place;

Seventh grade—Jesse Licea, fourth place;

Eighth grade—Benny Bowden-first place, Omel Reyes-second place and Gris Rebollar-fifth place.

Spelling:

Seventh grade—Rachel Spratt-fourth place, Melody Olvera-fifth place.

Maps, Graphs, Charts:

Seventh grade—Corina Hueske, fourth place;

Eighth grade—Wendy Anderson-third place, Erik Hensel-fifth place.

Listening:

Sixth grade—Joey D'Angelo, fourth place;

Eighth grade—Jose Hernandez-third place, Moises Castillo--sixth place.

Dictionary Skills:

Sixth grade—Raunel Suarez, second place;

Seventh grade—Melody Olvera, sixth place;

Eighth grade—Gabriela Pantoja, third place.

Science:

Seventh grade—Hannah Lenamon-third place, Alexis Vences-sixth place.

Editorial Writing:

Seventh grade—Katherine Bowden, sixth place;

Eighth grade—Elisabeth Sandifar-fourth place, Brenna Oakes-fifth place

Number Sense:

Sixth grade—Clay Herbert-first place, Bobby Dixon-fifth place;

Seventh grade—Hannah Lenamon-fourth place, Tyrell Pruett-sixth place

Eighth grade—Brenna Oakes-first place, Andrea Foster-second place, Wendy Anderson-third place.

Impromptu Speaking:

Seventh grade—Ashley Cruz,



MCGREGOR SIXTH GRADE WINNERS—Front row: Jennifer Ambriz, Skyler Gearhart, Raunel Suarez, Joey D'Angelo, Luke Pilant. Back row: Kodie Hill, Bobby Dixon, Chelsea Millsap, Danielle Brisby. Not pictured is Clay Herbert.



MCGREGOR 7TH GRADE WINNERS—Front row: Erika Omberg, Corina Hueske, Melody Olvera, Ashley Cruz, Alexis Vences. Back row: Hannah Lenamon, Renae Toney, Kaley Zacharias, Rachel Spratt, Katy Bowden, Tyrell Pruitt. Not pictured are Aubrie Buchanan, and Jesse Licea.



MCGREGOR 8TH GRADE WINNERS—Front row: Moises Castillo, Gabriela Pantoja, Elisabeth Sandifar, Gris Rebollar, Lauren Williams, Andrea Foster. Back: Erik Hensel, Jose Hernandez, Joseph Clark, Maria Torres, Brenna Oakes, Emilee Omberg, Omel Reyes, Samantha Rodriguez, Benny Bowden, Wendy Anderson.

sixth place;

Eighth grade—Benny Bowden, first place.

Oral Reading:

Sixth grade—Kodie Hill, fifth place;

Seventh grade—Aubrie Buchanan,-third place, Renae Toney-sixth place;

Eighth grade—Emilee Omberg,

sixth place.

Modern Oratory:

Seventh grade—Renae Toney-fifth place, Kaley Zacharias-sixth place;

Eighth grade—Emilee Omberg, sixth place.

Music Memory (Individual):

Sixth grade—Chelsea Milsap-second place, Danielle Brisby-fifth place

Music Memory (Team):

Sixth grade—First place. Team members Danielle Brisby, Chelsea Milsap, Luke Pilant.

Social Studies:

Sixth grade—Clay Herbert-first place, Skyler Gearhart, second place;

Seventh grade—Alexis Vences, third place;

Eighth grade—Erik Hensel-fifth place, Joseph Clark-sixth place.

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Sixth grade—Joey D'Angelo, fifth place

Seventh grade—Corina Hueske-first place, Hannah Lenamon-third place, Tyrell Pruett-sixth place;

Eighth grade—Samantha Rodriguez-second place, Gris Rebollar-fourth place.

Art (Individual):

Seventh grade—Erika Omberg, sixth place

Eighth grade—Maria Torres, third place

Art (Team):

McGregor teams tied for second place.

Seventh grade team members:Corina Hueske, Erika Omberg, Rachel Spratt, Alexis Vences.

Eighth grade team members: Maria Torres, Andrea Foster and Lauren Williams

Achievers—

Local students on deans' list

Texas A&M University-Commerce has announced that Bobbie A. Asbridge and Jennifer L. Saulters of McGregor have been named to the Deans' List for the 2005 Fall Semester.

To be eligible for the Deans' List students must post a minimum of 3.25 grade point average on a minimum of 12 semester hours.

Local student graduates from TCU

Lindsey Jensen of Crawford graduated Cum Laude from Texas Christian University in Fort Worth on December 17, 2005.

After successfully completing degree requirements at TCU, she was among 566 graduates honored at commencement exercises in the TCU's Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

TCU names Fall Dean's List

Toni Ugolini of Crawford and Amanda LaGrone of McGregor were recently named to the Dean's List at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth.

To be named to the Dean's List each completed fall 2005 classes with at least a 3.4 GPA.

Attend the McGregor Livestock Show this Saturday at the CTYRA at 9 a.m.

McGregor Volunteer EMS Memorials

In memory of Myrtie Parsons from Roger and Cherry (Fagg) Williams.

In memory of R.V. Sullins from Roger and Cherry (Fagg) Williams

In memory of Bill Searcy from Roger and Cherry (Fagg) Williams

In memory of Jack Bryant from Sixth and Adams Church of Christ, Bob and Jeannine Hering, Yvonne Webb, Frances Hudson.

