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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Kelton To Serve Mexican Pile-On

There will be a Mexican Pile-on Supper at the Kelton School Cafeteria Tuesday, November 16, 1993 from 5:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M. Adults \$4.50; Children 12 and under \$2.50; Dessert and tea included. The supper will be sponsored by the Kelton Junior Class.

DENA COMPTON ADVANCES TO STATE IN CROSS COUNTRY COMPETITION



Dena Compton

The Region I Cross Country Meet was held Saturday at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock. Teams and individuals in classes 1A through 5A were present to compete for the chance to advance to the State Meet in Georgetown. The cold temperatures seemed to be the biggest obstacle of the day, as temperatures hovered around 20 degrees F.

The class 2-A girls race featured some of the top teams and individual runners in the state. Dena Compton finished 10th in a strong field of 122 runners and will advance to the state meet in Georgetown next Saturday. Dena completed the two mile course in 13:00.

The Wheeler girl's team did a very good job, finishing 8th in a strong field of sixteen teams. Team members included Dena Compton, Nissa Boedeker, Angie Thomas, Marcie Rose, Cassie Wallace, Melissa

Chapman, and Amanda Rives. The Wheeler team was also represented by three alternates, Cristy Glassey, Mika Goad, and Jeseke Wallace.

Phillipp Strolz and Greg Bryant represented Wheeler in the 2A boys division. Both of these young men did a good job and ran well in one of the strongest divisions at the meet.

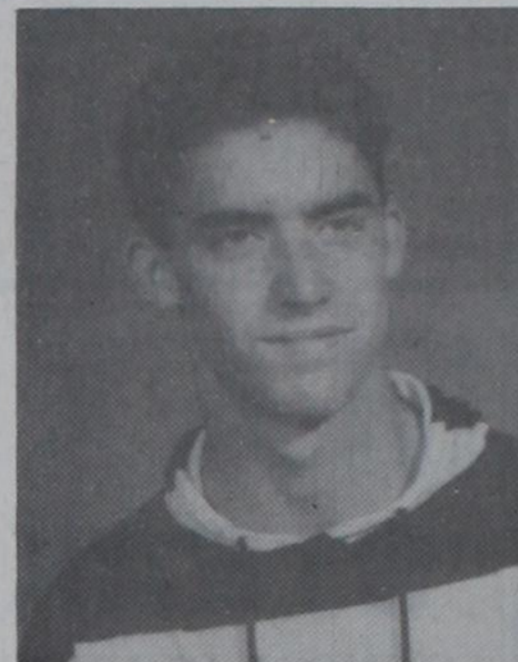
All of the contestant for Wheeler should be highly commended for sticking with a difficult program throughout the season. They have represented Wheeler schools in an exemplary manner in competition and sportsmanship.

A special commendation should be given to the seniors on this team. Melissa Chapman has been with the program for four years, Nissa Boedeker for three years, Cristy Glassey for 2 years, and Marcie Rose for 1 year.

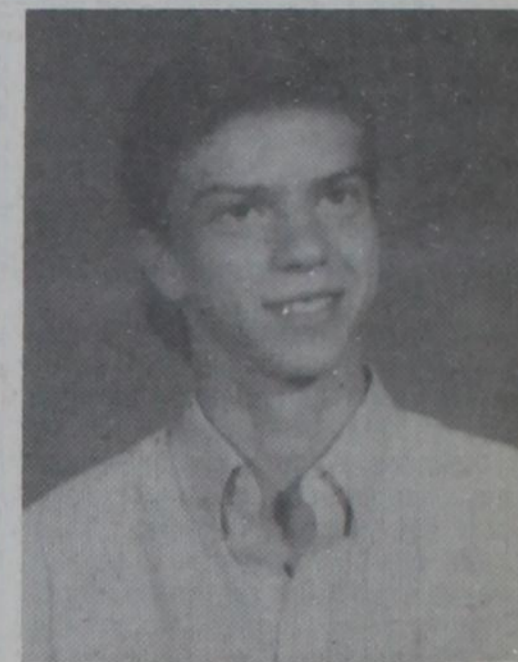
Good Luck Dena!



David Helton . . . 4th
Team Score: 3rd



Jake Swigart . . . 10th
Team Score: 8th



Jonathan Lester . . . 20th
Team Score: 16th

FT. ELLIOTT BOYS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM ADVANCES TO STATE COMPETITION

The Ft. Elliott Cougars finished 3rd at Regionals to earn a trip to Austin for the 1st time in school history. They finished behind Plains and Lazbuddie to gain the trip. We also beat White Deer for the 1st time this year and did it by 24 points. Plains won with 40, Lazbuddie had 85 and we had 86. If we would have passed just one more runner and tied at 85, we would have won 2nd as they go to the 6th man and our 6th man was 37th and Lazbuddies was 66 so we could have won 2nd with just one more point. But the boys ran so well and did qualify that I wasn't upset. Last year Bookers girls finished 3rd at Regional and won State the next week, so things can change.

Lady Cougars Volleyball Team Travels To Area

The Ft. Elliott Lady Cougars brought home another gold trophy this past Saturday by defeating Chillicothe in a Bi-district Match. The games were played at Chillicothe. Chillicothe's home court advantage first seemed to be going their way, then the Lady Cougars came alive and played strong volleyball. Scores by games were 5-15, 15-9 and 15-4.

The Lady Cougars put up a strong fight against Water Valley for the Area championship Tuesday, November 9th, at Knox City. Ft. Elliott ended their successful season with the scores of 15-5, 10-15 and 11-15.

Services Held For James Scott Risner, 72, Thurs.

Dr. James Scot Risner, 72, died Monday, November 8, 1993.

Services will be held Thursday, November 11, 1993 at Lakeview Chapel. He will be buried today at Lakeview Memorial Gardens in Longview, Texas. Arrangements are by Lakeview Funeral Home of Longview.

Mr. Risner was born in Mountainburg, Arkansas on August 31, 1921 and married Betty Howard in Corpus Christi, Texas on August 31, 1947. He graduated from Southern College of Optometry in Memphis, Tenn. He began his practice as an optometrist in Marshall, Texas in 1950, continued in Corpus Christi and then practiced in Longview until he retired in 1990. He served as a left gunner on a B-29 in World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Risner of the home; a son and daughter-in-law, Ray and Kathy Risner of Austin; two daughters, Regina Risner Keifer of White Oak and Karen Risner Hunt of Longview; a son, Dr. Gregg Risner of Longview; brothers and sisters-in-law, Adrian and Dorothy Risner of Wheeler, Henry and Twyla Risner of New Mexico; Grandchildren: Amber and Heather Keifer of White Oak, Beth Hunt of Longview, Christina Powers of Austin, Travis and Scotty Risner of Austin and several nieces and nephews.

Hazel Willard Died Sat., Services Are Held Wed.

Hazel Willard, 85, of Amarillo, died Saturday, Nov. 6, 1993.

Services were at 10 A.M. Wednesday in Bell Avenue Chapel of Schooler-Gordon-Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors of Amarillo with the Rev. Gerrie Hensley, minister of Ridgecrest Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Mrs. Willard was born in Crofford County, Ark. She married Kara Vinson Willard in 1925 at Paris, Texas. He died in 1982. She was a homemaker and a member of Ridgecrest Baptist church.

