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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2007

"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

U.I.L. WINNERS RECOGNIZED: An assembly was held Monday for Wheeler Elementary and Junior High

students. Recognition was given those students placing in U.I.L. competition on November 16. These

students, grades 2 through 5 received awards. They are (back row, I. to r.) Left to right: John Turner,

Jordan Venzor, Ky Markham, Audra Weatherly, Rebeca Rodriguez, Alejandra Gonzalez, Kayla Duncan, &

Abril Buenrostro, (middle) left to right: Cambri Moore, Kaitlyn Helton, Savanah Foster, Morgan Brdecko,

Gracie Gaines, Madalyn Brdecko, & Abby Bond, (front) left to right: Blayne Richardson, Urrick Marshall,

Bryan Parra, Mitchell Ford, Don Butler, & Michaela Bailey



Congratulations to the second through 8th grades for their having placed in the U.I.L. competi-

Wheeler got lucky once more and missed the snow scheduled for this past weekend. There was only a scattering of snow and .07" moisture was dropped. -cwe-

Last week I left spaces to put in the rainfall amount received on Sunday night and then forgot to measure it. We received 1.47" and appreciated.

-cwe-The paper for next week will be put in the mail on Christmas Eve. It will be the annual "Greeting Edition" with Santa letters. We hope you enjoy all the letters.

-cwe-Thanks to Patricia, who came in once more to help while the ing to address all those envelopes. OKC branch office is out of com-

-cwe-Patricia also did the calling for tion. the greeting ads. Thanks once again.

-cwe-Remember the Christmas Open cember 20 at 5:00. Houses at First State Bank, Wheeler Banking Center and deadline. Farm Bureau. There will be lots of goodies.

We traveled to OKC over the weekend and visited the Mac Man to have some work done on the laptop. It started just printing what it wanted to and ignoring the rest. -cwe-

-cwe-

Greg and I ate Saturday evening with the lights flashing off and on. A wire down the street was (Continued Page 6)

STORM REPORT

As Reported By . . . Stormie Meriwether Wheeler Pre-Kindergarten

The letter 'X' is a fun letter. We see the letter"X' on the treasure map. We dig in the dirt on the letter X' to find the treasure. We have bones everywhere in our body. We can see the bones in to the Turvaville Family. She joined made by Patricia Kephart to acthe Xray.

school. I like to sing Jingle Bells. has big blue eyes and dark hair. for the two year term including the I am a mouse in our

to hear the Christmas songs on my

Tots drive is underway in Wheeler.

Sponsors are the Wheeler County

Sheriff's Department, Wheeler

Banking Center, First State Bank

of Mobeetie and Wheeler and

toys are needed. Items are being

collected for youths from 0-15

years of age. If you wrap a gift,

please include sex and age on

Christmas some children may re-

New or good serviceable used

United Methodist Church.

each gift.

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Unapproved Minutes Regular Board Meeting

Trustees met for a regular sched- the invocation. uled meeting December 13, 2007. Dr. Mike Smith called the meeting to order at 7:10PM. All board board members were present with the exception of Angie Ware. School personnel present were Mike Bailey, Brandon Smith, Debbie

Christmas Greeting Edition Information

The annual Christmas Greeting moisture, which was much needed edition of the Times will be put into the mail on Monday, December 24, 2007

At the present time, greeting ads are being sold. This is an excellent opportunity to say "Merry Christmas" and "Thank You" to your friends and customers for their friendship and/or business during this past year, without hav-

Santa letters will also appear in mission. They still did not have this edition of the paper. Santa letelectricity on Tuesday; however ters from the area schools have there were trucks spotted on their already been received. Dec. 14 was the deadline for getting Santa Letters in to the paper for publica-

Deadline for getting advertising and articles into the Christmas edition will be today, Thursday, De-

New Arrival



ELIZABETH ANN TURVAVILLE

We proudly announce the arrival of Elizabeth Ann Turvaville, the clan on October 23, 2007. At cept the election of two members We sing Christmas songs at 6lbs 6oz and 19 inches long, she to the WCAD Board of Directors Her Big sister Victoria along with years of 2008-2009. Place 1 Scott 'pogram'. The girls are the mice. her parents David and Jennifer are Porter, Place 5 Keith Horn, motion The boys are the reindeer. I like excited about the new little one. seconded by Emma Swigart. We are looking forward to spoilradio. My favorite is Frosty the ing her and giving her bunches of hugs and kisses.

If someone is award of needy

families, please contact Wheeler

Sheriff's Department or Lee Ann

Hillhouse with families name, ages

Your help and contributions are

Monetary donations may be left

at the Sheriff's office, Methodist

Church of Wheeler and Wheeler

Vet Clinic. Monies will be used for

Wheeler I.S.D. Board Meets Dec. 13: **Contract Signed to Collect Del. Taxes**

Finsterwald, Doug Rives, Stacy Horton and Clay Mahler. December 13, 2007 The pledge to the flag was led

The Wheeler ISD Board of by Mr. Mahler and Dr Smith offered

There were no individuals or groups that wished to address the

Motion by Ravonda Hardcastle, Second by Dr Hillhouse-To approve the minutes of the November 13, 2007 regular board meeting. Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Todd Moore, Second by Kent Vise-To approve payment of bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously

Motion by James Masters, Second by Dr Hillhouse-To accept the auditorium renovation bid, less the intercom section, from Norris Audio Video Systems. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Ravonda Hardcastle, Second by Kent Vise—To accept the contract with West Texas Food Service. Motion carried unani-

Motion by Todd Moore, Second by Kent Vise-To accept the con-(Continued Page 4)

Mobeetie Council Meeting For Dec.

December 10, 2007

Meeting called to order at 7:09 p.m. by Mayor Gordon Estes. Please make note of the early Members Present: Mayor Gordon Estes, Council Members-Pam Jones, Patricia Kephart, Emma Swigart, and Gaylord Thompson. Members Absent: Louise Shorter

No one from public present Minutes for the November 11, 2007 meeting were read by Patricia Kephart. Pam Jones made a motion to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Gaylord Thompson. Motion approved 4-0.

The Financial Report was read by Emma Swigart. Gaylord Thompson made a motion to accept the financial reports as read, seconded by Pam Jones. Motion approved 4-0.

Monthly bills were reviewed and considered for payment. Emma Swigart made a motion to approve and pay the bills as presented, motion seconded by Pam Jones. Motion approved 4-0.

New Business: A motion was Motion approved 4-0.

Mayors Report: All is well. Water Report: Good.

