

# THE WHEELER TIMES

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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."



**NEAR HEADON:** A two vehicle accident at the intersection of Main and Eleventh in Wheeler resulted in three being taken by ambulance to Parkview Hospital Thursday evening, December 28. At 10:05 p.m. A 1969 Chevrolet pickup, driven by Shane Stribling and traveling north on Main Street, was in collision with a 1986 Nissan pickup driven by Jeremy Davis. Stribling was attempting to turn east on Eleventh St. Stribling was kept overnight at Parkview; his passenger, Josh Lee, was treated at Parkview. A passenger in the Davis vehicle, Jennifer Lester was treated and released at Parkview Hospital. Pictured above is the Nissan pickup.

## CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

Have you purchased your chance at winning a travel voucher from a Wheeler County Livestock Booster? A \$10 ticket will give you a chance at a \$500 travel voucher and a \$50 donation will give you a chance at a \$500 voucher and each ticket holder and a guest will be treated to a prime rib dinner on January 20.

Also available is an opportunity to win a print of a drawing by Liz Shipp. The funds from the drawing for the print go to the Wheeler County 4-H Council.

All three tickets are available at the Farm Bureau Office.

We are running a reminder that it is time to select the Outstanding Individuals to be recognized at the Chamber Banquet on February 12. Your help is needed in making these choices. Let the chamber know what they might not be aware of about some deserving individual.

The kids, Jennifer, C.B., William and Stacy came out Friday to spend the first part of the long weekend playing cards and eating.

William and I were at Speedi-Mart Friday evening and some customers were discussing the road conditions east. William told of what they had experienced and thought the people looked familiar. They were from El Reno—his hometown.

Jennifer is on 'cloud nine'. She finished her first semester in college with a 4.0. She took 11 hours in math, computer and a freshman orientation class. She will not be on the president's honor roll, as the student must be enrolled in 12 hours.

Wheeler once again missed the worst of the winter storm. We had some slick roads, but nothing compared to west of us and Interstate 40.

Last week I told you of the Gillettes being in *Cowboy Magazine*. We received a copy of *A Taste of Texas Ranching* in the mail the last of the week. The book deals with chuckwagon cooking on Texas ranches and features history, pictures and a recipe of Cathi's.

Other ranches included are the 6666, King Ranch, Matador and XIT.

We saw the new year in with a couple rounds of Hand and Foot—eight people playing.

As we left Sunday afternoon for Oklahoma, there was a winter storm watch and we could see the edge of the cloud in front of us. Barbara considered turning back, but elected to continue. We only saw a few flakes.

WEATHER				
DATE	DAY	Hi	Low	Pre
12-27	Wed.			0.00
12-28	Thurs.	71	24	0.00
12-29	Fri.	36	26	0.00
12-30	Sat.	52	30	0.40
1-1	Sun.			0.00
1-1	Mon.	62	27	0.00
1-2	Tues.	35	17	0.00
Low for the Year:		01-07	14	
High for the Year:		07-27	109	
Total Moisture for the Month:			1.97	
Total Moisture for the Year:			27.20"	
Total Snow:			15.02'	

Courtesy: KPDR-FM Radio

## NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN FOR "OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUALS"

The Wheeler Chamber of Commerce is once again taking nominations for the five outstanding individuals who will be recognized at the annual Chamber of Commerce Installation Banquet on Monday, February 12, 1996.

It is the desire of the Chamber to recognize the most deserving individuals in each of the five categories. To be recognized are the outstanding Woman, Man, Employee, Teenager and Farmer/Rancher.

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. A form is printed, but it is not necessary for the form to be used.

Each nomination is to be accompanied by a list of reasons for the nomination. The list will be used in determining the most deserving.

It is necessary that the nomination be returned by Tuesday, January 30.

## DARYL SNELGROOES FILES FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1

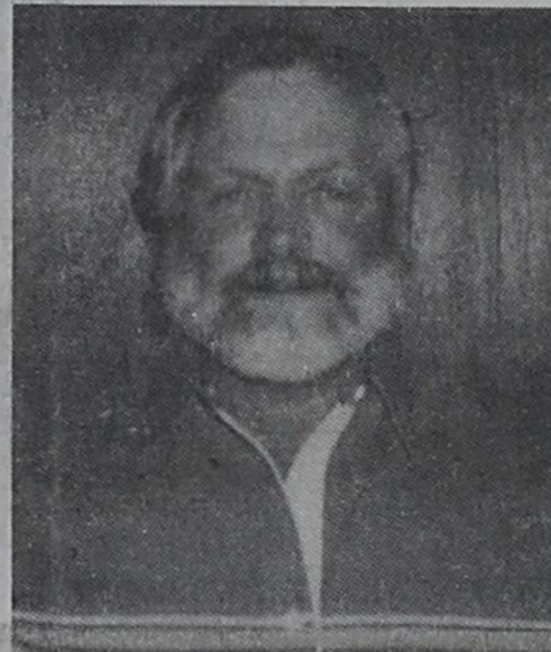
Daryl Snelgrooes announced this week that he will be a candidate for the office of County Commissioner, Pct. 1. Daryl is seeking this office because he feels he can do a good job for the voters. Daryl has filed as a candidate with Wheeler County Clerk; his name will be on the ballot.

Daryl is married to the former Tillie Gilmer and the father of two children: Mique, a Senior at O. P. S. U. at Goodwill, Okla., and Will, Prison Guard in Dalhart.

Daryl has been a resident of Wheeler County for 46 years. He spent four years active duty and six years reserve time in the military. He is Fire Chief of the Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department, having been on the department for the past 24 years. Daryl is a past member of the Wheeler County Hospital Board, he served on the board for 7 years.

Daryl has been in business in Wheeler for the past 25 years; he is self-employed at Omega Grain.

Daryl is a member of the Wheeler Church of Christ.



Daryl Snelgrooes

If given the opportunity to serve as your Commissioner, Daryl will work for the good of the residents and the county and run his precinct as a business.

(Pol. Adv. paid for by Daryl Snelgrooes, P.O. Box 656, Wheeler, TX 79096)



**RETIRING:** Maurita Stribling, center, was the guest of honor at a retirement party Friday afternoon at Eastern Panhandle Insurance Agency, Inc. in Wheeler. Maurita has spent almost 30 years in the insurance business. She is pictured here with the co-workers she will be leaving in charge; they are Sibyl Clark and Kenneth McCasland. Kenneth has been Maurita's boss for the past 9 years.

## The General Store Is Recognized For Sales Increase

The General Store of Wheeler, Texas, was honored recently as a member of the Evergreen Elite, a group of the company's top dealers, for the dealership's sales increase over the previous year.

Evergreen Mills, Inc., with headquarters in Ada, Oklahoma, and its

affiliated feed companies, Blue Seal Feeds, Inc., in the Northeast and Kent Feeds, Inc., in the Midwest, have pioneered the development of many revolutionary products, feeding concepts, and programs that have improved the efficiency of independent livestock producers.



**PRESENTATION:** Art Dean, Evergreen's president, presents an award to Dwayne Baker, of The General Store, in San Antonio, Texas. The local business was made a member of the Evergreen Elite for sales increase over the past year.

To: Wheeler Chamber of Commerce  
P.O. Box 221  
Wheeler, Texas 79096

I would like to nominate the following for the Outstanding (Woman, Man, Employee, Teenager and/or Farmer/Rancher)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (M. W. E. T. F/R)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (M. W. E. T. F/R)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (M. W. E. T. F/R)

Reason(s) for Nomination(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

## Sharon Gandy, 52, Buried At Panhandle Dec. 29

Sharon Gandy, 52, 1405 Oak in Panhandle, died on Thursday, Dec. 27 in High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo.

Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec 29, 1995 at the First United Methodist Church in Panhandle with the Rev. John Wagoner, Pastor officiating. Burial was in the Panhandle Cemetery under the direction of local arrangements by Minton/Chatwell funeral Directors of Panhandle.

She was a secretary for Metcalf Motor Co., she was a native of Wheeler and of Panhandle since 1972, moving there from Pampa. She

was a member of First United Methodist Church. She was involved in Youth Programs in Panhandle.

Sharon married Donald Gandy February 17, 1962 in Wheeler.

She is survived by her husband - Donald Gandy of the home, son - Brian Gandy of Waxhachie, Texas, daughter - Toni Gandy Witt of Panhandle, brother - Kenneth Farris of Alief, Texas, sister - Carolyn Mulkins of Waxhachie, Texas, and three grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Sharon Gandy Fund at First National Bank in Panhandle or to a local youth program.

## Former Resident, Wm. Earl Simpson, Buried Fri.

William Earl Simpson, 74, of Amarillo, died Wednesday, December 27, 1995.

Services were at 2:00 P.M. Friday at Polk Street United Methodist Church. Officiating were Reverend James E. Garrett, Senior Pastor and Dr. Harold Daniel, Associate Pastor. Burial was in Llano Cemetery. Arrangements were by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors, 2820 Virginia Circle.

Mr. Simpson was born in Canadian, Texas. He attended public schools in

Gageby and Briscoe graduating in 1939. He attended Amarillo Business College until 1940 and Amarillo Commercial College until 1941. While Mr. Simpson was still attending school, he worked for Beasley Alarm System, also in the Capitol Hotel dining room and for the Herring Hotel where he worked in the restaurant and later as purchasing agent/bookkeeper. After completing school, he worked for George Porter Cattle Company until he was inducted in the U. S. Army Air Corps in 1942.

## Memorial Services For Bro. Hardy Wilson Hill

Memorial services for Bro. Hardy Wilson Hill, 77, of Woodrow, will be at 11:00 A. M. Thursday in the South Park Baptist Church. Rev. Jimmy Fikes, pastor, will officiate. Cremation will be under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home and Crematory. Bro. Hill died Monday in the South Park Hospital following an illness.

Born on August 18, 1918 in Atlanta, Georgia, he was married to Evelyn J. Bauer on May 12, 1941. He was a retired Baptist Minister and had preached in the following communities: Shamrock, Wellington, Lakeview, Roaring Springs, Southland, Anton and Littlefield.

He was preceded in death by one son: Myron Hardy Hill in 1947.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U. S. Army Air Corps. He has lived in Woodrow for the past 10 years.

