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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

Congratulations, Mustangs!
You had an excellent season. We are proud of you.

—cwe—
Don't forget to vote Tuesday. And, do not be worried about knowing how to use the voting machines, I voted absentee and there was no problem.

—cwe—
We have the notice in the paper this week that the Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominations for 'Outstanding' man, woman and employee. Here is your chance to get recognition for some deserving person.

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Remember, you will need to list the reasons why the person is deserving.

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We traveled to Lovelady this past weekend. We left on Thursday morning. And sure enough, it was raining by Friday evening.

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Sorry I could not bring the rain back with us.

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We have been enjoying the spring-like weather.

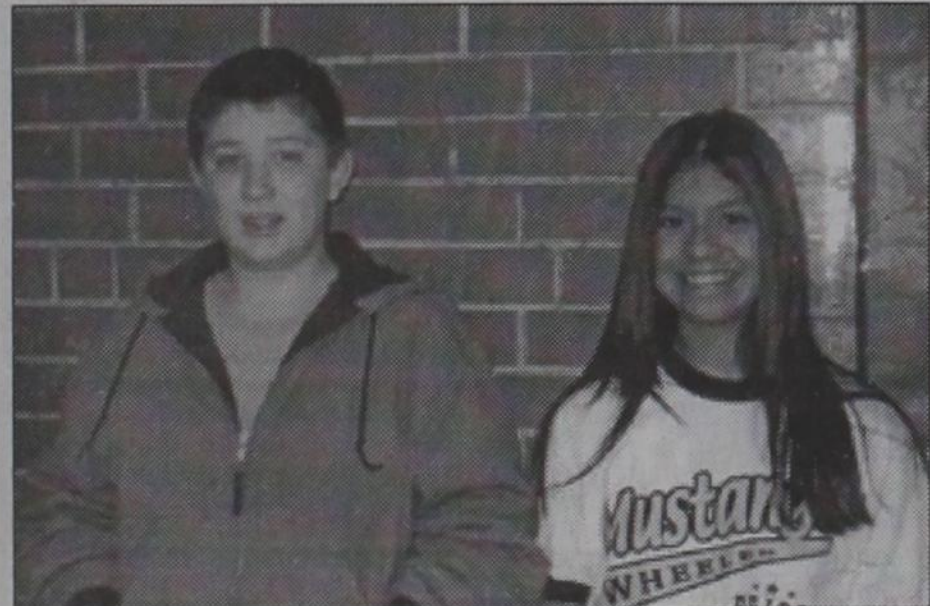
—cwe—
Several of our card players were out of pocket Monday evening, so we decided we would not play. Jane Thomas called about eight to say she was visiting Patsy and why were we not playing cards?

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There was not time to contact everyone, but she and Patsy came over and we played two half games. Each team won a game.

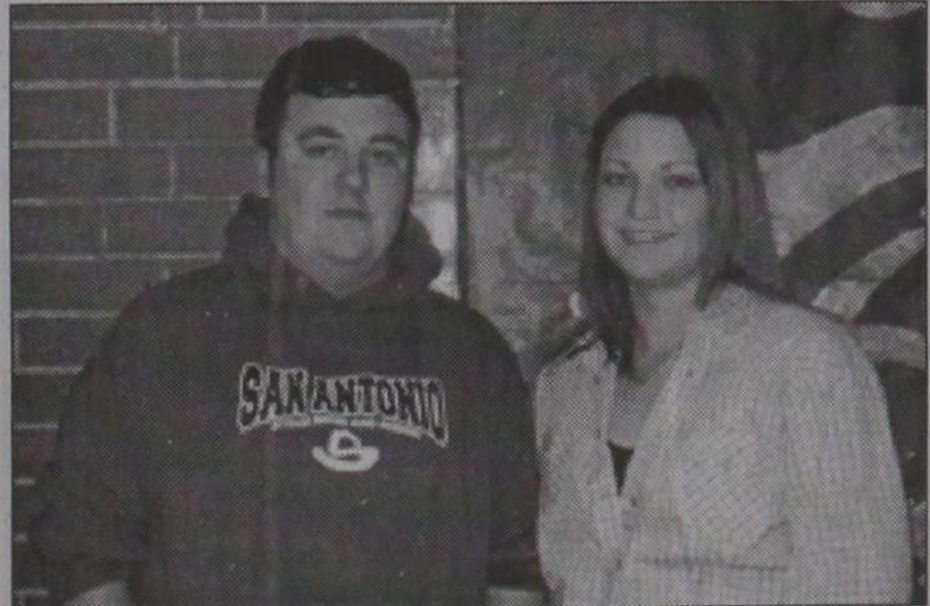
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Certainly enjoyed your visit, Jane. Don't wait so long between visits.



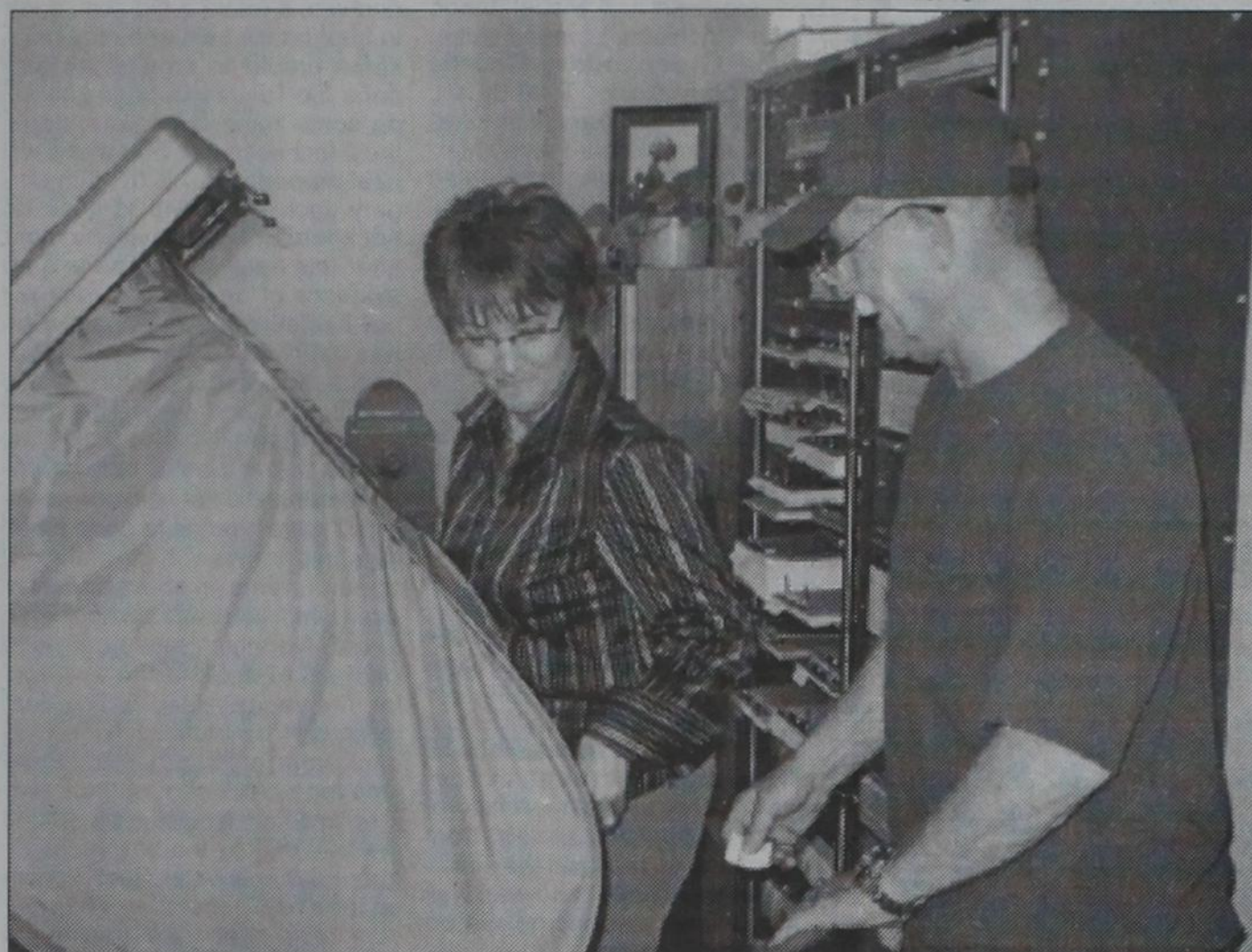
ON DEAN'S LIST: Ann Marie Kidd was named to the Dean's List at Texas State University in San Marcos, for the fall semester of 2005. Ann Marie was also accepted to the Respiratory Care Program at Texas State. She is classified as a sophomore. Ann Marie is the daughter of Dale and Monica Kidd of Waco and the granddaughter of David and Kathleen Cross of Wheeler and Roy and Linda Kidd of Lockney.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK FOR FEBRUARY 23, 2006: Wheeler ISD Students of the week are Cole Wilson and Tania Flores. Cole is the 12-year-old son of Bill and Joy Wilson. His activities include Boy Scouts, track, football, basketball, FFA, fishing, hunting, and band. Tania is the 13-year-old daughter of Lorena and Joso Flores. Her activities include Pride Program, track, b-ball, cheerleader, and band.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK: Wheeler ISD Students of the week are Bo Compton and Katie Richardson. Bo is the 17-year-old son of Remona Compton and the late Rocky Compton. His activities include FFA, UIL, Exhibiting Cattle, Swine, Lambs, and goats, and working at The Spot. Katie is the 17-year-old daughter of Jerry and Cheryl Richardson. Her activities include FFA, FCCLA, NHS, track, basketball, UIL, and showing steers.



L. Ken Jones, LCU President, Named Chamber Banquet Speaker March 25

L. Ken Jones, President of Lubbock Christian University since May, 1993, will be the speaker for the Annual Wheeler Chamber of Commerce Installation Banquet on Saturday, March 25, 2006.

Mr. Jones is a native of Cordell, Okla., and holds a B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. in Agricultural Engineering from Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, Okla. He served as Assistant Professor, Agricultural Engineering Department, Oklahoma State University and spent a decade in pulpit ministry and served at the Sunset Church of Christ in Lubbock, Texas prior to becoming president of Lubbock Christian University.

He has been a student of leadership for many years. This includes extensive study evaluating both secular and biblical models of leadership. He has also received training from Dr. Ken Blanchard at Blanchard Training and Development and has attended various leadership seminars, including "Lessons in Leadership" led by Dr. Denis Waitley.

He is a frequent keynote and seminar speaker on the subject of leadership and conducts numerous leadership seminars for religious groups and school systems. The seminars include appearances at Texas Instruments of Dallas, Austin, Temple, Midland and Lubbock; Bandag Corporation in Abilene; Leadership Lubbock; Lubbock Chamber of Commerce and many more.