Are Recognized for Accomplishments in U.I.L, Attendance On Monday, December 17, Audra Weatherly, 4th, and Ky Recognition in science went to 2007, an assembly was held at Markham, 5th in story telling. In 9:00 a.m. for the students in music memory, the team placed Wheeler Elementary through 6th; team members were Jorden eighth grade. Awards for those stu- Venzor, Ky Markham, Audra

on November 16. were Kaitlyn Helton, 3rd and individually. Cambri Moore, 6th in creative writin story telling.

dents placing in U.I.L. competition Weatherly, Brayan Alvarado, Johona Pacheco and Cassidy Second graders recognized Andis. Jordon Venzor placed 6th

U.I.L. JR. HIGH WINNERS: These 6th through 8th grade students were called to the stage on Monday,

December 17, to receive awards for their U.I.L. placings. Pictured are (back row, I. to r.) Megan Reed,

Elizabeth Horton, Alyssa Johnson, Zay McCasland, Trevor Marshall, Kallen Moore, & Daniel Gonzalez,

Thomas R. Helton Elementary & Wheeler Jr. High Students

(front) Breann Robinson, Zackary Johnson, Jake Ware, Zack McCasland, & Andrew Coomer

Fourth grade's art smart team ing. Katilyn Helton also placed 6th placed 2nd; team members were Blayne Richardson, Urrick Third grade students recog- Marshall, and Savanah Foster. nized were John Turner, 2nd, Morgan Brdecko placed 2nd in oral reading. Blayne Richardson placed 6th in music memory individually. The team in music The Old Mobeetie Grade displays will be changed at the memory placed 5th; team memexisting facilities. Therefore, the bers were Rebeca Rodriquez, Michaela Bailey, Alejandra completion. The museum offices close Sunday, December 21st and Gonzalez, Grace Gaines, April

In the fifth grade. Abby Bond be available and can be scheduled took 6th place in ready writing and Kayla Duncan placed 6th in spell-845-2101 or Dale Corcoran at ing. The art smart team, Abby 845-3401. Once these projects Bond, Madalyn Brdecko and are completed the upstairs of the Mitchell Ford placed 4th, with jail will feature an exhibit on the Mitchell Ford placing 5th individuearly day town of Sweetwater, ally. A 2nd place in listening was later known as Old Mobeetie. The earned by Abby Bond. First and 5th place in MC&G was won by Don Butler and Bryan Parra relarge state of the art kitchen, huge spectively. Oral reading honors were won by Abby Bond, 2nd and Madlyn Brdecko.

Students in the sixth grade placing in Wheeler County and its dis- ing were Andrew Coomer, 2nd in tricts and a impressive Red River ready writing and Jake Ware placed 5th in oral reading. Honors If you have information on one in number sense went to Zack Johnson, 1st, Megan Read, 5th and Andrew Coomer 6th. In mathematics, Andrew Coomer placed 1st, Jack Johnson, 2nd and Jake Ware, 5th.

In the seventh grade level Elizabeth Horton took 3rd in dictionary skills; Daniel Gonzalez places 6th of Old Mobeetie or the Red River in MC&G; Elizabeth Horton placed 1st in calculator and Zay the facility is planned upon McCasland took 6th. Second place honors went to Breann The grade school is an exciting Robinson in Listening. First and addition to the Old Mobeetie Jail 6th place went to Daniel Gonzalez

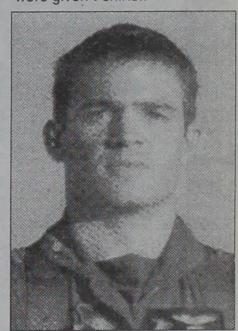
The local eighth grade did well be available to rent for weddings, in U.I.L. Alyssa Johnson took 1st concerts, proms, business meet- in ready writing, Alyssa Johnson

Change In Ft. Elliott Jr. Hi. BB Schedule

Tournament at McLean that is on the Fort Elliott Basketball Schedule for January 3rd and 5th will actually be on January 10th and 12th.

Kallen Moore, 3rd; Trevor Marshall, 4th and Alyssa Johnson 4th. Alyssa Johnson placed 1st and Kallen Moore, 4th, in math.

T-shirts were handed out to students of the class with less than 10 or less days absent. Both first grades and the second grade were given t-shirts..



1st. Lt. Jalen Whitener

1st Lt. J. Whitener Joins "Wild Ducks"

309th "Wild Ducks" Fighter Squadron celebrated the graduation of 11 young officers ready to take their place in our current war on terrorism.

1st Lt. Jalen Whitener of Pueblo, Colo., is the son of Jamie and

Helen Whitener of Pueblo, Colorado, was one of these graduates on August 25, 2007. He is stationed at Hill AFB, Utah.

Whitener is completing seven months of training to become combat Air Force Viper driver. The purpose of the course was to train the world's greatest F-16 fighter pilots and maintainers while deploying mission ready warfighters.

After graduation the graduates will join 202 of their fellow graduates now deployed in harm's way. The 309th FS instructors feel this talented group is ready to conquer the Luke ramp and airspace. Their air-to-air phase DBC started with basic fighter maneuvers, then radar in intercepts and concluded with four aircraft fighting two air-The Junior High Basketball craft in full-up engagements. Airto-ground phase concluded the

training. Lt. Whitener is the grandson of Elwood and Odessa Mooney of

Wheeler.

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m. Mobeetie Museum Closes Temporarily

School, just east of the Old will be relocated to this site and

Mitchell, Zybach **Receive Degrees**

Approximately 298 students from Southwestern Oklahoma State University at Weatherford will complete requirements for either bachelor's, master's or doctoral degrees after the current Fall 2007 semester.

These students had the opportunity to participate in the 2007 SWOSU graduation ceremony or go through convocation exercises in 2008 on Saturday, May 10, at 10 a.m. at Milam Stadium on the SWOSU campus.

quirements for their degrees this December include:

BRISCOE-Kade Zybach, B.B.A. in Finance; WHEELERogy Education;

Old Mobeetie Tex. Comm. Cal. Info

The Old Mobeetie Texas Association is producing a Fort Elliott Community Birthday Calendar for 2008. Birthdays are listed for FREE. Calendars will be sold in

Deadline for birthday listings is derful holiday!

Mobeetie Jail Museum is very near Old Mobeetie Jail Museum will remain closed until the move is Buenostro and Lyndi Hernandez. completed. Private tours will still by contacting Joe VanZandt at new facilities will contain the gift shop, offices, a research room, entertaining facility (formerly the school's auditorium), a room dedicated to all the schools ever exist-

War museum. Students who complete re- of the early schools that you would like to share please contact Maurita Stribling. We are happy to make reproductions of any photos you may have as well as letters, Hadley Mitchell, B.S. in Technol- report cards, programs, etc. We also welcome any contributions toward the displays on the town War displays. A grand opening of

Museum and the entertainment and Zack McCasland respectively. room, which features a stage, will ings, family reunions and more. 3rd in MC&G and 1st in listening. The entertainment room can hold between 250 - 350 people, depending on how it is arranged. Tables and chairs will be available on site. For further information you may contact Ada Lou Lester.

Thank you for your support of the Old Mobeetie Texas Association as we strive, with your help, to keep the history of our area

1st Lt. Ben Britt & Nathaniel Hillhouse

Memorial Annual Toys For Tots Drive

The Eleventh year for Toys for ceive. Your gifts will be greatly

These gifts may be the only toys, clothing or food as the donor

appreciated.

and sex.

appreciated.

LOCKS OF LOVE: Kaitlyn Peppers recently donated 12" of her hair to January. You may list as many "Locks of Love". "Locks of Love" is a public non-profit organization birthdays as you like including that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children under relatives and friends. If you would age 18, suffering from long-term medical hair loss from any diagnosis. like names listed in the calendar, This unique need for children is met by using donated hair to create please contact Tonya Finsterwald the highest quality hair prosthetic. Most of the children helped by "Locks" at 806-375-2168. If there is no anof Love" have lost their hair due to a medical condition called alopecia swer, please leave birthdays on areata, which has no known cause or cure. The prosthesis provided the answering machine. You may helps to restore the youngsters self-esteem and their confidence, en- also email listings abling them to face the world and their peers. Dawn Case at Scissor Finsterwald@centramedia.net Works Beauty Salon in Allison, cut Kaitlyn's hair. Kaitlyn's parents are Thomas and Charlotte Peppers of Wheeler; her brother is Landon Dec. 15th. Thanks and have a won-Peppers

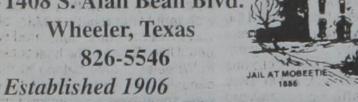
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On Thursday night at the Fort Elliott Elementary campus there was a search, looking everywhere, no one could find Santa!! The students of the elementary were preforming their annual Christmas Play for their parents and family friends. The name of the play this year was "Your Christmas Wish", under the direction of Mrs. Lohberger. The plot of the play was that it was Christmas Eve and no one could find Santa. The children, news reporters, elves, reindeer's and Mrs. Claus were looking high and low. The whole town of Mobeetie was also looking for Santa with the help of Chief Tim Adcock, who passed out flashlight to everyone in hope that they could find Santa. But never fear Santa showed up just in time for Christmas delivery, he was only out shopping for that special gift for Mrs. Claus.



