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by Bonnie Mullens

**IT'S TIME** to vote in the local elections, but there are only two contested races in MOC. Voting takes place Saturday, May 10 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

McGregor Ward Two voters will be deciding between incumbent Paul Allison and his challenger Ricky Doyle, and the Oglesby School Board race drew four candidates for two positions.

There will be no election held for the City of Oglesby or Crawford or McGregor and Crawford ISD.

Despite the lack of contested races, a big voter turnout is expected in McGregor as City of McGregor voters will be deciding the fate of the local option to allow legal sale of all alcohol in the city limits.

I decided to use this space to ask something of our readers that are registered voters. I'd like to ask you to vote.

Naturally, I think voting is something people ought to do in most any election, not just the one coming up on Saturday. But for a number of reasons, local elections always seem particularly important.

First of all, it is local—the kind of election that will not reach detached suburbanites in big cities, but that cuts right to the core of small towns.

Secondly, it involves the McGregor, Oglesby and Crawford City Councils and School Boards, two fundamentally important panels in any community.

Thirdly, in the contested races and in the local option, your vote literally could make a difference in an election where only a few hundred ballots will be cast.

And finally, I think registered voters should go to the polls because the issues facing our communities these days are important, whether it be housing, industry, water, taxes, growth or decline, or alcohol sales. There are tough issues that will be coming before our city councils and school boards that will affect us all. With that in mind, I think it is crucial that we get involved in deciding who should be ruling, and that means casting your ballot.

For those of you who vote regularly, this is a simple reminder to renew your constitutional right again this Saturday. Our community will be making an important decision. Each ballot is crucial.

For those of you who don't vote, just sit back and relax. The decision will be made for you. However, you may not like it. Your personal input, in the way of a cast ballot, is the only true measure of your views.

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**FROM THE** Lessons Learned Department—

~ I've learned that you can get by on charm for about 15 minutes. After that, you'd better know something.

~ I've learned that you shouldn't compare yourself to the best others can do, but to the best you can do.

~ I've learned that it's not what happens to people that's important. It's what they do about it.

~ I've learned that no matter how you slice it, there are always two sides.

~ I've learned that you can do something in an instant that will give you a heartache for life.

~ I've learned that it is taking a long time to become the person I want to be.

For the mothers out there, I would like to wish you all a Happy Mother's Day.

Have a good week, and remember to vote.

## Large voter turnout expected in McGregor

McGregor voters are expected to turn out in record number to cast their ballots for or against the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages including mixed drinks in town on Saturday, May 10 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Early voting was brisk between April 28 and up to press time Tuesday afternoon, according to City Early Voting Clerks. Early voting ended Tuesday, May

6 at 7:00 p.m.

McGregor voters will also be casting ballots for Ward Two councilman. Ten year incumbent Paul Allison is being challenged by Ricky Doyle. Mayor Jimmy Hering and Ward Four Councilman Joe Leos are unopposed, but will be on the ballot.

McGregor voters will be casting their ballots at H.G. Isbill Junior High Gymnasium, 305

South Van Buren between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

There will be no McGregor School Trustee election. Two places were open on the board and the race only had two candidates—incumbent Herman Tucker, Jr. and Mary Jo (Leos) Williams.

It will be a quiet election day in Crawford, as there were no contested races. Crawford ISD trustee

incumbents John Minnix and Jeff Baize filed with no opposition. On the City front, incumbent councilmen Charles Wiethorn and Barry Baize along with Dave Holmes were unopposed for the three places up for election.

The Oglesby School Board Trustee race attracted four candidates. These candidates are vying for two open spots on the board.

On the ballot will be incumbents Anthony Ross and Mike Gomez along with Laura Wright and Ed Newman. Oglesby polling location will be in the School Cafeteria from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

All three City of Oglesby Commissioners filed and were unopposed. They are Reta Luckie, Maurice Willis and Mike Homan. There will be no City of Oglesby election.



**AN EAGLE HAS LANDED**—On Monday morning, McGregor had a rare occurrence when a citizen reported to the Mirror that a large bird was sitting in a field across from the high school practice field. The Mirror photographer used his 10 power binoculars to positively identify the bird as an American Bald Eagle. The McGregor Elementary School can be seen in the background as the eagle took flight.

## Love named to VA National committee

Persistence finally paid off for local War Veteran Kirt Love as he was notified recently that he had been named to the newly formed 12-member National Committee.

The notification came in the form of a packet from the Veterans Administration. He was notified on April 28 that he had been named to the committee.

To understand the importance of being named to this committee, one would need to know a little about Kirt's background.

Kirt Love, who lives just northwest of Crawford's city limits, served in the Army with the 141 Signal Battalion out of Germany.

"I was sent to Saudi Arabia in Nov. of 1990 where I served in the Gulf War," Love stated. "I became sick and was flown back to Germany in May of 1991 and became even sicker when I returned to the United States in 1992."

The veteran added that by 1993 he had become deathly ill. For the next two years he was virtually on his death bed as he described it.

"I experienced blinding pain, I couldn't sleep, I couldn't function, and then I heard about the Gulf War Syndrome," Love declared. "I went to the VA and they promised they would take care of me, but I got nothing. I put in appeals to the system, but still received nothing."

In 1997, Love put together a web site entitled the Desert Storm

Battle Registry. It was a survey of those who served on the ground during the Gulf War. He started contacting the Pentagon, the National Archives and kept going back and forth all over Capitol Hill to try and get something done.

"By 1999 I met with people from the Pentagon regularly, but was not getting anywhere," Love reported. "By the year 2000, program after program was being lost.. The whole thing was falling apart."

In 2006, Love started soliciting the VA Research Advisory Committee to write a proposal for a new committee that would deal with benefits, treatment and family issues. He added there were spouses and children that didn't have anywhere to go.

Love reported that the advisory committee submitted the recommendation to VA Secretary Nicholson, but he said "No."

In October of 2007, the Gulf War veteran met with United States Representative Chet Edwards and pitched it to him that a new committee was needed.

"I drafted a letter that his staff sent in for proposal of this new committee," Love said. "By Feb. 2008, Secretary James Peake agreed to the idea. It was announced the next month on the Federal Register."

There are 12 members on this committee and the chairman is Charles Cragin from Maine.

"I'm going to recommend that at least one of the meetings



Kirt Love continues his fight for Gulf War Veterans

be held in Texas in order to let veterans talk to the committee on how they are being taken care of," Love emphasized. "It's very important that veterans participate. It will be based on what the veterans tell us. I'll do everything I can do to make sure the date of the meeting is announced well in advance."

Love was nominated to serve

on the new committee by U.S. Representative Chet Edwards.

"Kirt Love will bring a strong voice to the table and will represent Central Texas well," Edwards stated. "Love brings a deep passion to address needs of Gulf War veterans that are facing serious health problems, and he is not afraid to step on toes on behalf of the veterans."

## Summer Blast set for June 7

Pool to open May 31st

The annual Summer Blast at McGregor's Amsler Park will take place this year on Saturday, June 7th, starting at 9:00 a.m. with the Frank Graves Memorial Fishing Tournament for children ages 12 and under, and concluding Saturday night at the Silos off First and Madison Streets by Niemeier's Feed and Grain, with a Summer Sounds concert featuring The Bad Seeds. Summer Sounds will get underway at 7:00 p.m.

"Summer Blast is going to be a week later this year," said City Parks Director Meghan Mullens. "The Chamber of Commerce, the group sponsoring the event, decided it would be better for everyone involved if it was moved from the day after school gets out to the next weekend. Many of the workers are involved in graduation festivities and out of town for Memorial Day weekend, that it was decided to try the next weekend and see how that works out."

The pool, which will open on Saturday, May 31st, will not be open for free swimming to the entire community, but instead will be open for free swimming at 11:30 a.m., following the conclusion of the fishing tournament on the day of Summer Blast.

Any groups or organizations that would like to have food booths or children's games are welcome, but they need to contact Mullens at the Chamber with what they will be selling. The

See Summer Blast, Page 3

## PUBLIC NOTICE

bebidas alcohólicas incluyendo mezcladas alcohólicas".