Survivors include two daughters, Maurine Lane and Ann Mason, both of Amarillo; two sons, K. V. Willard of Canyon Lake and Charles Willard of Alvin; ten grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

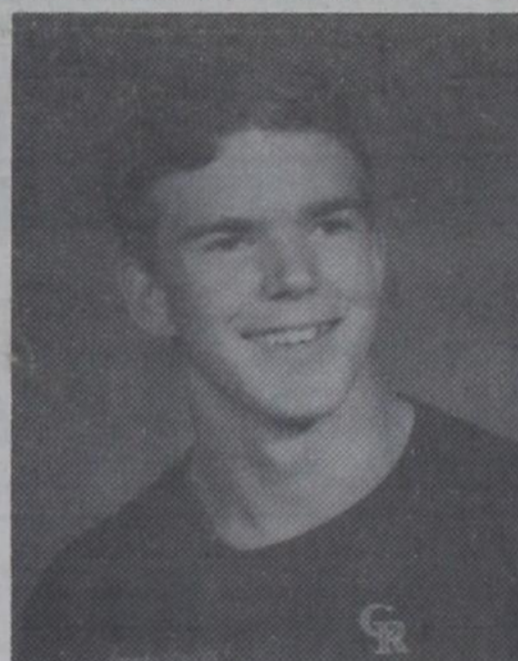
The family requests memorials be to Ridgecrest Baptist Church.

Leading the way for the Cougars was David Helton, 4th with a 16:56, but for the team score he was 3rd, Jake Swigart 10th with a 17:13 and 8 on team score, Jonathan Lester 20

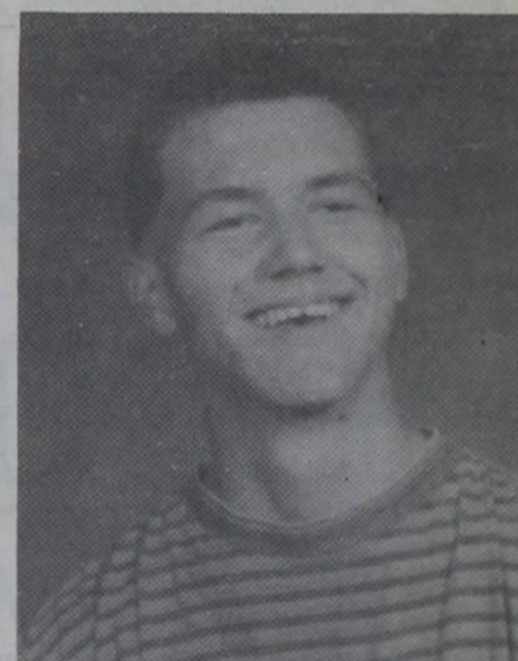
with a 17:41 and 16 team score, Steve May 30 with a 18:19 and 23 on team, John Moffett 43 with a 18:53 and 36 on team, Johnny Brannen 45 with a 18:59 and 37 team, Justin Wesbrooks 49 with a 19:09 and 40 on team.

The final result go by the team score and we had an 86, which I told the guys you had to have between 70-90 score and they were able to do it.

We next run in State, Saturday, November 13 at 10:20 in Georgetown at Southwestern University Golf Course. The teams from this Region usually do well so we hope to medal but will be happy to be there and we will do our best. These young men have been working hard since August 30th and it has paid off as they head to the State Meet. Good luck and run hard and believe in yourself, you can do it!



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Team Score: 23rd



John Moffett . . . 43rd
Team Score: 36th



Johnny Brannen . . . 45th
Team Score: 37th



Justin Wesbrooks . . . 49th
Team Score: 40th

Hospital Notes

Old Admissions
10-26 Zona Robinson
10-30 Ernestine Davis

New Admissions
11-1 Lewis Rogers
11-2 Bertha Wright
11-3 Jane Knoll
Icyl Littrell
11-7 Velma Skaggs
11-8 Curtis Kidwell

Dismissals
11-1 Dora McGuffin
Wayne Bybee
11-2 Lucy Ricketts
11-3 Curtis Moore
11-5 H.S. Seeds
11-7 Mary Macina

Jazz Concert Sunday

Southwestern Oklahoma State University jazz ensembles "A", "B" and "C" will be featured in concert on Sunday, Nov. 14, at 3 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center Auditorium on the Weatherford campus.

Admission is free and the public is invited to attend.

Wade Hampton of Wheeler is a member of jazz ensemble "B", performing on the trombone. Jazz ensemble "B" is directed by Jimmy Leach.

Graveside Services Held For Ola Paton Barry, 97

Ola Paton Barry, 97, died Wednesday, Nov. 3, 1993.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4 in Wheeler Cemetery with Ronald Barry of Amarillo officiating. Arrangements were by Wright Funeral Home.

Mrs. Barry was born in Williamson County and married Clarence Ernest Wilhelm. He died in 1917. She married Lawrence Rush Barry in 1923 at Hollis, Okla. He died in 1952. She lived in Wheeler County until 1953, moving to Pampa and later to Amarillo. She was employed as a home-care giver and also by Bivins Memorial Nursing Center.

Survivors include a son, C.E. Wilhelm of Briscoe; a stepdaughter, Cleo Rush Davis of Pampa; 18 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Ft. Elliott Cancels Scrimmages

Both scrimmages schedule on November 11 at Memphis and Nov. 13 at Wellington are cancelled due to the Volleyball teams success and the Cross country team at Austin.

Mustangs Advance After Toss

The Wheeler Mustangs got an early Christmas present this weekend. Despite losing to Canadian Friday night, the Stangs ended up in a three way tie

Mustang Send-Off

The Wheeler Mustang Booster Club wants to give the Mustangs a rousing sendoff on their way to Fritch. They would like as many Mustang fans as possible to gather out at Beef Cattle at 3:45 Friday to cheer the Stangs on as they leave town to play Stratford.

for second in district when Clarendon defeated Panhandle. Saturday morning, the coaches met in Pampa for a coin flip with odd man getting the playoff berth. Coach Ronnie "Wheeler Slim" Karcher's lucky nickel came up heads while Panhandle and Clarendon coaches flipped tails, putting the Mustangs in the playoffs.

The Mustangs play Stratford Friday night at Fritch. Stratford has a 9-1 record and won District 1-AA. The Elks run out of the wishbone, an offense once common among area teams but now seldom faced. The Elks featured backs are cousins, Heath Starnes and Clay Vincent. Quarterback Marcus Lovake does not throw

often, but the Elks beat Spearman with a late passing attack so the Stangs cannot ignore the pass. The elks are solid on defense, but probably not quite as tough as Canadian. Mustang coaches feel if the Stangs play well, they can defeat Stratford and continue on in the playoffs.

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First National Bank Receives Eighteenth Five-Star Rating

Bauer Financial Reports, Inc., Coral Gables, Florida, a bank research and rating firm, is pleased to announce that First National Bank in Wheeler has been awarded its five-star rating for eighteen consecutive quarters (4 1/2 years) since the inception of the awards. Only 792 banks out of 11,333 banks nationwide, less than 7%, have received this continual outstanding rating for safety, strength and performance.

The rating is based on the analysis of March 31, 1993 financial data as filed with federal regulators.

To receive recognition as a Creme de la Creme bank, First National Bank in Wheeler met the following criteria: Its tangible capital exceeded 9.0% of tangible assets, its risk-based capital ratio exceeded 10.5%, delinquencies and repossessed assets were manageable, it was continually soundly invested and the bank has consistently been profitable during the period.