Jones is the author of two books: *Leadership After God's Own Heart* and *The Ultimate Leader*.

He currently serves on the Board of Directors for Achievement Rewards for College Sci-

tists (ARCS) and on the Texas Independent College Fund Nominating Committee.

Dr. Jones is married and has two children, and two grandchildren.

Make plans to be in attendance at the Chamber of Commerce banquet on Saturday, March 25, to hear an interesting and informative speaker and enjoy the fellowship of your fellow Wheelerites and neighbors.

Andrea Auldridge Fund Established

A fund to assist with medical expenses has been set up at the First State Bank of Mobeetie for Andrea Auldridge and her family. Andrea has recently been diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis. She and her husband Tracy have two children, Tysen who is in Kindergarten and Taton who is 2 years old. Andrea is the daughter of Bevard and Diane Dukes. She is the granddaughter of Bob and Gena Zybach and Nelda Dukes of Allison.

Donations to the Andrea Auldridge Medical Fund can be made at the Wheeler or Mobeetie branch of the First State Bank of Mobeetie. Your assistance and generosity is greatly appreciated as we try to help this young family through a challenging time.

Seniors To Apply For Scholarship

The TOP O' TEXAS CATTLEWOMEN would like to remind high school seniors attending state certified schools in Carson, Collingworth, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Roberts, and Wheeler Counties that the applications for the Top O' Texas Cattlewomens scholarships should be in your High School's Counselor office by February 18, 2006. The deadline to return the application for judging is April 22, 2006. This year we have voted to award two \$500 scholarships and two \$250 scholarships. The scholarship applications should be sent to: Christine Marett, 15741 County Rd 2, Shamrock Tx 79079. Please give Christine a call at (806) 256-1268 if you need more information.

ALLISON NEWS

By Juanita Boydston

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High: To shew forth thy loving kindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness every night, Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the psaltery; upon the harp with a solemn sound. For thou, Lord, has made me glad through thy work: I will triumph in the works of thy hands. O Lord, how great are thy works! and thy thoughts are very deep. Psalms 92:1-5

The weather here in Allison has been just so beautiful the last couple days and today, Tuesday. Suppose to be eighty-five today on this last day of February.

Willis and Mary Harrison of Claremore, Oklahoma arrived in Allison on Sunday and visited in the home of Pearl Harrison and stayed Sunday and Monday nights with her. Tuesday evening they

ABSENTEE VOTERS: Calvin and Evelyn Kincannon of Mobeetie get last minute instruction on using the new voting machines at the County Clerk's Office. Absentee voting continues through Friday and ends at 5:00 p.m. You really should exercise your right to vote. Paper ballots are available, but you might as well use the machine.

A Wheeler Teacher's Point of View

The 2005/2006 school year is my first year to teach at Wheeler. It has been an exciting and educational year for me. I have enjoyed getting to know the bright students here at Wheeler. I have also felt very privileged to be able to work with some of the finest teachers in education. The students and staff at Wheeler have helped me to have a great first year.

I have had the privilege of coaching the One Act Play students this year. We are practicing hard to be ready for contest on March 28th. The cast for One Act Play this year is Kelley Timmons, Josh Britt, Lezli Finsterwald, J'Shay McCasland, Bree McCasland, Mikel Tucker, and Aspen Hathaway. The students will perform the play, "Quiet Please," for the public after the contest date. I am really proud of the cast and crew, and they are going to make Wheeler proud.

Speaking of pride, we had the Pride Program on Friday. It was a huge success. The teachers performed a skit for the students. The students really enjoyed the skit and the Pride Program. The Pride Program is changing the way that students, teachers, and the community view our school.

Suzy Lee
Wheeler High School

From the Principal's Desk

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For those of you who missed it, something special happened at Wheeler ISD on Friday. We held our fourth PRIDE Program of the year. Some of you might ask, just what actually is the PRIDE program? This program was created to increase student attendance and reward academic success. For the fourth six weeks we recognized over 100 students. This program would not be successful without the support of community donations. Thriftway sponsored the PRIDE Program this six-weeks. Their continued support in Wheeler ISD is greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to the Wheeler Mustang Basketball Team! The Mustangs won the bi-district championship against Hartley last Tuesday night in Amarillo. This was the first playoff win for the Wheeler Basketball Program in some time. Wonderful job!

A big thank you to Ms. Betty Rives' Senior English Class for their performance during school last Thursday. Ms. Rives class performed selected scenes from Macbeth. This was a wonderful performance that was enjoyed by all.

This week Ms. Woollard's Skills For Living Class are putting on their annual pre-school. This is a great opportunity for our students to have hands on learning when

County Commissioners Meeting; Stop Sign On County Road 15

The Wheeler County Commissioners' Court met in regular session on Monday, February 27, 2006, at the commissioners' courtroom. Twelve items were on the agenda.

The court approved the hourly payroll time sheets for payment.

The bills were approved for payment as presented.

No action was taken on the budget.

The Burn Ban remains.

Daryl Snelgrooves, Commissioner Pct. 1, was given permission to place stop sign on County Road F at the intersection of County Road 15.

Joel Finsterwald, Wheeler County Sheriff, notified the court of the removal of Michael Burris from the payroll, effective 2-28-06. Burris is leaving the Wheeler County Sheriff's Dept. for a better paying job. Sheriff Finsterwald informed the court that Wheeler County's salaries for the Sheriff's Department was the lowest in the 5 county area. Wheeler County is going to continue being a training ground for new deputies unless something is done about the salaries.

The court determined the courthouse be closed on Tuesday, March 7, 2006, for the general election.

Art Taylor, Constable, Pct. 2,

was given permission to replace two doors at the County Annex Building at a cost of \$1187 and \$1083.

County Clerk Magaret Dorman requested a vehicle and two men to deliver the voting machines to the county precincts on Monday, March 6. This will give her an opportunity to help get the boxes set up in the individual precincts. The request was granted.

Misty Walker was not present to present her certificate of continuing education.

Carol Porton and Patricia Guthrie each had certificates of continuing education to present to the court.

At the end of the regular meeting, Margaret Dorman informed the court of a problem soon to be faced by the commissioners. Each voting entity is required by law to use voting machines. Since each of these entities may not be able to afford the purchase of these machines, she is being asked if the county is going to lease the equipment or what will be their stand on the loaning/leasing of the equipment and her 'time' which will be required for the posting of the election results. This will be a matter for another court date.

The purchase and use of the voting machines is a federal law.

Nominations Sought For Chamber's Outstanding Man, Woman, Employee

The Wheeler Chamber of Commerce is once again taking nominations for the outstanding individuals, who will be recognized at the Annual Chamber of Commerce Installation Banquet on Saturday, March 25, 2006.

It is the desire of the Chamber to recognize the most deserving individuals in each of the categories. The public is being asked to nominate a man, woman and employee.

Please make your ideas known and also list the reasons why the individual should receive the

honor.

Your nominations will be considered by the committee appointed to select the respective individuals to be named.

Once again, each nomination is to be accompanied by a list of reasons for the nomination.

It is necessary that the nominations be returned by 5:00 P.M. Thursday, March 16, 2006.

The 'Outstanding' teenager and farmer/rancher will also be named. These are selected by committees.

Ft. Elliott Trustee Meeting Feb. 16; May 13 Trustee Election Is Called

The Ft. Elliott CISD Board of Trustees met in their regular February meeting Monday, February 16, 2006. Members present were Bret Begert, Richard Meadows, Keith Horn, Kent McLaughlin, Wade Hathaway and Greg Estes. Richie Kiker was the only member absent. Guests were Carl Baker and Janet Tatyrek.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Richard Meadows, president.

There were no public comments.

Kent McLaughlin moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Second by Keith

Horn. Motion carried unanimously.

Greg Estes moved to pay all bills. Second by Kent McLaughlin. Motion carried. Voting for were Kent McLaughlin, Greg Estes, Wade Hathaway and Richard Meadows. Abstaining due to nepotism were Keith Horn and Bret Begert.

Motion by Bret Begert to approve budget amendments, as presented by the Superintendent. Second by Keith Horn. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Keith Horn to accept the results of Academic Excellence Indicator System. Second by Kent McLaughlin. Motion carried unanimously.

At 7:33 p.m. the Board entered into executive session after the president announced it's right to do so under Texas Govt. Code 551.074. The President declared the executive session ended and the meeting returned to open session at 8:24 p.m.

Motion made by Wade Hathaway to renew the Principal's contracts for the 2006-2007 school year. Second by Bret Begert. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Greg Estes to approve the emergency operation plan for Ft. Elliott CISD. Second by Keith Horn. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bret Begert to order school board election for Saturday, May 13, 2006, to elect 2 positions currently occupied by Greg Estes and Richie Kiker, and appoint the following election judges.

Allison—Willia Jean Shelton; Briscoe—Bobbye Horn; Mobeetie—Mindy Duncan; Early—Pam Trimble.

Second by Wade Hathaway. Motion carried unanimously.

Keith Horn motioned that the Board adopt the (Local Policies contained within the reconstruction TASB Localized Policy Manual, effective February 16, 2006, and repeal all previous policies. Second by Kent McLaughlin. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Bret Begert to approve the tax collector's report as presented. Second by Greg Estes. Motion carried unanimously.

Carl Baker presented the Superintendent's report. No action was taken.

President Richard Meadows adjourned the meeting at 9:39 p.m.