## COLOCACION DE SITIOS DE VOTACION:

H. G. Isbill Junior High School en el gimnasio, 305 S. Van Buren, McGregor, Texas.

La votación temprana en persona, será administrada el Lunes hasta el viernes, comenzando el 28 de Abril y terminara el día 6 de Mayo, 2008. El lugar para la votación temprana será en el McGregor City Hall, 302 S. Madison, McGregor, Texas dentro las horas de las 8:00 a.m. hasta las 5:00 p.m. El 5 y 6 de Mayo conduciremos dos doce horas días por requisitos del estado, dentro las horas de 7:00 a.m. hasta 7:00 p.m. Solicitudes para boletos por correo deben ser enviados a Angelia Sloan, Early Voting Clerk, P.O. Box 192 McGregor, Texas 76657. Applications for ballot by mail shall be received no later than the close of business on May 2, 2008.

# ~ Obituaries ~

## Howell Allen

Howell Franklin Allen, 72, passed away on May 2, 2008, at his home in Houston, TX. A memorial service was held on Tuesday, May 6th at 2:30 p.m. at Houston's First Baptist Church, 7401 Katy Freeway. A private interment was held at Memorial Oaks Cemetery, in Houston.

Howell was born on June 26, 1935 in McGregor, TX to B.J. and Helene Allen. After graduating from McGregor High School, he obtained a Bachelor of Business Administration from Baylor University. After college he honorably served our country in the Air Force and returned to Texas to work in the insurance industry.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Howell is survived by his wife of 50 years, Ola Davis Allen; his son and daughter-in-law, Brad and Allyson Allen; son and daughter-in-law, Greg and Nancy Allen; grandchildren, Austin, James, Sara, Zachary, Benjamin, Madelyn, and Andrew; his sister and brother-in-law, Sara and Cliff Fields; nieces and nephews and their children.

Howell was active in many social and service organizations. His passion was teaching the Truths of the Bible to all ages and spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ.

In lieu of flowers, Howell would prefer gifts of support to the Julianna Poor Memorial Counseling Center in care of Houston's First Baptist Church.

Funeral services held under the direction of Schmidt Funeral Home, 1508 East Avenue E., Katy, Texas 77493, (281) 391-2424,



## Nelma Hennig

"I am the Resurrection and the Life. Those who believe in me will live, even though they die." John 11:25

Beloved mom, grandma, sister, aunt and friend entered into the fullness of peace and joy, Saturday, May 3, 2008. Funeral services were private under the direction of Cole Funeral Home, 1113 West Fifth Street, McGregor.

Nelma Ruth was born August 20, 1929, in Hamilton, Texas, the daughter of the late Ed and Zula (Lee) Wilcox. She began her education in Evant and Star and was a 1948 graduate of McGregor High School.

Also preceding her in death were three brothers, A.J., James and Walter Wilcox.

Survivors include a son Steven Hennig and wife Ann; grandchildren, Shannon and Zachary both of Austin; a brother, Royce Wilcox of Midland, several nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to thank the doctors, nurses and assistants

at Scott and White Hospital and Scott and White Hospice, all the special nurses and caregivers Wellington Place Living and Rehab Center and especially a loving friend, Lola Meeks.

For those desiring, the family has suggested Scott and White Hospice, 2401 South 31<sup>st</sup> Street, Temple, Texas 76508, for memorial contributions.

## Irene Waddle

Irene Mary Waddle, 85 of McGregor, passed away Wednesday, April 30th at her residence. Funeral services was at 2 p.m.

Thursday, May 1st at First Baptist Church in Moody with Rev. Tom Shelton officiating. Burial followed in Old Perry Cemetery. Visitation was one hour prior to service. Thoughts and memories may be shared in the online guest book at [www.lakeshorefuneralhome.com](http://www.lakeshorefuneralhome.com).

Irene was born May 22, 1922 in Rector, Arkansas to Alford and Bessie Lee (Pendergrass) McGinity. She married Charles F. Waddle, Sr. on September 3, 1946 in St. Louis, MO. She was a homemaker. She moved to the Moody-McGregor area in 1990.

She was preceded in death by her husband; and two grandsons, Charles Waddle, III and James Waddle.

Survivors include daughters, Bessie Casper of Minnesota and Donna Mae Goodrich and husband, Reggy of Florida; sons, Earl Fredrick Zumwalt and wife, Julie and Robert Zumwalt, both of Missouri; Charles Waddle, Jr. and wife, Gwen of McGregor, Daniel Waddle and wife, Cathy of Missouri; twenty-three grandchildren and numerous great and great-grandchildren.



## McGregor EMS Memorials

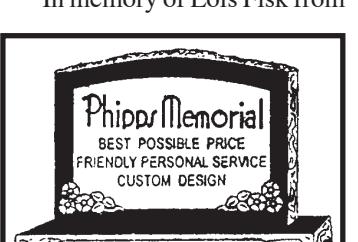
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In memory of Annie Krause from F.C. and Tootie Luedeker

In memory of Willie Hamilton from Reva and Danny Davis

In memory of Lois Fisk from



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## Vamos Hacerlo Otra Vez— Votar Para Legalizar “La Venta De Beidas Alcoholicas includiendo Mezcladas Alcoholicas” en McGregor El 10 de Mayo 2008

Bob and Martha Olson, Cardinal Drive Church of Christ, David and Janette Anderson

In memory of Willie Morgan from Danny and Reva Davis

In memory of Renee Anderson from Mr. and Mrs. Garland Cook, Reva and Danny Davis LaVerne Beasley, Dianne Martinez, Hope and Harlan Huffman, Billie Brim, Dwain and Martha Brannan, Lanny Leinweber, Joan and B.W. Sandlin, Jim and Gretchen Logan, Jim and Sharon Griffith

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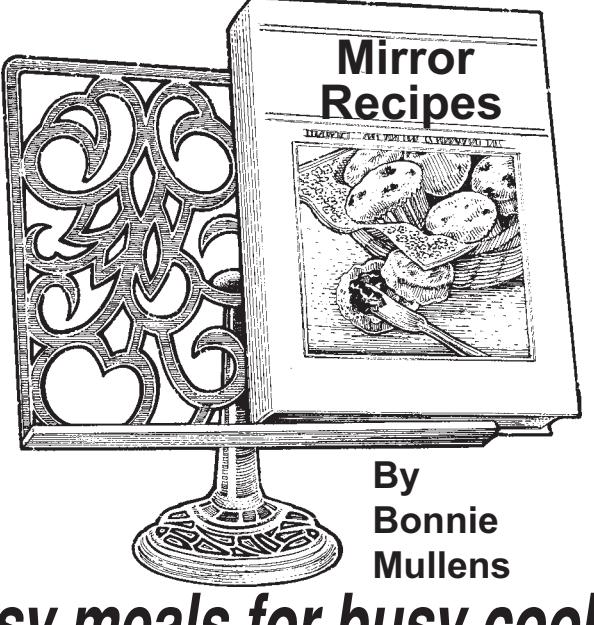
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By  
Bonnie  
Mullens

## Easy meals for busy cooks

### Getting you in and out of the kitchen fast

The month of May is a busy one, with end of school activities and baseball games and other sports events. This week's recipes are quick and easy to help get you out of the kitchen quick, but still have time to enjoy nutritious meals at home with your family.

#### HEARTY HAMBURGER SUPPER

3/4 pound ground beef  
1 small onion, chopped  
4 cups diced cabbage  
1/4 cup all-purpose flour  
1 1/2 teaspoons salt  
1/4 teaspoon paprika  
2 cups milk  
Hot mashed potatoes  
Additional paprika

In a large saucepan, cook the beef and onion until beef is no longer pink and onion is tender;

drain. Add cabbage; cook and stir for two minutes. Sprinkle with flour, salt and paprika; mix well. Gradually add milk. Bring to boil; boil and stir well for 2 minutes. Reduce heat; cover and simmer for 10-12 minutes or until the cabbage is tender. Serve over potatoes. Sprinkle with paprika, if desired. Serves 4.

#### BEEF BROCCOLI STIR-FRY

3 tablespoons cornstarch, divided  
1/2 cup plus 2 tablespoons water, divided  
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder  
1 pound boneless round steak, cut into thin 3-inch strips  
2 tablespoons vegetable oil, divided  
4 cups broccoli florets

1 small onion, cut into wedges

1/3 cup soy sauce  
2 tablespoons brown sugar  
1 teaspoon ground ginger  
In a bowl, combine 2 tablespoons cornstarch, 2 tablespoons water and garlic powder until smooth. Add beef and toss. In a large skillet or wok over medium-high heat, stir-fry beef in 1 tablespoon oil until beef reaches desired doneness; remove and keep warm

Stir-fry broccoli and onion in remaining oil for 4-5 minutes. Return beef to pan. Combine soy sauce, brown sugar, ginger and remaining cornstarch and water until smooth; add to the pan. Cook and stir for 2 minutes. Serve over rice. Makes four servings.