He is survived by his wife: Evelyn. 2 sons: Don Wilson Hill of Buffalo Gap and Darrell Lynn Hill, of Ft. Worth. Daughter: Sandra K. McFarlan of Lake Charles, La. 2 Sisters: Pauline Killingsworth of Wheeler and Annie Maude Harrell of Velma, Okla. 7 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren and 4 step-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the South Park Baptist Church Benevolence Fund.

## Limited Edition Print To Be Given By Co. 4-H Club

The Wheeler County 4-H Club will hold a drawing for a Limited Edition Print: "Diligence and Determination". The drawing by Liz Shipp will be framed, signed and numbered.

The drawing will be held on January 13, 1996, the night of the Wheeler County Livestock Stock Show sale.

The \$1.00 donation can be made to any member of the Wheeler County 4-H Club member. If you wish to be contacted, call 826-5243 (County Agent's Office).

## New Arrival

**STORMY SUZANNE MOORE**  
Braden Bradshaw Moore would like to announce the arrival of his new baby sister, Stormy Suzanne Moore. She arrived on December 13, 1995 at 3:18 p.m., weighing 8 lbs. 4 1/2 oz., and was 20 inches long. Proud parents are Bret and Tammy Moore of Amarillo, TX. Grandparents are Charles and Butch Moore of Wheeler, TX; Sue Gallagher of Shamrock, TX and Fred Gallagher of Wheeler, TX. Great-grandparents are Vera Barnes of Wheeler, TX; and Neva Smith of Horseshoe Bend, Ark.



Mark 13—26 and 27  
And then shall they see the Son of Man Coming in the clouds with great power and glory.  
And then shall he send his angels and shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven.

It is another cold winter day here in Allison this Monday morning for the beginning of the New Year. We have had all kinds of winter weather the past two weeks, the moisture has been great.

I spent a week in Amarillo through the Christmas holidays with my family Johnnie and Darrel Harrison, their children and grandchildren. Jerry and Cathy Gilmer, their children and grandchildren and Peggy White and Matthew at Dean and Marsue Roush home. Got to be with all but one grandson, Mark White, who lives in California and a grandson-in-law who lives in Ohio. Did a lot of visiting. Had a lot of delicious food. Johnnie and I tried to do some shopping the day after Christmas, to much traffic and the stores were very crowded with people. We didn't stay out long, enjoyed it all, but good to get back home, and to the normal pace of living. Johnnie and I visited with Wilma at St. Anthony's hospital while I was in Amarillo. Wilma is now home, she had spent some time at Parkview Hospital before being transferred to Amarillo.

Lisa Farmer and boys from Albuquerque, New Mexico spent a week with Ruby Craig. Ruby, Bill, and Rhonda McWhorter, Tanner and Tyler from Wheeler, Jerry and Susan Finney, Jesse and Samantha from Pampa, and Calvan and Lisa Farmer, Ryan, Matthew and Cory from Albuquerque, New Mexico and Joy Taylor from New Braunfels, Texas all met at Wilma Gilmer's home on Saturday before Christmas for their Christmas dinner. Joy had spent a week here to be with her mother Wilma. She flew back home Christmas Eve.

Leota Black with Tim and Tina Thomas and Savanna in Amarillo last Sunday.

Good to know that Nona Elmore is home and feeling much better and was able to be in church last Sunday.

Roma and Billy Brown's holiday guest were their son's Larry Brown from Grandbury, Texas, Merlyn Brown from Clinton, and Billy and Roma's grandchildren Theresa Hamlin, Tiffany and Holly from Elk City. Gehrig and Michelle Brown, Dylan and Brittany and Alton and Jennie Brown and Megan from Oklahoma City and Merlyn and Melissa Brown and Jessica from Clinton.

Roma and Billy Brown, Opal and Juanita Boydston were in Amarillo last Saturday and attended Warren and Charlene Brown's 50th wedding anniversary.

Opal and Juanita Boydston and the Boydston family had their Christmas Meal Sunday Christmas Eve at the U. P. Church Fellowship hall.

Opal and Juanita were last Sunday dinner guest with Roma and Billy Brown.

Peggy Chandler, Brad and Sue Chandler, Jana and Bridget went to Canyon to have Christmas at the home of Tony and Cindy Burrus, Tiffany and Bret. Others there were Angel Young, Hunter and Chevy from Lubbock, Marki and Ronnie Stringer, Chandler, Kinin and Jordan from Temple, Oklahoma.

The Baptist Church had a New Years watch night party. They prayed the old year out and the new one in had singing. Played games and had some food. Some of the young people spent the night at the church along with a couple of grown ups.

Bob and Lou Cornell's Christmas day guest were Joe and Beverly Smith, Rachel, Sally and Neal from Wheeler, Lewis and Tammy Newman, Lewis Jr., Chance and Roland from Pampa and Becky Hefner, Max and Josh from Stinnett.

Last Sunday evening Bob and Lou went out to eat to celebrate Lou's birthday.

Bill and Kay Donaldson's holiday guest were Allen and Vicki Donaldson, Ashley and Brett from Amarillo, Jack and David Lewis, Daniel and Daranda from Panhandle, Jim and Dawn Donaldson, Darla, Monty and Katie of

Allison and also Colie and Beth Donaldson, Brandon and Cobi from Brownwood, Texas. Roland and Mae Morse from Dumas and Joe and Delores Whitten from Amarillo.

Nelda Dukes family had their Christmas Meal Christmas evening and gift exchange at Nelda's. Others there were Todd Baize of Canadian and John Paul Harris from Amarillo.

(Marginal Note) An optimist stays up 'til midnight to see the New Year in. A pessimist stays up to make sure the old one leaves.

Mike and Teresa Dyer and Amber's holiday guest were Betty Dyer and Betty Ann and McKabry from Amarillo, Scott Dyer from Canyon is spending his holiday vacation with his parents

and Amber, and also Danette and Ron Weller from Canyon were there. New Years evening dinner guest at Mike and Teresa were Zeland and Charlene Rainy, Les and Shrona Semser from Branson, MO., and Winston and Jeannette Rainy and Nathan of Allison.

Pete and Margaret Gilmer's holiday guest were Keith and Ann Boydston, Natalie and Jessica from Port Arthur, Texas, Becky and Jeannie Gilmer from Amarillo and Rodney and Linda Ingersoll and Andrew of Allison and also June and Kevin Sheffield.

Rita Grayson's Christmas holiday guests were Tim and Debbie Jones, Monty and Haley Markham and Brian and Tess Markham from Reydron

Okla., Terry Grayson, Kristy, Hattie and Joni, Kevin and Heather Shields and Eric. Other guest were Gladys, Hastie and Mozelle Bramlett form Sayre, Oklahoma and Estelle and Herman Topper from Berger, Spike Snellson from Amarillo and Everett and Billy Dollar from Ruidosa, New Mexico.

Verne and Susie Lohberger holiday guests Christmas Eve were all their family.

Edna May's Christmas holiday guests were Dean and Linda Lieb and Lori from Stinnett. Last Friday Edna went to Stinnett and visited her brother Lee and Lila Richardson and Edna also visited Edith Donaldson at Dumas, Texas. Edna spent Friday night and Saturday with the Dean Lieb family at Stinnett and Edna's grandchildren and great grand's were there. Edna got back home Saturday evening.

Allen and Nadine Reynolds had their children and families Christmas Eve. They were Wayne and Debbie Reynolds, William and Vicki Lay and children from Amarillo, Gary and Linda Hall, Kevin and Tammy Hall and Kaylee from Amarillo and Debbie and Bennie Boydston, Heather and Jason.

Last Sunday dinner guest at Allen and Nadine's were Bro. Larkin from Pampa.

Vance and Caroline Boydston and Kyle, Dick and Cletus Greene and Jamie, Roy and Monica Greene, Jonathan and Alexis and Bobby Greene spent the Christmas holiday's at Lubbock with Kevin Boydston and Lanora Morse. Those spending the New Year's holidays with Vance, Caroline and Kyle were Kevin Boydston and Leonard and Susan Berbee from Lubbock. New Year's Day dinner guests were all those names above and Dick and Cletus Greene and Jamie and Roy and Monica, Johnathon and Alexis.

Eddy and Wanda Walker and Justins holiday guests were, Kevin and Melissa Fleming, Meagan and Ashton from Lufkin, Texas. Jonathan Walker from Chickasha, Oklahoma, Tammy Parsley from Amarillo and Tonja Walker from Pampa, Jeanette Hulse, Misty and Preston, and a friend Billy from Amarillo, Steve and Joyce Walker from Wheeler, Terry and Frieda Walker and Brandon from Pampa and Jennie Walker. Other's visiting were Pearl Harrison, Clifton and Louise Boydston, Henry and Cheryl Dupont, Sabrina, Cody, Jennifer and Stephanie Walker from College Station, Texas.

Jennie Walkers last Friday visitors were granddaughters Tammy Parsley from Amarillo and Tonja Walker from Pampa. Last Saturday visitors were granddaughters, Jennifer and Stephanie Walker, from College Station, Texas.

Pastor Roy and Bobby Jones spent the Christmas holidays in Arkansas with their children, grandchildren and Bobby's mother, Sammie Tedford, Sammie came home with the Jones' to spend the winter.

So many around are having cold's, sore throats and stomach virus, hope all is soon well.

The U. P. Church had a very good New Year's Eve service last Sunday night and a meal afterwards.

Bobby and Peggy Dukes, Monty and Glenda Christmas Day dinner guests were Red and Dukes, Clyde and Jane Dukes, Stacie and Jackie from Briscoe and all of Peggy's family was also there. Red and Anna went to Bridgeport after Christmas dinner with Bob and Peggy and spent the night with Sylvia and Joe Richardson. On Tuesday morning Red and Anna went to Plano, Texas to have Christmas at Cindy and Jim Starnes all the Dukes family were there for their Christmas together except Bob and Clyde's families. That was on Dec. 27th., and Red and Anna came home Friday the 29th. Anna said they drove on icy slick road's part of the way. And was glad to get home.

I don't care for snow much but what we got last Friday was just beautiful.

Take Time to pray—it is the greatest power on earth.

On December 24th Clifton and Louise Boydston went to Amarillo to pick up Mike and LaQuinta Hulse and children.