First National Bank in Wheeler has displayed uninterrupted excellence in banking. Having continually earned our highest five-star rating clearly demonstrates First National Bank in Wheeler's commitment to stability and

to remaining a well-capitalized, profitable bank ready to serve its community of customers and neighbors," said Paul A. Bauer, president of the research firm.

Bauer Financial Reports, Inc. analyzes and rates all U.S. banks, thrifts and credit unions. Obviously, not all financial institutions are as strong as First National Bank in Wheeler. If you are interested in the condition of your bank or thrift, call Bauer's BankRater at 1-800-388-6685 between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday, Eastern time. A customer representative will tell you if your bank meets, or fails to meet, federal capital requirements, FREE.

BOOSTER CLUB SELLING SOUVENIR BLANKETS

The Wheeler Booster Club is selling souvenir blankets with a "W". The blankets can be gold with a black letter or black with a gold letter. The blankets will be sold at cost—\$65.

Contact a booster club member to make the purchase.

Lyndon Loyd Will Seek Election To Office of District Clerk

Lyndon Loyd has announced that he will be a candidate for the position of District Clerk of Wheeler County, in the Democratic Primary on March 8, 1994.

After receiving a Bachelor of Science degree from Panhandle State, with a major in business and minor in accounting, Lyndon worked in

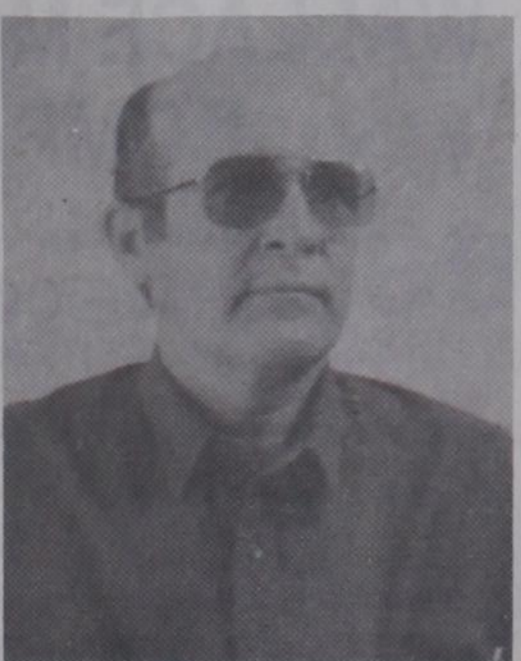
Oklahoma City for Western Electric as a cost accountant. After deciding the big city life was not for him he worked his way to Texas.

Lyndon and his wife, Noveline, moved to Wheeler in 1970, where they have reared both of their children—Lyndon, a Methodist minister living in Arkadelphia, Arkansas, and Mitchie Kenney, who is a senior at McMurry in Abilene. Lyndon has been self-employed in Wheeler and very active in the Methodist Church, Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department, Wheeler Volunteer Ambulance Service, Chamber of Commerce and several civic organizations. Lyndon is currently working as an auctioneer with Lyndon Loyd Auctioneers.

Loyd said, "I decided to file after a great deal of consideration and with the encouragement of family and friends. I will do the job to the best of my ability and I enjoy working with the public."

Your vote and support will be appreciated in the March 8, 1994, Democratic Primary.

(Pol. Adv. paid for by Campaign Chairman, Lyndon Loyd, P.O. Box 156, Wheeler, Texas 79096)



Lyndon Loyd

CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

Congratulations, DENA COMPTON! Dena will be representing Wheeler in competition at the state Cross Country meet in Austin. Dena placed 10th at the District meet last weekend. Good Luck, Dena!

Congratulations, WHEELER MUSTANGS! Coach Karcher won the toss Saturday morning and won the three-way tie for the Mustangs to go into the District Playoffs. We got a break, Mustangs; . . . on to STATE!

Speaking of the toss, Coach Karcher used his 'lucky' nickel. As he was entering the stadium for the Clarendon game, he spotted this nickel on the pavement, heads up. He picked up the nickel and stuck it in his pocket; the Mustangs overcome the odds and defeated Clarendon. When it came time for the toss Saturday, Coach used the same nickel. But the Stratford coach would not let him use his nickel for the toss to determine the home team Friday night—we are the visitors.

Congratulations, FT. ELLIOTT CROSS COUNTRY BOYS & GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TEAM! The boys will be competing as a team in the State Cross Country meet in Austin. The girls won the bi-district title and played the area game Tuesday evening.

We failed to notice the Thursday holiday early enough to put the paper out a day early. The post office put the in-town papers up on Thursday as usual, but the readers on the route will have to wait until Friday to get the paper.

The second six weeks ended last week! I do not know the grades the grandkids received, but Jennifer is on the 'All A' list this time. Good Work, Kid!

If you failed to have breakfast with the firemen last Saturday morning, you missed a good breakfast and good fellowship. As usual the pancakes and sausage were fantastic. Sorry I failed to remind you Thursday. A good turnout was reported.

I understand we have had two grass fires recently that the property owners had an idea what those people in California must have felt like. Both James Verden and Tommy Puryear had nothing but praise for our local firemen. We are fortunate to have such a dedicated group of young men. Thanks, Fellas!

We had company arrive Monday evening! William Thomas from El Reno came out to visit a few days. He had the urge for the bright lights of the city and took a trip to Amarillo Tuesday morning. The cards hit the table Tuesday evening, when Ginger Nelson came over for a game. Okay, Jennifer, I'll tell them; William and I lost. But it was close.

WEATHER

DATE	DAY	Lo	Hi	Pre
11-03	Wed.	32	71	0.00
11-04	Thurs	47	77	0.00
11-05	Fri.	27	42	0.00
11-06	Sat.	20	54	0.00
11-07	Sun.	25	62	0.00
11-08	Mon.	25	59	0.00
11-09	Tues.	29	59	0.00
Low for the year:		02-17,		08
High for the year:		07-24,		104
Total moisture for month:				0.00
Total for year:				14.72"
Total Snow:				00"

Courtesy: KPDR-FM Radio

Mobeetie News

By Melba Corcoran

Happy Birthday to Carl Carter, Leola Root, Diane Reeves, Christy Helmer on Nov. 11. To Amanda Childress, Bobby Blackburn, Jim Walker, Todd Hames, Carolan Aycock, and Darrel Corcoran on Nov. 12. To Edith Donaldson, Kelley Quarles, David Pearson, Melvin Hunt, Cindy Sweet, Jeremy Cornell, Josh Muller on Nov. 13. To Elizabeth Newman, Lisa Maul, F.M. Grimes, David Schmitt, Jesse Hanes and Bevard Dukes on Nov. 14. To Audrey Seitz, Nona Elmore, Ashley Estes on Nov. 15. To Earl May, Al Lehman, Billy Touchstone, Rita Pearson, Eulina Walsler and Vetola Parker on Nov. 16. To Cotton Ridgway, Alice Kelley, Clint Newman, and Barbara Bell on Nov. 17.

Alisha Moffett, Sue Mayfield and Dale Corcoran judged the Posters at Ft. Elliott C.I.S.D. Mobeetie Campus for Drug Free Week, Monday afternoon.

Our Sympathy goes out to the family of Roy Burke. He was buried Saturday in Mobeetie.

Our Sympathy goes out to the family of Lindsey Andrew of San Antonio. He was a former member of Mobeetie.

Dale and Melba Corcoran attended to business Wednesday in Pampa. They visited with Donna Crawford and Shonda Rucker at Coney Island. They said Margaret Trout had been sick but was feeling better over the weekend. Mary Margaret Quarles had got the cast off her leg.