Hospital Notes

Assisted Living

Verne Lohberger
Opal Hefley
Alvern Hutchison
C.B. Brotherton
Iona May
Vea Fillingim
Lillian Lee
Willie Mae Helton

Admissions

2/20 Patsy Caswell
2/21 Chester Jones
Minerva Jones
Earl Tabor
2/22 Don Burke
2/23 Martha Childress
2/24 Charlene Rainey

Dismissals

2/20 Lela Pride
Mamie Loyd
Patsy Caswell
Earl Tabor
2/25 George Walker
Minerva Jones
2/27 Chester Jones
2/28 Martha Childress

Cast Your Ballot Tuesday, March 7

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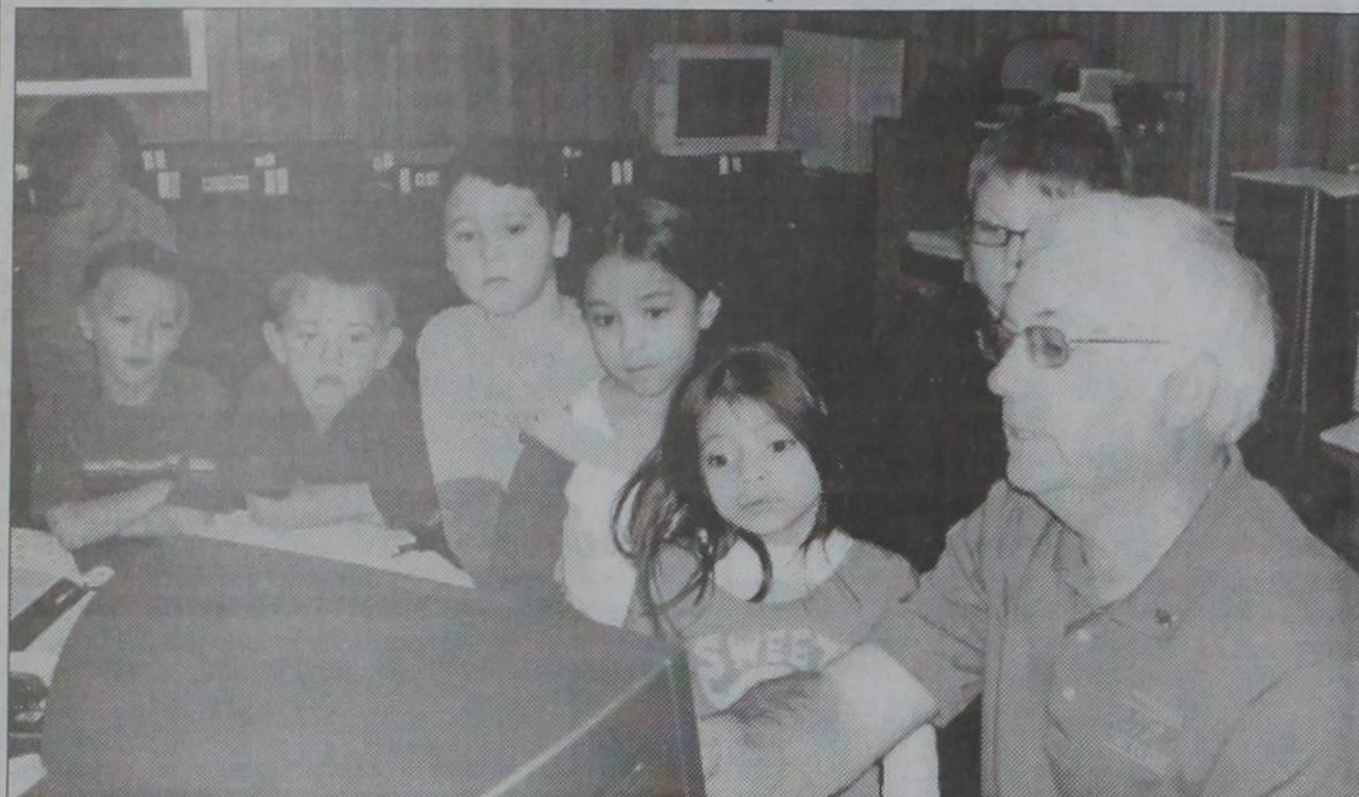
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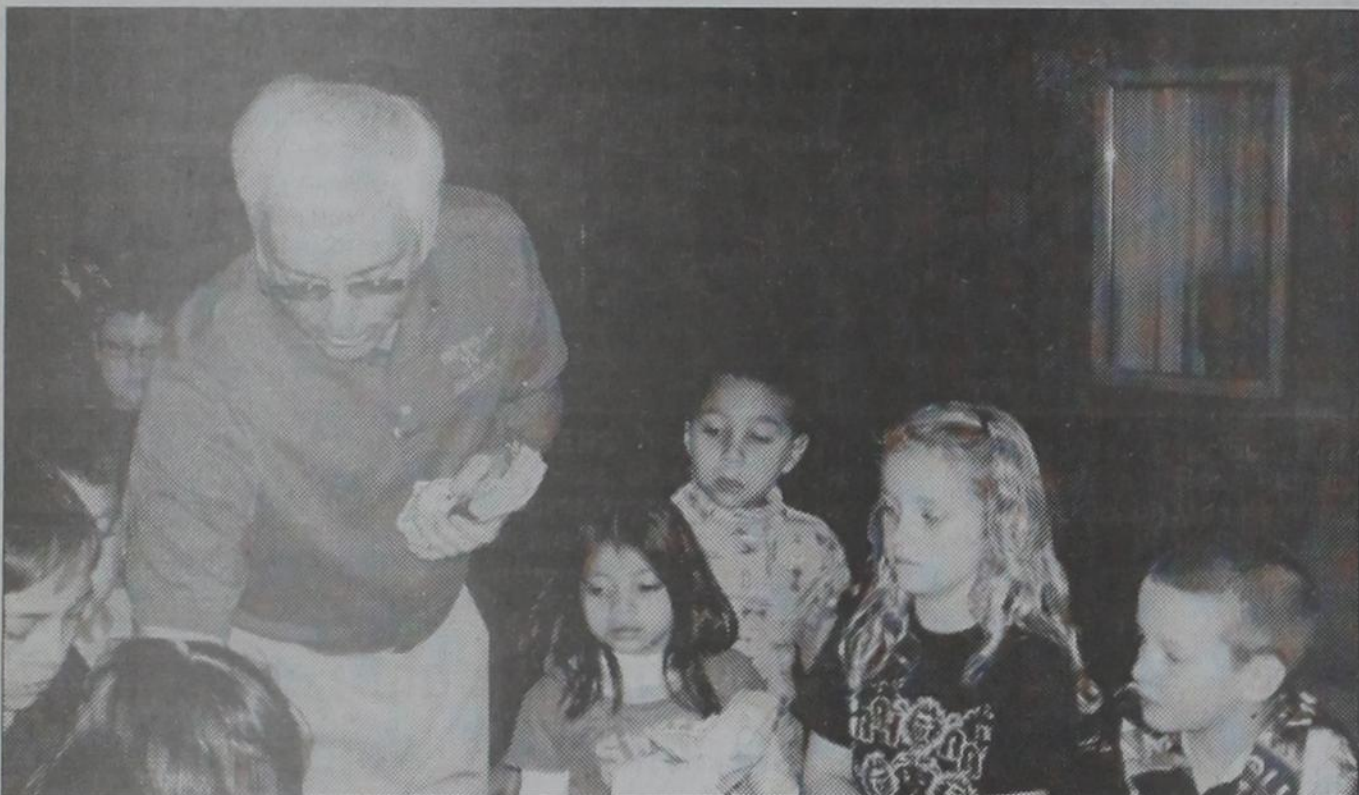


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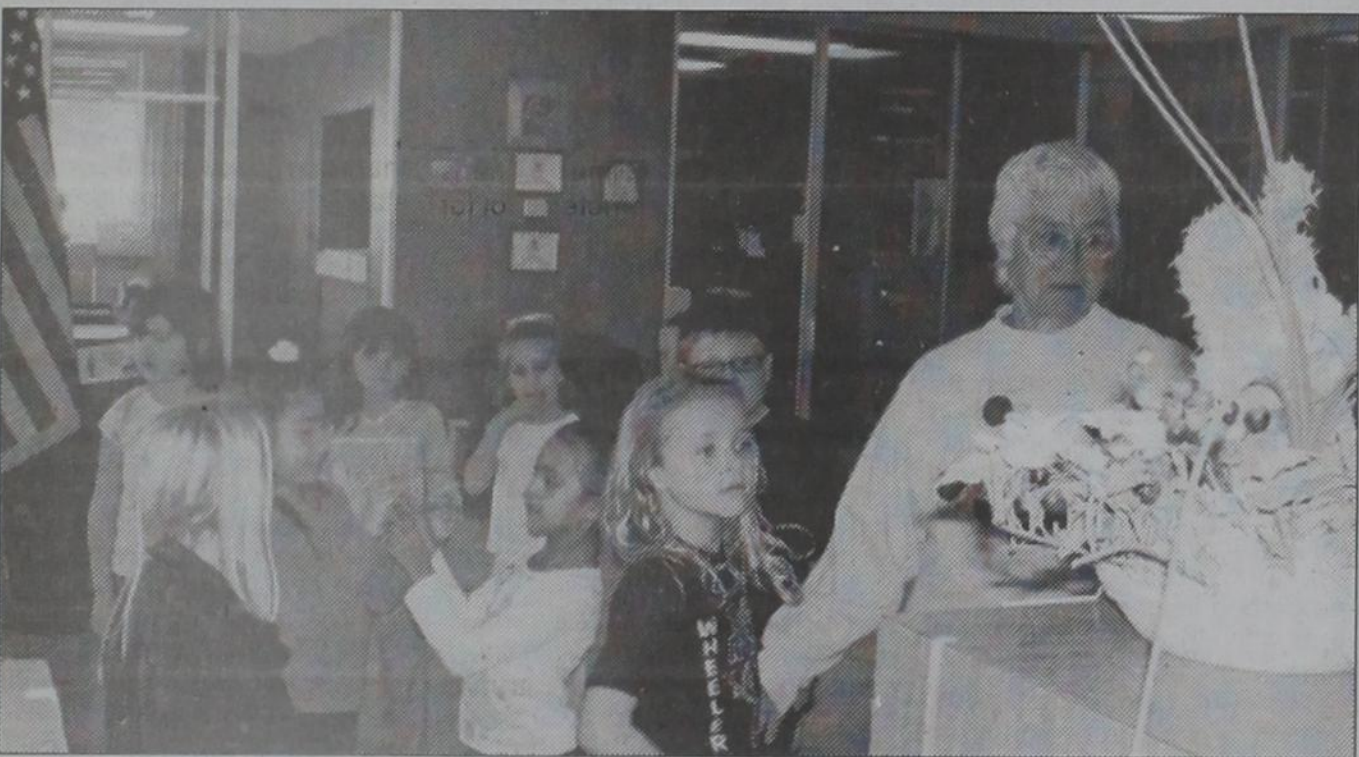
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WHEELER 1ST GRADE VISITED FIRST STATE BANK OF MOBEETIE AT MOBEETIE: Pictured l. to r. are: Mauricio Lopez, Bobby Blackburn, Ryan Sandlin, Brody Brister, Jordan Venzer, Annie Hernandez, Maria Lira, Rowdy Henson, and Randy McCurley, President of First State Bank.



VISTING AT FIRST STATE BANK: Pictured l. to r. are: Rowdy Henson, Brandon Cota, Esmey Herrera, Randy McCurley, President of Bank, Ivan Lopez, Maria Lira, Abree Finstewald, and Layton Hibler.



STUDENTS VISITING AT FIRST STATE BANK: Pictured l. to r. are: Valeria Garza, Caitlynn Walker, Esmey Herrera, Fatima Almanza, Audra Weatherly, Johana Pacheco, Abree Finsterwald, Rowdy Henson, Layton Hibler, and Mrs. Appel-Bus Driver.