On December 26 Clifton and Louise Boydston had all their children home for a breakfast Christmas except Shirley Chadwick.

Those attending were Eddy and Wanda Walker, Jonathan and Justin, Kevin and Melissa Fleming, Meagan and Ashton from Lufkin, Tex., Gary, Julie and Amie Boydston, Ernie and Sue Martin, Tim, Kristi, and Adam from Jones, OK., Mike, LaQuinta, Michelle and Michael Hulse from Harwood, Md. Bennie, Debbie, Heather and Jason Boydston, Henry, Cheryl, Sabrina and Cody Dupont, Chuck, Kim, Christin, Kimber and Brittany Thompson from Amarillo, Tex., Greg, Misti and Tori Boydston from Amarillo, Tex., Pearl Harrison, Opal and Juanita Boydston, Virgil and Jean Stinnett from Dumas, Tex., and their granddaughter Talitha Henry from Amarillo, Tex. In the afternoon Sammy and Delores Bradley from Pampa, Tex., came by for awhile.

Homemade pizza was served in the afternoon for lunch and supper combined. Lots of candy, cookies, pie and cake were served.

On Friday the 29th Clifton and Louise Boydston went to Oklahoma City, Ok., and took Mike and LaQuinta Hulse and children. They spent the night and they flew out on plane Saturday morning back to Maryland. Then Clifton and Louise drove back to Amarillo and went to a 50th wedding anniversary celebration for his uncle and wife, Warren and Charlene Brown. Had a good time and saw lots of family. Their son, Terry Brown and son from Orlando, Florida were there. Hadn't seen him in awhile.

On Sunday the 31st Clifton and Louise went to Amarillo with Henry and Cheryl and Cody Dupont. Sabrina had been spending a few days with Kimber, then Kimber returned home with us for a few days. Her school is out until next week.



New Year's Day is cleanup day I guess, no company, but had a great holiday. Kinda hard on the old body. Ha! Had some with stomach virus and still got coughing, but all in all was wonderful, and blessed we are.  
12-25-95

Weekend guest of Pearl Harrison were Vivian Wallace, E. C. and Monica O'Donnell, Indianapolis, Ind.

Christmas dinner guest of Pearl Harrison, Vivian Wallace, Elk City, Ok., Monica O'Donnell, Bible College, Indianapolis, Ind., Dr. Willis and Mary Harrison, Canyon, Tex., Julie and Steve Durst, and sons, Waco, Tex., Ward and Dyana Harrison, and sons, Tulsa, Ok., Darrel Harrison, Amarillo, Tex., Johnnie Harrison was sick didn't get to come. Mike, LaQuinta, Michael, Michelle Hulse, Harwood, Md., Monte, Terri, Will, Lena Harrison, Edmond, Ok., Chuck, Kim, Kimber, Christin, Brittany Thompson of Amarillo, Tex., Kevin, Melissa, Megan, Ashton Fleming, Lufkin, Tex., Ernie, Sue, Adam Martin Jones, Ok., Clifton, Louise Boydston, Gary, Julie, Amie, Bennie, Debbie, Heather, Jason Boydston, Eddy, Wanda, Jonathan, Justin Walker, Henry, Cheryl, Sabrina, Cody Dupont, Allison, Tex. Afternoon guests Greg, Misty, Tori Boydston, Amarillo, Tex., Tim, Kristi Montgomery, Jones, Ok.

December 27, 1995  
Dinner guest of Pearl Harrison were Rev. Mike, LaQuinta, Michelle, Michael Hulse of Harwood, Md. Clifton and Louise Boydston, Henry, Cheryl, Cody, Sabrina Dupont, Kim, Kimber, Brittany Thompson, Amarillo, Tx.  
Pearl Harrison visited with Louise and LaQuinta Thursday and had supper with them.  
Dinner guest Friday December 29 at Eddy and Wanda Walker were Pearl Harrison, Melissa, Megan, Ashton Fleming, Lufkin, Tx.

**Extension Update**  
By Joan Gray, CEA-HE

**QUICK LOWFAT TIPS**  
Preparing lowfat foods sound like a good idea, but some recipes can take up a lot of time. Try these quick lowfat tips:

"Forget about cream sauce and try this lowfat, high fiber substitute. Puree cooked white beans and red bell pepper with chicken stock to the desired consistency and season with your favorite herbs. Then pour over pasta for a meal that's heavy on flavor, not fat."

"You may not be getting your sandwich worth with 'diet' or 'light' breads. Although lower in calories, they're typically just sliced a little more thinly or whipped with extra air. Keep in mind that most breads are low in fat and high in carbohydrates. So go ahead and serve yourself a hearty slice of whole-grain bread, and cut down on high-fat spreads like butter and mayonnaise and high-fat fillers like bologna and cheese."

"Is skim milk a bit watery for your taste? Try adding a couple tablespoons of nonfat dry milk. The result is a thicker, richer liquid with a higher level of calcium to boot."

"For guilt-free potato chips, preheat oven to 400 degrees. Wash one large potato and cut into thin slices. Lightly coat a baking sheet using an oil spray. Lay chips on sheet and lightly spray with oil. Sprinkle with seasonings such as paprika and garlic. Bake for about 30 minutes, turning once. The chips are done when they appear brown and crisp."

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**Wheeler Church of Christ**

**Congregational Concerns:**  
At the conclusion of the morning worship service on this coming Sunday, January 7th, a fellowship luncheon will be held in the multi-purpose building.

The men's monthly business meeting will be held in the multi-purpose building on Monday night, January 8th. A fellowship meal will be served before this business meeting is held. This fellowship meal will be served at 7:00 p.m.

A letter from Westview Boys' Home in Hollis, Oklahoma, is posted on the bulletin board in the lobby. This letter expresses appreciation for the financial support that this congregation gave to Westview in 1995.

Ben Griffin remains hospitalized in the local hospital.  
Clark and Vergia Reagen moved back home in Wheeler Sunday after a stay in the Abraham Memorial Home in Canadian.  
Walter Simmons is scheduled to have surgery on Thursday in Oklahoma City.

**From the Minister's Desk:**  
Charles Swindoll, a contemporary religious writer, has written a book that is entitled, *The Finishing Touch*. Like many of the other books that Mr. Swindoll has written, this book contains some very thought-provoking articles.  
One of these articles is entitled, "Excuses", and should be read by those people who have 'quit' the church. This article says:—  
"I'm a sports fan. I am sure that comes as news to no one!"  
"For some strange reason, even when I was growing up I could remember the most amazing details—okay, maybe trivia is a better word—about different ball players: where some all-pro offensive guard went to high school, the average weight of a defensive line, a guy's batting average in 1969, or another's free throw percentage—when some coach changed his strategy (and why), as well as the reason for a little technicality of a rule. You know, stuff nobody really cares to hear, but nevertheless sticks in my head—the way it does with most sport fans."  
"Another characteristic of a fan is an indomitable sense of commitment or determination—okay, okay, maybe addiction is a better word! Against incredible odds, sound logic, and even medical advice, sports fans will persevere to the dying end! Difficulties are viewed as a challenge—a hurdle to be jumped—a mountain to be scaled—never an excuse to stay away!"  
"I've often wondered what could happen if people were as intense and committed and determined about church as they are about sports—or any number of other pastimes."  
"This was reinforced some years back in a *Moody Monthly* piece

which illustrated twelve excuses a fella might use for "quitting sports". The analogy isn't hard to figure out."  
"Every time I went, they asked me for money."  
"The people with whom I had to sit didn't seem very friendly."  
"The seats were too hard and not comfortable."  
"The coach never came to call on me."  
"The referee made a decision with which I could not agree."  
"I was sitting with some hypocrites—they came only to see what others were wearing."  
"Some games went into overtime, and I was late getting home."  
"The band played numbers that I had never heard before."  
"The games are scheduled when I want to do other things."  
"My parents took me to too many games when I was growing up."  
"Since I read a book on sports. I feel that I know more than the coaches anyhow."  
"I don't want to take my children, because I want them to choose for themselves what sport they like best."  
"I've come up with a few more:"  
"The parking lot was awful—I had to walk six blocks to the stadium."  
"Nobody came up and introduced themselves to me—very impersonal, also loud."  
"The public address and lighting systems don't suit me."  
"It's always too hot (or cold) in the stadium."  
"An usher offended me."  
"They sold out on Sunday—and I had to watch the game on T.V."  
"Enough said. Think it over."

**Bill Morrison, Minister**  
Church of Christ  
Wheeler, Texas

**Services:**  
Sunday Bible Study ..... 10:00 A.M.  
Sunday Morning Worship ... 11:00 A.M.  
Sunday Night Worship ..... 6:00 P.M.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:30 P.M.

**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

**MAXEY'S STEAKHOUSE**

**SUNDAY BUFFET**  
Salad Bar  
Pot Roast  
Baked Ham  
Assorted Vegetables  
Hot Rolls  
Iced Tea/Coffee  
Dessert  
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Tues.-Wed.-Thurs.: 11:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Fri.-Sat.: 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.  
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1 Mile South of Wheeler on U.S. 83

**THURSDAY NIGHTS**  
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**To the Friends & Relatives of Heather Mann & Marcus Hardecastle**

*Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Mann*  
request the honour of your presence  
at the marriage of their daughter  
*Heather Gail*  
to  
*Marcus Wade Hardecastle*  
on Saturday, the sixth of January  
nineteen hundred and ninety-six  
at four o'clock in the afternoon  
St. Stephen United Methodist Church  
4600 S. Western  
Amarillo, Texas

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**MOBEETIE NEWS**

By: Sue Mayfield

Happy New Year!! I hope 1996 is a year of health, wealth, and happiness for each of you.

Would be nice to start the new year out with some real moisture. But at the present is just cold and cloudy. Of course have to have the good Ol' Texas wind.

Hope ya'll had a wonderful Christmas.

It's really still almost inconceivable that God could love us so much he could send his Son to suffer for us. Even though everyday he gives us proof in our lives.