Mail memorial contributions to McGregor EMS in care of: Frances Hudson, 311 S. Adams, McGregor, Texas 76657 or Mynette Taylor, 311 S. Main, McGregor, Texas 76657

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Public Hearing

NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that the McGregor Economic Development Corporation plans to utilize a maximum of \$1,500 of corporate funds as front money for architectural and other costs pertaining to the re-development of the McGregor Railroad station.

A public hearing on the matter will take place on February 9, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the corporate offices located at 303 South Main Street, McGregor, Texas.

Leo Connor, Executive Director

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Oglesby News

Reported by
Renessa Niemeier

New Briefs

McGregor Livestock Show Is Saturday

The Annual McGregor FFA/4-H Livestock Show will be this Saturday, February 6 at the Central Texas Youth Rodeo Arena. Judging will begin at 9:00 a.m. The auction will begin at 2:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

City Dumpster Open This Saturday

The City of McGregor dumpster will be open on Saturday, February 6. The dumpster is available on a first come first serve basis and opens at 8 a.m. and will remain open until filled. McGregor citizens need to show proof of residency by bringing a copy of their water bill or other form of identification.

McGregor Baseball Signups Feb. 4, 11, 18

McGregor Youth Baseball Sign-ups for the Texas Teenage League will be on February 4, 11 and 18 at the Junior High Gymn from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Cost is \$45 per child (maximum of \$100 per family). Parents or guardians need to bring copy of the child's birth certificate, proof of residency such as a utility bill. Age deadlines: Boys—April 30 and Girls—January 1. Late sign-ups will be allowed on an as needed basis.

Crawford Booster Club Meeting Feb. 6th

The Crawford Booster Club is holding a meeting on Monday, February 6, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. in the High School Cafeteria. All members are encouraged to attend.

McGregor Band Boosters Meeting Feb. 7

The McGregor Band Boosters will meet on Tuesday, February 7th at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Band Hall.

Cynthia Clawson at Texas Tea Feb. 10, 11

Cynthia Clawson, due to popular demand will perform two nights: Friday, Feb. 10th and Sat. Feb. 11th at Texas Tea and Coffee. Both performances begin at 8:00 p.m. and tickets are on sale now for \$15 per person. For more information contact Sherilyn Collins at sherilyn@hot.rr.com or visit www.cynthiaclawson.com.

McGregor Lions Spaghetti Supper Feb. 16

The Annual McGregor Lions Club Spaghetti Supper is set for Thursday, February 16 at the McGregor High School Commons from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased from any Lions Club member or at The McGregor Mirror.

Crawford PTO 3-on-3 Tourney Feb. 17-18

Crawford PTO will sponsor its 10th Annual 3-on-3 basketball tournament on February 17th and 18th. Cost is \$20 per player, entry fee includes a tee shirt. Teams may consist of 3 or 4 players. Registration forms may be picked up in local school district offices, or by logging onto the Crawford ISD web page at www.crawfordisd.net. or by contacting Susan Brown at 254-848-2915. Signup deadline is Feb. 10th. Applications received after this date will not be accepted, unless we have a bracket not filled. Mail the application, signed waiver form and check or money order made out to Crawford PTO to Susan Brown, 1585 Ole School Pkwy., Crawford, Tx. 76633.

Relay For Life Fundraisers

THE MIXED NUTS are selling the world's finest chocolate with almonds for \$1 a bar. They are taking order for Little Caesars Pizza Kits. Deliver date is February 23rd. They are also taking donation for a garage sale to be held on March 25. Contact Mylinda Browder or Linda Pierce at 848-5299 or Rhonda Broughton at 840-0706 for information or to order luminaras.

Ferguson Relay for Life Team is selling Bear in a Bag Valentines for delivery Valentine's Day. (Balloons, stuffed bears and candies from \$3 to \$10. To order call Nancy Donaldson 840-3447 or Tracy Hargraves 840-3331. All orders and payments must be in by Friday, Feb. 10th.

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~Obituaries~

Jackie Bryant

Jackie (Jack) Lilborn Bryant was born December 19, 1939 in Goodrich, Texas. He passed away on January 26, 2006, at home in McGregor, Texas.

Funeral services were held Saturday, January 28, 2006 in the Clifton Church of Christ in Clifton, Texas with graveside service following at 4:00 p.m. in Peebles Cemetery in Livingston, Texas.

Mr. Bryant was born in Goodrich, Texas on December 19, 1940. He grew up in Livingston, Texas and attended school there. Bryant served his country in the United States Navy. He married Patsy Fox in May of 1990 and they moved to Clifton, Texas in the summer of 2001 after their retirements. He was an electrician. Jack loved to play golf and was a member of the Meridian Golf Club. While in Clifton, he worked part time at Bob Snow Dodge. He was a member of Sixth and Adams Church of Christ in McGregor.