I saw Sheryl Estes on the sports News. Good luck this basketball season. She coaches the Wayland Queens.

Dale and Melba Corcoran went to Wheeler and brought Verna Corcoran to the church to have her picture taken Tuesday. She got to visit with Anna Bell Corcoran at the church.

Sue Harrison and Dale Corcoran dug the Cannas at the jail grounds to protect them for the winter, Wednesday.

Those meeting at the Chuck and Louise Hogan home Sat. to work on the grant for the museum was the Old Mobeetie Texas Association Grant Writing Committee, Bobby Hill, Ada Lou Lester, Louise Hogan and Dale and Melba Corcoran.

Dale and Melba Corcoran visited Pauline and Earl Barnes Friday in Wheeler.

Edith Cross is in Abilene with her children. Dayna Graham had surgery on her wisdom teeth and Edith is taking care of Caleb.

Mr. and Mrs. R.C. Parker of McLean visited Chuck and Louise Hogan Sunday afternoon.

Dale and Melba Corcoran visited Sunday with Verna Corcoran and Pauline and Earl Barnes in Wheeler. Lindy Mason of Amarillo visited Saturday with Jap and Alice Bailey.

Micheal and Candy Hilburn of Pampa spent the weekend with Dennis Hilburn. Charlotte Coward and

Fannie took them home Sunday afternoon.

Aaron Lancaster of Amarillo visited Ariza and Anna Bell Corcoran one day this week.

Sue Glover of Pampa visited Jap and Alice Bailey Wednesday.

J.E. Payne of Hollis, OK and his daughter Donna Payne of Palistine visited his uncles Doyle and Bulah Grimes and Marion and Ethel Grimes, Andy and Liz Shipp, Savannah and Katie of Wheeler.

Hugh and Mae Bailey visited Jap and Alice Bailey Tuesday.

Willis and Verna Fillingim, Martha Meek and Bulah Grimes went to Pampa for water Aerobics on Monday. Bulah said she really enjoyed it.

Lawton and Earlene Hoffer of Miami visited Sunday with Jap and Alice Bailey.

Gene Harrison went to Carnegie, OK to visit his parents, Willard and

Thelma Harrison over the weekend.

James and Alisha Moffett and John went to Amarillo Friday and spent the night with Jamee and Diane Brice. Alisha put her mother Margaret Moore in the hospital for test. She is home and doing o.k. Saturday they went on to Lubbock for the Cross Country contest. The Fort Elliott team placed 3rd and are State bound. Congratulations to them.

Kent and Debbie McLaughlin visited Sunday in Wheeler with Edith McLaughlin.

Shelia and Billy Touchstone of Pampa visited with James and Alisha Moffett and John Sunday.

Calvin and Leola Stuart visited Saturday in Erick, OK with Gladys Richardson. Others there were Dean Richardson of Erick and Dale Richardson of Elk City.

Jimmy and Dorothy Walker of White Deer visited Sunday with Pierce and Nettie Walker.

Calvin and Evelyn Kincannon, and Tim, Tonya, Surea, Jamie and Cody Mixon of Pampa all went to San Angelo over the weekend.

Ashley Mixon of Pampa spent the weekend with her great grandparents Doris and Doug Whaley.

Visiting last week with LaVerne Scribner was Bill and Dutch Elliott of Pampa, Susie and Susan Lohberger.

Bud Scribner of Olton is visiting his mother LaVerne Scribner for a few days.

Mt. View Quilting

The Mt. View Quilting Club met Thursday at the Totty School house with the club as hostess. Refreshments were served by Eva Webb. Estelle Hodges will be next hostess. Visitors attending were Stormie Lancaster of Pampa, Leonard and Bertha Hollis of Bovia, Mo. Bertha's mother, Mrs. Willis, was a long time member of the club. Others attending were Betty Haines, Lottie Reynolds, of Pampa, Bulah Grimes, Martha Meek, Flora Mae Kelley, Audrey Seitz, Estelle Hodges, and Eva Webb.

Mobeetie XYZ

The Mobeetie XYZ met Nov. 5 at the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church. The Club voted to donate to the Mike Newland Scholarship Fund and the Neil Smith Fund this year for their Christmas Project. They are also giving \$2 each to the Buckner's Children Home in Lubbock this year and get only \$1.00 plus tax gifts for exchange among their members.

Ethel Grimes brought a poem by Helen Steiner Rice for their devotional. They had 18 members attending their meeting and a covered dish supper preceded by the Blood Pressure Clinic with 51 people having their blood sugar checked. Rev. Ralph Hovey asked the blessing on their meal. Games were enjoyed following the meal. Those attending were Louise Hogan, Orville Greenhouse, Austin Caldwell, R. St. John, Kelley Cross, Lester Leonard, F. Marion and Ethel Grimes, Doyle and Bulah Grimes, Willis and Verna Fillingim, Rev. Ralph and Mary Hovey, Leonard and Bertha Hollis, J.P. and Martha Meek.

Mobeetie City Council

The Mobeetie City Council met Nov. 1 at the City Hall with Dale Corcoran Mayor in charge. Minutes were read by City Secretary Alisha Moffett. Motion by Lena James to accept as read. Seconded by Wanda Estes. Carried 3-0. Financial Report was given by Alisha Moffett and the Tax Collectors report was given by Melba Corcoran. Lena James made motion to accept the reports. Seconded by Jim Kephart. Carried 3-0. Wanda Estes made motion that Melba prepare a list of properties with delinquent taxes to be put up for sale. Seconded by Jim Kephart. Carried 3-0. Lena James made a motion to pay bills as presented, seconded by Wanda Estes, carried 3-0.

Dale Corcoran reported the State Water Commission was here last week checking on the well for their yearly visit. They will send a report later of recommendations.

Wanda Estes made a motion to send Melissa Hampton a certified letter with the action the council will be taking. Seconded by Lena James, carried 3-0.

Jackie May, Water Superintendent, reported that 2 of the electric heaters at the well were not working. He will get them repaired. He also requested some supplies. Jim Kephart made a motion that Jackie take care of these items and some repairs needed. Seconded by Wanda Estes, carried 3-0. Motion by Wand Estes to adjourn. Seconded by Lena James, carried 3-0.

Those present were Mayor Dale Corcoran, council members, Wanda Estes, Lena James, Jim Kephart, City Sec. Alisha Moffett, Water Superintendent Jackie May and Tax Collector Melba Corcoran.

Old Mobeetie Texas Association

The Old Mobeetie Texas Association met Thursday, Oct. 4, 1993 at the hospitality room of the First State Bank with Dale Corcoran President presiding. Minutes were read by Melba Corcoran. Treasurer Report by Louise Hogan.

Volunteer hours reported by Louise Hogan showed 367 hours for October. Visitors reported by Melba Corcoran showed 95 visitors with 6 from out of state and 1 foreign country.

Melba Corcoran reported a total of 3733 work sheets have been completed. Ada Lou Lester passed around sample of a brochure. The brochure was put together by Liz Ann Shurgart and Trish of Elkhart Kans., Kent Dyson and Employee of Topographic Land Surveyors of Pampa, Tonya Finsterwald and Ada Lou Lester. There were a few suggestions of changes. The group voted to go with the brochure with the changes. All labor was donated on this project.

The storm windows are in and at the jail house waiting for C.W. Burch to get them installed. The ladder for the fire escape is in and waiting to be installed. A welder will be hired to install it. The doors for the saloon are bought.