**Belated Happy Birthday** to Gina Seitz on December 24th, Debbie Stinnett and our Saviour, Jesus Christ on Dec. 25th and Jean Shugart, to Chase Miller, Nancy Shelton, and Porter Rogers on Dec. 26th to Pearl Darby and Tommy Corcoran on Dec. 27th, to Sue Harrison and Chris Fillingim on Dec. 28th, to Andy Maslek, Kimberly Winter, Maurine Brotherton, Pauline Hefley and Joe Vann on Dec. 29th, to Debbie Stribling, Brandee Stribling, Bert Kysar, James Red, Mike Wash, Elva Wood, T. J. Cole, and Isabel Moore on Dec. 30th to Elizabeth Shipp, Martha Helton, and Anna Rebecca Johnson on Dec. 31st, to Warren Bateman, Larry Lee Horn, Billy

Finsterwald, Randy Barr, Lloyd Stamps, and Jeanette Jahnel on Jan. 1st, to Davis Corse, Katie Jo Mabry Henning, Steven Rector, Alvis Parker, and Annadell Myers on Jan. 2nd, to Mike Bell, Inez Moore, Daphne Zybach, Katie Finsterwald and Deidre Dukes on Jan. 3rd.

**Belated Happy Anniversary** to Rick and Janet Hefner, Mike and Dalena Freeman on Dec. 24th, to Melvin and Fay Farrar on Dec. 26th, to Garland and Charlene Dukes on Dec. 27th, to Danny and Mary Lou Nelson, and Raymond and Isabel Moore on Dec. 29th, to Thad and Tammy Greene, Greg and Mona Worley, and Al and Sharon Ryan on Dec. 31st.

Thanks to everyone that made the Customer Appreciation Day and Open House at the post office so much fun. We really enjoyed the day. Just wish the weather had cooperated a little more. But we needed the moisture. We hope Geniva Hogan continues to do better. Was good to see her out and about. Louise and Geniva had strated to Pampa, but came by to visit with us at the post office. After hearing of the road problems in Gray Co., went on to Elk City to complete their Christmas shopping.

Sorry to hear that Aaron Laverty is hospitalized in Amarillo with back

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problems. Hope this finds you much better.

Bob has had the cold and flu crud most of the holiday season. So he is glad to be able to be in out of the crazy weather. But what a way to spend a vacation. But he didn't have to spend any of it in the hospital. So we're thankful for that.

I went to Portales, New Mexico Dec. 21st to pick up the grandchildren, for the holidays. Don't know who was more excited. (Me or them.)

We've all had quite a Christmas. They got to spend sometime in Dumas with their Grannie and Poppy.

Uncle Tim flew into Amarillo from Dallas Christmas Day. Then we had to take him back to the airport Wed. evening. Michael was disappointed that he didn't have a ticket, so he could ride on the big "Jet Plane". After Tim left we went to the other side of the corridor to try and watch the plane take off. But it was hard for Michael to find it in the dark. Then he said "Grannie, I'm about to cry". I asked him why and he said, "cause Uncle Tim won't be here anymore".

Scott, Neva, and Kayle Corcoran came in Dec. 18th. Grandpa Dale, Scott and Neva went to Pampa on the 19th, Grandma Melba and Kayle made treats. In the afternoon Kayle and Melba took NanDad Jud Rector and Nanny Lorene some of their special treats. Really cheered NanDad up. Kayle and Melba still had some more baking and cooking to do after they left the post office.

Mae and Hugh Bailey really had a busy, event filled holiday season.

They started the festivities on Dec. 17th with a party and supper at the church.

On Thursday Dec. 21st they attended a Christmas party at Canadian, TX., early in the evening. Then on to Durham, OK for a Christmas party with the dancing group there.

Congratulations to Great Grandpa and Great Grandma (Hugh and Mae) Bailey!!! What a Christmas present!!! Brady Mason Wolfe Williams welcomes his new brother, Braxton McKenzie. Braxton was born December 24th, 1995 weighing in at 7 lbs. and 9 oz. to John and Lee Ann Williams of Anchorage, Alaska. (John is in the airforce and stationed in Alaska.)

Friends and family of Hugh and Mae in the Mobeetie, Canadian, and Pampa area are anxiously awaiting pictures.

Christmas Eve was not a quiet place around Hugh and Mae's. Along with celebrating our Saviours birthday and the arrival of Braxton Williams they had supper and gifts for 25.

Those attending from Canadian were Kay Williams, James, Lisa, and Ray Leon Williams, Christy, Billy and Robert Boyd. From Amarillo was Jean Williams. From Frith were Lois, Glen, and Robert Hughes, Gary, Kim, and Nikkie Hughes. Those attending from Pampa were Jenie, David, Veronica, Jesse and Jamaica Flowers. From Dallas were Michael and Lewis Hughes and from Mobeetie Sallie May and the hosts.

Several of the above spent the night and ate Christmas dinner together. Part of them played Phase 10, Chicken Foot, and Skip-Bo after dinner.

A good time was had by all. But all good things must come to an end.

After everyone left Christmas Day it was much to quiet and lonesome. Hugh and Mae went to Pampa to the Bailey Christmas get together.

They visited with Hugh's brother Bill, his wife Louise and their family.

The Johnny Bailey family hosted a Bailey family get together so they got to visit with lots of kinfolks. Really made for an enjoyable day.

Glad to hear that our college students got home safely.

Tim Mayfield got to visit with Jessica Jackson, Jake Swigart, and John Moffett. He wasn't very happy that he had to miss Caaron Laverty and Jamey James. Caaron was in Amarillo with her family at Aaron Laverty's side. Jamey had gone to Amarillo to meet her boyfriend, David, at the airport.

David flew in from Houston on the 26th to help Jamey get a you haul it truck and load Jamey's stuff up and move her to Conroe, TX. She is going to get a job and work this semester as she wants to change her major.

Jamey and David left Dec. 29th. So maybe they had good moving weather. Hope ya'll had a safe trip. Good Luck in Conroe!!!

Our condolences go out to the families of Doyle Grimes and Marion Grimes in the loss of their sister, Cleo Darnell, 83 years old of Santa Clara,

California on Dec. 27th. She had been in an area care center there for the last year and a half. But had taken viral pneumonia.

Cleo's funeral in Santa Anna was Friday morning Dec. 29th.

Graveside rights were held in Hollis, OK at 2:30 P.M. on Sunday Dec. 31st.

Gary Grimes of Amarillo had waited on relatives to come in to Amarillo from California at the airport.

A niece, Karen Martin, and a nephew, Steve Darnell of California accompanied Doyle, Beulah, and Gary to Hollis.

They all spent the night with Doyle and Beulah.

**Happy Birthday to:** Shane Goad, Josh Couch, Derek Murray, Angela Forward, Novalene Loyd, Kenny Lancaster, Steven Morris and Matt Bailey on Jan. 4th, to Lou Dean Douthit, Rhonda McWhorter, and Freda Boyd on Jan. 5th, to Nikki Scott, Tommy Whitlow, and Annie Ruth Lee on Jan. 6th, to Leonard Fulks, C. B. Brotherton, Carol McCurley, Donyell Bendell Brown and Clinton Stribling on Jan. 7th, to Sam Watson, Sue Reams, and Michael Shorter on Jan. 8th, to Leta Meadows and William Cornell on Jan. 9th, to Curt Smith and Norman Morgan on Jan. 10th to Sallie May, Mary White, Anthony Hodges and Thomas Helton on Jan. 11th.