He is survived by his wife, Patsy Bryant of McGregor, Texas; son, Mike Bryant of Porter, Texas; daughter, Michele Millican and husband J.C. of Porter, Texas; grandson, Michael Bryant II of Porter, Texas; granddaughters, Brandie Millican of Porter, Texas, Brittany Millican of Porter, Texas, Brooke Millican of Porter, Texas. Also surviving him, his extended family, Jeff Fox and wife Monica of Knox City, Texas, Jennifer Buchanan and husband Michael of McGregor, Texas; grandchildren Garrett Fox of Knox City, Texas, Gage Fox of Knox City, Texas, Aubrie Buchanan of McGregor, Texas, Bailee Buchanan of McGregor, Texas; parents, Mary Lavelle (Wilkinson) Dear and Wales P. Dear of Livingston, Texas; sisters, Ola Faye Franklin of Livingston, Texas, Beth Mullins of Midlothian, Texas; brother, Wales (Bubba) Dear of Woodville, Texas; step-sister Patricia Thompson of Lufkin, Texas; stepbrother, Dan Edward Franklin of Cleveland, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his father, Lilborn Morse Bryant; and brothers, Bobby Ray Bryant and Robert Donald Franklin.

Pallbearers included Greg

Wilkinson, Billie Gerald Wilkinson, Roy Dean Wilkinson, Dean Alsobrook, Kenny Fangman and John Rose. Honorary pallbearers were E.B. Gray, Pat Richardson and Brian Cope. The family has suggested Scott and White Hospice, McGregor EMS or the American Cancer Society for memorial contributions.

Clifton Funeral Home was in charge of services.



Look Who's New



Caden Heath Byford

It's a boy!

Chris and Kristal are proud to announce the birth of their son, Caden Heath Byford, born Sunday, January 29, 2006, at 9:49 a.m. Caden weighed 7 pounds 15 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

His paternal grandparents are Billy Byford of McGregor and Nina Byford of Elmira, New York.

Maternal grandparents are Martha Stevens and Jeffrey Stevens of McGregor. Maternal great-grandfather is Scott Doshier of McGregor.

Achievers —

Jennifer Ragsdale on SFA honor roll

Jennifer Elaine Ragsdale of McGregor, a professional accountancy major, has been named to the President's Honor Roll at Stephen F.

RELAY FOR LIFE

VALENTINE GIFT BASKET

The Beach Buddies Relay for Life team, sponsored by Oglesby State Bank, is having a raffle for a Valentine's Basket (see picture below). The basket includes the following:

Bottle of sparkling cider, 2-glass champagne flutes, Assorted chocolate candies, Stuffed animal (white bear with "I Love You" heart), Home Interior Cookie Dough

Candle. Gift certificates for:

Facial and brow wax at Facelagic (Central Texas Market Place-Waco), \$25 towards any hair/nail/spa service at La Bella Visage Salon and Day Spa (Wooded Acres-Waco), 2-movie rentals at The Movie Store (McGregor or Gatesville), Small Chicken Fried Steak Dinner at Ranchers (Gatesville) The basket is valued at over \$100.00 dollars and is on display at the bank. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. See Sheila Hoehn or Melissa Wells at the school or Penny Wiethorn at Oglesby State Bank to purchase your raffle tickets.

You can also contact any of us if you would like to purchase luminaries in honor of a cancer survivor or in memory of a friend or loved one. The luminaries will be lit during a special ceremony the night of the relay. The Relay for Life event will take place in McGregor on Friday, May 19th. All proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society. Your help in supporting this worthy cause is greatly appreciated!

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to: Hunter Ballard (1st), Samantha Gomez (6th), Jordan Wright (7th), Megan Cockrum (12th)

BASKETBALL

Oglesby JH boys 29 Iredell 22
Oglesby scorers: Costin Thurmond-9, Jon Key-8, Jordan Jones-5, Joe Shaw-5, David Cole-2

Oglesby finishes the season with a 5-8 record.

Oglesby Jr. High Lady Tigers vs. Iredell Jr. High Lady Dragons 1/30/06 Scoring for the Jr. High Lady Tigers: Jordan Wright 5, Samantha O'Neil 5, Loria Paynter 5, Sherry Schroeder 2

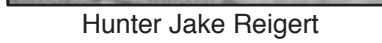
Next game Feb 6 in Cranfills Gap at 6:00 p.m. only the girls have a game

Oglesby vs. Jonesboro —1/27/06. Oglesby Lady Tigers 44; Jonesboro Lady Eagles 33. Record Overall 12-9, 4-3 district play Scoring for the Lady Tigers: Myra Castro 14, Kristen Buzbee 14, Megan Cockrum 11, Dausia West 3, Marche Ross 2

Rebounds: Megan Cockrum 26, Marche Ross 17, Kristen Buzbee 5, Myra Castro 3, Kim Barker 3, Dausia West 2. Three Pointers: Kristen Buzbee 2/3, Myra Castro 2/5. Steals: Buzbee 3, Ross 2, West 1. Free Throws: Castro 4/4, Buzbee 2/2, Ross 2/4, West 1/2, Cockrum 1/4 = Totals 10/16

“Not In Our House”— “That was our theme in preparation for the Jonesboro game. Our parents and classes made posters for our girls to show their support for our team and the Lady Tigers responded. We know we can win out. Now, we suddenly become big fans of the Lady Eagles, who we need to win out to give us the opportunity to even the odds with Cranfills Gap when they come to our house.” Coach Aycock Next game: vs. Star in Star Tuesday 1/31/06 VG & VB

Boys: Oglesby 65, Jonesboro 31. Scoring for the Tigers: Dustin Roedler 39, Lute Sullins 11, T.J. Gomez 9, Jon Key 6. Record overall 11-10, 5-2 district Notes on this game: 11 made 3-pointers (6 of those came in the 4th Quarter), 4/6 Free throws. Dustin Roedler displayed his outstanding shooting ability and athleticism driving to the basket.