#### MEXICAN CHIP CASSEROLE

1 pound ground beef  
1 medium onion, chopped  
1 garlic clove, minced  
1 can (10 3/4 oz.) condensed cream of mushroom soup, undiluted  
1 can (11-ounce) Mexicorn  
1 can (4 ounces) chopped green chilies  
1 package (10 1/2 oz.) corn chips  
1 can (10 oz) enchilada sauce  
1 to 2 cups (4 to 8 oz.) shredded colby-jack cheese

In a skillet, cook beef, onion and garlic over medium heat until meat is browned and onion is tender; drain. Add soup, corn and chilies; mix well. In an ungreased shallow 3 qt. baking dish, layer meat mixture, corn chips and enchilada sauce; top with cheese. Bake, uncovered, at 350 degrees for 8 to 10 minutes or until heated

through. Serves 6.

#### FROSTED ORANGE SALAD

3 packages (3 oz. each) orange gelatin  
3 cups boiling water  
1 can (20 oz.) crushed pineapple  
3 cups cold water  
4 medium firm bananas, sliced  
2 1/2 cups miniature marshmallows  
1/2 cup sugar  
1 tablespoon all-purpose flour

1 egg, beaten  
1 package (8-oz.) cream cheese, softened  
1 cup heavy whipping cream, whipped  
3/4 cup chopped pecans, toasted  
1/2 cup flaked coconut, toasted

In a bowl, dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Drain pineapple, reserving juice. Stir cold water, bananas, marshmallows and pineapple into gelatin. Pour into a 13-inch x 9-in. x 2-inch dish coated with nonstick cooking spray; refrigerate until firm.

Meanwhile, in a saucepan, combine sugar and flour. Stir in reserved pineapple juice until smooth. Bring to a boil over medium heat; cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thickened and bubbly. Reduce heat; cook and stir 2 minutes longer. Remove from the heat. Stir a small amount of hot filling into the egg; return all to the pan, stirring constantly. Bring to a gentle boil; cook and stir 2 minutes longer. Cool.

In a mixing bowl, beat cream cheese until smooth; add cooled

filling. Fold in whipped cream. Spread over gelatin (dish will be full). Sprinkle with nuts and coconut. Serves 12.

#### AUSGOOD PIE

This recipe came from Frances Hudson. It was her mother's Christmas Pie when she was growing up.

3 eggs  
1/2 tsp. cinnamon  
1/2 tsp. allspice  
1/2 tsp. nutmeg  
1 cup sugar  
1/2 cup pecans  
1/4 cup butter  
1 teaspoon vinegar

1/4 cup warm water  
1/2 cup raisins, (Frances uses a little more.)

If desired may add 1 cup coconut

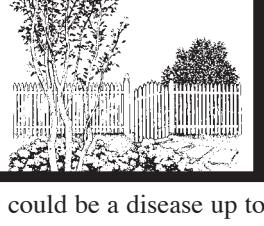
Beat eggs, add sugar, water, butter, vinegar and spices. Add nuts and raisins last. Pour in unbaked pie crust shell. Bake 10 minutes at 400 degrees. Reduce heat to 325 degrees and cook for 25 minutes.

If you have a favorite recipe you would like to share it with Mirror readers, send it to bonnie@mcgregormirror.com

## Lawn & Garden

### Questions & Answers

By Mark Barnett



QUESTION: The new leaves on my Bradford Pear are turning up around the edge and turning black while the center of the leaf is green. Is this something that will hurt the tree? Sam Spurlock, China Spring.

ANSWER: No, this is not a major problem to worry about; this is caused by the new growth being damaged in strong wind. Then as the leaf continues to grow, the damaged edge can not stretch with the rest of the leaf, causing it to curl as the growing area has to go in one direction or the other.

QUESTION: My ivy plant has this white stuff on it and when I try to wipe it off it feels sticky. What kind of disease is this and how do I get rid of it? Mary Allison, Whitney.

ANSWER: What you are de-

scribing could be a disease up to the point you said it was sticky. What you most likely have is an insect of some kind. Without being able to see a sample of the ivy I can only guess it is a type of aphid or a scale insect. Clean the plant as best you can to remove all dust and dirt by gentle washing with water. Then treat the plant with an indoor insect spray. Be sure to cover as much of the plant surfaces as possible above and under the leaf.

Please send lawn and garden questions to Mark Barnett at Storm's Nursery, 9605 China Spring Road, Waco, Texas 76708. Mark is a licensed Texas Certified Nursery Professional, licensed Texas Certified Landscape Professional and a McLennan County Master Gardener.

## 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

#### MAY 11, 1928—

• Mayor J.B. Ford was installed as Commander of the Bryant Oliver American Legion Post.

• MHS Senior play cast included Margaret McDonald, Weldon Jones, Hern Hudson, Ed Riley Naler, Warrene Cherry, Cleo Sharp, Laura Robenson, Roscoe Harris, Rosalie Watson, Adeline Luedtke, Elizabeth Harper, J.B. Westerfield and G.W. Lee. The play "Full House" was directed by Miss Gladys Grandberry.

#### MAY 6, 1938—

• Court of Honor was held for the boy Scouts in McGregor. Cecil McMullen and Ray Wheat received their Star Badges. A.L. Lee Jr., received his Life Badge and was promoted to assistant Scout Master. Scout Masters were K.C. Summers, Grady Isbill and A. L. Lee.

• MHS style show winners in the homemaking department under the direction of Miss Luella Hauk were: (first year) Elizabeth Smith, Margaret Quebe, Mattie Lou Winston; (second year) Christine Howard, Mary Beth Spradley and Addell Collins; (third year) Mary Lou Turner, Myrtle Hess, Leita McLeod.

• C.G. Scruggs, McGregor FFA student, won first place in news writing at the Leadership Conference.

#### MAY 7, 1948—

• City Drug advertised its new soda fountain service.

• Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lechler announced the engagement of their daughter Frances to Wayne Garland Davis.

#### MAY 9, 1958—

• MHS's 50 seniors were going to board buses for a three day trip to Houston and Galveston. They were to tour the Penitentiary at Huntsville and the San Jacinto Memorial Grounds before spending time in Houston and Galveston.

• McGregor Jaycees planned a teenage Road-E-O, a safe driving program. President was Harold Lehrmann.

• The Mirror checked with local utility companies to see how many families had left McGregor during the last year due to layoffs at the Air Force Plant 66 and other causes. The findings were water

meters had dropped from 1545 to 1462 in one year for a loss of 83. Lone Star Gas showed a loss of 97 and TP&L lost 60 for an average of 83 meter losses for the year.

• MHS volleyball team won district under coach Jo Collins. Players were Sarah Crella, Lucile Schwettmann, Patsy Fleming, Barbara Maupin, Carolyn Wallace, Ginger Wallace, Thomasina Krumnow, Elizabeth Schwettmann, Maxine Morgan and Pat Sumpter was manager.

#### MAY 9, 1968—

• Eight candidates were running for McGregor City Alderman. They included Bill Clearman, G.W. (Bill) Sanders, Lee Ardell, Joseph Williams, Foster Williams, E.W. Rowe, Albert Wolf and Jack Dawson.

• The McGregor bulldog annuals arrived and annual signing parties were planned for the week. The annual was dedicated in memory of band director Dusty Martin. Miss Ella Maye Rhea was advisor and Ernest Zost was editor-in-chief. Sophomores pictured picking up their annuals included Mark Mattlage, Kevin McCommon, Alan Ray Davis, Judy Campbell, Paul Russell, Mike Shelton and Randy Cathey.

• Five charter members of the Zion Lutheran Choir were honored with a dinner in the Education Building marking the 50th anniversary of the choir's organization. It was organized in 1917 with 38 members. Still singing were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Quebe, Louis Bischoff, Martha Hackfeld and Mrs. Pauline Hueske.

• Gary Calloway was hired by MISD Board as an assistant coach and classroom teacher. He would be teaching math and science.

#### MAY 4, 1978—

• Crawford High School Agriculture Mechanics team won first place out of 27 teams at the state competition. Members were Roger McClary, Darrell Holmes, David Magerstadt, Jeff Luedeker. Teacher was Gary Rosenbusch.