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**ALLISON MENU**

January 8 thru January 12, 1996

**MONDAY:** Baked Pork Chops, Baked Potato, Broccoli W/Cheese, Hot Rolls, Ice Cream, Milk.

**TUESDAY:** Brisket, Pinto Beans, Potato Salad, Hot Rolls, Apricot Cobbler, Milk.

**WEDNESDAY:** Chicken Fajitas, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Cheese, Sour Cream, Fruit, Milk.

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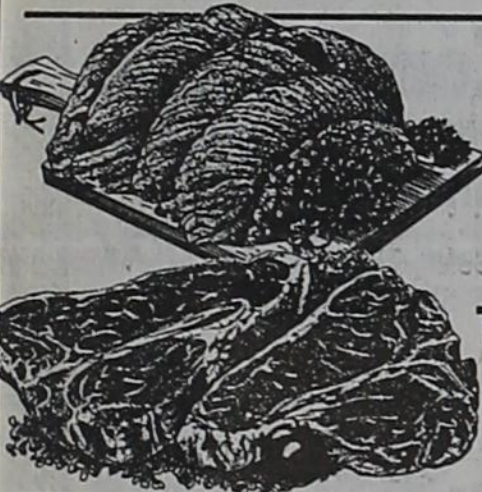
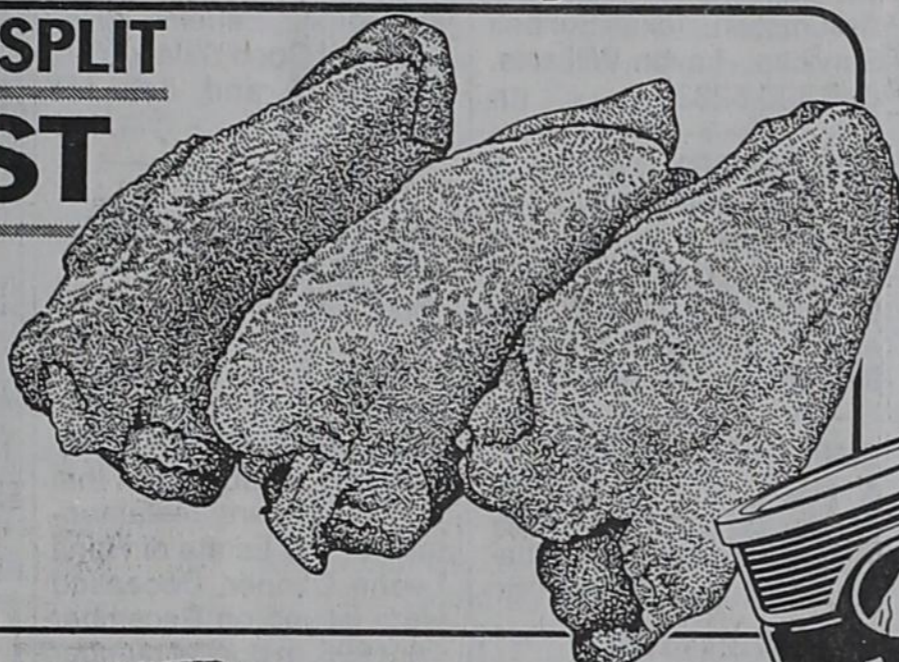
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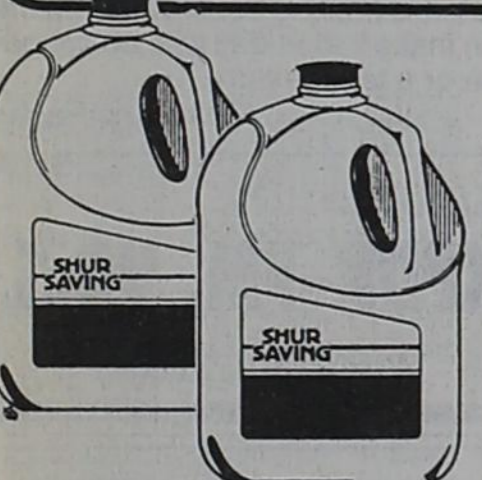
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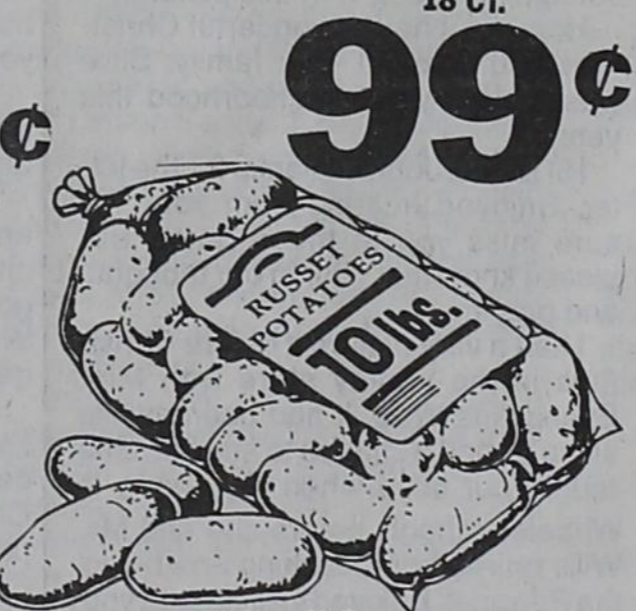
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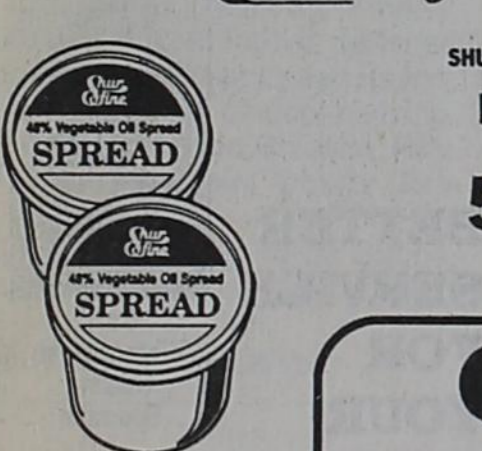
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**Lunch:** Baked Ham, Pinto Beans, Cold Slaw or Steam, Cabbage, Rolls or Corn Bread, Fruit, Milk or Tea.  
**Wednesday: Breakfast:** Hot Biscuits, Bacon or Sausage Links, Jelly, Juice, Milk.  
**Lunch:** Steak, Bake Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Jello w/Peaches, Milk or Tea.  
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**Mobeetie** (from Page 3)  
Happy Anniversary to: Ray and Freda Boyd on Jan. 4th, to Darv and Sammie Atherton on Jan. 5th, to Robert and Geniva Hogan on Jan. 7th, to Steve and Bertie Eudey, and Larry and Vickey Nelson on Jan. 8th, to Lynn and Paula Reed on Jan. 11th.  
So sorry to hear that Curt and Mindy Duncan and boys may be moving. Your in our prayers. We hope you can find a job in Wheeler or Mobeetie. Your part of the "family".  
Edith McLaughlin has done well through the holidays. She spent Christmas with Kent, Debbie, Nathan and Cory, the Hathaways, Darnells, and Simpson's.  
Jimmy and Jennifer McDaniel of White Wright, TX were up and spent a few days with Kent, Debbie and boys. They had a really great visit and enjoyable time.  
Jimmy and Jennifer visited with grandmother, Edith McLaughlin, one afternoon at the Wheeler Care Center.  
Wade and Gayla Hathaway and family hosted a New Year's Eve party for Curt, Mindy, Hayden and Gatlin Duncan, Joe and Melba Darnell, and Kenth, Debbie, Nathan, and Cory McLaughlin. They had a mexican pipe on supper and played games. Everyone had a good time.  
Sorry to hear that Hannah Fay Chapman has been in the hospital. Hope you'll soon be back to normal. Your in our prayers. It will be good to see you out and about again.  
I understand Albert and Hannah Fay had quite a close call. We're so thankful to who every thought something was a miss and went to check on them.  
Your both in our prayers. Take care! Debbie McLaughlin is the new church secretary for the Country Chapel. Then still has her afternoons Wed., Thurs., and Friday at the beauty shop.  
Clifford and Euline Walsler got to Christmas for 3 days. They started in Canadian at Ann Walsler's on Dec. 23rd. They had an enjoyable time with Ann, Connie Walsler Quimby, and her 3 guys, and Candy Walsler all of the Austin area. Lots of fun with the great grandsons.  
On Sunday Jeanne Roper hosted a Sherrod Family Christmas at her home in Pampa. Those there to enjoy the festivities besides Jeanne, Clifford and Euline Walsler, Morris Brown of Kellerville, Don, Darla, Clint, and Tatum Brown of Mobeetie, Ron, Cindy, and Cassi Brown of Kellerville, and the Bob Sherrod's of McLean. Joe and Mary Alice called to wish them all a Merry Christmas from Dallas.  
They all had a wonderful time.  
On Christmas Day Clifford and Euline journeyed to Sunray to spend the day with their daughter and son-in-law, Carolyn and Earl Corse, and family. It was a wonderful day and they had such a good time.  
Georgia Corse is still working hard in therapy and improving. She really appreciates all that Carolyn and Earl are doing to keep up her therapy and working toward being able to come back to her home in Miami. Keep up the good work Georgia.  
Sorry to hear Peirce Walker hasn't been feeling well. But started feeling better New Years Day. They had an enjoyable Christmas out at Doug and Aline Corse's.  
Our sympathy goes to Bob Frankenberg and his family in the loss of his mother in Kansas. Please keep the Frankenberg's in your prayers.  
Here it is New Years note and we haven't gotten even a snow flurry today. Lubbock has 2-3" of snow and now they say our dear friends Kelley and Edith Cross in Abilene are getting 2" of snow. (Guess they didn't move far enough south. ha!) And here we set with just cold. (I think there's something wrong with this picture.)  
Hope ya'll had a wonderful Christmas and enjoyed your family. Sure was dark in your neighborhood this year.  
Hi! Mr. St. John!! Thanks for the letter. Enjoyed hearing from you. We sure miss you in these parts. But please know that your in our thoughts and prayers.  
I had a very nice visit before Christmas in the variety store with Mrs. Evangeline Wills. It had been awhile since I'd had a chance to see her. She taught our boys when they were in Wheeler schools before she and Mr. Wills retired from teaching and being the Principal. Enjoyed visiting with you Mrs. Wills. Thanks for reading my column. Please try to over look the grammatical mistakes and any other English goof-ups. (You'd probably have to flunk me in English Class. ha!) Thanks for the words of encouragement.  
Thank you both Mr. and Mrs. Wills for continuing to be an active vital part of our schools and community. We really appreciate you both.  
This nippy weather has sort of house bound alot of us.  
Norman and Carolyn Patton of Canadian had planned to get together New Years Day with Ray and Velma Forbes. Norman is Velma's brother. They had New year's Eve Watch night Services at the Methodist Church in Canadian. They had a good group and lots of fun fellowship and food. Ray and Velma thought they'd best stay in out of the cold air.  
Carolyn teaches kindergarden in Perryton, so they decided to stay home, and sort of recuperate from all the holiday hub-bub. Carolyn needed to do some things to get ready for the second semester.

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Imagine the teachers, as well as the students are wondering where the Christmas break went. It certainly flew by.  
It's going to be hard to go into the insurance office knowing there won't be a chance of seeing Maurita Stribling's smiling face there. And be able to pick her brain to solve untold numbers of problems. We'll sure miss you Maurita.  
Congratulations on your retirement. Hope you and Clinton can enjoy every minute of it.  
Congratulations to Joann Couch and Drew and Josh. They have purchased a house in Wheeler. Sure is good to have you back in these parts. We've missed all of you. Maybe we'll get to see more of all of you.  
Mom (Carolyn Orthman) Bob, and I went to Wal-Mart in Dumas Saturday to take advantage of the big after Christmas sales. Were we ever surprised to meet Leesa and Serena Sims practically at the front door. What a nice surprise. They were up to have Christmas with her mom and stepfather after being to Lubbock to Lynn's mothers and stepfathers for the traditional Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.  
Leesa and Serena were out shopping with Leesa's best friend from Dumas and her two boys. The momma's have been close, best friends, since they were about 3 yrs. old. It was great they could spend some time together. What a nice treat!!  
Congratulations Sam and Amanda Childress. They are expecting their 1st little Childress in July.  
Jack and Bernice Hafley are like most of us, trying to recuperate from all the holiday festivities and get started on the right track for the new year.  
Mary Alexanders back is doing much better.  
Charolette Coward has had a quiet week. Her back is still giving her alot of trouble. The therapy seems to be making it worse instead of better.  
John Paul Guinn came in from Austin on Friday Dec. 22nd. He played