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Milford Booker graduates from Culinary Academy

Milford Booker graduated from Texas Culinary Academy in Austin, Texas on January 21, 2006, with an Associate of Applied Science Degree in the Le Cordon Bleu Culinary Arts Chef program.

As a part of his studies, Milford was required to complete an externship in the culinary field and completed his externship at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida. During his seven months in Florida, Milford worked under several of the Executive Chefs at Magic Kingdom Theme Park.

Milford currently resides in North Dallas and is employed at The Magnolia Hotel located in Downtown Dallas. Milford is a 2001 graduate of McGregor High School. He is the son of Vera Armstrong and the grandson of Alma Booker and the late Lawrence Booker, all of McGregor.

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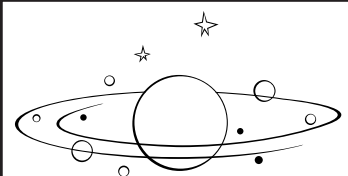
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The Stargazer

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Clyde Tombaugh finally on his way to Pluto

Feb. 4 is the 100th anniversary of the birth of Clyde Tombaugh, astronomer who in 1930 discovered Pluto...

Armed with a high school diploma, his self-taught expertise, a strong work ethic, and love for astronomy, Tombaugh arrived at Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff, AZ, Jan. 15, 1929.

Then using a viewing device called a "blink comparator," the more challenging part of his job was to make detailed comparisons of the pairs of photos.

But after only a year of searching, he hit pay dirt. Feb. 18, 1930, comparing photos taken Jan. 23 & 29, he found the elusive Planet X and wrote his name in astronomical history.

In 1993 my wife and I visited with then-87-year-old Tombaugh and his wife, Patsy, in their home in Las Cruces, NM.

warmth, friendliness and humor. His love of puns is legendary. As he autographed my copy of his biography on the page with a photo of himself and his cat (named Pluto) he asked if that page was OK...

Now 76 years after Pluto's discovery, NASA, on Jan. 19, launched the New Horizons space craft on its 9 year journey to Pluto.

SKY CALENDAR

* Now through Feb. 9 evenings: Saturn is within two moonwidths of the Beehive star cluster...

* Feb. 2 Thu.: Groundhog Day and Candlemas, a cross-quarter day celebrating the middle of winter.

* 5 Sun. evening: The 1st quarter Moon is between Mars and the Pleiades.

* 11 Sat. evening: The Moon is below Saturn in the east.

* 12 Sun.: The full Moon of February is called Snow Moon, Hunger Moon and Wolf Moon.

* 14 Tue. morning: Venus is at its brightest.

* 17 Fri. evening: Mars is nearly within the Pleiades.

* 17 Fri. late evening: Rising shortly before midnight, the Moon and the star Spica are but an eyelash apart as they move across the sky together the rest of the night.

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Stargazer appears every other week. Paul Derrick is an amateur astronomer who lives in Waco. Contact him at 918 N. 30th, Waco, 76707, (254) 753-6920 or paulderrickwaco@aol.com.

Topping harms trees

Practice hazardous in long run

Despite more than 25 years of literature and seminars explaining the harmful effects of topping, it still remains a common practice...

Trees must be pruned sometimes to avoid interference with utility lines, buildings, or parts of the surrounding environment.

Topping involves removing all parts of a tree above a certain height with no consideration for its structure or health.

The International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) explains why topping is not an acceptable pruning technique.

"Topping is probably the most damaging and detrimental thing a person can do to a tree," says Sharon Lilly, Director of Education for ISA.

The destructive effects of topping include:

* "Starved" trees—Topping often removes 50-100 percent of the leaf-bearing crown...

* Creation of weak shoots—As a defense mechanism, a tree will quickly grow (up to 20 feet in one year) food producing shoots...

* Added stress for the tree—If a tree does not have enough stored energy it will not be able to produce the chemicals required to defend the multiple wounds...

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* Poor aesthetics—Topping removes the ends of branches often leaving unsightly stubs, and destroying the natural form of the tree.

that has been topped can never fully regain its natural form.

Higher maintenance costs—Trees that have been topped will need pruning more often, or may die and need to be removed.

To help avoid these harmful side effects ISA advises that trees should be pruned according to the American National Standards Institute's (ANSI) pruning standards.

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Approximately \$6,000 has been collected for this campaign period. These funds will be distributed next year.

one who has contributed to this year's United Fund," said President Kevin Houchin. "But we are short of our goal of \$12,000. We hope to see more businesses contribute to this drive.

to be distributed at the end of February were collected last year, but that funds to distribute in 2007 will be limited if additional contributions are not received this month.

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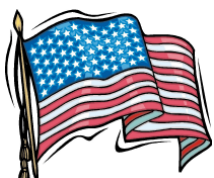
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The McGregor Lady Bulldogs, currently riding in second place, have only three games left on the schedule and the focus this week is on the Lady Bearcats from Moody on Tuesday night here and the Lady Pirates from Crawford on Friday night there.