The Grant Writing Committee will be meeting Saturday at Louise Hogans. The Committee is Bobby Hill, Ada Lou Lester, Louise Hogan and Dale and Melba Corcoran. Bobby Hill will check with General Telephone about a pay phone outside at the jail. Ada Lou Lester presented the group with the International Code of Medical Ethic that hung on Dr. Walkers office door. This was presented by Sandra Christner. She also announced Tommy Puryear had presented the group with an oxen yoke that was at the Red Rock House on Frye-Puryear Ranch. Wheeler Historical Chairman Margaret Dorman wants to work with them on the project of location and marking all the schools in Wheeler Co.

The museum will be receiving the bell from Ft. Elliott. It was presented by Modelle Williams Copenhaven. Dale Corcoran and Sue Harrison has dug up the Cannas at the jail and winterized them.

The toll box is up at the jail for campers to drop their fee in. Terry



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Engagement Announcement: Kelli Yvonne Sutton is a 1990 graduate of Wheeler High and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Sutton of Canadian and Ms. Pauline Sutton of Amarillo. Kelli is currently attending WTAMU in Canyon majoring in Secondary Education Speech/Theatre. She presently employed by Susanne's boutique. Her husband to be, Scott Franklin Wilkerson, is a 1990 graduate of Spearman High and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Wilkerson of Spearman. Scott is also attending WTAMU in Canyon, majoring in Secondary Education CIS/Health. He is employed by Dunlaps. A shower will be held in Wheeler on Nov. 21, 1993 at the home of Ella Mae Woods. The wedding date is set for December 18, at Spearman First Baptist Church.

Timmons of Amarillo made and donated the box. It was installed near the Big Sign.

The group voted to buy frames to put the pictures of all of the Wheeler County Sheriffs in. The group decided to pay 1/2 of the freight for the bell.

Those attending were R. St. John, Austin Caldwell, Kelley Cross, Ada Lou Lester, Bobby Hill, Louise Hogan, Sallie Harris and Dale and Melba Corcoran.

History of Ft. Elliott

Ft. Elliott was established in 1875. It was one of the last established by the U.S. Army to protect the settlers from Marauding Indians. It was named for Major Joel H. Elliott who was killed in a battle on the Washita River near Cheyenne OK. In 1880 there were 296 soldiers at the fort. There was a troop of colored soldiers at the fort. The Buffalo Soldiers who made up the All-Black 9th and 100th Cavalry regi-

ments and the 24th and 25th infantries. The 9th Cavalry was at Ft. Elliott. One of the Soldiers was Henry Ossian Flipper the first black graduate of West Point 1877. He was a Lieutenant and was assigned as a post commissary and quartermaster. He was framed at Fort Davis in 1881 on embezzlement and thief and court martial. He was cleared in 1976. He worked as a surveyor, mining engineer, writer of Technical Journals in Spanish land laws. He also served as advisor for U.S. Interior Dept. on the Alaskan railway system. But he never considered himself as anything but a soldier. He died in 1940.

His picture is on display at the Old Mobeetie Jail Museum.

More about the fort next week.

Meals On Wheels MENU

November 15, thru November 19, 1993

MONDAY: Pork fritters, mashed potatoes, sweet kraut, green beans, Rice Krispy Treats.

TUESDAY: Pinto beans with ham bits, fried potatoes, onion slices, fruit cobbler, cornbread.

WEDNESDAY: Fried chicken, blackeyed peas, brussel sprouts, pineapple cream pudding.

THURSDAY: Roast beef & gravy, masked potatoes, buttered carrots, yogurt, hot rolls.

FRIDAY: Breaded veal cutlets, navy beans, buttered spinach, fruit cocktail cake.

(Menu subject to change)

Nothing makes you more tolerant of a neighbor's noisy party than being there.

—Franklin P. Jones

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on her 80th birthday.

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Sunday, November 21, 1993
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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IN MEMORY OF OLA JONES BARRY

Graveside services were conducted November 4, 1993 in Wheeler Cemetery with Ronald Barry of Amarillo officiating. Arrangements were by Wright Funeral Home.

Ola Paton Jones Barry was born in Williamson County, Texas September 5, 1896 to William Andrew and Bertie Ann Rutherford Jones. Three daughters were born to them; Bernice Jones in 1890; Bessie Bell Jones in 1893; Ola Paton Jones in 1896.

A brother of Bertie Ann Rutherford Jones, Moses Rutherford, came to Old Greer County Oklahoma and picked a homestead for each of his brothers and sisters except one sister who lived in Fort Worth.

William Andrew and Bertie Ann Jones and family moved to Oklahoma in covered wagons to the homestead nine miles north of Gould, Oklahoma in 1902. In moving they tried to make it to a county-seat in order to camp at a wagon yard, but of course this wasn't always possible. They arrived, as did the other Rutherford kinfolks, and set about proving up on the homesteads. Starting with half-dugouts to barns and houses; from hauling water on a sled from a spring to windmills.

Moses, William, and Robert Rutherford with their families also established themselves. Also Bertie Ann's sister and husband; Tom and Jennie Hurst came; also moving along

with the rest came Old Grandpa and Grandma Rutherford, the father and mother of all the above brothers and sisters mentioned.

Lots of interesting things happened in those days that seem foreign to us who live in this age of coast to coast highways, airplanes, computers, T.V. meals, and world wide communication.

My Aunt Bessie (Mrs. Lee Barry) said that Old Grandpa Rutherford would ride up to their homestead on his mule and sit on the animal in the yard while Aunt Bessie brought him a glass of buttermilk to refresh the old gentleman and then continue on his way.

Gradually the Rutherford kinfolks moved away, probably to better land and more opportunities but William Andrew and Bertie Ann stayed on their homestead.

Bernie married Bud White in 1909. Bernie died in 1911. But moved to Arizona later.

Bessie married Lee Barry in 1916. Lee died in 1964. Bessie died in 1972.

Ola married Clarence Ernest Wilhelm in 1914. To this union was born; Clinton in 1915; Ernest Jr. in 1917. Clarence Ernest Wilhelm, Sr. died in 1917.

Ola married Lawrence Rush Barry in 1923. To this union was born; Nelda Bess in 1929; L.R. Jr. in 1933.

They lived in Wheeler County many years. They lived in Wheeler a short time while Lawrence Rush helped tear down the old Courthouse in Wheeler in about 1923. They lived on three different places on Britt Ranch. They moved to the H.M. Wiley place N.W. of Wheeler in about 1926. They moved

to three miles east of Briscoe in about 1928.

They moved back to Wheeler in about 1950 where Lawrence Rush Barry died in 1952.

Ola worked at Bivins Nursing Home in Amarillo. When she was unable to work she was admitted to the Bivins Nursing home as a resident. Ola died in the Bivins Memorial Nursing Home on Wallace Blvd. on Nov. 3, 1993. Preceding her in death were: Clinton Wilhelm in 1919, L. R. Barry Jr. in 1945; husband Lawrence Rush Barry in 1952 and Nelda Bess Barry Bush in 1983.

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THE WHEELER TIMES

Page 3—Thursday, November 11, 1993
"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Here & There

By Laura Guthrie

I gave you a few lines not long ago commending the friends of the aged. Here is a bit more of that poem.

Blessed are they that smile, Who stop to chat for a little while.

Blessed are they who make it know that I am loved, respected and not alone.

Blessed are they that ease the days on my journey Home in loving ways.

We have a lot of Blessed people, but there is always a need for more.