• Crawford High School versatile track performer Gary Bowdoin qualified for state in three events by posting the fastest time in the 120 hurdles (14.9), the 330 immediate hurdles (41.41) and second best in the height in the pole vault (12.6).

• Advancing to state in track was David Jackson in the long jump (22 ft. 1/4 inch), Greg Ustanik in the 100 meters (10.71), and the sprint relay team of Ustanik, Winifred Jackson, Darren Wiethorn and Corey Long (41.88).

• Initiated into the National Honor Society were Sherry Bankhead, Eric Eusebio, Mary Jo Leos, Tammy Mooney, Amon Rogers, Rachael Sprivey, David Taylor, Marc Waters, Shay White,

• Crawford girls qualifying for state in track were Debra Massie, Tracie Booker, Michelle Massie and Donna Schier.

• MHS Sophomore Amy Johns advanced to state UIL in prose.

• Crawford girls qualifying for state in UIL literary meet were Glynnis Lange, Lori Olson, Misti Jones and Teresa Bullard.

• New cheerleaders for MHS were Laurie Robertson, Terri Mirick, Patti Dotson, Ann Miller, Vicki Ridling and Diane Reese.

• MHS band placed first at UIL Concert and Sightreading contest.

• Crawford post office employee Dorothy Brown retired after 26 years.

#### MAY 5, 1988—

• MOC was gearing up for the local city and school elections. McGregor mayor candidates were Dick Fox and George Long. Kathleen Anglin was running unopposed for Ward 4. Louise Walter and Moe Spradley were vying for Ward 2.

• Crawford City Council incumbents Neil Plemons and Kathryn Blanton were seeking reelection. Crawford ISD trustee candidates were Roy Dean Westerfield, James Jeffrey, Marvin Garza and Ed Jones.

• New MHS cheerleaders were Stacy Zacharias, Serena Starkey, Mendi Wilson, Shawna Stone, Jodi Ritchmond and Tammy Mooney. JV Cheerleaders were Lesley Kelley, Kim Elliott, Glenell Hampton, Alice Leos, Monica Muniz and Rosaland Wilkerson. Michelle Whittlesey was feature twirler. The Flag Corp were Gina Lechler, Monica Diaz, Brenda Brinager, Robin Hodges, Shea Aughtman, Kelley Leos, Pam English, Susie Gomez, Shona Allison and Julissa Luna.

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Ronnie Wiethorn, Rebecca Zacharias and Stacy Zacharias.

#### MAY 7, 1998—

• Ed Jones was elected president of the Crawford School Board. VP was Robert Hoffman, Gary Bowdoin was secretary and Jimmy Talbert was asst. secretary. Elected to the board at local election were Gary Bowdoin, Jimmy Talbert and Chuck Raley.

• Crawford High School sophomores received exemplary marks on the State TAAS exit level exam with 100 percent in reading, 95 percent in math and 100 percent in writing.

• McGregor election brought

493 to the polls to elect city and school leaders. Elected to the city council were Mayor Felix Morris, Nicholas Brown-Ward One, Paul Allison-Ward Two and Jimmy Hering-Ward Four. Re-elected to the school board were Frank Graves, Gary Hannemann and Ottis Foster.

• Robert Campbell, Sam Travis and Marvin Garza were elected to the Crawford City Council.

• Ronnie Sullins and Ricky Gomez were elected to the Oglesby School Board and Reta Luckie, Stanley Ramsey and James McClure ran unopposed for the City Council of Oglesby.

• McGinley Library honored volunteers Jo Collins, Irene Lane, Sallie Hurst, Jovey Gomez and Hazel Solomon.

• McGregor High School senior Leigh Symank was selected to the 1998 Waco Family Academic All Star Team.

• Top McGregor Garden Club Horticulture and Flower Show winners were Jo Ann Sims with the Harriett Brown Silver Bowl Award, Alice Wilson with Sweepstakes and Carolyn Wallace with the Warrene Fagg trophy for Novice entry. Other winners were Lora Lee Scruggs, Gladys Hollan, Joyce Wiethorn, Doris Bennett, Heidi Foster and Reva Davis.

#### ACROSS

1 TX Greer Garson film: "Blossoms in the \_\_\_\_" (41)  
5 TXism: "got misery \_\_\_\_ my arm pits"  
6 TXism: "run off at the mouth"  
7 dieter's selection  
8 nickname for TX born prez DDE  
9 TXism: "tenderfoot"  
16 TXism: "get your \_\_\_\_ built" (settle down)  
18 TXism: "ticks \_\_\_\_" (tastes good)

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22 TX Ginger Rogers' "Twist of \_\_\_\_" (54)  
23 female deer  
24 El \_\_\_\_, TX  
30 attachers  
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37 TX Swayze '90 film  
39 TXism: "\_\_\_\_ boot!" —  
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50 hot dogs  
53 TXism: "couldn't \_\_\_\_ through a barbed wire fence" (poor eyes)  
54 TXism: "scarf it \_\_\_\_"  
55 ancient Greek marketplace  
56 sleepin' springs  
59 TXism: "run up \_\_\_\_ flag" (surrender)

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27 TXism: "it's all water off \_\_\_\_ back to me"  
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29 TX Carrell's "The Super Handyman's Encyclopedia" Repair  
30 Juan, TX  
31 "uncle" south of the border  
32 TXism: "the \_\_\_\_ sheets to the wind"

33 blackeys  
34 Granbury House  
40 TXism: "he's \_\_\_\_ ornery old cuss"  
41 Gulf activity: deep \_\_\_\_ fishing  
42 most dismal  
49 TX Valenti's cinema organization (abbr.)  
51 TXism: "\_\_\_\_ your drift" (understand)

52 TXism: "plain as the \_\_\_\_ on your face"  
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## Letters to the Editor

Letter to the Editor,

I have lived in or near McGregor for some 70-odd years and during this time the town has shown many faces—some good—others not so good. At the present time we are in a decline, retail-wise. We need a boost to lure businesses to McGregor.

I noticed recently a mural being painted on the building at the corner of Fourth and Main. Thus far the sign reads "A Proud Past With A Bright Future." Words are not going to bring businesses or families into the community.

A much better way is to have a safe, clean Christian community in which people will want to live and raise their children. We have already taken one hit in this area by permitting the sale of beer—even for off-premise consumption. Perhaps this has increased our return on the sales tax, but I consider the cost to be high.

We have people drinking and driving; accidents occurring; broken beer bottles and cans littering our yards and streets. I do not find this to be a good advertisement for a clean, wholesome community in which to live. I cannot visualize how on-site consumption of alcohol will improve this condition.

The upcoming election for on-site consumption of liquor and wine is something each citizen should think long and hard about. Weigh your pros and cons and then vote what you consider to be best for McGregor. Hopefully, this will be a NO vote!

Mary Ann Bennett

Letter to the Editor,  
During the past week, several yard signs "Against Alcohol Sales" were stolen or damaged. However, on Sunday night, May 4, the big attack came when many signs were destroyed. Was this the work of "Responsible and Mature Citizens" described in the "Keep McGregor Money in McGregor" committee ad?

Also, to claim that no bad incidents have occurred as the result of (mis) use of alcoholic beverages is not a statement of fact. And is not the gaining of money (for whom) the real drive behind these alcohol elections no matter what the consequences or effects on our town? The "Mullen It Over" column in the May 1 *Mirror* talked about opinions gained when passing through a town. What will a lot of beer joints say to people passing through McGregor?

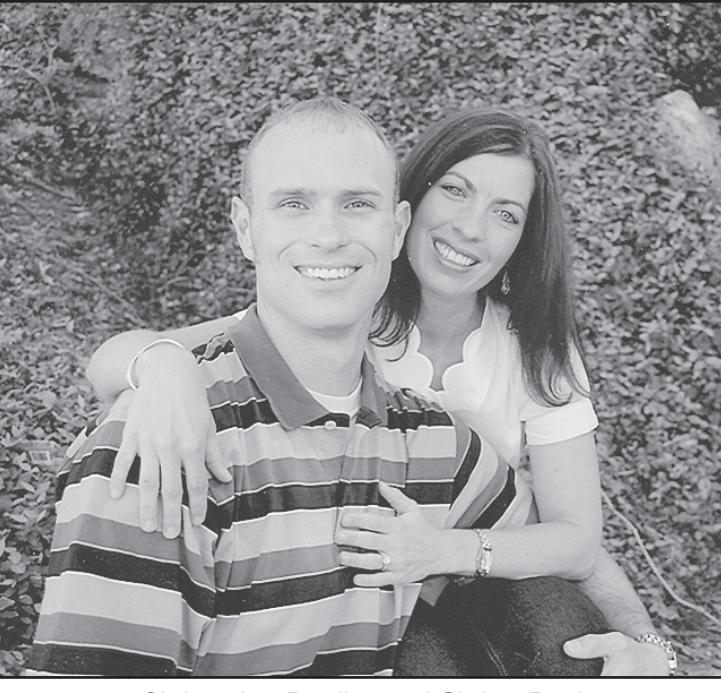
Bill Burkes

Letter to the Editor,

To the voters and residents of McGregor—I think the people who are pushing for the election to allow open sales of alcohol either were not born here or have not lived here long enough to remember the way it was before 1957 when an election made the city "dry".