Crawford is currently leading the district with a 7-0 record followed by McGregor at 6-1 and Bruceville-Eddy.

The Lady Bulldogs played some good basketball last week with victories over Bruceville-Eddy by a 59-30 margin and against Troy by a score of 55-41.

In the Bruceville-Eddy contest, McGregor had three girls in double figures. Angela Garrett led scoring with 15 followed by Meghan Goff with 11, and Whitney Burton with 10. More points came from Destiny Kelley, eight; Nicosia Henderson and Taylor Haynes, five apiece; Allyson Fisk,

two; Edrica Boswell, a free throw.

McGregor trailed 6-7 in the first, took a 19-13 lead by halftime, and increased that lead to 39-18 by the start of the fourth period. The girls stepped up to the line 33 times and made 17.

In the Troy game McGregor got off to a slow start trailing 7-12 in the opening quarter. The Lady Bulldogs eased ahead at halftime 28-24, and took command with a 46-32 lead at the end of the third quarter.

Whitney Burton led the way with 15 points followed by Taylor Haynes and Angela Garrett, both with 11 points. Nicosia Henderson sank six points, Destiny Kelley, five; Meghan Goff, four; and Allyson Fisk, three. The girls hit 9 of 16 shots from the free throw line.

Commenting on the Bruceville-Eddy

game, Coach Judy Nelson stated, "I was glad to get that game over. It was the most physical game we've played this year. I felt like the game got a little out of hand. Bruceville-Eddy would have liked to have beat us because they would have put them into second place."

Coach Nelson was quite proud of the varsity girls.

"Our girls held their composure quite well," the coach said. "It wasn't a very pretty game, but it was a win. Bruceville-Eddy is a much improved ballclub. Their jayvee team is undefeated and they will be a team to contend with."

Against Troy, the coach commented, "We were flat going into the

game, Troy was ready to play. Our team struggled early, but played better defense in the second and third quarters, especially in the third. I thought that Burton had a better second quarter. We must continue to play an inside-out game."

The coach explained by saying "when Burton is being double and triple teamed, she must pass it out to our guards and that is what she was doing Friday night."

Coach Nelson thought Angela Garrett and Taylor Haynes both stepped up their level of play and enjoyed good games.

"We need to step it up another notch and continue to get better," Coach Nelson emphasized.

Jayvee girls defeat Troy by 39-26 margin

The McGregor Jayvee basketball girls jumped out to a six point lead in the first and second quarters against Troy last Friday night there and went on to win 39-26.

Score in the first quarter was in favor of the Lady Bulldogs 12-6, and they led 16-10 at halftime. By the end of the third quarter, McGregor was on top by 10, 27-17.

Balanced scoring came from Tana Davis, 14; Mary Ashleigh Johnson, eight; Mandy Myatt, five; Kimberly Kunze, four; Maggi Rush, three; Shaquayla Henderson, three; Diana Martinez, two. The girls connected on 7 of 15 shots from the free throw line.

The sophomore girls were defeated by Troy last Friday night 43-12.

Scoring for McGregor were Elvia Suarez, three; Roxanna Velasquez, three; Elizabeth Carbajal,

three; Justine Rodriguez, two; Marisela Pantoja, one.

In a couple of recent games, the McGregor Jayvee girls defeated Clifton 33-16 and lost to Bruceville-Eddy, 26-43.

High point girl in the Clifton game was Myatt with seven points, followed by Rush, six; Johnson, Capps, and Davis, with four each; Pantoja, Velasquez, Diana Martinez, and Kimberly Kunze, two apiece.

McGregor led 8-1 in the first quarter, 19-5 at halftime, and 25-12 going into the fourth quarter.

Against the Lady Eagles, McGregor found themselves behind 7-13 in the first period and by a 11-23 margin at halftime.

Scoring came from Johnson, eight; Myatt, six; Henderson and Rush, three each; Martinez and Davis, two; Velasquez and Suarez, one each.



Lady Bulldog powerlifters place 5th at China Spring

McGregor Lady Bulldog powerlifters improved their lifts this past week at China Spring and finished fifth overall out of 14 teams.

"We were excited that all of the Lady Bulldog lifters improved 20 to 30 pounds this week," Coach Bobby Campbell stated. "Next meet will be held Feb. 4 at Reicher starting at 9 a.m."

Results of the China Spring meet:

Shay Rollins placed second in Division 6 with a personal best with a total of 695 pounds. She recorded a personal best in the deadlift with a lift of 315 pounds.

Tana Davis placed second in Division 9, Nicolette Henderson finished fifth in Division 7, Alyssa Hill placed sixth in the Division 5, and Kristi Lanmon placed sixth in Division 4.

8th grade girls defeat Crawford in two games

The McGregor eighth grade Lady Bulldogs recorded two victories over Crawford last week by scores of 15-11 by the B team and 54-24 by the A team.

Coach Sandy Brown reported that the B team girls had lost to Crawford there in the first meeting, but bounced back with a victory at home on Jan. 26.

Scoring for McGregor were Brittany Fedler, five; Jackie Martinez, four; Samantha Rodriguez, two; Elisabeth Sandifar, two.

The coach noted that every girl scored points in the A team game that followed. She also pointed out proudly how well each girl hustled throughout the contest.