I'm in a jitter this week. My birthday is coming up. I know I'm going to have a visit from a dear, long time friend and that I will be taken to Maxey's for dinner, and that others are invited to join us. But the details I don't know. So like a 5 year old, I can hardly wait. But you will have to wait until next week for me to tell you about it.

I do know that Dorothy and Adrian Risner were planning to attend the dinner. But they had word today (Monday) that Adrian's brother, Dr. Scott Risner of Longview had passed away. Of course Dorothy and Adrian hurried away. Scottie, as we all called him, grew up in Wheeler. When World War II came along, he enlisted in the Service. On his return to civilian states he entered into training as an optometrist. He has practiced that Profession until he retired. His health has not been good for several years. Scottie was one of "our boys", good natured, well behaved and loved by all.

Dr. Larry Barbour and wife Fredrika, have been out of their offices a few days. They have been to the South visiting with children and grandchildren. I just can't wait for a report.

Janette and Darrell Cathey of White Deer spent Saturday with her sister Patricia and Ed Forrester. They helped with Patricia's Garage Sale, which I hear, was quite successful.

Patricia and Ed Forrester went to Pampa Monday evening to visit with her mother and daddy and an aunt and uncles Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jones and Wade Dillard all from Ft. Worth. Mrs. Jones and Mr. Dillard are sister and brother of Patricia's mother.

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Wheeler MENU

November 15- November 19, 1993
Monday: Chicken strips, cream potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls, peaches, milk.

Tuesday: Polish sausage, potatoe salad, blackeye peas, cornbread muffins, cake, milk.

Wednesday: BBQ Chicken, coleslaw, baked beans, butter toast, banana pudding, milk.

Thursday: Hamburgers, cheese, tomato, lettuce, pickles, onions, tator tots, ice cream, milk.

Friday: Corn Dogs, cheese sticks, fresh veggies, tator tots, brownies, milk.

Menu subject to change.



Erica Brook Ellison is the 16 month old daughter of Edwin and Melonie Ellison of Wheeler. Grandparents are Bennie and Connie Reeves and Joe and Ann Ellison, all of Wheeler. Great grandparents are Ruby Beshears and Ray and May Brazil, of Wheeler and Dot and Ruth Ellison of Sayre, Oklahoma.

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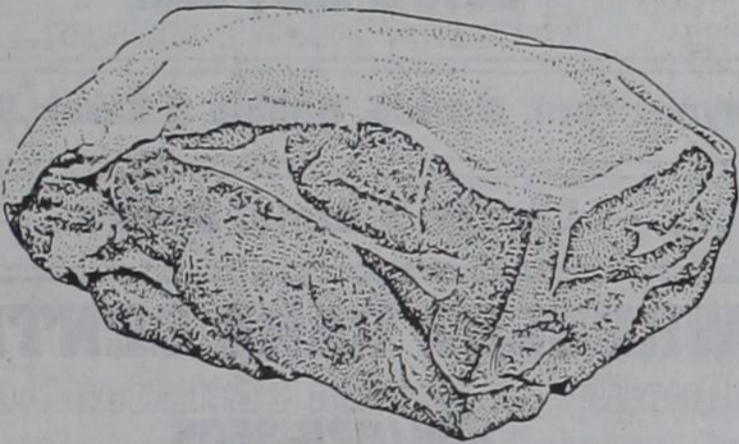
The Bible says, "Death and life are in the power of the tongue." Most people think that death and life are just up to God. "Well, it's in God's hands," they say. But God didn't say that. He didn't say it is up to Him what happens to you. Some Christians think that since they are Christians and since God is more powerful than the devil, nothing can happen to them unless it is in the will of God.

God is indeed more powerful than the devil, but God does not get to do everything that He wants to for people. He wants to save and bless and heal and prosper people, but if the people close Him out and open the door to the devil, things will happen that are not in the will of God. The Bible does not teach us that things are left in God's hands, and there's nothing that we can do about it. Instead, the Lord says that He has set life and death before us, and blessing and cursing. Then, He did not say, "I will therefore choose which is best for you." Somebody said that God always chooses the best when the choice is left to Him. That sounds nice, but it isn't Scriptural because He already made His choice. He sent Jesus to give Himself as a sacrifice in our place in order to provide salvation, healing, blessings, power, protection, peace and joy for us. It is in our hands, though, to choose the same things God already has. When He said that life and death, blessing and cursing are before us, He then said, "Choose life." (See Deuteronomy 30:19) Death and life are not up to Him. He said that it is in the power of our tongues and whichever we habitually talk about is what we are going to have. How are you talking today?

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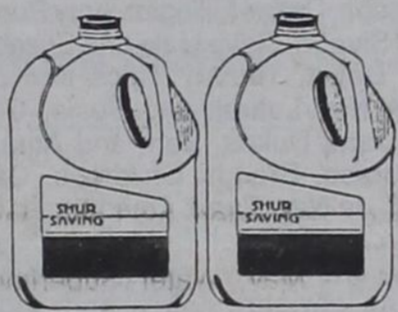
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GAGEBY NEWS

By Verna Fillingim

Happy Birthday to F.M. Grimes, Bevard Dukes, Elizabeth Newman and Jesse Hanes on Nov. 14, Ashley Estes, Nona Elmore and Aubrey Sietz on Nov. 15, Earl May, Al Lehman, Rita Pearson, Billy Touchstone, Euline Walsler, Vetola Parker, on Nov. 16, Cotton Ridgway, Clint Newman, Alice Kelly and Barbara Bell on Nov. 17, Keith Ratliff, Cindy Gorley, Ernie Gordon and Aaron Bleakley on Nov. 19, Glenn Rose, Heather Luttrell, Sheri Hall, and Bridgett Maddox on Nov. 20.

Happy Anniversary to Al and Sue Lehman on Nov. 19, B.F. and Margie Meadows and Dr. Terence and Beth Cook on Nov. 20.

Nice to visit with Jim Goding when he came to vote. He just got back from a vacation to Illinois to visit a niece and her family. He enjoyed watching the children play soccer.

Next Monday night, November 15, at Briscoe, Fort Elliott J.V. boys will play Pampa Christian at 5:00 P.M. Then at 6:30 P.M. Kelton Junior High will play Fort Elliott at 6:30, girls and boys.

There was a nice group at XYZ Friday night and delicious food. Nice to have Leonard and Bertha Hollis there. Ethel Grimes gave a devotional, very timely.

Alicia Yowell and Brandon Logan were united in marriage Saturday, November 6 at 1:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Sayre before a large crowd of relatives and friends. They made a handsome couple. Alicia was escorted down the aisle by dads Bob Carey and Paul Ray Yowell.

Fort Elliott Cross Country Runners did so well at Regional at Lubbock Saturday, November 6 that they will advance to Austin for state competition on Saturday, Nov. 13. Those running were David Helton, Jake Swigart, Jonathan Lester, Justin Wesbrooks, Steven May, John Moffett and Johnny Brannen. Some going to cheer were Dale and Lisa Helton, James and Alisha Moffett, Patty Ann Shields and Amanda, Brenda Hefley and Tera and Nathan.

Correction: Hope you enjoy the recipes. Someone thought soda was left out of the oatmeal cookie recipe. Add one teaspoon soda and only a half teaspoon of coconut or almond flavoring for a different taste.

Nice to visit with Clarence and Eldon Walsler at Washita. Clarence admits to 82 years and had a bad fall from a grainary several months ago, but gets around better than many much younger, us too. He's been working long hours bailing hay, etc., but they were heading to Pampa to eat at Furr's.