I think these pictures and stories show why it is a bad idea to vote for liquor sales in bars and the cafes in our town. If anyone has ever lost a brother or any family member, because of drunk driving, they would not be for this local option election.

There are several other families in this area besides mine who have lost loved ones in this cruel, horrible way. Please, think long and hard before voting for this option. We already have beer and wine for sale many places in town if anyone wants to buy it. We do



Christopher Bowling and Christy Byrd

## To marry in June

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Byrd, of McGregor, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Christy Lee to Christopher Bowling, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bowling of Bryan, Texas.

Christy received a Bachelor of Science degree in Education from Baylor University and a Master of Education degree in Counseling from Tarleton State University. Christopher received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Sam Houston State University. A June wedding is planned.



Picture of 1957 wreck

not need it in our eating places or for bars to open and sell it.

Geneva Goff,

Sister of Alex Gordon Ferrell killed in July, 1957 by a drunk driver

## Thank you for support

We would like to send out a big thank you to everyone who came to the spaghetti supper at the American Legion Post 273 on the evening of Thursday, May 1st. All of you were very generous with your donations which will benefit the American Cancer Society.

Also we would like to extend a special thank you to Johnny and Jeremy Miller for catering the

event without any charge, and another to Marty J and the Boys Band for providing entertainment.

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She launched her banking career upon graduating from Tarleton State in 2001. Tull is also a member of the Independent Banker's Association of Texas.

Jodie Gaylor has been promoted to Customer Service Representative. Prior to this promotion, Gaylor served as a new accounts officer at Oglesby State Bank. Gaylor has nine years of experience in the banking industry. She received her finance degree from the University of Texas Austin in 1999. Gaylor has also been Gatesville Chamber of Commerce volunteer.



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# McGregor athletes to run and jump in Austin on Friday, Saturday

McGregor High School will have two athletes competing at the State Track Meet in Austin on Friday and Saturday.

Marcus Thompson will compete in the triple jump at 7 p.m. Friday. He leaped 42'10" at the Regional Meet at Stephenville a

couple of weeks ago to place second and advance to state.

On Saturday at 1:05 p.m., McGregor's Angela Garrett will be sprinting down the track in the 100 meter dash. She ran a 12.26 at the Regional Meet at Tarleton

State University recently.

Garrett placed third in the 200 in a time of 25.56 and almost qualified in the long jump at the regional meet.

Thompson also ran on the sprint relay team, 800 relay, 1600

relay and high jumped this year. "I'm very proud of their performances at the regional meet and they are working hard to medal at the state track meet this week," Coaches Ronny Payne and Cindy Knapke stated.

## MHS baseball team loses two games to Maypearl

The McGregor Bulldog baseball team fought hard to advance further in the playoffs, but two losses to Maypearl on Friday night and Saturday afternoon ended their hopes of continuing.

On Friday night at Maypearl, the Bulldogs lost by a score of 11-

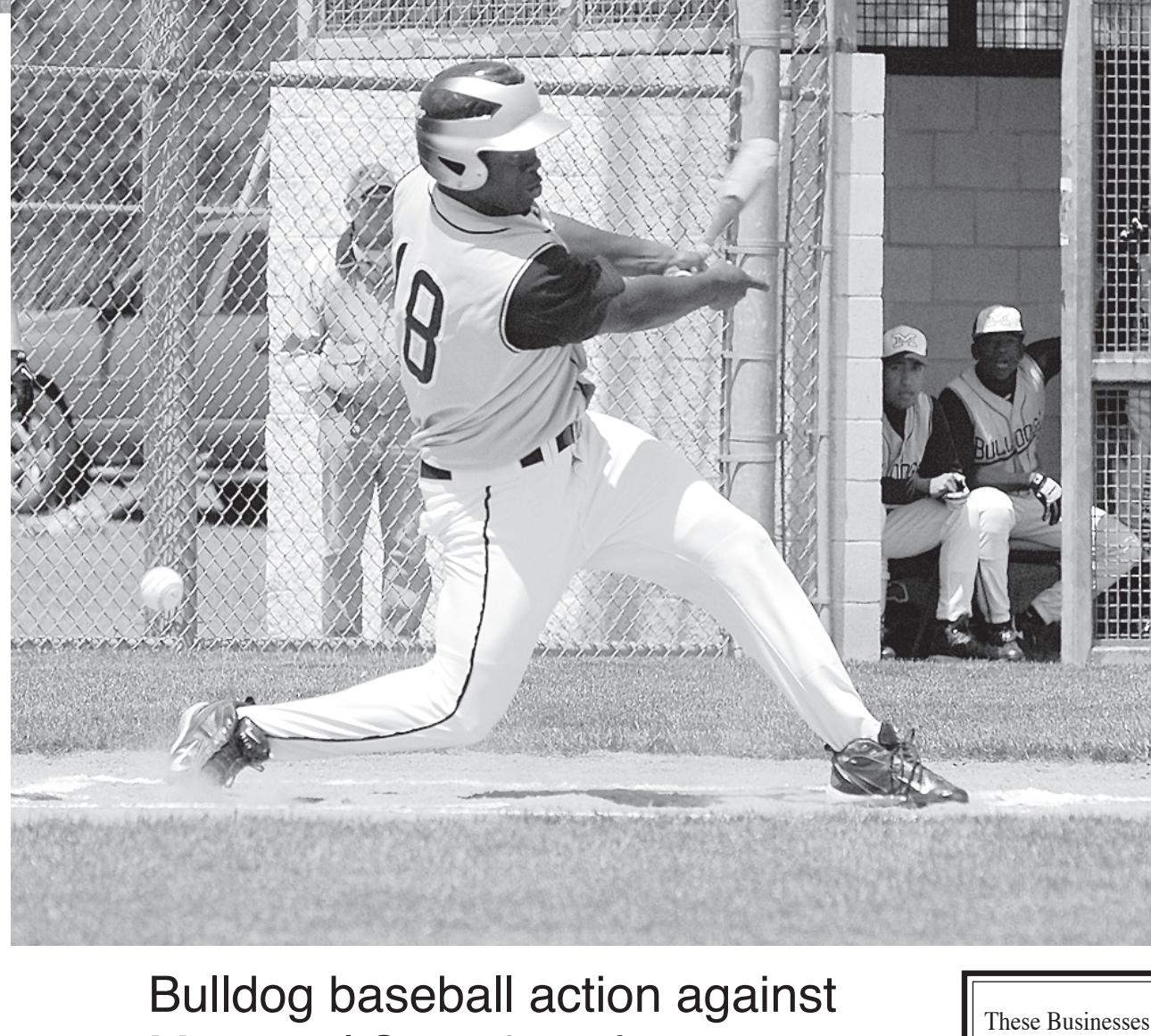
1. Matt Hernandez pitched for the Bulldogs.

In game two at McGregor on Saturday at noon, the Bulldogs scored the first run and trailed 3-1 after the second inning. The final score gave Maypearl the edge 8-3.

Raul Olvera handled the mound duties for the Bulldogs. In

the second game Joe Seward recorded two big hits including a triple.

Assistant Coach Jaycee Guerrero reported that the Bulldogs were a very young team this



Bulldog baseball action against Maypearl Saturday afternoon.