Scoring points were TaRoya Clayborn, 11; Ashley Reinke, 10; Sha Brown, nine; Erin Saylor, seven; Desarae Couthern, six; Skylar Norwood, five; Krista Krueger, four; Lauren Williams, three.

"The girls played very unselfishly," Coach Brown stated. "They passed up their own shots to pass the ball to another teammate. The guards were credited with numerous assists, while the post players out-rebounded Crawford."

Final district game is against Clifton there Thursday.

Both seventh grade teams for McGregor lost to the Lady Pirates last Thursday night. The 7th grade B team lost by a score of 10-36, and the 7th A lost a close one 29-33.

Scoring in the B game for McGregor were Ashley Lane, four; Rebecca Bellomy, three; Abi Aviles, three.

Coach Brown pointed out that the seventh grade girls outscored Crawford 7 to 2 in the final quarter.

"The A team contest was a great game," Coach Brown commented. "We led in the first quarter, and then found ourselves down by five at halftime. We tied it up in the third quarter, but unfortunately we were outscored in the final quarter."

Coach Brown was proud of the fact that the girls played great defense and hustled to the final buzzer.

Scoring points were Cheyanne Lanmon, nine points; Kaley Zacharias, eight; Lena Capps, six; Melissa Ballard, six.



Lady Bulldogs versus Troy last Friday night

Monday marked kickoff for several spring sports

Several spring sports got off to a simultaneous start Monday afternoon after school.

Monday marked the first day of practice for track, baseball, softball, tennis and golf. That was for those that are not currently playing basketball. It's remarkable how some students participate in not just one sport, but many and still maintain good grades in their classes.

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McGregor girls powerlifting team

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Back: Tana Davis, Nicolette Henderson, Kristen Johnson

Bulldog action against Troy Trojans last Friday night



Busy week of hoops

The McGregor Junior High boys basketball teams hosted Crawford last Thursday and played in the Crawford Tournament on Saturday.

In B team action, the 8th grade kept their perfect season intact with a 32-11 win over Crawford.

Levi Suarez led scorers with nine points, Dylan Ripley had seven, Terrance Jackson, Joseph Smolinsky, Benny Bowden, and Eduardo Solis each scored four.

The team is currently 9-0 and the win makes the 8th grade B team district champions.

The Bulldog A teams split with the Pirates. The 8th grade won 34-19 in one of their best games of the year. Sean

Chappell scored a team high of 12 points. Raul Olvera scored seven, Michael Solis, six, Peyton Fisk, five, Julian Young and Omel Reyes, two each.

The seventh grade played a spirited game, but fell 33-22. Eric Ewquivel scored a team high of nine points. Chad Seale scored six, while Demetrius Smith added five.

In the Crawford tournament, the 7th grade defeated Axtell 32-28. Smith led with 10 points and Shilling had nine. They lost to Crawford 40-26 in the next game. Shilling led all Bulldog scorers with eight points and Seale scored six.

The 8th grade played the Pirates for the third time this season and lost 38-27. Chappell scored 14, Raul Olvera added seven. Eighth grade record is 8-6 and 6-32 in district.

All four teams will play their last game vs. Clifton here Thursday starting at 5 p.m.



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Crawford Pirates are 4-1 in district

The Crawford Pirates basketball team recorded victories over Moody, 64-42, and against Clifton, 46-35, to improve to a 4-1 district record and an overall 8-9 season mark.

Against Moody, the Pirates led 15-7 in the first quarter, increased their lead to 32-20 at halftime, and were on top 42-29 with one quarter to go.

Leading scorers were Tanner Jacobs, 23; Sam Moody, 12; Cameron Blenden, 10; Brett Duncan, eight; Lee Ward, eight; Grayson Buster, three.

On the defensive side of the game, Jacobs had 15 rebounds and took two charges, Jerad Hinson was credited with five assists, Brett Duncan recorded seven rebounds, and Sam Moody took a charge.

"It helped for us to jump out to an 8-0 lead in the first quarter," Coach Clark Moore stated. "Our players made some good decisions down the stretch while shooting well from the free throw line.

Commenting on the Clifton game, Coach Moore said, "We were happy to

leave Clifton with a win. This is our largest margin of victory over Clifton on their home court as far back as our records go, which is 17 years. We hope to keep improving in the second half of district play."

Crawford broke out of an 8-8 tie in the first quarter to take a 10-point lead by halftime 23-13. The Pirates led the Cubs 32-21 at the start of the fourth quarter.

Scoring in double figures were

Tanner Jacobs with 17 and Sam Moody with 14. More points came from Brett Duncan, six; Jerad Hinson, four; Lee Ward, four; Cameron Blenden, one.

Moody grabbed six rebounds and three steals, Jacobs had eight rebounds, Hinson recorded six steals, Lee Ward snatched five rebounds, two assist, and two steals.

In games this week the Pirates were set to play Troy on Tuesday and will host McGregor on Friday.

Jayvee boys post two victories in district play

Rocco Nugent, Chase Lynch and Marcus Gollahon led the way as the Crawford Jayvee boys basketball team powered past Moody 53-29 in district action last Tuesday night.