Elvis-Jace Forward, Brayden Trimble and Landon Helton



Announcer - Dalton McDowell-Reporters - Devin McDowell, Bailey Meadows, Larami Lancaster



Pictured are of the 7th & 8th graders practicing "webbing". They're reading sentence strips & passing yarn around to make a star. This reinforces the idea that in webbing, each sentence should build on the previous sentence, thus making a better and more interesting paragraph. (top photo) Elizabeth Moore, Tammye Lumpkin, Tarra Taylor, Paul Luna, and Lane Erwin (bottom) Junior Mora, Curtis Lewis, Tarra Taylor, Tammye Lumpkin, and

LTBH



Traylen Drake





Kayleigh Coomer

Mrs. McKee's third Grade Class has been working on measurements during math. Each student measured out amounts of ingredients to create their very own ice cream.



Claudia Badillo



Sarah Garner

Parkview Assisted Living residents went on a Tour of Homes. The homes visited were Cherry Johnsons, Deleise Atwood and JoAnn Simmons. Lunch was served at Deliese's home, furnished by Staff. Dessert and coffee was served at Joann Simmons home and our cups ran over with Christmas joy. It was a fun day filled with memories of the past and present. The residents that attended were (I. to r.) Lou Dean Douthit, Tom Frye, Alverne Hutchison, Mary Whitener and Iona May.

The Eighth Grade class decorated a Christmas

Tree in the Upstairs Learning Foyer at Kelton ISD.

Elizabeth Moore, Junior Mora, Paul Luna are

shown here.





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 lovingkindness 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. Psalm 92:1-5

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust. Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler. Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day; Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday. For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot Clayton Burris of Atwater, Califoragainst a stone. Psalm 91:1-6 & nia. They were on their way to 11 & 12

O Give thanks unto the Lord; call upon his name: make known his deeds among the people. Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him: Glory ye in his holy name: let the mas sack of goodies for the eldheart of them rejoice that seek the Lord. Seek the Lord, and his strength: seek his face evermore. Remember his marvellous works that he hath done; his wonders, and the judgements of his mouth. Psalm 105:1-5

The weather here in Allison has been pretty nice since the snow melted and we can get around lots better now. We didn't received that much snow, but got enough to cover the ground. But I think we received some ice before that. Anyway there was a few days it was too slick to get out for me anyway. I don't do good on ice for sure. On this Tuesday it is windy and chilly, but the sun is shining and the snow and ice is gone. The Lord is good to us. Praise God!!

Roma and Billy June Brown traveled to Pampa, Texas after Sunday School to enjoy doing some shopping.

Larry and Verna of Harker Heights, Texas arrived in Allison late Monday night in the home of Roma and Billy June Brown for a pre-Christmas visit. Larry and Verna are going to stay til Thursday with them.

Monday, Glenn and Betty Boydston journeyed to Amarillo, Texas on business.

Tuesday, Glenn and Betty Boydston traveled to Elk City, Oklahoma on business and did some shopping.

The annual Christmas program of Ft. Elliott Elementary and Junior High School students was Thursday night at Mobeetie School gym. Opal, Juanita and Debbie Boydston accompanied Louise Boydston to the Christmas Program, also there were Glenn and Betty Boydston. Bill and Melody Dixon and Elizabeth and August, Nelda Dukes and David and Becky Zybach, Hiram and Darenda Begert, Bret and Hayley Begert, Lori Henley and children, Richard and Carol Kiker, Richie and Twana Kiker and children, Charlene Rainey, just to name a few, I think most of Allison was there so can't name them all. It was a very good program. The singing was great!! And the little children did a great job with the play. And the snacks afterwards were really delicious. Ariel Lohberger did a wonderful job again this year directing the program and singing. And the ones playing the guitars were just great too. There was a big crowd there to enjoy the program. Enjoyed it very much!

The Ft. Elliott FFA students prepared Christmas dinner for everyone at the Allison School Cafeteria Sunday from 11 to 2. There was a wonderful turnout for that. Glenn and Betty Boydston was there to enjoy the delicious meal. Also after the meal Santa made his appearance and several sat on his knee and made their wishes known what they wanted for Christmas. And those getting their pictures made received them right then. Betty couldn't resist sitting on his knee and asking for what she wanted and getting her picture made with Santa. Anyway, Opal and Juanita Boydston enjoyed the delicious meal with Louise Boydston also. I can't begin to name all of that was there. But there was a very nice crowd of people there and there was lots of visiting going on. The FFA served nam, sweet potatoes, green beans, dressing and cranberry sauce and a roll with butter on it. And there was lots of desserts to pick from. Even someone had made some homemade divinity. Had a really nice time.

Heard from Vance and Carol, who are still visiting her mother. Dorothy Newman in Indiana. They all have bad cold, so I know they would covet your prayers for them. They are enjoying their visit tho. We are looking for them back to Allison by Christmas time.

Curtis and Lil Boydston had a



Oklahoma. They were just about Amarillo that is in the hospital.

when they aren't here.

Sunday afternoon at the Elkwood Assisted Living in Elk City, Oklahoma. If anyone would like to send her a card the address is: 1000 Elkwood Blvd. Room # 48 Elk City, Oklahoma 73644

She would love to hear from

quests last Monday-Saturday, Dr. Josiah Drawhorn of Bullhead City, Arizona, Rev. Steve Nalley of Napa, California and his father, Wallace Nalley of Vaccaville, California. Dr. Drawhorn ministered the Word last Wednesday night at Reydon Community Church. Also visiting Friday and Saturday were and program on Sunday night. Pat's cousins, Benji, Laura. Constance, Savannah and next time. Virginia to visit Laura's parents for Christmas so they left early Saturday before the storm arrived in

Every year the Allison church's talk ye of all his wondrous works. all get together and make Christ-

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time when their electricity went off erly and the Wheeler Nursing the other day and they had all elec- Home and Assisted Living in tric home there in Oklahoma City, Wheeler and this year some in ready to try to make it back to their Lots of cookies were made or Allison home when their electric- bought and then crackers and ity came back on. Praise God for candy was added to the bags and also the chex mix that had been Good to have Eddy and Sheila bagged earlier. Several ladies Walker back in Allison again. gathered at the Methodist Church Welcome home!! We miss them and all working together got the sacks all put together and then Louise, Opal and Juanita later in the evening Suzanne Boydston visited Pearl Harrison Lohberger, Darenda Begert, Louise Boydston and Juanita Boydston went to Wheeler and passed them out the residents in the Wheeler Care Center and Assisted Living. They served punch and the sacks of goodies. They all seemed to really enjoy it. Darenda Begert played for the Pat and Alberta Helton had Wheeler Care Center residents. They enjoyed that as well.