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Gary and Stephanie  
Hannemann

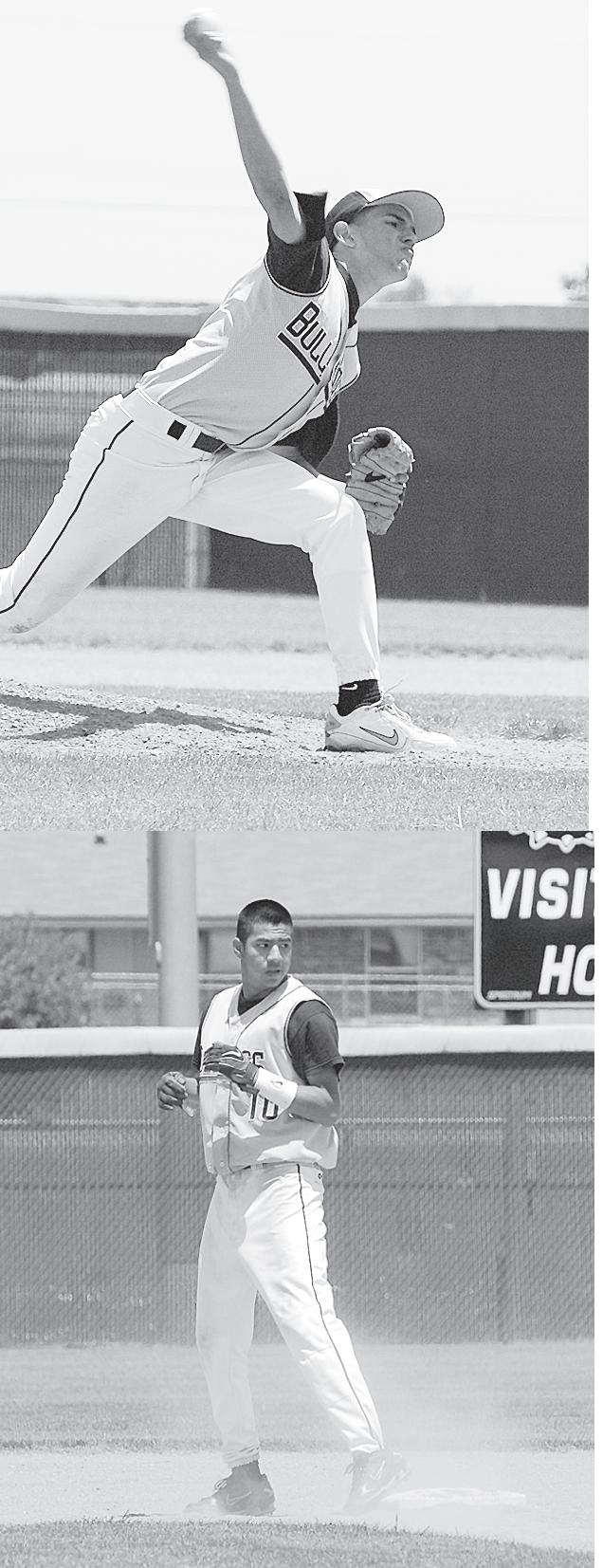


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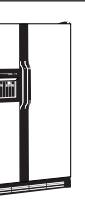


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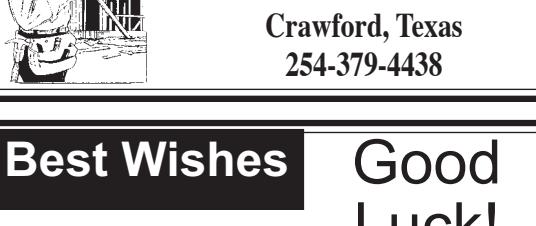
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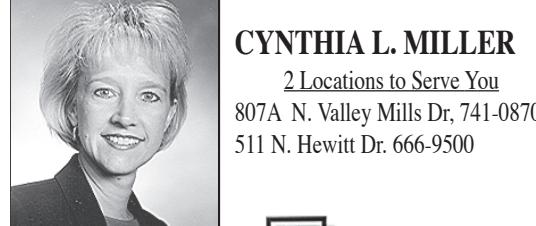
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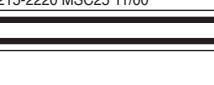
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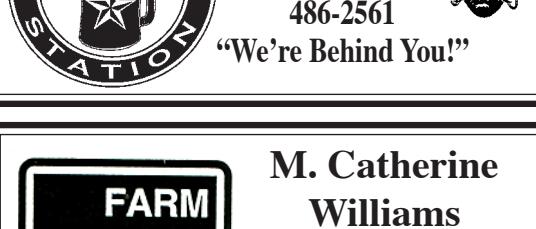
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## Pirates to square off against Olney for Area Championship

The Crawford Pirates baseball team will square off against Olney this Thursday at Aledo and on Friday and Saturday at Leander for the Area Championship.

The game Friday will start at 7 p.m. This is a best two out of three games to determine which team will advance in the playoffs.

"Olney is having to drive so far and since they have some state track qualifiers that will be competing this week, we agreed to

move the second and third games near Austin at Leander," Crawford Coach Randy Smith stated. "The game Friday is set for 7 p.m. and if a third game is needed it will start at 6 p.m. on Saturday."

Coach Smith reported that "Olney is a pretty young team, but a very explosive team. In the two games we've watched them play, they combined for a total of 27 hits. They will definitely put the ball in play. They have excellent

team speed which is backed up by the fact they have some of their baseball athletes that qualified for the state track meet in Austin this week."

Olney finished second in their district to Holiday and Holiday is state ranked. Coach Smith added that Olney played Holiday very close in both district games.

Clifton is also advancing in the playoffs and will meet Holiday this week to help cheer them on against Olney.

day this week.

Crawford played Lexington in a practice game last week defeating them 10-7.

"We hit the ball well and made only one error," Coach Smith said. "Lexington has a very good team. They are very salty."

Coach Smith hopes to have a good crowd from Crawford this week to help cheer them on against Olney.

## Lady Pirates advance to Regional Quarterfinals vs. Brock Lady Eagles

The Crawford Lady Pirates defeated Eastland in two out of three games last week and now will advance to the Regional Quarterfinals against the Lady Eagles from Brock. First game is at Glenrose Thursday at 7 p.m.

Second game of the best two out of three is scheduled for 1 p.m. Saturday. If a third game is needed, the girls will play 30 minutes after the conclusion of the second game.

Coach Kirk Allen reported that Clifton beat Wichita Falls

City View 10-6 last week at Area to advance against Maypearl this week.

Crawford tied with Clifton at the end of district and then defeated the Lady Cubs 17-3 in a playoff game to see who was the number one seed and for the District Championship. Bruceville-Eddy finished third.

The Lady Pirates won the first game against Eastland, blanking their opponent 4-0.

Anabeth Fuller, freshman, had a good day on the mound by

striking out seven batters and giving up just four hits.

Top hitter in that first contest was Rachel Dieterich with two hits and two RBI's.

Crawford lost the second game 11-2. Rebekah Dillon pitched for the Lady Pirates. Rachel Dieterich hit a two run homerun in this game for Crawford's two scores.

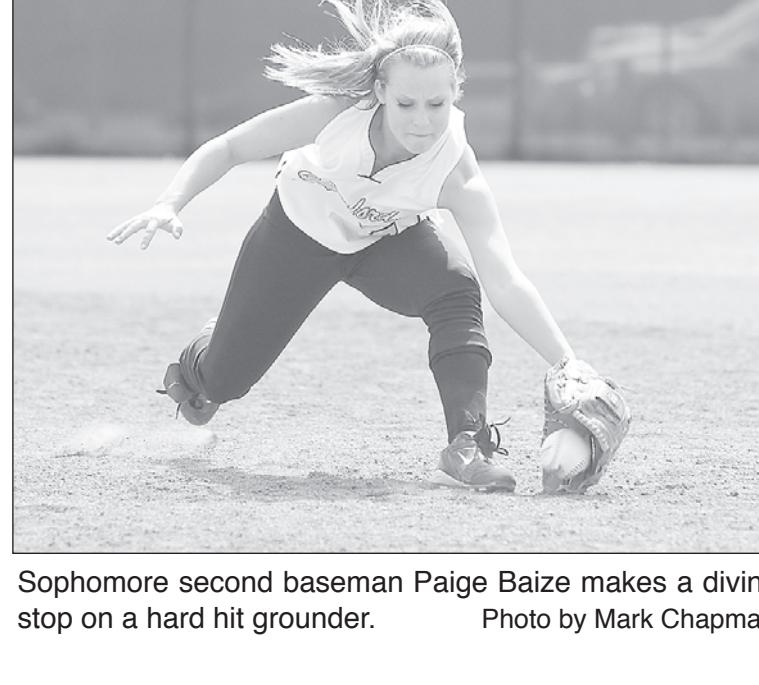
The Lady Pirates bounced back strong in the third and deciding game with a 13-0 victory.