Nugent led scoring with 12 points,

followed by Lynch with 10, and Gollahon with 10. Seth Horton scored seven points, Logan Kendrick, six; Jared Stanford, four; Jacob Hinson, two; Cody Shaw, two.

Crawford led 14-11 in the first

quarter, 29-19 in the second quarter, 36-23 at the start of the fourth period.

Against Clifton, the Pirates quickly jumped out to a 12-4 lead in the first quarter, the lost a little ground in the second and third quarters, before finishing strong in the fourth.

Nugent was high point man with 11 points, followed by Horton, 10, Lynch,

seven; Gollahon, seven; Logan Kendrick, two, Shaw, two.

On the defensive side, Horton recorded three assists and seven steals, Nugent had four assists and five steals, Lynch made three assists and four steals, and Kendrick was credited with three assists.

Play McGregor at home on Friday

Lady Pirates undefeated in district with 7-0 record

The Crawford Lady Pirates got off to great starts against Moody and Clifton last week and went on to record two big victories to keep their district record unblemished with only three games left on the schedule.

Crawford defeated Moody 82-22 and outscored Clifton 72-19.

In the Moody game, four girls scored in double figures and two more had nine points each. Holder led the way with 14 points, followed by Julie Heller, with 13; Maciel, 11; Kristen Campbell, 10; Jennifer Jones, nine; Skyler Westfeld, nine; Shanna Lippe, five; Talbert, five; Janna Heller, two. The varsity girls hit 15 of 23 shots from the free throw line.

Crawford led 25-8 in the first quarter, 42-12 at halftime, and 57-16 at the end of the third period.

"Our girls played very well and took care of the basketball," Coach Justin Schultz stated. "We only committed three turnovers for the game. I feel like our girls are starting to come together. We're playing better, but still not up to our potential."

Coach Schultz said the girls are playing better as a team and are communicating better. He sees a big improvement when compared to the start of the

year.

The Clifton game was similar to the Moody game in that the Lady Pirates again jumped out to a comfortable 26-6 lead in the first quarter. Halftime score read in favor of Crawford, 41-10 and they led 59-14 at the start of the fourth quarter.

Leading scorers included Holder, 12; Westfeld, 10; Julie Heller, 10; Maciel, eight; Campbell, seven; Talbert and Dumas, six each; Janna Heller, five; Jones, Dieterich, and Lippe, three apiece.

"It was good to play well on the road," Coach Schultz said. "Ashley Holder has been coming off the bench and giving us that added spark. When you get to this part of the season, you lean on your senior friendship and they have been doing an outstanding job."

The six seniors are Skyler Westfeld, Jennifer Jones, Kristen Campbell, Julie Heller, Janna Heller, Kara Blenden.

Three games left consist of a game Tuesday night vs. Troy, a game at home against McGregor on Friday and will finish up against Bruceville-Eddy next Tuesday.

Junior High boys win two games

Crawford's seventh and eighth grade boys basketball teams both recorded victories last week in the Crawford Tournament over Axtell and McGregor.

The eighth grade now has a 8-4 season mark while the seventh grade is 9-3.

The eighth grade Pirates defeated Axtell 38-10 and McGregor by a score of 38-27.

Against Axtell, the Pirates led 10-2 in the first, 24-2 in the second and 34-2 in the third quarter.

Scoring came from Bobby Dunlap, 11; Carter Blenden, seven; Brock Jacobs, four; Bryce Duncan, four; Tyler Bullard, four; Chase Lynch, two, Kendall Knuppel, Levi Ellison, Robert Tate, two; and Kent Miller.

In the championship game, the Pirates were tied with McGregor after the first quarter, 6-6; behind 17-18 at halftime and jumped back in the lead in the third 28-21.

Dunlap was the top scorer with 13, Blenden had 12; Jacobs, six; Duncan, four; Chane Lynch, two, Ellison, one.

"We played well together as a team in the second half as we broke their press and executed our half-court offense better than any other time this season," the coach said.

Next game is Feb. 2 vs. B-E.

The seventh grade defeated Axtell 48-16 and won against McGregor 40-26.

Tyler Nemece was the leading scorer against Axtell with 11, followed by Daniel Post, 10; Kole Johnston, 10; Jake



Karlie Dieterich drives to the hoop. Photo by Stephen Cook

Talbert, four; Jacob Westfeld, four; Brady Westfeld, four; Colton Anderson, three; Cameron Kendrick, two; and Ty Munro.

Post scored 17 against McGregor. More important points came from Johnston, nine; Anderson, five; Tler Nemece, four; Talbert, four; Cameron Kendrick, one.

"Our seventh graders are lots of fun to watch," the coach stated. "They play unselfish basketball with numerous assists. They also do a great job executing a defensive game plan."

Next game is against Bruceville-Eddy on Feb. 2.

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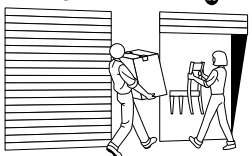
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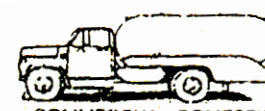
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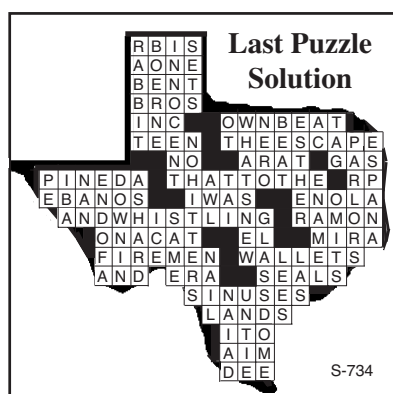
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It is truly a shame the way we treat our high school athletes. It is easier this time of year to hear how badly we treat them since basketball courts are much smaller than football fields.