Louise and Juanita Boydston enjoyed a very delicious meal at Soto's and also did some shopping while in Wheeler.

The Allison United Methodist Church enjoyed their annual Christmas meal, gift exchange

God Bless and Keep ya'll till

CARD OF THANKS

We want to thank this great community for your loving response to the loss of our loved one, Grant Meek. We are so comforted by the outpouring of your love and sympathy. We appreciate the countless acts of kindness that have been given to us. Thank you and God bless you everyone. Karen Meek and Family

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ing stuff, getting everything you

want. Christmas is about love,

spreading joy to those around

you, watching the twinkle in a

child's eye. Christmas is a time

for family, staying warm in the

house together, playing board

games, drinking hot chocolate.

Christmas is a time when adults

can act a little more like kids,

engaging in a snowball fight or

falling down and making a snow

wonderful year. Singing and

to the Word of God, whether it

be a story that many see as the

praying with friends. Listenii

Wheeler Church o

This is probably the last yearisn't about fancy lights, buy-Wheeler Times that you will be looking at before Christmas Day 2007. Our prayers are that you and your family have a safe and wonderful holiday. If you are on the roads, please be careful. Go out of your way to remember and include people you know that have lost loved ones this past year. Spend some of your time with people that might not have anyone else. Share the love of God with everyone you meet. Don't stress out when you are in the shopping mall with millions Offering thanks to the Lord for a of others. Don't let New Year's Eve become a night for partying in ways that don't represent your best behaviors. Don't let selfishness and ingratitude define who you are when it comes to giving and receiving gifts. Do good deeds without worrying about

anyone ever repaying them.

Blvd. in Wheeler, Texas

Christmas and this time of 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

traditional favorite at this time of year (birth of Christ narratives) or any other story since they are all about God's desires for us

Have a wonderful Christmas! Shawn D. Johnson

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

This Texas weather sure keeps us on our toes. Really makes us appreciate the sunshine and 40 and 50 degree weather. Thank goodness the weathermen seem to continue to over estimate the severity of the ice and snow. We have really been lucky so far. Although, there is no such thing as luck, it is always another one of God's wonderful blessings. The snow was beautiful, but sitting in the house watching it is very different from having to get out and work in it. The ice is so treacherous and such a challenge when you are trying to get chores out of the way and get back and forth to work. Last Monday the canasta club went ahead and cancelled their weekly games because of the weather. They were leery of the weather with the day starting out so cold and wet. The forecast was for ice so they were going to be safe and not sorry. They have such a good time together, the week just doesn't get off on the right foot, It's almost like missing

Glad to hear that Bulah Stuart is doing better and getting settled in at the nursing home. She enjoys all the nurses and aides at the Care Center. She appreciates all the help they give her. Therapy is no fun, but all that help her are so

The Fort Elliott Elementary students had their wonderful Christmas play on Thursday. It had been scheduled for Tuesday, but had to be rescheduled for Thursday because of the weather. They had a very good turn out and the kids did a great job. They are always so cute and work so hard at making it a big success. We appreciate all the extra time the teachers put in with the kids to make such a production. They will all get out early (12:45) on Friday, Dec. 21 and won't have to be back until Jan. 2, 2008. Here it is the week before Christmas. The kids are all ready for Santa. It sure is going to be a long week for them.

My list of must do's just seems to get longer. Michael and Brianna are going to be in Colorado with the Brooks family for Christmas. Then they will be here for the New Year's celebration. Todd and Lori were on the way to CA on Monday morning and hoping to be back in Fort Worth for Christmas with their daughters and the granddaughters.

Carol Orthman has finally shaken the cold and flu crud and is able to talk in a normal tone for the first time in 3 weeks. She is planning to have Christmas down here. We are looking forward to it.

Thursday after we got done with Bob's Dr.'s appointment in Elk City we went on to Cheyenne to visit with his brother, Ralph, before he left for New Mexico for Christmas. Then we had enjoyable visit with Ron and Dixie Leppert. They had their house and yard decorated so pretty for the holidays. It was so good to see Dixie feeling better. She struggles everyday with MS. Our deepest sympathy to Ron in the death of his mother in lowa. Because of the weather and all the ice between here and their they weren't able to go up. Mrs. Leppert passed away at the age of 98. She passed on Dec. 7 and was to be buried on Dec. 14. That would have been her 99th birthday. She has 9 of her 11 children still living. They were all having trouble getting back for the funeral and fam-

We spent the weekend in El Reno, Ok. with Todd, Lori, Michael and Brianna Mayfield. We went down on Friday in the fog and drizzle, just in case it really got worse. It was a little yucky, but the road conditions were good. The

ice and snow there made for a lot ice on it Saturday, but you could of cancellations and changed a lot still get around cautiously. The kids plans. After the ice storm two found enough snow to make a few weeks ago, this little storm was snow balls. Michael was to have nothing to them. They were lucky a play on Saturday night. It got and had not lost any of their electricity through either of the storms. Every thing had a good sheet of

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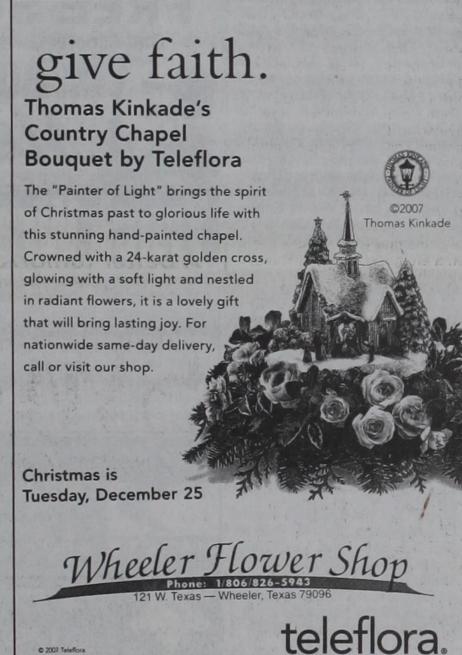
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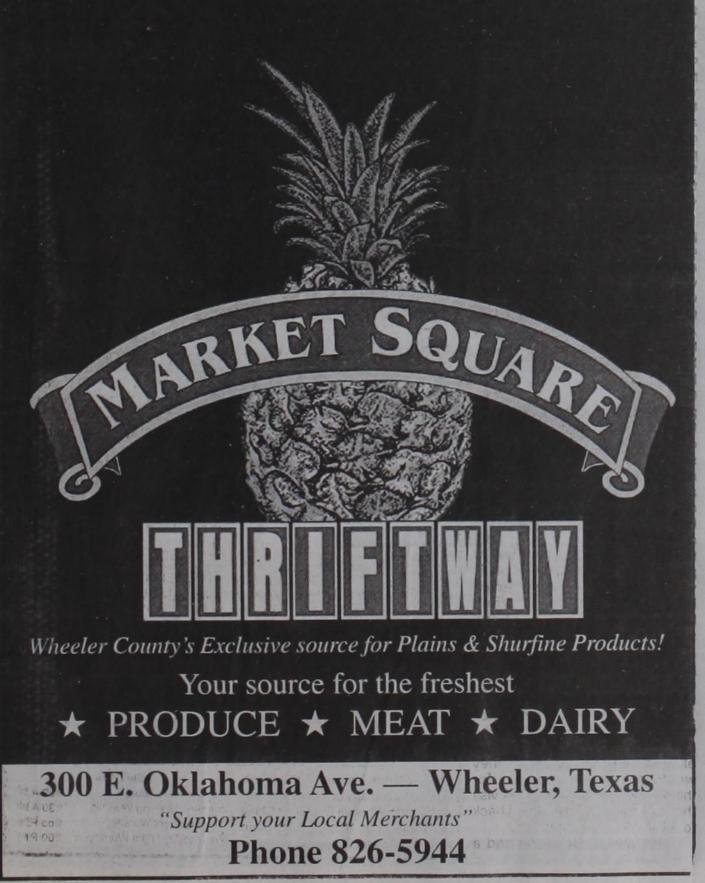
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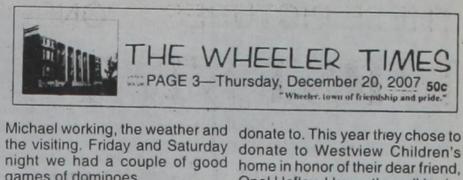
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dress rehearsal on Saturday afternoon. They did a very good job presenting. A Charlie and the Chocolate Family A. Even though games of dominoes.