WHEELER MUSTANG JV TEAM MEMBERS: (from l. to r.) Zack Andis, Kelby Vise, Omar Gonzalez, Dustin Parker, Tyler Richardson, Vincent Ruiz, Chase Horton, Michael Mendoza, Miguel Soto, Richard Watler, Randall Hatcher, Dyron Brown, Clint Orr, Jesus Gonzalez, Stefan Tucker. Coach Markham and managers Tracy Jones and Macie Ellis are also pictured.



BRET BEGERT RE-ELECTED AS TEXAS LIMOUSIN ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT: Members of the Texas Limousin Association (TLA) elected a new slate of officers at the TLA Annual Membership Meeting and Banquet January 28 in Fort Worth, TX. TLA officers and directors for 2006 include (front row, from left): President Bret Begert of Allison; Vice President Jim Council of Madisonville; Secretary Brad Davis of Brownwood; Ex-Officio Jim Dyer of Fort Davis; and Executive Secretary Ralph Hawkins of Krum. Directors include (back row, from left): Wayne Baber of Marquez; Johnny Smith of Stephenville; Garrett Gerhardt of Cisco; Ed Kirby of Mt. Vernon; Vicki Brehm of San Antonio; Marcy Perrin of Decatur; Darrell Lawson of Lindale; and J.R. Brady of Wilson. Not pictured is Treasurer J.C. Stolte of New Braunfels.

MOBEETIE NEWS
By: Sue Mayfield

Prayer Concerns

Jackie and Fred Thrasher, Leola Stuart, Todd Mayfield, Donna Penrose, Norma Folkens, Chuck Carl, Mandy Wilson, Hertha Pax, Penny Summers, Addie Swift, Dusty Fleming and family, Scott Corcoran and family, Carlos Soto and family, Sidney Maham, Iva Richardson, Dale and Barbara Richardson, Leonard and Bertha Hollis, Bill and Patsy Caswell, Don and Willene Burke, Virginia Murray and Kandi Jones, Clinton and Maurita Stribling, Don and Mary Edwards, Earl and Mabel Tabor, Alvern Hutchison, Lorene Rector, Orville Greenhouse, Charlie Brown, Gary Morris, Todd Stuart, Peggy Dunn, Dick and Ann Graham, Earl and Leola Farris, Marvel Graham, Lonnie and Debbie Hendrix, Joe Shelton, Mr. Hendrix.

Here it is the end of February already and by the time you read this it will be March. The only good thing I can see is that it will mean only another 3 weeks until spring is officially here. To look outside today you would think that spring has already arrived. What a beautiful day in Mobeetie, especially for a Monday. Our rose bushes already have new leaves popping out all over. Our big trees have plenty of full buds. Afraid they may all get caught in a big freeze before April gets here. Just hope the fruit trees don't get fooled and get caught.

Please keep Lonnie and Debbie Hendrix in your prayers. Feb. 16 he was airlifted to Amarillo because of congestive heart failure. After getting the fluid drained from his lungs and stabilized the Texas Tech doctors thought he was well enough to go to Houston. So on Tuesday February 21 they dismissed Lonnie from the Amarillo heart hospital and Debbie and Sheila loaded him up and headed to Houston. They had him set up with a Dr. down there to evaluate Lonnie's condition and presumably do something for him. This thoracic surgeon saw Lonnie and thought that he could fix his heart problem and replace his aortic valve without too much trouble. He was very encouraging until he informed them that they would have to have insurance or \$10,000.00 before they could schedule anything. That was just the doctors part. So they basically sent them home to take their chances until they can get some money to cover the down payment. That's not to say what the hospital will do to work with them. They make it sound like \$10,000.00 is setting in everybody's savings account. Dr. Kibbe, the kidney specialist in Amarillo, said he would take care of the kidney surgery after he got the heart problems taken care of. In the meantime the cancer on his kidney continues to grow. It's sad that a man that has worked his whole adult life and paid taxes and social security all his working years can't get any help. All of this was diagnosed about the same time and the powers that he can't get it through their heads that he would go back to work if he could, but for now he needs a little help to get these medical needs tended to so he can return to work. Hard to believe that in one of the most progressive countries in the world a 49 year old man can't get any medical or financial help.

The Umsted's had to admit Billy's Dad to a local nursing home in Henrietta, Oklahoma. Ronnie Umsted had gone back to Henrietta, Oklahoma last week on business. Some time Saturday night or Sunday he had a mini-stroke and had to be taken to the hospital. He was alone several hours before his sister got to him and got him some help. Please keep the Umsted family in your prayers. Sheila is trying to keep everybody lined out and get them to the doctors appointments and anything else that they need. So they are keeping her hopping. Mr. Hendrix fell one day last week. Bruised him up pretty good, but no serious damage. Thank goodness that the home health nurse was there at the time. So he got quick attention. Hope your feeling much better, Mr. Hendrix.

I need to make a correction for last week. I mistakenly put Calvin Shelton's brother and sister as Lonnie Shelton's brother and sister. I am so sorry. Calvin's brother, Carroll and his wife, Ann, of Denton and Calvin's sister, Addie Archer and husband, E.L., of Sayre were able to attend Calvin's funeral. So good to hear that Susan Shelton is doing better. Thank God that Susan was paying attention and got things taken care of before she was in complete distress. Blood clots are nothing to mess around with. Even though they haven't got the coumadin levels exactly where the doctors want them everything else is looking good. Anyone taking coumadin knows what an up and down game it is. Always a pleasant surprise to stay in the range the doctor wants after following the diets and just getting lucky. Susan and baby Bryson are doing well with the help of Brian, Braydon and Avery. Susan's mother is still being a lot of help. It's so nice that she lives in Amarillo, too. Bryson still has a



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bit of a problem with having his days and nights mixed up. Brian is a big help and takes night duty quite frequently. He and Bryson get along very well. Way to go Dad.

Jackie and Fred Thrasher were in Amarillo last Monday to see Dr. Dixon and then again on Wednesday to see Dr. Rodriguez. Both doctors were convinced that the infection had not returned. Then today she had to go back to Amarillo to see the Dr. that did her skin graft. Dr. Cox said that what was left to heal would take a long time and would leave a big scar, if left to heal on it's own and may have some problems around the tendons. So Tuesday morning he will do some repair work and staple the 2 inches or so. That way it will heal properly. This is the fifth surgery Jackie has had to have on her knee. She will have one more after this heals and if there is no evidence of an infection they will put her new knee in again. She has learned to have such patience. Your in our prayers Jackie and Fred. Monday the Thrashers and the Mayfields were with in just blocks of each other but our appointments did not coincide so we didn't get a chance to go to lunch together. I always hate making 2 appointments in the afternoon, even when you have a 3 hour span to get everything taken care of. I had a 1:15 appt. at the eye doctor, but you guessed it. The doctor was 45 minutes late getting back from a "long lunch". I had time for a quick shot at the Dollar Tree and then a quick walk around the lake overby the hospitals. My goodness, the water level is down so far since December. The poor ducks and geese are running out of room. They are so pretty, but very noisy. Then it was on to the cardiologist and another wait for the Dr.s office in Lubbock to respond. That was a lost cause. All

they faxed back to Dr. Cox's office was the paper work that Dr. Cox had sent them. Really on top of things. So we still had to wait for any information until Thursday when we saw the doctor in Lubbock.

Monday was a crystal wonder land when we left Wheeler county. The freezing fog had put in some overtime starting out by Pete and Sue Seitz's it was very evident. Scoot Terrell's (the Doyle and Bulah Grimes place) was just gorgeous, perched on the hill with all the glazed trees. That lasted until almost Pantex and then it was just gone. At least the roads were in good shape. It warmed up into the 50's and was a little breezy, but generally a nice day.

Leola Stuart, Iva and Marsha Richardson had a nice "girls lunch" Wednesday in Wheeler. Iva and Marsha had to bring one of their dogs over to have the pins removed from it's leg. The dog had been run over, but is doing quite well now. The "girls" always have a lot of fun together and enjoy their visits every chance they get. What would we do without wonderful friends and neighbors. Leola Stuart took care of our Dolle Dog while we made the Lubbock trip on Thursday. We really appreciate you Leola. She totally spoiled Dolle, which Dolle could get very used to. Thanks a million Leola.

We stopped in Pampa on the way home to watch granddaughter, Harley Jacobs, play volleyball at the middle school. Those girls are just getting the basics of the game this year, but some of them are showing a lot of potential. They are going to have some very good teams soon. Keep up the good work girls it was good to visit with Harley, Jeff, and Sky.

Leola was getting ready to go over to Erick, Oklahoma on Friday to spend the weekend with Iva Richardson and her daughters.

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I would like to thank the following businesses for purchasing and/or adding on to my animals at the 2006 Wheeler County Junior Livestock Sale:

- Guetz Ranch/Mike and Linda Guetz
- First State Bank of Mobeetie
- Meek Enterprises/Kevin and Jona Meek
- Stiles Ranch
- Johnston Grain
- Billy and Joy Wilson
- Turkey Creek Hog Farm/Phillip and Russell Gaines

I would also like to thank Kenny Brdecko for all of his help with my projects this year, Randy Holmes, Kevin Meek, Jim Self and Phillip Gaines.

Thanks to each of you for all of your help and your continued support!!!

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Wheeler Church of Christ

If you read last week's article, I concluded it by pointing you to I Corinthians 1:18-2:5. What a wonderful passage for us to notice. This world is filled with a number of people who are smart (book-smart, street-smart, multiple degrees, intelligent accomplishments, etc.). All of those can be good things, but there are limitations to what smarts can do for you. One of the problems is that some people view intelligence and knowledge as substitutes for faith. This I Corinthians passage is one that shows that even the smartest mankind can ever hope to attain is still far short of what God would call foolishness. 1:20 says "Where is the wise man? Where is the scholar? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?" To those who refuse to accept by faith the story of Christ they are making the even more foolish decision. What is important is knowing Jesus. Paul says "we preach Christ crucified"

(1:23). The good news for most of us is that regardless of our IQ, we are welcome into the family of God. Starting in 1:26 Paul says that most of those who are listening to him don't come from a rich background, or a powerful background, or an influential background, or an educated background. But God nonetheless still chose you to participate in the benefits of Jesus.

If you are someone who needs proof that God exists, that Jesus was born of a virgin, that he died on a cross and came back to life again, and that one day a heaven awaits those who have obeyed him, then I may not be able to academically provide the proof you require. I would say that there are proofs all around, but that is not why I have dedicated my life to following Jesus. Rather, it is faith, trust, belief John 20:29: "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Shawn D. Johnson

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An Invitation: You are cordially invited to attend any of the weekly services of the Wheeler Church of Christ which meets at 1001 S. Alan Bean Blvd, in Wheeler, Texas

Services:
Sunday Bible Study 9:30 A.M.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 A.M.
Sunday Night Worship 6:00 P.M.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 P.M.