"master chef" the whole time he was home.  
Grandmother Luttrell and mom Mona really enjoyed the royal treatment.  
John Paul went home Tuesday and David and Debbie, Jacob and Alicia came in from Austin on Tuesday and stayed until Thursday. David felt stranded as his go-cart was broke down.  
All of Mrs. Luttrell's sisters and families in south Texas called to wish them holidays. All were well and enjoying their company.  
Stanley and Connie Baker and family didn't get over through the holidays because they were taking turns with the flu and cold crud. Hope this finds them all feeling much better.  
Connie and Marvis Pierce of Sayre, OK visited Friday with Jud and Lorene Rector.  
Scott, Neva, and Kayle Corcoran and Melba and Dale Corcoran visited in Wheeler Tuesday with Verna Corcoran and the Burch family William, Patricia, Christopher, Tyler and Caitlyn.  
On Wed. the 20th Scott Neva and Kayle went to Colorado Springs, CO., to spend Christmas with Neva's parents.  
William and Patricia Burch, Christopher, Tyler and Caitlyn of Wheeler visited with C. W. Burch on Sunday.  
Doris and Doug Whaley had a houseful for New Year's. They have their family Christmas either the week-end before or after. Works out real well.  
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Imagine the teachers, as well as the students are wondering where the Christmas break went. It certainly flew by.  
It's going to be hard to go into the insurance office knowing there won't be a chance of seeing Maurita Stribling's smiling face there. And be able to pick her brain to solve untold numbers of problems. We'll sure miss you Maurita.  
Congratulations on your retirement. Hope you and Clinton can enjoy every minute of it.  
Congratulations to Joann Couch and Drew and Josh. They have purchased a house in Wheeler. Sure is good to have you back in these parts. We've missed all of you. Maybe we'll get to see more of all of you.  
Mom (Carolyn Orthman) Bob, and I went to Wal-Mart in Dumas Saturday to take advantage of the big after Christmas sales. Were we ever surprised to meet Leesa and Serena Sims practically at the front door. What a nice surprise. They were up to have Christmas with her mom and stepfather after being to Lubbock to Lynn's mothers and stepfathers for the traditional Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.  
Leesa and Serena were out shopping with Leesa's best friend from Dumas and her two boys. The momma's have been close, best friends, since they were about 3 yrs. old. It was great they could spend some time together. What a nice treat!!  
Congratulations Sam and Amanda Childress. They are expecting their 1st little Childress in July.  
Jack and Bernice Hafley are like most of us, trying to recuperate from all the holiday festivities and get started on the right track for the new year.  
Mary Alexanders back is doing much better.  
Charolette Coward has had a quiet week. Her back is still giving her alot of trouble. The therapy seems to be making it worse instead of better.  
John Paul Guinn came in from Austin on Friday Dec. 22nd. He played

"master chef" the whole time he was home.  
Grandmother Luttrell and mom Mona really enjoyed the royal treatment.  
John Paul went home Tuesday and David and Debbie, Jacob and Alicia came in from Austin on Tuesday and stayed until Thursday. David felt stranded as his go-cart was broke down.  
All of Mrs. Luttrell's sisters and families in south Texas called to wish them holidays. All were well and enjoying their company.  
Stanley and Connie Baker and family didn't get over through the holidays because they were taking turns with the flu and cold crud. Hope this finds them all feeling much better.  
Connie and Marvis Pierce of Sayre, OK visited Friday with Jud and Lorene Rector.  
Scott, Neva, and Kayle Corcoran and Melba and Dale Corcoran visited in Wheeler Tuesday with Verna Corcoran and the Burch family William, Patricia, Christopher, Tyler and Caitlyn.  
On Wed. the 20th Scott Neva and Kayle went to Colorado Springs, CO., to spend Christmas with Neva's parents.  
William and Patricia Burch, Christopher, Tyler and Caitlyn of Wheeler visited with C. W. Burch on Sunday.  
Doris and Doug Whaley had a houseful for New Year's. They have their family Christmas either the week-end before or after. Works out real well.  
All of their children and grandchildren were present with their families. They had a great time. Even if the weather didn't cooperate.

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January 4 thru January 13, 1996  
**Thursday 4:** JH BB Wheeler Tournament  
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**Saturday 6:** 7:00 PM HS BB Reydon There, JH BB Wheeler, Tournament  
**Sunday 7:**  
**Monday 8:** 6:00 PM JH BB Follett, Here  
**Tuesday 9:** 6:30 PM HS BB Booker, There  
**Wednesday 10:**  
**Thursday 11:**  
**Friday:** Stock Show, Holiday  
**Saturday:** 6:00 PM HS BB Adrian@ Claude

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Hailey has her surgery rescheduled for this Friday the 5th. Please keep Hailey and her family in your prayers. Elaine is holding her breath that they can make it to Friday with no congestion or a temperature.  
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# GAGEBY NEWS

By Verna Fillingim

John 8:12 I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

Happy Birthday to Leonard Fulks and C. B. Brotherton on Jan. 7, Sue Reames, Sam Watson, Michael Porter on Jan. 8, Leta Meadows and William Cornell on Jan. 9, Bonnie Maddox and Curt Smith on Jan. 10, Allie May and Thomas Helton on Jan. 11, Jodie Crownover and Bonnie King on Jan. 12, Donnie Barr, Georgia Smith and Shawn Everett on Jan. 13.

Happy Anniversary to Rob and Aniva Hogan on Jan. 7, Steve and Bertie Eudey on Jan. 8, Larry and Vickie Nelson and Joe and Lois Flows (58 years) on Jan. 8, Roy and Judy Moran on Jan. 11.

Next Sunday night Jan. 7 will be singing night at Gageby Church. Everyone invited for singing and fellowship at 6:00 p.m. You'll come! Alesha offett is in charge.

**God Knows**  
And I said to the man that stood at the gate of the year,  
Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown!  
And he replied: "Go out into the darkness and put your hand to the hand of God."  
That shall be for the better than light, and safer than a known way.

by Minnie Louise Haskins  
Fort Elliott High School will play at Lamo Catholic Friday night Jan. 5 at 8:00. Saturday Jan. 6 they go to Peyton to play at 7:00. Fort Elliott Senior High Basketball Teams will play the Wheeler Tournament Jan. 4-6. Monday Jan. 8 Follett Junior High will come to play Fort Elliott at 6:00 Tuesday January 9. Fort Elliott High School plays at Booker at 5:00.

Everyone is invited to a bridal shower for Tina Alvey, bride-elect of Rick Taber Sunday Jan. 7, 2-4 p.m. in the Coin and Copper Room in the Wheeler Banking Center. Selections of local businesses in Wheeler and new Heirlooms, Shamrock.

Everyone is invited to a wedding shower for Cory and Kellie (McNeil) Innaman Sunday Jan. 7 from 2-4 p.m. at the David Bradstreet home 209 S. Mobeetie in Wheeler. Selections at Wheeler businesses.

Pray for Aaron Laverty, our Gageby pastor, who has been diagnosed as having herniated disk in his back and pins in his neck. They are trying medication and physical therapy.

New Years Day at Bob and Sue Atliiff home were Heather and Keith Atliiff, Pam and Kevin Ratliff and Gerald Reames and Tanner and Tucker. Visiting earlier were Timm and Melody Rodgers and Gabe and Nikki, Sue Reames, Jeremy Reames, Eddie and Betty Reames and Shawn Reames from Pampa.

Correction: Jimmy and Tammy Maddox and Jennifer and Amber did not go to Palestine over New Years because weather sounded so threatening. Jimmy and Tammy and girls visited Rita and Dave Pearson New Years Eve.

Adam, Zachary and Casey Tipps stayed from Christmas till New Years with Dean and Georgia Tipps and Dick and Ruth Irvine. Terry and Becky came back for them Monday.

Visiting Becky and Lana Richmond New Years Eve to watch movies and

see the New Year in were Jodie and Londa Crownover and Amanda Shields.

Getting together Saturday at the home of Earl and Shirley Jolly were Larry and Vickie Nelson and Jimmy and Kerri, Danny and Mary Lou Nelson and Danielle and Amy, Cathy and Frank Hooper, Brad Harrison, Brenda and Craig Martin and Kyle, W. L. Jolly and Wayne Jolly.

Pray for Harold and Lessie Austin. He fell Friday when it was so slippery and fractured his shoulder. Has to keep it in a sling and not use it, keep it up so will heal. Real painful. Lessie did get the cast off her hand, but it is still weak and tingling in spite of exercises.

Dave and Becky Johnson and Lisbeth and Becka flew to Phoenix, Arizona over Christmas Holidays to visit Becky's dad, Ron Willingham.

Thursday Royce and Deedy Zybach and Julie and Sarah Beth went to Amarillo for a family Christmas at the home of Deedy's parents, Coy and Saretta Herd. Others there were Tammy Jolly and Angela, Jerry and Karen Herd and Cameron and Coy, Jess and Kathy Segura, Bryan and Nancy and Mike Herd, Teresa and Randy Dell and Curtis and Landon.

Curtis and Brenda Smith and Tanner and Curt went to Wolf Creek, Colo-

rado and skied over the holidays. They also met all of Curtis' family at Amarillo and ate and visited and included his mom, Patricia Wagoner, his granny, Georgia Taylor and Rickey and Lisa Smith and Eric, Katie Knight, and Samantha and Taylor, Patty Holt and Crystal and Julie.

Gaye Hale and Elizabeth, David and Sarah left Tuesday Dec. 26 to go to Mobile, Alabama to visit Evelyn Hale and help celebrate her 80th birthday. They drove back the 1000 miles Sunday, getting home about 11:30 p.m. with all four of them taking turns driving.

Sincere sympathy to the family of Sharon Farris Gandy, 52, in her death. May God comfort each of you.

Kenneth and Violet Farris came for the funeral.

Sincere sympathy to the family of "Tater" McLean, 89, in his death.

"Though Christ a thousand times In Bethlehem be born If he's not born in you Thy soul is still forlorn." Silesius  
So nice to have a call from Leonard and Bertha Hollis in Bolivar, Missouri to wish us Happy New Year. We miss you sweet people. Happy New Year to you! And to everyone out there who reads this column.

Wheeler Christian played Wheeler High School at Wheeler, Sat. nite for consolation instead of going to Claude. Jimmy Maddox and Steve Zybach refereed.

"This is the grave of Mike O'Day Who died maintaining his right of way.  
His right was clear,  
His will was strong,  
But he's just as dead as if he'd been wrong."

from Ann Landers  
Nice to see Lee and Debbie Atherton from Princeton (north of Dallas) eating at Maxeys with Darv and Sammie Atherton Saturday night. Hadn't seen Lee since he graduated from Briscoe High School. Debbie is a beautiful lady.