ance, he did a good job as spent the afternoon playing canasta and dominoes as all of the of exchanging Christmas gifts with each other they pick a charity to

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Opal Hefley. I know they all had a Mary Margaret Dodd hosted the wonderful time together. Mary al-Christmas party for the canasta ways has her home decorated so club on Monday . They all gath- beautifully. Some of the best cooks ered at noon for a very delicious in Wheeler county belong to the pot luck meal and fellowship. They canasta club, so you know there were some delicious goodies. Lots of recipes changing hands to. gals that get to substitute were What fun. Leola Stuart had to miss also invited to participate. Instead the party as she had an appointment in Amarillo. Fat and Wanda Childress went with Leola. They had such a good time together. Lots of visiting, shopping and a nice dinner at Logan's Run. Although Logan's didn't meet their expectations. They are like us though and try everything at least

> Leola is looking forward to Dennis, Vanessa, Garrett and Braydon coming over the weekend for an early Christmas with them. Granddaughter, Amy, and her mother, Jeanette, are planning on leaving Ohio early Saturday morning to come to the panhandle area for Christmas and to be with Jeanette's family. Sorry to hear that Jeanette's grandmother is gravely ill. Amy and her 3 little girls, ages 10, 8, and 6 are hoping to get some time with Granny Stuart and Great-Grandmother, Bulah, and the rest of the family. Amy wants some new pictures. Amy had just sent Leola the girls school pictures. They are such little dolls. Have a wonderful week. Enjoy your family and friends. May the good Lord bless and protect you in your travels and daily needs.

Merry Christmas from our house Please keep our friends and neighbors in your prayers: Don and Mary Edwards, Clinton and Maurita Stribling, Jack and Berniece Hefley, Charlotte Coward, Curtis, Hall, Bulah Stuart, Bill and Shirley Dyson, Lorene Rector, Orville Greenhouse, Jane Seitz, Iona May, Mabel Tabor, Peggy Dunn, Curtis Hendrix, John Thierstein, Peggy Frazier, Ken-

neth and Vera Walker, Bill and Patsy Caswell, Leola Stuart, Iva Richardson, Earl and Leola Farris, Ann and Dick Graham, John McGinty, Shannon Pool, Chuck Carl, Mary Whitener, Byron Simpson, Shelton May and family, Lou Dean Douthit, Joe Tolle and family, Alvern Hutchison, Delmer Murray, Jimmy Love, Aaron Laverty, Joann Couch, Fred Castle, Vance and Carol Boydston, Aaron Hartline and family, Charlie Brown, Melba

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Personal Hygiene Can Prevent MSRA

cancelled, but the families of the

cast members were able to go the

it was Michael's first major appear-

Charlie.. They were to do 5 more

performances on Monday and.

Tuesday. They invited the area

elementary schools and middle

schools and then were to do a

performance for the local nursing

home. Mrs. Crider does a great job

with the kids and has a lot of help

and support from her husband.

The kids know they are blessed

to have the Crider's teaching them

and supporting them. They have

already had tryouts for the U.I.L.

play they will be doing in Febru-

ary. They will be doing A Mock Tri-

als. All the students were trying to

get some hints from Mrs. Crider,

but they will have to wait until af-

ter the Christmas break to find out

who made the cut and what char-

acter they will be portraying. On

Monday afternoon Roblyer Middle

School band and choir had their

annual Christmas concert. The

kids were having a great time do-

ing it and they did a good job. They

didn't do just the traditional songs

they had learned and included

songs from other religions and

countries. Very nice. We got a

chance to do some shopping be-

tween the play practice and play,

There have been quite a few news stories on MRSA (Methicillan-resistant staphylococcus aureus) infections across the country. Right now Tulsa has eight confirmed cases of MSRA.

"MRSA is an infection that's resistant to most antibiotics." says David Mitchell, Senior Vice President of Great Plains Regional Medical Center. "That makes it extremely difficult to treat.'

"As simple as it sounds, washing your hands frequently with hot water and soap or any of the alcohol based hand sanitizers on the market can take care of many potential infections. Personal hygiene is the key to prevention. If more people would make a regular practice of washing their hands often, we could reduce the number of infections of all kinds."

Staph bacteria are one of the most common causes of skin infection in the United States. Staph is a major cause of pneumonia, surgical wound infections and bloodstream infections.

The staph or MRSA infection looks like a pimple or boil; can be red, swollen and very painful; and may have pus leaking from the

There are some settings that have certain factors that make it easier for MRSA to be transmitted from one person to another. These factors are referred to as the 5 C's:

Crowding Frequent skin to skin

Contact Cuts or abrasions Contaminated items and surfaces

Cleanliness - lack of (this includes personal hygiene, clothing, towels, bed linens).

Some of the places were the 5 C's are most common include, schools and school gyms, dormitories and military barracks, households, fitness centers, correctional facilities and daycare

Mitchell also says that hospital patients should make sure that anyone caring for them has washed their hands first. This applies to family, friends and hos-

"Everyone at the hospital works extremely hard to make sure the hospital is as clean as possible. We have hand sanitizers all over the hospital so that it's convenient for our team members to wash their hands frequently, especially before interacting with patients.

GPRMC wants everyone who comes to the hospital to thoroughly wash their hands before visiting friends or relatives.

"One of the big questions we get asked is if someone with MRSA should go to work or school," says Mitchell. "As long as your wound can be adequately covered with a bandage, there's no reason not to work or go to school. The big thing is to avoid skin to skin contact with an infected person. If you have concerns about going to work or school, talk with your doctor.'

How can you prevent staph or MRSA skin infections? The most important thing is to practice good personal hygiene. Here are some

· Keep your hands clean by washing thoroughly with soap and water or using an alcohol-based

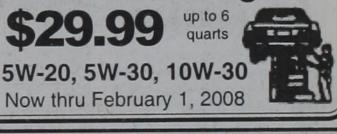
hand sanitizer. Keep cuts and scrapes clean and covered with a bandage until

· Avoid contact with other people's wounds or bandages.

 Avoid sharing personal items such as uniforms and personal protective equipment.

"Most importantly," says Mitchell, "If you think you have a staph infection, talk to your family doctor. The sooner you start treatment, the better the prognosis for recovery."