Anabeth Fuller struck out

eight batters and allowed four hits.

Coach Allen and Assistant Coach Jeff Coker reported that Brittany Dumas got the Lady Pirates off to a great start by smacking a grand slam homerun in the first inning. Also having a great offensive game was Brittany Urbanovsky, who went 3-3 with two RBI's.

Coaches Allen and Coker are hoping to have the stand full of Crawford supporters for the games this week.



Sophomore second baseman Paige Baize makes a diving stop on a hard hit grounder.

Photo by Mark Chapman



Kendall Schmalriede and Caitlin Smith Competed at state

Kendall Schmalriede and Caitlin Smith of Crawford High School competed at State UIL after qualifying at Region II Academic Meet at Tarleton on April 12. Kendall, a sophomore, took first place in News Writing at region and Caitlin, a senior, placed second in Ready Writing. The State competition was Saturday, May 3rd in Austin. Caitlin finished fourth in the 2A Ready Writing event.



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Jenny Minnix and family on Branson trip in 1993

## Fighting Cancer—One Family's Battle

By Carla Vallejo

Eileen and Buddy Meroney of Waco had five beautiful daughters—Diane, Linda, Terry, Shelley and Jenny. Four of the sisters have experienced cancer. The youngest our own Jenny Minnix, wears both a bracelet and a watch every day because of her continuing love for her two sisters who have passed on . . .

In October of 1993, Eileen and her daughters went on a wonderful trip to Branson together, laughing and loving the time as a family. This was the last time all were together and all were healthy.

In the Spring of 1994, Terry began experiencing dizziness along with changes in her personality. When a brain tumor was found, she had surgery. An hour and a half into the seven hour surgery, the doctor came out and told the family that nothing could be done. Terry fought to live with radiation and chemo, but she went from a wheelchair to being bedridden. This close family took turns caring for Terry, but she passed on in March of 1996. She had a beloved husband and three teenage sons. Terry was 47.

Diane would need her family next because early in 1999 she began experiencing minor symptoms. She went to several doctors but found no answers. A year later, Diane began having trouble breathing and had an emergency tracheotomy at Baylor Medical in Dallas. She was diagnosed with lymphoma, which had spread to lymph nodes all over her body. Diane had non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. She was sent to M.D. Anderson in Houston to begin treatments to prolong her life. In the Spring of 2001, Diane was much worse, but was determined to make it to her son's wedding in June.

Preacher-sister Linda married J and Alisha with Diane joyfully watching!

"She was in pain, but was walking and talking. It was a wonderful time!" remembers Jenny. Within a few months, Diane's beloved husband and son were at her

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side, as she joined her sister Terry . . .

Linda and Jenny have both had Stage 3 melanomas which were completely removed. Last spring, Diane's son J was diagnosed with testicular cancer. After undergoing chemotherapy for six weeks, J is in remission. Jenny said that "the prognosis is very good because it was caught early."

Jenny became a part of an awesome Relay For Life team—The Wild Bunch—in 1999. They have raised thousands of dollars for the American Cancer Society.

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Each member has very personal reasons to "walk for a cure."

Jenny encourages us all to have regular checkups. Do not make light of anything that you feel is different with your body. Listen to Jenny

Jerry Lynch, chairman of this year's ACS Relay For Life in McGregor encourages anyone who had or has cancer to join in the Survivors Lap. The Survivor's Lap begins at 6 p.m. Cancer sur-

vivors can register on site, but pre-registration is requested. Following the Survivor's Lap, there will be a Survivor's Celebration. There will be snacks and T-shirts and the opportunity to visit with other survivors. To register please call 723-6268.

The Luminaria Ceremony will take place at 9 p.m. These can be purchased on site or you may purchase them early by contacting 723-6268 for forms.

## Offenders Hospitality House sponsors Mother's Day weekend Open House

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Alice Geron has traced the family roots from England to Vermont to Texas, then concentrated on the early life of her grandfather, Harry Chauncey Chamberlin, and the establishment of his Windsor Ranch on the Middle Bosque River near Crawford in McLennan County.

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Heather Nicole Chandler and Wesley Howard Tom were united in marriage at 3:30 p.m. February 23, 2008, at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses in Waco with Steve James officiating. A dinner and dance followed at the Lion's Den.

The bride is the daughter Mr. and Mrs. Jondre Chandler of McGregor, and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Preston Nelson of McGregor, and Mrs. Dona Chandler of Harper, Texas. Heather is a 2000 graduate of McGregor High School and a 2007 graduate of the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor with a Masters in educational psychology. She is employed with Waco ISD as a diagnostician.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Tabberer of Katy, Texas. He is a 1996 graduate of ICS Newport Pacific High School. Wesley is employed with Sunbelt Rentals.

Matron of honor was Sheri Pinchback. Bridesmaids were Melissa Knight and Erin Tom, sister of the groom. Junior bridesmaid was Sarah Buzzelli and the flower girl was Sasha Buzzelli, both cousins of the bride.

Best man was Bill Carlile. Groomsmen were Stanley Knight and Jared Chandler, brother of the bride. Ring bearer was Jackson Young.

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# ACO Seth Skinner urges citizens to vaccinate their dogs and cats

McGregor Animal Control Officer Seth Skinner is urging citizens to vaccinate their dogs and cats.

Skinner was hired as the Animal Control Officer in October of 2007 and during these past seven months he has caught 98 dogs and cats combined. That doesn't take in account the pets he's caught and returned to their owners or the dead animals he's removed from the roadways that have been struck by a vehicle.

Before taking over the job in McGregor, Skinner had worked for the U.S.D.A. as a government trapper.

That trapping experience has come in handy as he's been busy setting livetraps throughout town to catch stray cats. He said that cats have kittens year round and many of these cats do not belong to anyone. He added that he finds many cats hanging around dumpsters.

Skinner showed the Mirror reporter his new tranquilizer dart gun.

He said the range of the gun, which resembles a 12 gauge shotgun, is about 20 yards, but it can reach out accurately to 50 yards.

He uses a dart with some medicine he describes as canine cocktail. The dart has a barb on the end, but he cuts the barb off. When he shoots a vicious dog or one that is impossible to catch, the dart hits the dog, injects the medicine and then falls out.

Skinner said the medicine takes affect rapidly and puts the dog to sleep for about 30 to 40 minutes. When the dog wakes up, he has no bad side affects.

"I only will use the dart gun if the dog appears to be vicious and as a last resort," the ACO stated. "If I can't catch the dog with the catch pole, and it keeps citizens from getting hurt, or owners and neighbors from getting bit, I'll use it."

Along with the new dart gun,

the department now has animal friendly catch poles and true catch live traps.

Pets must be vaccinated by the age of four months of age, followed by a vaccination within the next 12 months, and then every one or three years thereafter, according to veterinary recommendations and local rabies law.

"Vaccinations are a state law and I urge citizens to please get their cats and dogs vaccinated," Skinner emphasized. "Each citizen that gets their pet vaccinated will receive a certificate and a tag. A state rabies tag is a state law and an annual city license tag is a city ordinance."

The city tag costs only \$2.00, but it's very important according to Skinner. The tag has a serial number and the information plugged into the computer will include the name, address, and phone number of the owner, breed of animal, proof of rabies vaccination.

"I pick up many dogs and cats that do not have any tags or identification," the Animal Control Officer said. "If someone is in the area I will ask them if they know who the dog or cat belongs to. If they don't know, I have no choice but to take it to the Waco Humane Society. The owner has 72 hours to claim the animal or it becomes the property of the Humane Society."

Skinner said that if your pet disappears call the police department dispatch and they will check to see if it has been picked up.

"If I find an animal that has a city tag, the computer will instantly show who the owner is by running the serial number," he said. "I find animals everyday that don't have any kind of identification. My main purpose is to look out for the animals and return them to their owners."

Another option of identification is having a micro chip im-



McGregor's Animal Control Officer Seth Skinner

planted in your pet.

The Region 7 staff investigated an additional 39 nonnegative rabies test results. The number of positive rabies cases in 2008 were twice as many as those worked during the first quarter of 2007. Between January and March, there were 33 confirmed animal rabies cases and 12 non-negative rabies test results.

So far in 2008, rabies was confirmed in 39 skunks, 16 bats, four raccoons, two foxes, one dog, one cat.