"The love of God surrounds us, Like the air we breathe around us, As near as a heartbeat, as close as a prayer, And whenever we need Him, He'll always be there!" by Helen Steiner Rice.

Congratulations to Christy and Joe Willingham on the birth of their new baby boy, Caylen Joe, born at Lawton, Oct. 28th. Best wishes. Grandma Becky Zybach is visiting them and helping to spoil that new grand baby.

Doris Finsterwald and Mary Finsterwald went to Wichita Falls to visit Mary's sister, Geneva over the weekend.

Sincere sympathy to Ann Best and other relatives and friends in the death of Stanley Best.

Fort Elliott High School girls were playing volleyball for area at Knox City Tuesday night, Nov. 9 against Water Valley.

The Wheeler Dairy Queen ladies had a nice 93rd birthday party for Percy Farmer with many friends there. Percy made a speech about how making a commitment to Jesus when he was 16 had blessed and guided his life. Percy is a fine man. Happy Birthday, Percy.

So nice to have Joe and Sherry Wagoner come out for a visit Sunday afternoon. Their daughter Shawna is working and going to college at Arlington.

Jill Brown is going to college at WTA&M this year and is a cheerleader. Rita and Lindsey watched her cheer Sunday. She is good!

"A marriage isn't made at an altar in a fancy dress with gorgeous flowers and lavish gifts. That is only a wedding."

Best wishes to our Cross Country boys at State. This is the first time Mobeetie or Briscoe has sent a boys team to State. Also going to Lubbock Saturday to watch were Billy and Shelia Touchstone.

Next Tuesday, Nov. 16, Fort Elliott High School will play at Kelton at 6:30. Fort Elliott High School Tournament will be November 18-20.

We are expecting Mary and H.C. Newman and Clint from Dallas to visit us a few days over Thanksgiving.

Addie Swift and Wanda Childress went to Shannon and visited two of Addies' brothers and wives, Hap and Sorghum Castle and Fred and Edith Castle. On Friday Wanda and Addie and Fred and Edith went to Wichita Falls and visited a cousin, Foy Duncan in a hospital. He knew them, but Addie got word Sunday that he had passed away. Sincere sympathy to the family. Wanda and Addie came back by Chillicothe to the ball game.

Oden and Lois Hudson will be celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary with a celebration at Wheeler Country Chapel Church Saturday, November 27 from 2-4 p.m. hosted by children and grandchildren. Friends and relatives are invited to come and share the fun.

Helen Singleton substitutes about three days a week in Amarillo Schools grades up to 4th and enjoys it.

Rita Pearson and Lindsey went to Canyon Sunday to watch W.T.A.&M. girls play their last volleyball game. They were defeated by Colorado Christian. But had previously won 55 in a row.

Sincere sympathy to Alvis and Jane Burke of Longview in the death of their son, Roy Burke of Liberal. Graveside services were at 3:00 p.m. Saturday at Mobeetie. Jane is a cousin to Homer and Leonard Sanders.

Zephaniah 3:17 "The Lord your God is in your midst, a victorious warrior. He will exult over you with joy, He will renew you in his love, He will rejoice over you with shouts of joy."

Weekend visitors to E.G. and Willa Fillingim were Gayle and Helen Singleton. So nice to have them out to church and a special song by Gale. Other

Sunday dinner guests were Sarita Hershman, Chris Hill, Maralee Singleton and Charles and LaJo Crownover and Jodie, Londa and Terri and Shana Nall. Nice to have Shana out to church. They celebrated LaJo and Helen's birthdays.

Susie Luttrell and Ja'Nae Goad did a great job cheerleading at Chillicothe. Others there were Edna Earl Luttrell, Tammy Andris and Michelle and Timmy.

Willis, Martha Meek and I held the election at the Washita voting booth Tuesday. Pretty long day from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM and only had 20 to vote in all. But we enjoyed visiting. Bouquets to the precinct guys for everything being so clean and tidy and warm. After we took the results in, we ate pizza.

Thanksgiving is approaching and we have so much to be thankful for. Wouldn't it be nice if we would write notes to people who have been a blessing to us this year or many years ago? Especially be thankful to God.

Sincere sympathy to Doc and Iolene Wilhelm and other family members in the death of Doc's mother, Ola Barry, at Amarillo Wednesday. Graveside funeral was Thursday at Wheeler beside her husband Lawrence Barry. Nice to meet Doc's Wilhelm cousins and wives from the Hollis-Dodson area. Ola and Lawrence Barry lived east of Briscoe for a time and were our neighbors.

We had a very good singing Sunday night at Gageby with Gaye Hale in charge. Guest singer was Pam Jones. Surprise two, (sounded good) was James Moffett, David Gilmer and Chuck Hartline. Willa had a medley of unusual poems. Tamera Hartline played the piano. Willis Fillingim played the harmonica. Others singing were Ray Forbes, Winnie Gilmer, Lois Meadows with Evelyn and Martha Meek, Terri Crownover and Aaron Hartline, Alisha Moffett. Scripture readings by Gaye Hale and Phoebe Meek. Come back again, Pam, sounded good! In December Martha Meek will be in charge.

Monday night, Nov. 8 at Fort Elliott Briscoe was a bonfire and hamburger cookout for everyone to honor the good season of volleyball girls and cross country boys and herald basketball season. Cheerleaders did cheers and routines.

Nice to visit with Pat Hudson on the phone. Cheryl and her boyfriend, Jeff Fraley, were weekend visitors to Ray and Pat. Christina is now free to be adopted and they are looking for a good home for her-not too far away.

Nice to see Shawn and Daphne Zybach at the Pizza Hut Tuesday night all dress up, celebrating their second wedding anniversary. Alexis stayed with grandparents David and Becky. Best wishes.

Timothy Brock, 3, spent a few days visiting grandparents Dick and Ruth Irvine and came to vote with Ruth. A real cutie. He is the middle son of Stephanie and Craig Brock and has brothers Bryant and Joshua and they live at Joshua, Texas.

Heather Ratliff and Laura Meadows are part of the 83 member Canadian High School marching band. They have won contests at Borger and Odessa and were headed for Austin Sunday. Nice to visit with Sue and Heather at the voting booth. Sue is enjoying her nurses' training and also works at Canadian Hospital. As much as Sue has nursed, it is easy for her.

Pray for Louis Wayne Grayson; he was pretty ill in High Plains Baptist Hospital.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Ruth (Puryear) Willoughby 64, who passed away at Lawton, Oklahoma. Bob Puryear still is poorly but he and Virginia went to the funeral.

I got a "Pineapple Gooney Cake" with pecans on top at the Fort Elliott Cake walk Saturday night. Several wanted the recipe. It was very good. Anyone want to share that recipe? I took it to Wheeler Senior Citizens. I also took a Hamburger Casserole that some wanted the recipe for. It is really Bertha Hollis' recipe: 1 to 1 1/2 lbs. hamburger meat; 1-10 oz. pack frozen broccoli cuts cooked; 16 oz. of flat tator tots; 1 can mushroom soup; 1 carton (1 cup) sour cream; 1/2 lb. cheddar cheese grated.

Line 9 x 13 casserole pan with tator tots and bake 30 minutes at 350 degrees. Brown hamburger meat (I added a little onion chopped to the meat) Salt and pepper to taste. Layer meat over tators. Layer broccoli over meat. Mix soup and cream and cover broccoli. Cover with grated cheese. Bertha also put onion rings on top. Bake about 45 minutes, covered, at 350 degrees.