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FALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Cordillera Texas, L.P., #5008 Ramp, 2259' from North & 2458' PD 13400'

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PD 12000' 660' from West line, Sec. 1,-,CCSL , PD 12000' (BHL: 7390'

line) Horizontal WHEELER (WILDCAT & Samson Lone Star, L.L.C., #1 Jones '6', 2173' from North & 467' from East line, Sec. 6, RE, R&E, PD

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WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Atoka) Linn Operating, Inc., #2 Britt '38', 467' from North & West line, Sec. 38,A-3,H&GN, PD 16500'

WHEELER (STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Newfiel.d Exploration Mid-Con., Inc., #17 Britt Ranch 'C' 35, 1575' from North & 592' from West line, Sec. 35,A-3,H&GN, PD 15900' (BHL: 1650' from North & 467' from West Sec. line) Directional well

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HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW, from South & 660' from West Sec. Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #1729 Walser, Sec. 29,A-2,H&GN, spud 8-24-07, drlg. ALLISON-PARKS Granite Wash) compl 9-10-07, tested 10-30-07, potential 2266 MCF, TD 13200', WHEELER (B&B Granite Wash) PBTD 13101' -

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Noble Energy, Inc., #4129P Hefley, Sec. 41,M-1, H&GN, spud 7-26-07, drlg. compl 8-5-07, tested 10-13-07, TD

11895', PBTD 11779' HEMPHILL (HAYWOOD Atoka)

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tract with Perdue, Brandon, WHEELER (STILES RANCH Fielder, Collins & Mott for delinquent tax collection. Motion carried unanimously

Mr. Mahler gave the board information concerning the AEIS report, board member continuing education credits, and proposed bond election Coach Bailey informed the

board of recognition by the Amar drlg. compl 2-14-07, tested 6-14rillo Chamber of Commerce for our 07, potential 25044 MCF, TD Cross Country state medalist.

Mr Rives reported of the recent elementary music program and the upcoming UIL awards pro-

Mrs. Finsterwald reported on the semester test schedule, the next PRIDE program and that we have a student who is a finalist for the Coke Scholarship. The board entered closed ses-

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Granite Wash) Mewbourne Oil Co., #1934 Arthur Webb, et al 'S Sec. 193, C, G&MMB&A, spud 10-10-07, drlg. compl 10-25-07, tested 11-17-07, TD 11050', PBTD 10999' - Operator plans to down hole commingle w/other Fields ROBERTS (N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Cimarex Energy Co., #9 Kaufman '81', Sec. 81, B-1, H&GN, spud 7-15-07, drlg compl 8-8-07, tested 10-25-07 potential 1817 MCF, TD 11500', PBTD 10893' -

ROBERTS (RED DEER CREEK Granite Wash) Bluegrass Energy, Inc., #705 Byrum, Sec. 5, B-1, H&GN, spud 10-3-07, drlg. compl 10-21-07, tested 11-21-07, potential 1910 MCF, TD 10525' PBTD

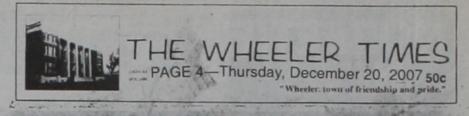
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Linn Operating, Inc., #5 Huff '2'; Sec. 2,5, B&B, spud 7-1-07, drlg. compl 7-28-07, tested 9-17-07, TD 15550', PBTD 15485' -

WHEELER (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #1560A Helton, Sec. 60,M-1,H&GN, spud 8-29-07, drlg. compl 9-19-07, tested 10-23-07 potential 2248 MCF, TD 13640', PBTD 13412' -

Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #501 Britt, Sec. 1,5,B&B, 8-18-07, drlg. compl 9-13-07, tested 10-9-07, potential 3998 MCF, TD 15808', PBTD 15723'

WHEELER (STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Newfield 'Exploration Mid-Con., Inc., #9 Britt Ranch 'D' 5, Sec. 5,2,B&B, spud 1-5-07, 15720', PBTD 15616' - Directional well



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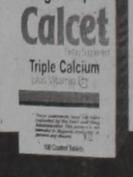
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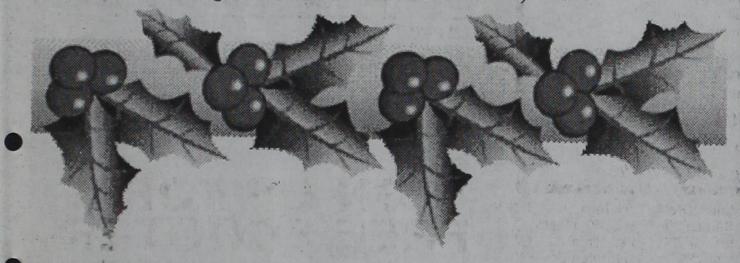
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Wheeler County Farm Bureau Will be having a Christmas Open House, Dec 21, 9am-4pm. We thank you for your business the past year and wish you I yours happiness for the Holidays and the coming year. We will be closed Dec 24 & 25 so our Agents and Secretaries can enjoy the Holiday with their families. We will reopen Dec 26, 8am. Gary Alston-Agent-Manager James Masters-Agent Melissa Miller-Secretary Rosilina Emiliano-Secretary



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Co. Tax Coll	Scott Porter	11/10/1998		\$	80.00		\$2,842.38	\$1,421.19	\$34,108
Dist. Clerk	Sherri Jones		\$2,762.38	\$	160.00		\$2,922.38	\$1,461.19	\$35,068
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Genesis 6: 17, 18, 22: Understand that I am bringing a flood of waters on the earth to destroy all flesh under heaven with the breath of life in it. Everything on earth will die. But I will establish My covenant with you, and you will enter the ark with your sons, your wife and your son's wives. And Noah did this. He did everything that God had commanded him.

Happy Birthday Sue Gaines, Brock Hatley, Kelli Maddox, Leslie Weaver, Jeff Pate, Amy Huff on Dec. 16, Leona Coates, Alice Kelley-90, Brenita Henry, Cooper Ellison, Pam Vogt, Drew Woollard, Pat Grametbauer, Ty Swift, Chad Hefner, Katelyn Wood on Dec. 17; Samantha Chapman, Michael Kenny, Debra Ford, Bob Carey, Missy Laverty, Ida Mae Goad, Dustin Puryear, Stephen Guthrie on Dec. 18; Louise Howell, Shelley Leuthan, Hyland Weaver, Peggy Rose, Logan Yarbor, Ruby Smith, Chris Carlson, Blake Morrison, Rylee Baker, Rick Hargrove, Charlene Dukes, Kimberly Childress, Georgia Dea Holland, Frances Colllins, Lela Pride on Dec. 19; Jo Redding, Shelia Toudhstone, Bob Wills, Melanie Gates, Aledxander Johnson, too. Donna Hunt, Royce Marion, Rocky Mendiola, Lori Morrison Sprock, and Brandon Simmons on Dec. 20; Tyler Ault, Cami Ellison, Jason Forrester, Jim Jackson, Lindsey Theissen, Rick Woollard, on Dec. 21; Martha Meek-83, Lois Hudson-91, Barbara Hodges, Patterson Alvey, Hank Henderson, and Amber Butler on December 22.

Happy Anniversary to Bill and Virginia Ridgway on Dec. 16; Bill and Wynema Stewart and Royce and Claudia Marrion and Kyle and Jessica Masters on Dec. 17; Matt and Konnette Koen on Dec. 18;

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Mack and Linda Sides and Kevin and Pam Ratliff on Dec. 19; Thurman and Bobbye Horn on Dec. 20; Danny and Karen McNeil and Toby and Kloette Henson and Bill and Melinda Stiles on Dec. 21. Skeet and Dianna Johnson on Dec. 22. God bless you everyone!