Counties with laboratory confirmed rabies cases included McLennan, one; Bell, 2; Blanco, one; Brazos, 14; Burleson, three; Burnet, seven; Caldwell, two; Coryell, one; Fayette, one; Freestone, one; Hill, one; Lee, four; Madison, three; Travis, 11; Washington, three; Williamson, eight.



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# ONE VOICE

by Rev. Robert Parker,  
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I read this in a recent email, "An elephant in the room is something huge and impossible to ignore which by mutual agreement we avoid discussing because to do so would be awkward, painful or embarrassing. For example, Uncle Nimrod is getting drunk again at our family Thanksgiving dinner. We all feel powerless, so we choose to ignore his behavior. So every holiday we have this 'elephant in the room.'"

On May 10 we face an "elephant in the room," but we are talking about it. It definitely should not be ignored. It is whether to open our community to liquor-by-the-drink. Not only would restaurants be allowed to serve alcohol, but also bars, saloons and clubs would be allowed to open. The primary purpose in these establishments would be to drink.

I've read that it would be good for McGregor because people wouldn't have to drive out of town and then drive back to town (Waco Tribune newspaper). That sounds like an assumption that those driving back to town will be driving under the influence. If that is a problem out of town it will be a problem in

town. If you keep following that argument, then it would be best if every community had open alcohol sales to eradicate the number of accidents and deaths caused by driving and drinking. Does it make sense to say that if alcohol is a problem, we should have more outlets for the sale of alcohol in order to solve the problem?

Another argument has been the revenue it will bring to our city. I hope the bottom line isn't just money. It will profit a small number of our citizens, but at what cost to the problems it would bring.

Problems that will fly under public recognition, such as added policing, the fact that multiple points of access to alcohol brings increase in crime, and what it would bring to the perception of McGregor. History has already pointed to the problems of the past. West from Waco, McGregor would be the only community open to alcohol sales on premise. That is an invitation to come to our town and drink. Can't we offer more in our community than that?

A vote against alcohol sales on May 10 will be a vote for a better McGregor.

## WHAT'S IN THE WELL . . .

by Sammie Haynes  
Pastor, Church of the Living God

. . . will come out in the Bucket!

*Luke 6:45. The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For out of the overflow of his heart his mouth speaks*

I have a friend named Gene; he loves the Lord Jesus with all his heart. I and two other Ministers were on a ministry trip, about a week ago, and we met with Gene in Ballinger Texas, closed to San Angelo. Gene has had a lot of things to be thankful for, open heart surgery, an incurable cancer of the brain miraculously cured by the Power of God through prayer. Many other things, has challenged his faith, but has not stopped him from praising the Lord Jesus. As we were talking, he shared his testimony. He is a graduate from Baylor University; and also an established Lawyer for many years. He has a Law Firm that has won major victories for many clients. He began by explaining of an accident that happened when he attended Baylor; one night as he was driving down I-35 a drunk driver parked his car in the middle of the highway and walked to a nearby field to relieve

himself. Gene did not see the parked car until it was too late. He was not wearing a seat belt, and upon impact, his body was thrown through the wind shield. He flew over the parked car, and skidded down the highway for about two hundred feet. He remembered his last words just before his head hit the wind shield, and they were not pleasant words either. He stated that it was not so much that he was about to leave this World, it was the words he spoke, that caused him total shame as he drifted out of his body. I don't have enough space to tell of all the things that happened to him, but it was a miracle of God that he is still with us.

Jesus said that a man will speak what is in his heart. What are you talking about? Are you dragging your neighbors name through the mud? Is every other word a curse word? I pray not! If you really want to speak good things you have to put good things in your mind. Humility can also assist you in speaking good things. Pride will not have an open door, by a humble person. Read the Bible a little more, and meditate on the Word of God, and the heart will change. When tough times come, you will

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speak God's Word instead of evil thoughts. What's in the well will come out in the bucket.



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Sunday evening.....3:30 p.m.  
*Keeping the Ordinances as they were delivered by the Apostles*  
*I Corinthians 11: 1-2*

**Roberson Chapel A.M.E. Church**  
402 South Arthur, McGregor  
840-2000  
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service.....11 a.m.  
Wednesday ~ Prayer Service and Bible Study.....6 p.m.  
*Rev. William A. Forbes, Jr.*

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1st Peter 5:7

### CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday morning—10 a.m. Praise & Worship  
11 a.m. Preaching & Ministry  
with Pastor D.L. Summers  
Sunday evening—6 p.m. Celebration Service with Curtis Jones  
Wednesday evening—7 p.m. Prayer Meeting,  
Youth Service with Lindsey Longo

### Victory Chapel

D. L. Summers, Pastor  
605 N. Third....1 block off Hwy. 84 behind Dandy Dan's

Church: 840-3283 • Residence Phone: 662-1109



### College Avenue Baptist Church

#### PEOPLE SHARING JESUS

201 South Monroe Street, McGregor 840-3782  
David W. Thompson Jim West Janice Young  
Pastor Youth Minister Music Minister

#### WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

SUNDAY Morning Worship 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:55 a.m.  
Discipleship Training 6:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY Children's Activities 6:00 p.m.

Youth Activities 6:45 p.m.

Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal

### CHURCH OF CHRIST

3rd and Pullen  
McGREGOR  
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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315 Cleveland, McGREGOR  
"WELCOMES YOU"  
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Rev. Jacqueline Taylor  
Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service.....10:45 a.m.  
B.T.U.....6:00 p.m.  
Mid Week Service.....6:30 p.m.  
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### First United Methodist Church

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Contemporary Worship (Informal) — 9:00 A.M.  
Sunday School for all Ages — 10:00 A.M.  
Traditional Worship — 11:00 A.M.  
Children 4F — 6:00 Wed. evenings  
Youth — 6:00 Wednesday evenings

**Services**  
**Sunday**  
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.  
Worship 11:15 a.m.  
Evening 6 p.m.  
**Wednesday**  
Worship 7:00 p.m.

### Nuevo Pacto De Vida

### New Covenant Life Church

304 S. Main, McGregor

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**Servicios Domingo**  
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SIXTH and ADAMS  
McGREGOR

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

WEDNESDAY:  
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Pastor: Dub Oliver

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Sunday Services

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Worship .....10:30 am

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## THE CHOICE IS OURS...

The Citizens of McGregor have a choice on May 10<sup>th</sup> as they vote regarding the local option to allow or disallow the sale and service of alcoholic beverages in restaurants, clubs, and liquor stores. The facts should help each of us decide what's best for our community.

### What are the advantages of this option passing?

- Our citizens will have some place to go at 5:00 pm to drink alcohol.*

Not only will our citizens have some place to go... but so will those people who have serious drinking problems from North Fort Hood and the surrounding communities. When they have had all the alcohol they can hold, they will then try and drive themselves back to their homes.

- Our community will keep pace with other progressive communities if we have a high level of alcohol allowance.*

Yet, according to the TABC, there are only two cities in McLennan County that do have a high level of alcohol allowance. They are Waco and Lacy Lakeview. The communities of Bellmead, Hewitt, Robinson, Valley Mills, Bruceville-Eddy, Woodway, Lorena, Moody, and Mart choose not to allow free sale of alcohol. These are the communities that realtors report are prime residential areas where people desire to live and raise their families.

- Our community will benefit financially from increased sales of alcohol.*

The truth is that any increase in revenue enjoyed by the restaurants, bars, and clubs will be negated by the increase in cost of law enforcement, sanitation, courts, and other community services. This is the same argument that was used when McGregor passed the option for sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption. What benefits has our community enjoyed since it was passed? Do we have a new community center? Any new positive recreational facilities for our youth? No!

### What are the disadvantages of this option passing?

- Increased noise complaints, traffic, loitering, and other disturbances of the public peace.* [Criminology Magazine](#)

- Increase of alcohol-related traffic accidents.* Texas DPS

- Possibility of increased family violence.* Yale University study

- Increased levels of binge and problem drinking.* [Criminology Magazine](#)

- Increased criminal activity possibly including murder, rape, assault, robbery, burglary & auto theft.* Univ. of Houston study, [Criminology Magazine](#), Nat'l Inst. Alcohol Abuse/Alcoholism

- Alcohol abuse and addiction leading to poverty.* University of Houston study

- Loss of the goodness, calm and peace that we value in our community.*

## THE CHOICE IS CLEAR...

Vote on May 10  Against

Note: The outcome of this election will NOT affect the previously passed option for the sale of wine and beer for off-premises consumption.

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