Allison (from Page 1)

visited Bill and Joann Harrison in Cheyenne, Oklahoma on their way to Elk City, Oklahoma to visit with Jimmy and Vivian Wallace.

Sunday after church Louise Boydston, Pearl Harrison, Sabrina Candy, Cody Dupont and Vance and Carol Boydston enjoyed a very delicious meal at Maxey's Steakhouse in Wheeler, Texas.

Elizabeth Meers and Alice Kelley journeyed to Lubbock, Texas where they attended an Arts Festival. It was for the Youth for the West Texas Assembly of God District. They visited Elizabeth's daughter, Ginger Meers, who helped to organize the event. The young people had different things that they competed in. Diane Rose went down to Lubbock, Texas also and set up a table for Evangel University Literature. They went on Friday and came back home on Saturday.

Tuesday, Opal and Juanita Boydston traveled to Reydon, Oklahoma where they picked up several catfish meals for different ones here in Allison plus their own and came home. After taking them to those who wanted them, Opal and Juanita went over to Roma and Billy June Brown's house and ate their fish meal with them.

Wednesday, Ronnie Hall and Juanita Tincher visited in the home of Opal and Juanita Boydston awhile. Had a nice visit.

Thursday evening Opal and Juanita Boydston visited with Ronnie Hall, Helen Forshoe and Juanita Tincher and played a game of spinners.

Saturday, Juanita Boydston and Ronnie Hall shopped some in Wheeler and when they returned home they enjoyed another game of spinners.

Sunday, Ronnie Hall and Juanita Tincher were dinner guests in the home Opal and Juanita Boydston.

Louise Boydston went to Elk City, Oklahoma last Tuesday and spent the night with her sister, Vivian Wallace and husband, Jimmy. On Wednesday, Pearl Harrison, Vivian and Jimmy Wallace and Louise Boydston all went for Dr. appointments in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Louise Boydston had an afternoon appointment and Sue Martin met them all for lunch at Furr's Cafeteria. Also Shirley Chadwick came and ate lunch, then had to go to work. Vivian, Jimmy and Pearl all went on back to Elk City, Oklahoma to be there for church where Jimmy is pastor. Sue Martin took Louise to the Orthopedic Institute to Dr. Amin where she had an injection in a bulging disc where the nerve was pinched since last September. She went to a chiropractor and he injured it and her right shoulder, arm and hand had been in lots of pain since then. But after the injection it has stopped. She was so thankful and could even sleep on her side, which she hadn't been able to for six months. Ernie Martin drove her to Elk City, Oklahoma that night, since they wouldn't let her drive for 24 hours after surgery. She spent the night at Vivian and Jimmy Wallaces, then came home Thursday evening. Also brought Pearl home.

Oden and Pat Henson from Edmond, Oklahoma came by the Wallace's for a little while and ate lunch. They were on their way to Amarillo.

Sunday Louise drove her van to Wheeler, Texas for dinner at Mel's and took Vance and Carol Boydston, Sabrina Candy, Cody Dupont and Pearl Harrison. And they had a great visit and meal.

Vivian and Jimmy Wallace's daughter and husband, Steve and Lynette O'Donnell, missionaries to Hong Kong are visiting this week at the Wallace's since they were not booked for any services. They are on deputation in the U.S.A. for two years. They were in Louisiana last week.

May God Bless and Keep ya'll till next time.

Willie Vance's Wife and Her Chatter

Now for the rest of the story! Back in Temecula, California. We are so blessed to be able to travel, Kyle and Amanda are with their daddy celebrating Christmas! We'll get to see them on Friday to celebrate my birthday. Karl Knapp is their father. He is a proud marine. He has served in Iraq two or three times on special missions. We are

so happy God heard our prayers and answered them and brought him home safe everytime. He and Melissa went their separate ways when Amanda was a small baby. It was heartbreaking. Since then the children have only had visits and special times with their Dad. Many families suffer through these disappointments. Couples should strive to stay together and be happy but it's true one can't make it happen alone. It takes two committed to the cause.

Since the children were gone, we suggested Melissa and Dennis go somewhere and we would dog and house sit. They wanted

us to go too but we insisted we're just old folks and needed to hang out and rest after our trip out there. They agreed and got reservations for a flight to Las Vegas for overnight. There we were alone in this great getaway with everything we needed. Hot tub, luxurious swimming pool with slide in a fabulous setting. Beautiful trees and plants and flowers and a raised sitting area with lawn furniture and a fireing. A cooking area with table and chairs and umbrella. Well, we thought we were alone?

In walks Kyle. He had grown so tall in two and a half years! He had come home early to see Grammy Carol and Papa Vance. We were

so happy to see him and to meet Elizabeth which we knew was the real reason Kyle was back early. She had driven to San Diego where the step-mother lives and brought Kyle home.

So, the next day, Elizabeth drove over and took us up the mountain so we could look over the city. So beautiful and Vance took off hiking and searching for rocks at the lookout. We had fun and then went to Black Angus for lunch. What a wonderful meal! Then they sang Happy Birthday to Carol and the manager took a picture of Willie Vance and Carol so they could remember this special day. And the waitress made up a brownie with ice cream, whipped cream and hot fudge chocolate drizzles all over it. Yummy! What a treat. With two spoons, they dissolved it. Then back to the Barela house. Well in California, Carol's sixty-ninth birthday is a big deal!

Melissa and Dennis are back from Vegas. They made a few stops on their way home from Ontario airport. Before they arrived, here came Karl, bringing Amanda home. She was anxious to see her grandparents from Texas and celebrate Grammy Carol's big day. It was good to see our marine safe and sound. How surprising to see the huge white birthday cake. It was just beautiful and chocolate. And did Carol's eyes get big when she saw the beautiful big white roses, twelve of them with baby breathe. Her mouth was wide open. Soon everyone's was including Amanda's two friends across the street. They all loved the cake! A real family night. Best birthday since the sixtieth when Melissa and Kyle took Carol for her first visit to Disneyland. What memories. Birthdays over time to enjoy Christmas and the eve before.

What joy! Everyone hustling around getting things together and wrapping gifts were munching goodies. Vance and Carol slipped away with Melissa for a nice Mexican meal. It was fun. She's always been very special. Guess that's why she has made such an outstanding teacher. Her second grade teacher really left an impact on her. Caused her to want to be a teacher who could help children love to learn. Hands on, that's how she teaches. She goes to great lengths to make learning a real pleasure. If only all teachers would be so dedicated. She sets up a new theme each six weeks grading period and her reading corner has an abundance of books on the subjects. She has also let children cook stone soup, bake cornbread and churn butter in celebration of the pilgrims. The students also learn to do invitations to include their families and they serve them. There are many other ventures to give the children lessons to help them to apply what they have learned to their life. She has had really good results. And many parents request their children to be placed in her room. She is planning a large preschool in her area.



We have prayed for her endeavors. It's not set in cement yet, but she has a financial silent partner now and has picked out a wonderful location. Vance and Carol will continue to pray.

Well Vance has had almost a lifetime dream to visit his Aunt Lucille and Uncle Floyd Boydston and their families in Matinez, California. He had never had the opportunity before and we were so close. Melissa took us to Ontario where we boarded a plane for Oakland. Aunt Lucille and Uncle Floyd picked us up. We were so excited! Four days and three nights to squeeze in several miles and lots of sights. It was quite rainy the morning we arrived. Some of the mountain roads were closed because of mud slides so we stayed in and viewed the beautiful rain from inside. And we enjoyed family movies and pictures from way back. It was fun.

The next morning their son-in-law, Walt, came over and took us through China Town and on down to the Pier in San Francisco. We had fun watching the sea lions. Their way was really interesting. They honked and splashed and pushed each other into the water. Sometimes, they wouldn't allow certain ones to get onto their float. Guess sea lions have clicks too. ha ha! We also drove down under the "Golden Gate Bridge". It was a great view! Walt was a wonderful guide. He really knew his way around. He and Debbie are so busy with their jobs and families. They have a son and two daughters. The youngest needed a home. She is very fortunate to have them. They do so much for her. Next day, Debbie drove us up north to see the big Oaks. Have you seen them? They are gigantic! Tall and wide through. I've longed to see them since I read "The Girl

of the Lumberlost". Oh so many years ago. It felt like we just entered another world. Now I know how those little ants feel in this big ole world! Very small! But the trees were amazing! Yes there is a tree you can drive thru. The store with souvenirs was fun shopping in. You should have seen Vance trying to reach around the big giant oaks. He looked like a little child. Then he went scrambling up the hill and out of sight. Would he ever come back? Mother Boydston must have been challenged many times as this child grew up! She tells some of these stories. When you see her just ask her to tell some of his episodes. And he is still special. Carol is so blessed! There is never a dull moment. Not even when he's asleep in his big blue chair that Brother Mac gave to him! God Bless Brother McDaniel as he enjoys that new chair he purchased to replace the blue one. We love you Brother Mac!

Would you believe time has run out for writing once again? The press has their deadline. So here we are looking up at the big trees and only God knows when we'll be rescued by the print. But in the meantime I want to thank God that Aunt Ellen Abrams came through a serious operation having her leg amputated above the knee. God really answers prayers. She made it with flying colors with a very weak heart. Pays to rely on God. We love you Aunt Ellen. She is a diabetic. So remember if you are, take your medications properly, get a lot of exercise and eat the right foods only. It is so very important!

May God Bless you all until we meet again here in "The Valley of the giant Trees"! We love you all! Vance's wife, Carol

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The View of a Southern Woman

... Southern California that is.

There is one thing about being ill and that is thinking of all the things you would like to do and all the things you need to do. Very upsetting to say the least! This flu (and yes, I did have the flu shots in November) has really laid me low. When I was much younger, I could work through it all and be no worse for wear, but now it is a different story. Last time I had this knock-down, dragged-out flu was in 1978 and I have never forgotten it. But I am getting much better after being confined to the house for the past week. Glenn Forrest Frosty is a great caretaker, but I am not too sure about Pete Gilmer as he is still looking for a cemetery plot for me. Brother Johnson wanted to know if I wanted flowers sent to Wright Funeral Directors over in Wheeler. He also wanted to know what song he could sing at the services and that could kill a person right there. Sister Johnson can really sing and does a beautiful job, but I am afraid that her husband's singing is akin to a hurt animal. I do take a lot of kidding off these two gentlemen, but I can also give it back!