The "Nearly Brothers and No Mountain Boys" Band didn't come to Wheeler Care Center Tuesday night because of bad weather and some of the band out of town. They hope to be back next Tuesday night, Dec. 18 to make beautiful music if weather is o.k. Was pretty cold and threatning. time

Preparing the good chili and fixings supper at Wheeler Baptist Church Wednesday light were Tina Bond and Beverly Bryant. Bro. O. K. Bowen was there for the business meeting and read some scripture. He also visited Wanda Herd and Marie Baker in the hospital and Lavenna Pannell and Eddie at home near Briscoe. Thanks.

dinner at Totty School Thursday, Dec. 13, because some were sick and weather pretty cold. May have

Friends of C. B. Brotherton might like to send him a Christmas card. his address is C. B. Brotherton, Ranchwood Nursing center, 2730 North Mustang Rd., Room 503, Yukon, OK 73099. We miss C. B. and wish the best for him. They have been out of electricity for several days, so it has been hard to care for ther residents patients. Remember them in our prayers. Glad they are getting the electricity back on.

A New Year's Prayer for peace and food.

Dear Lord,

Let this be a year that moves us One step closer to each other. Let this be a year that brings us understanding in our hearts.

Let this be a year that fills us with a yearning, burning for peace with one another and a oneness Lord with you.

Gageby Church Christmas Eve 100 years.

at Wheeler Baptist Church Saturday, Dec. 15. We pray that you have a long and happy marriage and that God will guide and keep you, parents of Amanda are Ricky and Tina Bond. Parents of Jason are Jimmy and Karen Floyd of Canadian. Many relatives and friends there for the happy occa-

Happy 60th wedding anniversary to Roberta and Ernest King of Higgins. Their children hosted a reception Saturday, Dec. 15, at Higgins Methodist Church. They were Married at Springdale, Ark., Dec. 14, 1947 and have lived in Higgins for 60 years. I used to see Roberta at Canadian. She enjoys helping with Nursing Home residents at Canadian.

Marie Baker had to spend several days in Parkview Hospital, she got to go back to the Wheeler Care Center in time for the Christmas party Saturday and enjoys seeing her friends there. Big crowd of relatives and friends at the party with delicious refreahments and gifts for all the residents. Merry

Christmas to all! Congratulations, J. W. Lane for graduating from Fire Fighters Training at Amarillo Thursday night. Very inpressive ceremony. Some there for the occasion were J W.'s parents, Alan and Sheryl Lane, Morgan and Jimmy; David and Rita Pearson. We are proud of you, J. W.. Nadine Lane is grandma and very proud of all her family. J. W. is from Allison and worked on the Allison-Briscoe fire department some when going to school at Ft. Elliott. J. W. is also quite a musician, as are several in his family. God bless and guide you! Alan and Sheryl treated their family and the Pearsons to supper out after the ceremon. Pray for J. W. as he works.

Pray for Art Taylor, who was having surgery Friday to remove a cancerous kidney at a hospital in Tyler, Tx. Several family members there for the surgery. He is supposed to be in the hsopital about a week. He has been visiting his sister, Gladys Eudey and Steve and Bertie Eudey at Bullard, Tex. Art will have some medications to fight the cancer. One kidney and a mass on it was removed. Keep praying.

Sorry to hear that Art Taylor of Shamrock, beloved by many, took a turn for the worse after surgery and is very ill in a Tyler Hospital. So sorry, pray for Art and his fam-

Enjoying lunch with Martha

Meek at her house Sunday were Pastor O. K. Bowen and Bob and Evangeline Wills. Had a good visit too. Bob is our Sunday School

I've wondered what TEL stands for, the title of the Older ladies Sunday School class at Mobeetie Baptist Church. I was told it comes from the Bible: Timothy, Eunice and Lois. (Or Tired Elder Ladies) or (Telling everyone about Love?)

Wes and Cindy Bradstreet and Cindy's mom, Lois Barrett, were weekend visitors for an early Christmas to Brad and Sandy Cooper at Coppell. Also getting together and visiting were Mike and Ember Keith and Miles, Jenna and Zachary from Alvarado and Andy and Tracey Bradstreet from Dallas area. They had a good time. Sandy cooked lots of good food. They enjoyed seeing some elegant ice sculptures at Grapevine.

Granddaughter, Criswell enjoyed going out to eat with friends to Tacos Garcia in Amarillo Saturday night to cel-They canceled the Christmas ebrate her 31st brithday. Others eating with them were Cheile Perez, Donny Hooper, Chuck Dooley, Melissa Martindale and it later. Some were out of town, Justin. Blain and Dagen were weekend visitors to grandparents, Rita and David Pearson.

> Brazeal Christmas Joe and Ann Ellison hosted the Brazeal family Christmas the weekend of Dec. 8.

> Mystery dinner was served at the Baptist Church fellowship hall. A couple of skits were presented. Lots of fun and laughter were had

> Then to the house for the reading of the Christmas story and the Christmas tree and more games

Attending were Ray and Mae Brazeal, Jimmie and Sheiley Brazeal, Shirley Hortan, Allen and Cindy Johnson and family, Jim and Nicki Calderon, Leslie Gaines and family, Edwin Ellison and family, Charles and Cooper Ellison, Roy Horton and family, Steve Horton and family, Will Babbin and family. Total of 39 people were present -from Guideposts for a great weekend together.

Ft. Elliott Elementary had their program and fellowship will be Christmas program at Mobeetie December 24, at 6:00 p.m. Every- Campus I hursday evening. Good one invited. A tradition for nearly job! Many there to enjoy the program. Patsy Smith and Allen and Best wishes to Amanda Bond Jenny Mixon from McLean and and Jason Floyd on their marriage Shannon Gilmer went over to the (Continued Page 6)

A New Pledge of Allegiance

Written by a 16-year-old in Arizona.

(TOTALLY AWESOME) ! (Since the Pledge of Allegiance and The Lord's Prayer are not allowed in most public schools anymore Because the word 'God' is mentioned.... (A kid in Arizona wrote the attached (NEW School

prayer:

Now I sit me down in school Where praying is against the rule (For this great nation under God Finds mention of Him very odd. ((If Scripture now the class recites, (It violates the Bill of Rights. (And anytime my head I bow (Becomes a Federal matter now. ((Our hair can be purple, orange or green, (That's no offense; it's a freedom scene. (The law is specific, the law is precise. (Prayers spoken aloud are a serious vice. ((For praying in a public hall (Might offend someone with no faith at all. (In silence alone we must meditate, (God's name is prohibited by the state. ((We're allowed to cuss and dress like freaks, (And pierce our noses, tongues and cheeks. (They've outlawed guns, but FIRST the Bible. (To quote the Good Book makes me liable. (We can elect a pregnant Senior Queen, (And the 'unwed daddy,' our Senior King. (It's 'inappropriate' to teach right from wrong, (We're taught that such 'judgments' do not belong. ((We can get our condoms and birth controls, (Study witchcraft, vampires and totem poles. (But the Ten Commandments are not allowed, (No word of God must reach this crowd. ((It's scary here I must confess, (When chaos reigns the school's a mess. (So, Lord, this silent plea I make: (Should I be shot; My soul please take! (Amen ((If you aren't ashamed to do this, (please pass this on (Jesus said, ('If you are ashamed of me, (I will be ashamed of you before my Fa-

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program to see Adley Gilmer in the program. Also there David and Winnie Gilmer; Tonya and Bill Finsterwald and Brandon and many others.