Also at Maxeys was Mae Welch with grandson Randy and Becky Welch and Matthew and Shellie from Waterloo, Iowa. Nice to meet them. Carol and Richard Kiker with Richie and Twana were there. Also Adrian and Dorothy Risner, Billy and Rhonda McWhorter and Eric and Pauline Zybach and Kelsey, Kade and Kyle.

Oden and Lois Hudson ate at Sparlin's after church Sunday and visited some with B. F. and Margie Meadows later. Monday B. F. and Margie came out and ate lunch with Oden and Lois. Yes, they had their black-eyed peas.

Daryle and Carrie Perry and Micah and Nathan from Elk City attended Briscoe Community Church Sunday. Daryle preached. Mike Dyer preached at Christian Center Wheeler Sunday morning.

Christmas Eve guests at the home of Brenda and Dennis Hefley and Tera and Nathan and Sylvia Elsemann were Thurman and Bobbys Horn, Keith and Tyna Horn and Larry Lee, Sarah and Megan.

Christmas Day Keith's family went to Lee and Genise Youngs. Also there were Tyna's brother Craig and Cindy Young and Matt, David and Tracy. Tyna's other brother had to work and didn't come till Wednesday. Larry Lee celebrated his 11th birthday New Years Day, but no party till later.

Lou Dean Douthit finally made it home Sunday afternoon about 10 days away. She had been visiting Don and Peg North at Tolar (not the Stuckeys as I reported). She started home Friday, but Debbie thought too icy here. She got as far as Quana and got word Don North was in Fort Worth hospital with a blockage, so she went back. They did a heart cath, and are giving medication. Glad you are back, Lou Dean.

Mark and Annette Meek and Kaleb and Jocelyn hosted a family reunion for the children of the late Jim and Helen Helton at their farm home Sunday December 24. Others there were JoAnn and Lee White of Amarillo, Jimmy and JoAnn Helton from Pampa, Todd and Jason Helton from Amarillo, Star Smith, Kevin and Tammy Hall and Kaylee from Amarillo, James and Ida Hackbirth from Frisco, Cloid and Teresa Helton and Amber and Brice from El Paso.

Eating at Maxeys Sunday were Reba Wofford looking beautiful with Mary Wofford and Ella Mae Wood. Also there were Nelda Dukes with Garland Dukes, Monte Dukes and Shawn and Daphne Zybach. Also saw Glenn Williams looking chipper.

Good to have Al and Sharon Ryan and Ellen Marie from Stillwater come to visit us and spend Saturday night. We got to see their beautiful red-haired, brown-eyed daughter, Ellen Marie, 3 months old. Sunday was the Ryans 7th Anniversary. Al works with computers at the college. Sharon works for Aetna Insurance at Oklahoma City. Grandma Eula Kuhlman comes and picks Ellen up and keeps her during the day while Sharon works. Ellen was very good and loveable. The Ryans attended Gageby Church with us Sunday and we ate at Maxeys.

Nice to see Clark and Vergia Reagan at Maxeys with son Richard and Judy Bentley from Perryton and daughter Ruth Mirey from Gem City. The Reagans had moved back to their home in Wheeler Sunday from the Abraham Home.

## FT. ELLIOTT (Briscoe Campus) MENU

January 8 thru January 12, 1996  
**MONDAY:** Chicken Strips, Potatoes, Green Beans, Cake, Rolls, Milk - Tea.  
**TUESDAY:** Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Pies, Milk - Tea.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Chicken, New Potatoes, Broccoli, Rolls, Pudding, Milk - Tea.  
**THURSDAY:** Chili Dogs, French Fries, Fruit, Milk - Tea.  
**FRIDAY:** HOLIDAY (Menu Subject to Change)

Jocelyn Meek spent Thursday night with Kelsey and Kade Zybach while Mark and Annette and Kaleb went to the Claude tournament.

Thursday Willis and I went to Canadian to watch Justin Brown play Spearman with the White Deer Bucks. They played a good game, but White Deer lost. We met Lee and Esther Brown and Joanie and Jessica there, and they came out and ate supper and spent the night. We all played lots of Chicken Foot and some 42 and enjoyed their visit. The twins are now 9 and in the 3rd grade. They celebrated Christmas at Claude at the home of Kevin and Jennifer Wood and Koltan and Kaleb on Friday. We all started to Canadian Friday morning to watch the games at 10:30. When we slid around before we got to 277, we turned around and came back. Game was cancelled anyway. The Browns went on home.

We went to the Christian Center Wednesday night and heard a very challenging talk from a Missionary from Guatemala with "Living Water Ministry."

Marshall and Mary Andis had several family members eating supper with them at Maxeys Tuesday night. Robert and Kim Andis and children, Kevin Andis and others.

Sincere sympathy to the family of Earl Simpson, 74, in his death. He grew up at Briscoe and graduated with the class of 1939. Funeral was Friday January 29 at 2:00 at Polk Street Methodist Church. He had cancer. A fine man.

Friends of Bev Fenwick will want to know that she has moved to 925 Hialeah Ct., Helena, MT 59601 after many years in Colorado. Bev and Ed Fenwick and Lori lived on the split B for awhile and later worked for David Cook and lived at Fern. Sweet people.

Pauline Hefley and I had a fun Sisters Day Out Wednesday. We shopped some in Pampa and ate at Long John Silvers and caught up on everything.

We enjoyed meeting Brad and Sue Chandler and Jana and Bridget for supper Tuesday night at Maxeys. We went out to their place and played 80. Fun. The Chandlers and Peggy Chandler were going to Canyon over new years weekend to the home of Cindy and Pog Burrus and Tiffany and Brett. Also there Marki and Ronnie Slinger and Chandler, Kinin and Jordan.

Thank you, Louis and Barbara, for the very yummy homemade Candies—best ever.

Many of Leon and Vea's family got to visit them and Dick and Ruth Irvine sometime during the holidays and included Dick and Ruth, Mozelle and Glenn Thomas and Micah and Andrea Everett from Amarillo and Estelle McAdams and Ken and Lacy from Plains, Evalyn Free from Tyler, Stephanie and Craig Brock and Bryant, Timothy and Joshua from Mabank, Texas, Terry and Becky Tipps and Zachary, Adam and Casey, Rich and Connie Irvine and Marie and Justin, Kenneth and Violet Farris from Houston Area, Willis and Verna Fillingim, Danny Fillingim, Martha Meek, Evelyn Meek.

Joey and Risa Keelin from Pasadena left Rosalie's Saturday after visiting her and others about a week. They also visited Darv and Sammie Atherton. They were going by Goldthwaite to visit daughter Tammy and James and Shelby.

The children and grandchildren of the late Loyd and Clara Childress gathered at the Fort Elliott School Saturday December 30 for food and fun. Some there were Bo and Martha Childress, Fat and Wanda Childress, Wayne and Pat Childress, and Amanda, Cathy and Melvin Hunt and Shawn and Shelly, Kay and Scott Luttrell and Brandi and Susie, Jane and Clyde Dukes and Stacie and Jackie, Helen and Richard Dyson and all their kids and grandkids, Wynola and Lindon Sanders, Becky Dipz and children, Bob Sanders, Paty and David and boys from Crowley, Ronald and Barbara Childress from Petroliia, Kenneth and Brenda Childress and Casey and Brandon, Tammy Thompson and Shayle from Pampa and Carol Remy.

Unable to come was JoAnn Brezziani because of a broken foot. Damon Remy was in California with the Marines and doing O. K. Fat and Wanda had a call from Colby and Jeremy Childress in Wyoming with their mother, Colleen and Ken Tiede and daughter. Colby works in North Carolina; Jeremy is in Kentucky in the service.

"God be with you till we meet again."  
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JANUARY 8 THRU JANUARY 12, 1996  
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**TUESDAY:** Pinto Beans with Ham, Fried Potatoes and Onions, Tossed Salad, Cornbread, Pears with Cherry.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Brown Gravy, Green Beans, Chocolate Cake with Chocolate Icing.  
**THURSDAY:** Baked Chicken, Rice Pilaf, Breaded Zucchini, Cherry Cobbler.  
**FRIDAY:** Fish Fillet, Tartar Sauce, Parslied Potatoes, Coleslaw, Lemon Bars.  
(Menu Subject to Change.)



A smiling face she usually wears Lets us know she always cares. She'll be twenty-one on Jan. three. Happy Birthday! We love you, Dee!  
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Another New Year and we wish all a Happy, Healthy, and Prosperous one. This is the time we make resolutions about many things. I keep mine simple—Just try to do a little better. One I did make last year has paid off pretty well. I resolved to write all the brothers and sisters at least once a month. It is so good to hear from all of them.

The Christmas weather was wonderful. I really did enjoy seeing the snow and all the vegetation from weeds to trees coated with white but all in all, I greatly prefer a brown Christmas over a white one.

John and Martha Haag came down from Pampa with a turkey and all the trim. We had a real good time. They brought Joe a Santa on a rocking horse playing a banjo. He really could knock out a fast tune. Harold and Sylvia Hamman came out in the afternoon. Jan Cloyde of L. A. dropped by with a big basket of goodies. Said it was from Paul Stotts, one of my readers in Dallas. Jan was visiting relatives in Cheyenne. We had calls from the boys and grandkids. Joe Dale and Esther came then on Thursday.

Ray and Doris Smith visited over the holidays with her daughter and family, Martha and Bob Berry at Longdale, Leonard and family at Clinton, Edward and family, Thomas, Reba Nell and Dave Reynolds at Edmond. Jennie and Dan Berg were there too.

Visiting Eileen and Ed Logan during the holidays were Charles, Lanette, and Stacy Bryn, Monica and Chris Shoffner, Larry Clifton and Kim Hartpence, Edmond, Davin and Natalie Haraway, Paul and Misti Sisk, Tulsa, Don and Ruby Campbell, Kansas City, and Leta Campbell, Erick.

Had a nice call from Barbara Swope inviting us to come see their decorations at night and Reydon. They really went all out this year.

Inez Coffey went with a niece to a wedding at Plainview and back to Ronnie's at Pryor. Visited a lot of relatives there and at Sand Springs. The Phillipine grandchildren are due home soon. Ronnie is better but still can't play his guitar after his stroke.