The other day I thought I felt well enough to clean the entryway where all my plants grow. I should have waited until Glenn got back from the farm as things went from bad to worse with that vacuum cleaner. I had forgotten to put an

attachment on the hose of the vacuum and when I turned it on, I sucked up one of the long runners on one of the plants. Then it got hold of a fern - one that I brought from California - and proceeded to destroy it in short order. I did save half of it. When I tried to control that vacuum cleaner, I decided to grab my bathrobe, so I just unplugged it and left it for Glenn to put away. Back to bed I went for the rest of the day.

Glenn informed me that 2 of my chickens are setting on nests without eggs under them. Now I thought Gertrude had more sense than that, but guess not. I can understand Blackie doing it, because she has never been too bright anyway. I told Glenn to at least give them a fake egg to turn over so that they would have something to do. Maybe they went on strike because I have not been able to visit them lately. Probably need to give them a good talking to. Now we are down to 2 eggs a day from our normal 4. Glenn is still getting attacked by our rooster Henry, but only when Glenn's back is turned. Henry just cannot look you in the eye and attack. It is kind of funny to see this tiny bantam rooster trying to attack a big man in the chicken pen. Need to photograph that when I feel better.

With love from the southern woman ... Betty Boydston.

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List of Instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office from February 20, 2006 — February 24, 2006.
FEBRUARY 20, 2006
Holiday
FEBRUARY 21, 2006
C/C PROBATE—Bertha E. Wingo to Ex Parte, 1-18-06, See Instrument.
AMEND. UCC DT—Elliott Roosevelt Jr. to Bank of Texas NA, — See Instrument.
AMEND. UCC DT—Elliott Roosevelt Jr. to Bank of Texas NA, — See Instrument.
DVL—Vince Ledford, et ux to Thomas R. Navratil, 2-17-06, 6 1/2 acs. SE 1/4 SE 1/4; 22.5 acs. E 1/2 Sec. 9, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
DT—Thomas R. Navratil to National Bank of Commerce, 2-17-06, 6 1/2 acs. SE 1/4 SE 1/4; 22.5 acs. E 1/2 Sec. 9, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
RVL/RDT—J.D. Henderson, et al to Gerald F. Koelzer, et ux, 2-16-06, Pts. NE 1/4 Sec. 6, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
D—Roberta Akin Ware Estate, et al to Ware Siblings, 1-3-05, Pt. S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey and Pt. N 1/2 Blk. 19, Wheeler.
DT—Gentry Minerals LLC to BancFirst, 2-3-06, See Instrument.
UCC DT—Gentry Minerals LLC to BancFirst, — See Instrument.
DT—Fairway 2003-1 LLP to Michael W. Kimbrel Revocable Trust, 12-13-05, See Instrument.
CD—Ernees Ruth Brownfield, et al to Wheeler Cemetery Association, 6-24-05, 3 spaces S 1/2 Lot 3, Blk. E-4, First Add.
CORR. D—Richard L. Knoll, et ux to Michael A. Goad, et ux, 2-7-06, 100' x 140' out of SE Corner Blk. 11, Wheeler.
D—Georgia Beth Ford, et al to Velasquez-Stiles LP, 2-17-06, Lots 1-6, Blk. 25, Wheeler and Pt. N 5

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Psalm 91: 10-11 There shall not evil befall thee neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. For He shall give His angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways.

Happy Birthday to Ray Brazeal, Tom Helton, Tom Christner II, Kent Ware, Caitlin Kroeker, Sam Meadows, Steve Blakeley, Ryan Henson, Dale Pulpan, Susan Davidson, Jimmy Sides, Susan Leflew on Feb. 26; Robert Wills, Benny Sword, Vanessa Buice, Abby Jordan, Reuben Shawn, Jackie Don May, Beverly Bryant, Barbara Anderson on Feb. 27; Mary Whitener, Carolyn Buckingham, Heide Marshall, Heath Mitchell, Don Rose, Marcie Rose, Kenneth Smith, Briar Coate, Shea Weatherly, Yreue Sue Topper, Dixie Cook on Feb. 28; Barbara Koelzer, Jeff Herd, Payton Alvey, Rozena Zybach, David Hale on March 1; Zane Zybach, Alan Hershman, Arica Lancaster, Brady Hudson, Toby Henson, Janet Stevens, Joey Keelin, Christopher Beard, Andy Ford, Michelle Smith, Sandy Simpson, Peggy Devereaux, Cheryl Smith, Curt Duncan, Leon Singleton on March 2; Emily Sword, Gwen McCain, Richard Porter, Collin McCurley, Bob Finsterwald, Billy Hennig, Dana Muller on March 3; Larry Finsterwald, Chuck Hartline, Mary Gorley, Dawson Hefley, Sindy Chapman, Darrel Marshall, Augie Hennard, Victoria Mansoor on March 4.

Happy Anniversary to Steve and Joy Zybach on Feb. 26; Dallas and Krystal Fillingim and Don and Mary Edwards on March 1; Steve and Sammie Corse on March 4.

First Sunday Singing will be at Allison Baptist Church next Sunday, March 5, at 6:00 p.m. Everyone invited.

Wheeler Senior Citizens will meet next Tuesday night, March 7, at 6:00 p.m. Everyone invited for a good pot luck meal and games and visiting.

Nice to talk to Erma Riley at Tuttle on the phone. She is doing well, but can't get out when its real cold. She hates to miss church.

Nice to have a call from Charlotte (Austin) Brown at San Antonio. She and her husband and son have had some serious health problems, but are doing pretty well now. Pray for them. God bless you everyone!

Sometimes people have trouble finding the Wheeler Care Center (Wheeler Nursing and Rehab). If you turn west at the Church of Christ on Alan Bean Blvd., it will take you right to it. If you go east from Church of Christ, you will find Parkview Hospital.

Jim and Carolyn (Sims) Jolly from Arlington came to Wheeler Thursday, Feb. 16, and spent the night with Earl and Shirley Jolly and then went on to Pagosa Springs, Colo., to do some skiing. Got an awful lot of snow there, but got to ski some. They came back by Saturday, Feb. 25, and spent the night before going on home to Arlington.

Shelly Sparks took daughter Haley Sparks to Amarillo Sunday

to compete in the free throw contest. Stefan Tucker and Brock Sabbe also competed and they all get to advance to San Antonio to the free throw contest, if they can go. (Taylor and Nicholas also went to Amarillo but didn't compete this time). Good luck!

Lillian (Moose) Anderson is back at Wheeler Care Center after her hospital stay and is doing better. She knows everyone and is eating some. Some who have visited her are sisters Estelle Topper and son, Jim, from Borger and Doris Hays and son, Ronnie, Armenda Jones, Reta Grayson and others. They visit frequently. Moose's sons, Larry Anderson and Jim also visited and Jo Nell Grayson. Remember Moose in your prayers.

Ft. Elliott Girls High School Basketball team lost out to Spring Lake/Earth in a close game, 38-40. Nazareth girls also lost to Spring Lake/Earth 37-48 in Regional Semi finals.

Glad to hear Arvid Sword is doing well since his surgery to put in a new defibrillator-pace maker. Doing great and out to church Sunday. Praise the Lord! Take care of yourself. Joetta is still having to wear her boot cast on her foot. Pray for Arvid and Joetta.

Visiting Bob and Debbie Kinnamon Friday night were grandson, Cutter Marshall Barr and Lou Dean Douthit, great-grandma. Kirbie was working at Maxeys.

Larry Henderson lives at Longview.

David Wright, son of John and Marie Wright, visited Bill and Tonya Finsterwald and Doris Finsterwald Saturday night. He and wife, Ruth, live in Graham. David grew up in the Briscoe/Wheeler area.

As we get older, many of us have problems with backs, minds, knees, heart, lungs, hips, etc. Great to know that everything will work good in heaven. And so many loved ones there, who have "beat us home." No walkers, wheelchairs or canes needed there. Yea!

Thomas Roy Helton flew to Las Vegas, Nev., to a First Ag Credit Directors meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 21. Friday afternoon, he flew back to Amarillo to his dad's big

birthday party on Saturday. A busy week. They came home Saturday night to Wheeler.

Ray and Glenda Hudson watched some of the Little Dribblers games at Wheeler Friday and Saturday to see grandson, Patrick, play. They won some and lost some. They ate supper at Maxeys Friday night and at Soto's Saturday night.

C.G. and Rosemary Dodd took Mary Margaret Dodd to Amarillo to see the eye doctor and will have to go back. They enjoyed visiting and ate at the Cattle Call and shopped a little. A nice day.

Mary Margaret enjoyed a visit from Larry Henderson Saturday. He is a brother to Sarah Meadows and used to work for Mary's brother, Bud, in South Dakota.

Laruel and Ed Hershman went to Amarillo Saturday, Feb. 18, and flew to Hawaii for a little vacation there, coming back Monday, Feb. 27. Daughter, Sarita Dawson, met them at the airport Monday, Feb. 27. Laurel will write up the trip when she has time.

Glad to hear that Joe Ellison has had his first treatment for the precancerous tumors in his stomach and had no bad side effects. He has a 50/50 chance this treatment will take care of his problems. Keep praying for Joe.

Ray and Mae Brazeal are also doing well.

Bro. Bill and Kay Stiles rode down to Houston Thursday, Feb. 16, with Melody and Freddy Velasquez to visit Sara and Chris Howard and new baby, Spencer Stiles Howard and big brother, C.J., 2 years. Melody and Freddy are grandparents; Bill and Kay are great-grandparents. Congratulations and best wishes to all. Bill and Kay flew back Saturday night, Feb. 25. Melody and Fred stayed for a longer visit. God bless you everyone! Jay Hammond, Panfork director preached at Allison Sunday, Feb. 19, while Bill and Kay were gone.

Jackie Cummings went back to Shamrock to the doctor Monday. He thought she had gained a little weight and was getting stronger. Yea! Keeping praying for Miss Jackie. Home health nurse took Jackie to Shamrock to the doctor.

Marie Baker was a weekend visitor to daughter, Phyllis O'Quinn, at Perryton. They also went to Balko to hear granddaughter, Rylee Baker, play a piano solo at a church at Balko. Rylee used to live in Wheeler and her mom, Misty Baker, fixed hair at the Shear Delight. We missed Marie in our Sunday School class at Wheeler Baptist Sunday morning, but she made it back for Sunday night service.

Cindy Bradstreet visited her mom, Lois Barrett, at Pampa Saturday and took her out to eat at the China Dragon Buffet to celebrate her birthday. Happy Birthday, Lois.

I talked to Eula Newman at Richland Hills. She had pneumonia and was in hospital for a time, but is home to her apartment now. Glad you are better, Eula.

We need rain, but nice thing about it is no ice and no slippery. It's been cold but no ice.

Nice to see Kellie Helton and Kaitlin, 6, and Chase, 3, and Jerry Meller and Summer at Hyland's Pharmacy Monday.