Thanks XI Epsilon Sorority for all the delicious Christmas goodies (home made!) Ones preparing the food were Dena Brown, Cathy Hunt, Rita Pearson, Jackie Lane, Patsy Rarden, Jane Dukes, Sallie Adcock, Mandy Johnson, Kara Richardson, Ruth Cornell, Ann Lee, Tiffanye Boydston and Kenzie Watkins. very Good! Sweet of you to treat us older ladies to Christmas Cheer! Many thanks also for the pretty painted tray!

Golden Agers will be meeting at Wheeler Baptist at 11:30 Thursday, Dec. 20, for Home Health blood pressure and blood sugar checks and a good pot luck meal. All over 50 invited to the program and fellowship.

Children's Musical Program At Wheeler Baptist Church Sunday night the Children's Choir presented a musical program, "A King is Coming to Town". Good job. Some in the cast were Abby Bond, Brody Richardson, Don Butler, Destrie Kinnaman, Brittney Robinson, Blayne Richardson, Michaela Bailey, Keenan White, Megan Reed, Kylee Schubert, Layton Hibler, Zach Hibler, Justin Hardcastle, Jacob McNeil, Rebecca Rodriguez, Tillie Menefield, Jordyn Johnson, Cassidy Andis, Caitlyn Walker, Gracie Gaines, Savannah Foster, Kori Howard, Taylor McClendon and Lyndi Hernandez. Directors were Stacey Horton, Mendy Bailey and Michael Killingsworth. You did good! Delicious soup, sandwiches and desserts were served to all

Sorry to hear that Roy Bradstreet has been in Wheeler Hospital with pneumonia and some breathing problems. Remember Roy and Nell in your prayers. Hope you are soon all right, Roy.

after the program. Many there.

Next Sunday night, Dec. 23 at 6:00 Wheeler Baptist Church Adult Choir will present a program of music. Everyone invited. Following the program will be a candlelight service and then a Holiday Fellowship with Christmas goodies. Everyone invited.

From Briscoe Community Church Sunday going to Mel's Diner for a good meal after church were Fat and Wanda Childress, Lou Dean Douthit, Lewis and Elizabeth Meers, Alice Kelley and pastor Thomas Peppers and wife Charlotte, Kaitlyn and Landan. good meal and good visit. Also Peggy North at church and eating with the group.

Wheeler Assisted Living Christmas party was Friday Evening,

Dec. 14, in the main dining room at the Hospital. Some there were Hutchison, Jane Seitz, Iona May, Tom Fry, Mary Whitener, Gwen McCain, Shelly Schubert, Lois Puryear, Pete Seitz, Carol McCurley, Sybil Clark, Debbie Kinnaman, Dean and Georgia Tipps, Peggy North, David and Melba Seitz and David and Melba's grandchildren. They enjoyed a nice meal and had a gift exchange. Merry Christmas to all!

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be given you. This is to my Fa-Chat

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I talked to Eddie Root, nephew thers' glory, that you bear much at Clovis, N.M. He almost died, but fruit, showing yourselves to be my he is now home from the hospital disciples. and can eat, stand and talk some

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Glad to hear that Yukon and for a little while. He said tell evsome of Oklahoma got their eleceryone "Hi." He is so glad to be tricity back on after being off 2 days and a night. Praise the Lord! John 15: 7-8: If you remain in C. B. Brotherton and Gary Brotherton's family live at Yukon.

Jason and Amanda Floyd took a h oneymoon to Mexico and will be living in Austin. Jason will be workin for the University of Texas. Amanda will be working as EMT for Hills Golf Resort and taking college courses for her nursing degree. Best wishes!

Chandler Christmas

Geting together at Brad and Sue Chandlers in Allison for the weekend for an early Christmas were Jana Barthomew and Janessa from Amarillo. (Her husband, Larry Barthomew was planning to come later if weather didn't get bad.) Brad Chandler was able to get off for the weekend. Shea and Brdiget Weatherly and Audra and Hagen also visited. Peggy Chandler would come for awhile if weather not slippery. Merry Christmas to

Nice to visit with Erma Riley at Tuttle, Ok., on the phone Saturday. She can't get out and get around very well. She surely doesn't want to fall. So she mostly stays home and enjoys playing her piano and watching TV church. Daughter, Annie Henderson, comes by frequently after work and visits and Erma reads some. Erma will be 91 on Dec. 28. her address is 413 N. Richland Rd., Tuttle, Ok 73089. Her phone number is 405/381-6246. They are expecting to have son Bob Riley and wife, Gail, come for Christmas. they will get together at Annie and James Hendersons.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Art Taylor, about 65, in his death Monday night, Dec. 17, following surgery at Tyler. He will be cremated. Memorial services will be at First Baptist Church of Shamrock on Saturday, Dec. 22, about 10 a.m. We are so sorry, but know God has better things for Art. A sweet man.

Next Sunday morning, Dec. 23, at Gageby Church at 11:00 a.m. will be a special speaker. Everyone is invited to come hear Michael Decker, who has been on alcolol and drugs and has a message for all to hear. Michael is with a group called "Beyond the Wall" and has a ministry out of Canyon, Texas. Everyone is invited. A noon meal will be served Sunday at Gageby church.

"Come on, ring those Bells Light the Christmas Tree, Jesus is the King, born for you

Come on ring those bells, Everybody say,

Jesus, we remember this your



Party and a good time.

in with them in June and has been

a big help. She does all their er-

rands and shopping and is begin-

ning to do more and more cook-

ing. And still works full time. Their

kids in Flower Mound are doing

well and staying busy. If you would

care to write, their address is 2042

Ballinger St. Abilene, TX 79605-

5815. Edith is depending more on

her walker with wheels and her

wheel chair. Pray for Edith and

Obituary

away November 5, 2007, in Las

Cruces, N.M. A memorial service

was held in Madison, Wisconsin,

where he will rest beside his wife,

Ronald and Erna St. John. He is

survived by daughter, Ann

Mitchell, of Las Cruces; son, Tim

of Fond Dulac, Winconsin and nu-

merous grandchildren; sisters,

Louise of Ft. Smith, Ark., and Edith

Cross of Abilene and brother,

Byron of Louise, Texas. Sincere

sympathy to the family and friends.

you because the season's near.

so much more dear.

"I said a Christmas Prayer for

I didn't ask for riches but for gifts

'I asked for joyful gatherings

with your family all around and for

carols to inspire you with their old

familiar sound. I asked for quiet

moments in your heart on Christ-

mas morn, for a special time to

Bob was born Oct. 14, 1920, to

Robert (Bob) St. John passed

Canasta club met at Mary Mar- born.

birthday.

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garet Dodd's for their Christmas I asked for friends to send their best that you might know they Good to hear from Edith and care. Kelley Cross. But sorry to hear that I asked for peace and love and

celebrate the Savior, who was

they both are getting pretty "stove hope; up" as the old saying goes. Good And I know God heard my that daughter, Arveda, could move prayers.'

God Bless and Keep ya'll till

next time.



Gracia Cox, age 3, is the daughter of Tim & Daphne Cox, and the granddaughter of Marvin & Linda Cox and Jerold & Karlena Barry

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