Jerry and Lisa Alezander, Jada and Joel, Justin Lewis, Jan and Jeff Franks, Vince and Eric of Watonga, Tammy and Randall Fuchs, and little Jacob had Christmas with Judy and Gerald Tipton.

Funeral services were at Rose Chapel Saturday for Edna Sites Hogue who died in Tennessee after a hard battle with cancer. Burial was in the Buffalo Cemetery. She and L. V. were raised here.

Lanelle and Donnis Hayes of Enid were out to see Mildred Allen. They all visited Faye and Leroy at Erick. They had their boys and families home.

Elbert and Eva Atkinson, Brendon and Brad had an early Christmas Friday with her mother Faye Moore and other relatives at Taloga. Elbert's sisters Joyce Napier, Washington, DC, Ruby Hetson, and Barbara Magnus, Lawton were out to spend the weekend.

George Kerr, and Ed Thompson have been in the Sayre hospital. Margaret Hiller has been a patient at High Plains in Amarillo. Iona Miller is home from the Elk Hospital.

Visiting Editha Hildebrand over Christmas were Steven and Phyllis Hildebrand, Jack and Louise Kline of Cottonwood, Ohio. They visited their

**Simpson** (from Page 1)  
1946, she preceded him in death in 1965. He married Mildred Neaves in 1967 at Amarillo.

He was a member of Gageby United Methodist Church moving his membership to Polk Street United Methodist Church in 1940 where he served as an usher for over 30 years. He was a charter member of Beacons Sunday School Class and the Homebuilders Sunday School Class.

Mr. Simpson was also active in Boy Scouts serving as Fais District Chairman. He was also active in Girl Scouts. He was a member of North Plains Iris Society where he served as Vice President for two terms and President. Mr. Simpson was the first paid up member of the Amarillo Exchange Club. He also served on the advisory board for Kelvinator Corporation in Detroit, Michigan.

He is survived by his wife, Mildred Simpson, of the home; two daughters, Susan Gordon of Amarillo and Mary Mignon Lance of Midland; one son, John Earl Simpson of Wheeler; one brother, Carl V. Simpson of Amarillo; four grandchildren.

The family was at 2325 Hawthorne and suggested memorials be to Polk Street United Methodist Church Television Ministry, 1401 S. Polk, Amarillo, TX 79101.

sister Blanche Begert at Cordell too. Quite a few have had the flu and I've heard several say they wish they had taken the flu shots. It can make you scared you are going to die and then be afraid you won't, you hurt so bad.

Some years ago Paul Harvey came out and said the British had found a remedy for the common cold. "At the first sniffle, let a zinc tablet melt in your mouth. Don't chew it or swallow whole. Just let it dissolve." Now they have flavored zinc throat lozenges at the pharmacy that taste better than plain zinc. I am a firm believer since we haven't had a bad cold since we started doing that. "I'll knock on wood." May just be a case of mind over matter. Washing your hands often helps too.

With Iona Miller were her son Keith, grandsons Bill, Matthew, and Eric. A nephew and wife Alan and Helen Ford of London, England and Helen's father, and Ron Ford and son Ken visited one day.

Iva Thompson and Darren had Christmas with Peggy and Leroy

**Mobeetic** (from Page 4)

Alice and Jap Bailey spent Christmas at Johnny's in Pampa. They had a very enjoyable time with all the in-laws, kids and grandkids and Hugh and Mae.

Johnny came down on Wednesday to work on the well for Jap and Alice. They hardly recognized him in his new pick up. It's really nice. He sure deserves it.

Julia Williams, Alice's sister, had planned to have everyone at her house for Christmas Day. But her legs have been giving her problems and she just didn't feel up to it. So they moved everything to Johnny and Debbie Bailey's.

Hope everyone ate their black-eyed peas for New Years. In Minnesota and South Dakota your supposed to eat cabbage. Supposed to bring you luck and money. So we usually had ham and cabbage on New Years.

Dale and Melba Corcoran visited with Verna Corcoran in Wheeler on Monday.

Dale and Melba went to Amarillo Tuesday for Melba to see the Dr. They had to go back to Amarillo on Thursday to take the city water sample in.

Dale and Melba visited Saturday in Wheeler with Verna Corcoran and Wilbur Beck at the Care Center.

Enjoying dinner Sunday with Jud and Lorene Rector were William and Patricia Burch, Christopher, Tyler and Caitlyn of Wheeler, Ireal and Amy Garcia, Leah and Annessa of Amarillo, and Dale and Melba Corcoran.

Scott, Neva and Kayle Corcoran are to be back from Colorado Tues. 2nd. Kayle really enjoys going to see NanDad and Nanny Rector.

Sallie May didn't get much of a break over the holidays. She worked some, even at the school. But did get to do some things she really enjoyed. Her best Christmas present will arrive in July.

All the Hathaway's got together at Pauls on Christmas night for supper and gift exchange. Ruth had a wonderful time with her family. Those great grandchildren and grandchildren are just exactly that.

Ruth wishes all her friends, family, nurses and Dr.'s a very happy New Year. She thanks God for each of you.

Calvin and Leola Stuart Christmased all week. Randy and Julie, Jeremy and Zach came down on Christmas Eve. Then had to go back to Amarillo Christmas afternoon for Randy to go to work.

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Dunlap. Dale and family came up Thursday and they had another Santa Claus day with little Jake.

We took in Erick, Sayre, and Cheyenne during the week. Had chats with a lot of folks. Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Boswell, Robert Barton, Minnie Hillman and grandsons, Lieschen Friedrichsen, Mike Neff, Ruth Gillum, Clarence Blevins. Hugh Prather, Mrs. Rogers, Edith Ford, Roy Swagger, Alvin Marshall, Sam Holmberg. Andy and Dora Farmer.

Faye and Ralph Bagby, Dallas, Roy and Nell Hiller, Amarillo spent Christmas with Margaret Hiller.

Maurice Coffey and daughter Janet and husband of Tulsa were out Saturday to see Bertha Coffey, J. R., Ellen, and Sue Coffey of Burkburnett came afterwards.

Betty Sites had all her family home for the holidays. Mike, Sally, Megan, and Cade Sites, Radonna and Jerry Christopher, Kaylin and Jeremy, Michael and Sheila Smith of Yukon.

Birthday folks have been Floyd Pickering, Beuna Davis, Janice Sanders, Royce Rise, Dusty Elam, Margie Banks, Ruth York, Laquense McArthur, Faye Mong. Irene Burckhalter, Joe Mong, Mark Boswell, Richard McEntire, Opal Reed, Mandy Hagerman, Brenda Quinn, Beverly Fesmire, Linda Pruitt, Monte Carlson. Anniversaries were Billy and Gail Sutton, Ruth and Durwood York.

Ronnie, Tanya, Chad, Jarrod and Todd Stuart of Tempe, Arizona came in about 5:00 a.m. Christmas morning. So they all had a quick visit before Randy had to go back to Amarillo.

Ronnie's got off a little earlier than they had expected and came the southern route. So they made very good time. (I'm sure it didn't seem that way to them.)

Christmas Day the Stuarts had a royal household. Randy, Julie, Jeremy, and Zack of Amarillo, TX, Ronnie, Tanya, Chad, Jarrod, and Todd Stuart of Tempe, AZ, grandmother Gladys Richardson of Erick, OK, and cousin Gladys Richardson of San Antonio, TX, grandmother Beulah Stuart of Shamrock, TX, Peggy Dunn of Canadian, TX, Dale Richardson of Elk City, OK, Dean and Marla Lack and girls of Shamrock, TX.

They had a lot of fun, good food and visiting.

Tuesday Vanessa, Dennis and Garrett Stuart of Lubbock got to come join the fun. This was Garrett's debut with most of the family. Especially the great grandmothers.

They all had a wonderful time. Garrett has quite the personality. He doesn't know a stranger hardly and plays until he's tired. Gets a little fussy and want his nap. Give him an hour and he's good as new. He sleeps well at night even in a strange room and bed. Goes to bed about 8:00 p.m. and gets up about 7:30 a.m. all happy, if you have his bottle ready. After breakfast he's everybody's friend again.

Tuesday Leola's cousin's came over for a quick visit. Tom and Janice and their two children live at Ceiling, OK where Tom is Chief of Police. They had been to Janice's folks at Sayre for Christmas. Wanted to see Ronnie and Tanya before they went home.

Tom and Janice and Ronnie and Tanya had become real close when they all live in Sayre, OK years ago. Tom and Janice helped Ronnie and Tanya and the boys move to Arizona.

Peggy Dunn came back down from Canadian on Tuesday after she got off work and had supper and tried to catch up some visiting.

Wednesday Randy's came back to visit, so all the family was together for one day. It was GREAT!

Ronnie's went to Canadian Thursday and Friday, to have the Dunn Christmas.

It snowed while they were there. Todd's first chance to play in the snow.

Todd finally convinced dad, Ronnie, and cousin, Mattie to help him build a snow man in grandma Peggy's front yard. Then dad fixed him a card board sled to ride down the driveway.

After all of that all the "Big Kids" went out in the backyard and had a snowball fight.

Ronnie's went by aunt Rita Dunn Smith's in Wheeler Saturday before coming by Calvin and Leolas. They left for Arizona about 5:00 p.m.

It had been about 3 years since all the Stuarts had all been together. So they really enjoyed every minute.

Well, so much for the quiet little lady that lives next door.

Leola went to Wheeler New Years Day and checked on Eddie and Amy Richardson and girls. Eddie had been having some throat problems but Dr.'s don't think it's serious. Just very uncomfortable.

Leola went on to Erick to spend a few hours with her mom, Gladys Richardson.

I hope ya'll had wonderful holiday's and can recuperate now. Have a Happy, Healthy, New Year. And a great week.

**Our Prayer and Concern List**  
Ray and Velma Forbes, Geniva Hogan, Pierce and Nettie Walker, Clifford and Euline Waiser, Albert and Hannah Fay Chapman, all of our college students as they head back to school and work, Jud and Lorene Rector, Curt and Mindy Duncan, Gaylord Thompson, The Ty Swift Family, Edith McLaughlin, Wilbur Beck, Robert and Jimmy Morgette,



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