Nice to have a call from Peggy Thompson. She and Dennis live at 16261 S. Warnick, Olathe, KS 66062. They lived in Wheeler for a time and then moved to Kansas-Nebraska Plant. Jeff and Kelley attended Briscoe School and they came to Gageby church. We enjoyed visiting and playing dominoes with them. Dennis and Peggy have been married 36 years and are from Nebraska.

Sorry to miss the Little Dribblers games.

After church service at Reydon Community Church Wednesday night, there was a party to celebrate pastor Alberta Helton's 59th birthday with a special cake and punch, gifts and cards. Happy Birthday, Alberta. Church members came from Reydon, Wheeler, Cheyenne, Mobeetie and Briscoe. They really appreciate pastor Alberta.

Several ladies from Reydon, Wheeler, Cheyenne, etc. plan to go to Amarillo Friday morning, Feb. 24, to the Cowboy Church Conference. They were to meet at Lori DeBose's house and would spend the night at Amarillo, coming back Saturday afternoon. Many from Reydon, Wheeler Community Church planned to go.

They sure have a good stock of many nice things at Peso Dollar Store. Better go see. Debbie Glazner and Nancy Clymer were working there and Frankie Jackson was there on Friday afternoon.

Congratulations, Wheeler Mustangs on your bi-district win over Hartley 60-53. Way to go! Sorry you lost 65-30 to Nazareth Thursday night in Regional Quarter finals.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Lilly Reeves, 76, of Canadian in her death. She was married to James (Slim) Reeves, who died in 1994. Survivors include son Richard Reeves of Longview and 4 daughters, Teresa Stephenson and husband, Kirby, of Booker, Laura Reeves of Amarillo, Kathy Mooney and husband, Mike, of Tyler, and Lydia Nix and husband Kevin of Canadian; 9 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Cheryl Richardson and Sue Gaines were cooks for the delicious hamburger supper at Wheeler Baptist church Wednesday night. Think Darrell Gaines cooked the hamburger patties on the grill to help them out. We enjoy the Wednesday night suppers.

Visitors are welcome to join us.

I was reluctant to go to the Post Office to check my mail Thursday, thinking I'd mostly have requests for donations. But I had three long news letters from daughter, Mary, from Barbara Austin and from Charlotte (Austin) Brown. I hit the jack pot! Thanks.

Thursday nice to have Danny come by for a little visit and work on my water filter. He was feeling better. Had had a root canal on a tooth on Wednesday and thought it helped.

Enjoying quilting on the Mobeetie Reunion quilt at Totty School Thursday were Augusta Brown, Audrey Seitz, Jane Seitz, Betty Haines, Betty Rogers, Sidney Lynch, Bobby Ehman and Melba Corcoran. They rolled each side twice. Way to go! They would like to have others come quilt and visit with them. Bobby is recovering from foot surgery.

Peggy's Sweet Dill Pickles
32 oz. jar sliced dill pickles. Drain juice, reserve some.

Boil together, 1 cup apple cider vinegar, 1 1/2 cups sugar. Sprinkle a little cinnamon. Bring to boil in sauce pan. Pour over pickles in jar and seal. Refrigerate when cool. If need more juice, use a little reserved juice.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Melvin Helton, 80. He grew up at Briscoe and attended Briscoe School and Methodist church. He was a brother to Rozena Zybach and the son of Virgil and Lorena Helton and was married to Laverne (Ellison) for 61 years. They had two sons, Victor and Rev. Johnny Helton, who officiated the funeral. God bless you all.

Pray for Minerva Jones, who has been in Wheeler Hospital with pneumonia and coughing.

"He (Jesus) could have called ten thousand angels, but he died alone for you and me."

Disciple Now

Claudia Marion and Wesley Bradstreet were taking the Youth Group from Wheeler Baptist Church to Panfork Baptist Camp near Wellington Friday to the Disciple Now Conference. Coming back Saturday afternoon. Some going were Kaylee Marion, Taylor and Haley Sparks, Aaron and Darren Gaines, Collin Hampton, Jalen Moore, Nicole Moore, Macie Miller, Sarah Miller, Bailey Richardson, Kelly Vise, Jonathan Hampton, Carly Owens, Payton Austin. Also going were Dawson Clark, Kade and Conor Wilson, Roland Newman, Jayten and Michael Bell, Alvin and Ed Reeves, Jay, Robbie and Daniel Hovey and Supervisor-Youth Minister, Terry Hovey, all from Mobeetie Baptist Church.

The Wheeler Baptist group also enjoyed going to the Wax Center at Wellington.

Nicole Moore sang a special at Wheeler Baptist Sunday morning. Dianne Sparks sang at night to fill in for Haley and Taylor, who had gone to Amarillo. Thanks, both sounded great.

Wheeler Care Church

Several from Reydon-Wheeler Community Churches came to Wheeler Care Center Sunday afternoon and made beautiful music. Lori DeBose played the piano and they all sang. Johnny Crawford had a message about Elijah and Elisha. Inspiring. Also Chlo Brdecko and Madelyn and Megan and a friend there. The little girls sang "Jesus Loves Me" and "Rise and Shine". Some others there were Pastors Alberta and Pat Helton, Ed and Thelma Helton from Jacota, Okla., Sam and Jessica Helton and baby, Patty Crawford and Martha Patterson. Thanks for coming. Several residents out to enjoy them. Next Sunday, March 5, Wheeler Baptist Church will come for sing-a-long and service at Wheeler Care Center. Fat and Wanda Childress were also at Care Center church.

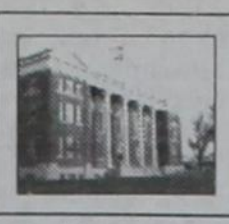
Pray for Buddy Sparks, who has agreed to be the V.B.S. director for this year. Buddy and Dianne have been so helpful with many things at Wheeler Baptist and to others in need.

Tom Helton's 97th Birthday
Saturday, Feb. 25; seventy-five family members gathered at the Ambassador Hotel on West 1-40 to visit and celebrate Tom Helton's 97th birthday. They visited with each other, enjoyed a catered lunch visited some more and had birthday cake and punch. Happy Birthday, Tom! Thomas and Martha Helton from Wheeler had 17 family members present. Bill and Phyllis Helton from Amarillo had 15 family members; Bob and Lavada Helton from Marble Falls had 5 family members; Joyce and Joe Paul Smith from Sayre had 18 family members. Jack and Sharon from Wheeler had 18 family members present. They had a great time. Also coming by to visit were Jimmy Helton and JoAnn and Lee White and Carl Simpson.

Helen Steen went with Patty and Johnny Crawford to Shamrock to a singing at a church there Sunday night.

Many years ago, our Gageby Home Demonstration club would meet and quilt on some one's quilt maybe one day a week. Always had a good time. But my fingers don't work very well any more. Danny and Mary were not in school yet. Think Danny climbed up on the roof of Pauline and Clifford Hefley's house one day. Think I talked him down. I sure couldn't climb up there. Mary was bad to climb too.

Many years ago, we were at a 42 party at the home of Virgie and Lawrence Aderholt north of Briscoe one night. Adults were playing in the living room; kids were playing in the kitchen. All of



a sudden we heard a very loud noise. My sister, Polly, jumped up and dashed into the kitchen. She was just sure Mary had climbed up on something and pulled it over. Don't remember just what, but no one was hurt. Aderholts did not have electricity but had "saved up" their wind charger "juice" to have light for the party.

Ladies from the Reydon-Wheeler Community Church attended the "Cowboy Church & Arena of Life" Women's Conference in Amarillo, February 24-25th. Pastors Sandy Trice of Mt. Believue, TX, Pastor Ellen Coon of Kinder, Louisiana and Host Pastor Lou Ann Jones of Amarillo were speakers and was enjoyed by all. Those attending were Pastor Alberta Helton, Darlene Lindley, Lori DeBose, Chlo Brdecko, Melissa Helton, Patty Crawford, Linda Sides, Tina Hawley and two of Tina's friends of Amarillo, Diane Sullivan, Donna Boyett, Becky Helton, Martha Patterson, Kathy Miller, Jacklynn, Ashley and Megan Boyett. The theme of the Conference was "Destination: Excellence."

David and Rita Pearson spent Monday night with Lindsey Criswell and Blain and Dagen at Canyon. Lindsey was to have surgery Tuesday morning at 7:00 to remove a lump or knot on her shoulder. It was a small lump. Rita and David needed to be with Lindsey and help with the boys on Tuesday. Pray for Lindsey and her family. Boys enjoy grandad and grandma a lot. Good they can help.

Visiting their mom, Vea Fillingim, and sister, Ruth Irvine, this week have been Estelle McAdams from Plains, Mozele Thomas from Amarillo and Violet Farris from Missouri City, Texas. They enjoy being with each other, too, and helping what they can.

Opal Hefley's Living Estate Sale went really well Saturday. Opal had many nice things that sold well.

Rita and David Pearson left Thursday February 23 to go to the Woodlands near Houston. They spent Thursday night with Dallas and Krystal Fillingim and Keaira at Windthorst. 52 Farm Bureau agents out of 800 in the company were being honored for their achievements with a reception Friday night and a banquet Saturday. Being honored were Gary and Kathy Alston, James and Belinda Masters and Rita and David Pearson. They got to stay in a nice motel paid for by the company. On the way home Sunday David and Rita visited David's parents, Albert and Mary Pearson, at Stamford for a few hours and other family members.

"God be with you till we meet again."