For example, let a child (can we all agree that they are all children?) make a mistake, and too often a handful of alleged adults come unglued. Some parents feel free to berate their children right there on the court, in front of God and everybody.

I take some small comfort in young people having told me they can't hear everything yelled from the stands. I hope they can't distinguish any of it and only hear the noise. Then they can tell themselves it is people cheering.

Sure; if an athlete makes a mistake, or obviously needs an attitude adjustment, he or she ought to know about it. I think that's why

they have coaches.

Take basic basketball, for example. If a child travels, makes an errant pass, or, God forbid, misses a shot, the player knows he or she did something wrong. Do we really think they need to be reminded by us?

Not to get lost in psycho-babble, but I think this way of thinking, and this way of behaving toward our children reflects the way we think about God and His relationship toward us. It is important for us to realize this because children tend to project their relationship with their parents onto God.

God is not sitting in heavenly stands watching, waiting for you and I to do something wrong so he can let us have it. I guarantee it. Rather, the scriptures tell us that the angels rejoice in heaven every time someone repents. It also refers to a 'great cloud of witnesses' surrounding us for encouragement.

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ONE VOICE

by Rev. Robert Parker of First Baptist Church



Both super bowl teams have spent the last two weeks preparing for this Sunday's game. They've been watching film and developing strategies of attack as they put together a game plan for the most important game of their season.

Football isn't played at all like I thought when I was a kid. I assumed that every play that didn't result in a touchdown was a failed play. I knew nothing about playing for field position, or time of possession, or controlling the line of scrimmage. After all, that wasn't how we did it in the pick up games of football I played.

Some people approach their life like we played schoolyard football. Every play is a whole new game. It is just one desperate attempt after another to find something that works. It doesn't have to be that way. We can live not realizing God has a game plan for our life.

If I go with God's game plan there are a few things I need to remember.

First, my job is to run the plays, not call them. God's game plan is something you discover, not something you decide.

Second, the best defense is a good offense. By "offense" I mean being focused on doing what God has called us to do. We spend our lives playing defense. We defend ourselves against this crisis, that problem, this criticism, that objection, and while our defense is racking up all this playing time, our offense is not accomplishing anything.

Third, every play matters. Any coach will tell you that games are not won or lost on a single play. Seasons don't ride on a single play. Careers aren't made on a single play. Every play matters. In our lives, every day is a crucial day. And the most crucial day is this day.

In a year or possibly as early as this summer many of us won't remember who won this year's super bowl. That's because it's just a game. Your life is different. It does matter. God can turn our life into a champi-

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When the McGregor High School Spanish Club heard about Tim Seward's parents losing everything recently in a fire, they wanted to help.

Their teacher, Yvonne Harmon, reported her students carried buckets around during two lunch hours for three days and collected \$500.

"The \$500 was presented to Tim Seward for his parents who live in Carbon, Texas.

"My husband is the firechief at Belton and he went out to Carbon to look at the area that had been burned as he met with FEMA," Mrs. Harmon

said. "He said the fire damage was devastating. He said it looked even worse than the Jarrell tornado."

The grass fire quickly spread out of control and completely destroyed the Seward's home along with many other homes in the area. They had no insurance.

"Seward said our club had donated more to the family than any other organizations in that area," Mrs. Harmon reported. "He told us his mother started crying when he presented them the check from the Spanish Club."

Police —

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suspended. She was arrested for driving while license invalid, was written a warning for speeding and cited for some other traffic offenses.

Another evading arrest was reported at 1 a.m. on Jan. 24. An officer attempted to stop a speeding motorist, but the subject fled police. He led officers to his home and then fled on foot. The man was identified. His parents were contacted and they told police that he would turn himself in.

A theft was reported by McLennan County Electric Coop on

MHS 1966 class planning 40th reunion

The McGregor High School class of 1966 is in the process of planning a big 40th high school reunion. It's hard to believe it's been that long, but it has and we're hoping for a huge crowd!

The members of the class are scattered and we don't want to miss anyone, so if you are a member of the class or know someone who is, please let us know your address and contact information. E-mail would also be helpful so we can keep in touch with you about the details.

You can contact Mynette Taylor at mynetteT@aol.com, or call 254-840-2091 (work) or 254-840-2912 (home).

Potato supper in Crawford February 3rd

There will be a Potato Supper on Friday night, February 3, at the Crawford High School Cafetorium. Serving begins at 4:30 p.m.

Proceeds will go to the Junior Class as they raise money for the prom.

Everyone is urged to attend and bring hungry guests!

Jan. 25. A spokesman for the company told police that someone took some tools and copper wire from one of the vehicles. The case was forwarded to detectives for an investigation.

A motorist was stopped on Jan. 24 on a traffic violation and the officer found a small amount of marijuana in the vehicle. The stop occurred at the 100 block of South Highway 317. Since the man had a car load of children, the man was told that a warrant would be issued.

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