Court (from Page 3)

acs. Blk. 4, Stanley Sec. Add., Wheeler.
OL—Frankie Lee Horne to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 12-20-05, NW 1/4 Sec. 12, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
DVL—Deborah Latham to Larry Luna, et ux, 2-17-06, Lot 16, Blk. 71, WSSA, Shamrock.
DT—Larry Luna, et ux to Deborah Latham, 2-17-06, Lot 16, Blk. 71, WSSA, Shamrock.
MD—Amy Sue O'Gorman to P. Keith O'Gorman, 2-1-06, NE 1/4 Sec. 97, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
ASSIGN.—Texhoma Land Consultants, Inc. to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 12-6-05, See Instrument.
LEASE EXT./PAYMENT AGREE.—Olin Keith Alford, et ux to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 1-27-06, See Instrument.
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RDT—H & R Block Mortgage Corporation to Richard Hall, et ux, 2-3-06, See Instrument.
UCC DT—Brookline Minerals LLC to BancFirst, —, See Instrument.
DT—Brookline Minerals LLC to BancFirst, 1-3-06, See Instrument.
ROW—Stiles Land Assets Ltd. to Enogex Gas Gathering LLC, 2-2-06, Pt. N 1/2 Sec. 3, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
ROW—Stiles Land Assets Ltd. to Enogex Gas Gathering LLC, 2-2-06, Pt. NE 1/4 Sec. 3, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
ASSIGN. OVERRID. ROYALTY/DEEP RIGHTS—Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC to Don H. Nelson, et al, 2-15-06, Sec. 66, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
ROY. D—Boyd Huff to Dan Huff, et al, 2-14-06, See Instrument.
C/C PROBATE—Minnie Marie Evans to Ex Parte, 10-12-04, See Instrument.
AMENDMENT OL—Kelly Heath to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 1-17-06, Sec. 62, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
ASSIGN. B. of SALE—Stonetex Oil Corporation to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 2-1-06, See Instrument.
DVL—Niki W. Cooper to Stiles-Velasquez LP, 2-15-06, E 50' N 1/2 Blk. 19, Wheeler.
DVL—Robert Neil Ware, et al to Stiles-Velasquez LP, 2-16-06, E 50' N 1/2 Blk. 19, Wheeler.
DVL—Janice W. Barr to Stiles-Velasquez LP, 2-15-06, E 50' N 1/2 Blk. 19, Wheeler.
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MD—Jarrell Russell, et ux to Diane Sue Pate, 2-23-06, SW 1/4 Sec. 22, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.
MD—Steven Lynn Hale to Shelly Lynn Hale Herthneck, et al, 12-30-05, All of Sec. 40 and S 1/2 Sec. 41, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
OL—Earl W. Beasley to Texhoma Land LLC, 1-18-06, Pt. NW 1/4 Sec. 38, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
OL—Tabor Scott to Texhoma Land Consultants Inc., 1-31-06, 20 acs. in SW corner NW 1/4 Sec. 38, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
RATIFICATION OL—Christner Asset Management LP to Texhoma Land Consultants Inc., 2-22-06, 20 acs. in SW corner NW 1/4 Sec. 38, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
ROL—Mark Woods Oil & Gas Properties Inc. to Cole Revocable Declaration of Trust, 2-16-06, W 1/2 Sec. 30, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.
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EXECUTOR ASSIGN./B OF SALE CONVEY.—Kathleen Jeffords MCL Estate to PetroJarl, Inc., 2-14-06, See Instrument.
POA—Dorothy Mae Ogle to Janet Sue Herchenrader, et al, 2-23-06.
DVL—Ware Siblings to Stiles-Velasquez LP, 2-17-06, E 50' N 1/2 Blk. 19, Wheeler.
RATIFICATION/EXT. OL—Odus S. Calcote to Todco Properties Inc., 11-15-05, NE 1/4 Sec. 18, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

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Mobeetie (from Page 2)

They were working on pictures for the family tree. Leola is a wealth of information for both the Richardsons and the Marriotts. What a fun weekend.

The Mobeetie Fire Volunteer Fire Department are the proud new owners of another fire truck and a suburban to be used as a command unit. Both of which were desperately needed. Neither are brand new, but they are very serviceable and ready for use. The fire fighters have got them in good shape and ready to roll. For the first time in years we have 28 fire fighters in training. I say that because, no matter how long they have been with the fire department they still train at every meeting. Jackie Don May Jr. is the training officer for Mobeetie and also attends the Wheeler fire meetings. We appreciate all the people that take time to protect and serve our community. Lots of hours go into being prepared for almost any emergency. Thank each of you very much. They have had several practice sessions on the use of the Jaws of Life that was purchased from Wheeler last fall after they upgraded their unit. Our fire department is always in need of memorials and donations to keep going. Our fire fighters do a lot of work and up keep on the trucks themselves. But some things have to be handled by someone that is more experienced in certain area. Most of the area mechanics and suppliers try to give them some sort of a discount, which is greatly appreciated. But there are still on going expenses and bills for parts and insurance. Any donations will be greatly appreciated and put to good use.

Wow! Only 12 weeks of school left this year. They just thought that they were busy before. It seems like they try to cram in so much the last 6 weeks of school. Lots of wonderful memories of the year and acknowledgment of each student's accomplishments.

Erica and Jayden Mayfield got to come spend Saturday and Sunday with us. They entertained Paw Paw and Grandma Sue. They are quite the movie buffs and enjoy seeing them again, even if they can tell you what they are going to say next in the movie or who did it. We had all hoped to go to Canadian to see something new. But "Big Momma's House 2" was hardly what a 6 and 10 year old

need to be getting ideas from. They have enough of their own. Tim and Jennifer came late Sunday afternoon to grill steaks and visit. They had found a delicious marinade in a package that you just open the pouch, insert the meat and leave it at least 30 minutes. It's quite tasty and the steaks were tender and nice. Of course they had marinated about 3 hours. It's put under the Jack Daniels label. The one Tim used was a little on the sweet side and quite tasty. Tim likes to grill and does a good job.

Orville Greenhouse enjoyed a

wonderful weekend visit with her daughter, Virginia, of Dumas. She is always such a big help to her mother and they enjoy going to church on Sunday. The First Baptist Church of Mobeetie is Virginia's home church, so really enjoys seeing all her old friends and getting to visit. Lots of changes over the years, but still home.

Hope your feeling much better today Don. Sorry to hear that Don Burke is in the Wheeler Hospital with breathing problems again.

It's been nice having Terry and Chris Mullins home the last few

weeks. It's always nice to see their smiling faces. They are so much help to Don and Wilene when they are here. What good timing with Don under the weather.

Happy Mardi Gras!! Here it is Fat Tuesday already and the people of New Orleans have buckled down and put together a scaled down Mardi Gras parade and celebration. The French quarter is really hopping and had recuperated quite well from hurricane Katrina. Now if they can get more help to clean up the ninth ward and provide housing for more of the homeless. Of course you have to want to help yourself a little and not just sit waiting for a hand out. But a hand up would be greatly appreciated by many. Keep these families in your prayers. Maybe soon all of the government



trailer houses will be set up with utilities and be a new home for the people that call New Orleans home.


I talked to Mom in Charleston, South Carolina on Sunday. They have had some rain just about everyday last week. Saturday it rained all day. But no signs of it Sunday. The trees and flowers are blooming, beautiful, and fragrant. She and the "zoo" are getting along just fine. She and a cousin's daughter, Collette, had a lunch and shopping date Monday. She

was really looking forward to that. Collette and her mother, Jeanne Dansfuler, and step-father, George, had visited with Mom in July. They have a lot more to catch up on. I'm sure they had a good time. Collette works at one of the area hospitals with a crazy schedule. But she'll soon have 3 days off and Lou and Barb should be back home by then so they are planning on Collette giving her the grand tour. How neat!! Can't wait for pictures.

Hope ya'll have a great week!!

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Oil (from Page 4)
#1601 Atherton, 2097' from South & 467' from West line, Sec. 1, A-3, H&GN, PD 1600'.
#503 Britt, 1980' from South & 933' from West line, Sec. 5, 1, B&B, PD 16000'.
#2 Davis '25', 467' from South & West line, Sec. 25, 05-2, E.E. Webb, PD 18000'.
WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Atoka) Pogo Panhandle 2004, L.P., #1-6 Britt, 600' from North & West line, Sec. 6, A-3, H&GN, PD 16500'.
WHEELER (WILDCAT & THORNDIKE Hunton) Rio Petroleum, Inc., #1 Lohberger, 750' from North & 1500' from East line, Sec. 91, A-5, H&GN, PD 14500'.
Gas Well Completions
HEMPHILL (ALLISON PARKS Cleveland) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #504 Lee, Sec. 5, M-1, H&GN, spud 6-27-05, drlg. compl. 7-27-05, tested 10-18-05, potential 2833 MCF, TD 12650', PBTD 12604' --
HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #2 Locke '60', Avc. 60, A-2, H&GN, spud 11-1-05, drlg. compl 12-3-05, tested 1-5-06, TD 11760', PBTD, 11690' --
ROBERTS (CREE-FLOWERS Wolfcamp Dolomite) Strat Land Exploration, #1074 flowers, Sec. 74, C, G&M, spud 4-8-05, drlg. compl 4-14-05, tested 10-4-05, potential 3661 MCF, TD 4300', PBTD 4243' -- SWR #10 Approved WHEELER (B&B Granite Wash) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #7 Reed '2', Sec. 2, C, G&M, spud 8-5-05, drlg. compl 8-29-05, tested 10-11-05, potential 810 MCF, TD 13000', PBTD 12954' --
WHEELER (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star Ltd. Partnership, #1048 Helley, Sec. 48, M-1, H&GN, spud 10-23-05, drlg. compl 11-14-05, tested 1-13-06, TD 13230', PBTD 13172' --
WHEELER (STILES RANCH Morrow) Pogo Panhandle 2004, L.P., #7026 Britt, Sec. 26, A-3, H&GN, spud 6-25-05, drlg. compl 9-23-05, tested 1-28-06, TD 16500', PBTD 16500' --
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ROBERTS (WILDCAT & PARSELL Lower Morrow & PARSELL Upper Morrow) Apache Corp., #3702 H.G. Adams. 1730' from South & 1112' from West Lease line, Sec. 37, 43, H&TC, spud 12-28-03, plugged 1-20-04, TD 11500' (dry) -- Form 1 in Michelle Hanson
ROBERTS (PARSELL Upper Morrow) Brighton Energy, L.L.C., #1 Koma '151', 2691' from North & 1320' from East Lease line, Sec. 151, 42, H&TC, spud 5-24-04, plugged 6-20-04, TD 10305' (dry) --
ROBERTS (SOUTH PARSELL Upper Morrow) Brighton Energy, L.L.C., #4 Fields & Sullivan '139', 660' from South & West Lease line, Sec. 139, 42, H&TC, spud 4-8-04, plugged 10-31-05, TD 11717' (gas) -- Form 1 in Peak Operating

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Mid-Continent Inc., 1-20-06, N 1/2; SW 1/4 Sec. 82, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
AMEND. OL—Kenneth Walker to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 1-17-06, SW 1/4 Sec. 79, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
AMEND. OL—Mansel W. Williams, et ux to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 1-18-06, SW 1/4 Sec. 79, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
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AMEND. OL—Lloyd T. Lee Trust to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 1-19-06, N 1/2; SW 1/4 Sec. 82, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
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AMEND. OL—Mary Lynn Miller Johnson to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 1-12-06, N 1/2 Sec. 63, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
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AMEND. OL—Kenneth G. Evans to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 1-13-06, NW 1/4 Sec. 79, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
D—Larry V. Lister, et ux to Stock NGB Limited Partners Ltd., 2-24-06, E 1/2 Sec. 23 and All of Sec. 38, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
CORR. D—R.J. Smith, et al to Stiles-Velasquez LP, 2-17-06, Lots 1-6, Blk. 25, Wheeler and Pt. N 5 acs. Blk 4, Stanley Sec. Add., Wheeler.

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