There were a lot of fans who went to Chillicothe Saturday to watch our Fort Elliott High School volleyball team win over Chillicothe for the third year in a row. We started cold and lost the first game 5-15, but came back and won the other 2, 15-9, 15-3. Girls playing were Missy Laverty, Shelly Hunt, Andrea Dukes, Lindsey Fillingim, Misty Mumford, Caaron Laverty, Jamey James, Kerri Nelson, Brandi Luttrell. Some fans there to cheer them on included Red and Anna Dukes, Gordon and Barbee Laverty and Cheyenne, Danny, Casey and Shelby from Decatur, Aaron and Claudetta Laverty, Claude Laverty, Lester Leonard, Austin Caldwell, Bevard and Diane Dukes and Carissa, Bob and Gena Zybach, Mac and Gay Purcell, Dan and Chris Fillingim from Elk City, David and Rita Pearson, Dallas Fillingim, Amy Purcell, Olaf Sivage, Gaye Hale and Elizabeth and David, Tammy Tipps and Jennifer, Kay Luttrell and Susie, Clyde and Jane Dukes, Sam and Amanda Childress, Brenda Childress, Cathy Hunt, Ja'Nae Goad, Deedy and Julie Zybach and Sarah Beth, Bob Downs, Dave and Becky Johnson and girls, Emma Swigart, Larry and Vickie Nelson, Mary Lou Nelson and Danielle, Willis and Verna Fillingim, J.V. girls and others.

From Last Week Julie Gilmer was home from Amherst over the weekend and brought a college friend, who teaches near Amherst. Keith and Kristi Meek went back to Lubbock Sunday. She is doing better.

Terry and Becky Tipps and Zackary Adam and Casey were weekend visitors to Dick and Ruth Irvine and Dean and Georgia Tipps and family.

Weekend visitors to James and Marty Ogle and Misty were Melody and Tommy. They did some hunting and all went to the carnival. Keep praying for Ed Gilmer and family.

"As children bring their broken toys with tears for us to mend, I took my broken dreams to God Because he was my friend. But then instead of leaving Him in peace to work alone, I stood around and tried to help in ways that were my own. At last I snatched them back and cried, "How can you be so slow?" "My child, he said, "What could I do? You never did let go."

Pray for Don and LaJune Alexander. They had surgery at Lubbock Methodist Hospital last Wednesday to remove a kidney from Don and give it to LaJune so she could quit dialysis and do better.

Weekend visitors to Vetola Parker and Troice Young were Weldon and Diane Parker and Michelle from Liberal and Nick Young.

Larry and Vickie Nelson and Kerri, Jimmy, Danny and Mary and Danielle all went to a family reunion Sunday at Kelton School with over a hundred there. Meal catered by Maxey's.

Dorothy and Bulldog Walker went to Rogers, Ark., before the snow hit to visit his sister, Lannie Criswell for a few days.

Keri Nelson spent Friday night with Misty Morgan.

Last Sunday, October 24, April Purcell celebrated her 15th birthday with a family dinner at the home of grandparents, R. L. and Rozena Zybach. Others there were Mike and Melody Goad and Ja'Nae, Mac and Gaye Purcell and Josh, Lori Baird and Jessica Lauren and Charity Shea, Royce and Deedy Zybach and Julie and Sarah Beth.

Pray for Juanita Prater, who is having problems with kidney stones.

Carolyn Nicholson visited Mae Welch Sunday afternoon.

Keep praying for David Gilmer. Winnie was taking him back to Amarillo to the doctor Monday. Keeps having back trouble and legs are so numb it's hard to walk.

"God be with you till we meet again".

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1993 WHEELER MUSTANGS

Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class
Porton	QB	5'7"	115	Fr.
Sabbe	QB	5'11"	160	Sr.
Eliason	SE	6'0"	160	Sr.
Dunnam	RB	6'1"	190	Sr.
Bradley	RB	5'11"	150	So.
Meraz	SE	5'2"	110	Fr.
Hink	RB	6'0"	190	Sr.
Meraz	RB	5'9"	150	Sr.
Jose	RB	5'7"	130	So.
Concis	RB	6'0"	190	Sr.
Stevens	RB	5'8"	135	Fr.
Hardcastle	SE	5'9"	155	Sr.
Brownfield	FB	6'1"	225	Sr.
Ledbetter	RB	6'1"	185	Jr.
Kennedy	RB	5'9"	130	So.
Case	RB	5'9"	130	Fr.
Hefley	SE	5'10"	150	Jr.
Stiles	C	6'0"	160	Jr.
Giggins	G	6'0"	175	Jr.
Flanagan	G	5'10"	195	So.
Brinkley	G	5'5"	150	Jr.
Dorman	C	5'10"	190	So.
Weatherly	G	5'9"	140	So.
Core	C	5'5"	125	So.
Woollard	T	5'11"	205	Sr.
Harrison	T	6'0"	205	Jr.
Deard	G	5'8"	140	Fr.
Hutchison	G	5'10"	195	Fr.
Fletcher	T	6'5"	290	Jr.
Hennig	T	5'11"	155	Fr.
Fletcher	T	6'5"	300	So.
Levenport	T	5'10"	230	Jr.
Brickey	T	6'0"	240	Fr.
Brownfield	T	6'2"	290	Fr.
Case	T	6'1"	225	Jr.
Riemer	SE	6'2"	170	Sr.
Russon	TE	5'11"	165	So.
Saylor	SE	5'5"	125	So.
Keelin	TE	5'7"	130	Fr.
Baize	TE	6'5"	175	Sr.
Sparlin	SE	5'10"	120	Fr.
Gallardo	SE	5'8"	140	Fr.
Delgado	G	5'2"	125	Fr.
Winder	T	5'9"	145	Fr.

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Coaches: Jeff Pierce, Shawn Read, Steve Scott
Assistant: Ernest Lovell, Britton Davis
Manager: Glyndol Holland
Trainer: Tim Neal
Sponsor: Buzz Dirickson
Sponsor: Kim Goad
Sponsor: Julie Porter (Sr.), Shelby Beers (Sr.), Nissa
(Sr.), Casey Velasquez (Sr.), Erica Puryear (Jr.),
(Jr.)
Sponsor: M Maddux (Jr.)

1993 Wheeler Mustang FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Opponent	Date	Time
West Texas (Scrim)	T	5:30
Shamrock (Scrim)	H	5:30
Gruver	W-7	G-7
Sunray	W-9	S-7
Spearman	W-13	S-22
Booker	W-0	B-14
Quanah	W-17	Q-6
Panhandle	W-7	P-33
Memphis	W-26	M-6
Wellington	W-42	We-13
Clarendon	W-13	C-6
Canadian	W-7	C-13

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No.	Name	Wt.	Pos.	Cl.
11	Marcus Lavake	180	QB	Jr.
13	T. D. Baskin	165	QB	So.
16	Chris Haynes	120	QB	Fr.
19	Clint Craig	170	QB	Jr.
22	J. B. Presley	110	HB	Fr.
23	Brandon Starnes	130	HB	So.
24	Ben Pigman	160	HB	Jr.
25	Clint Vincent	165	HB	Jr.
27	Heath Starnes	185	HB	Sr.
30	Oscar Baeza	170	FB	Jr.
32	Ty Young	140	FB	Fr.
33	Adam Genn	145	FB	So.
50	James Vigil	140	C	So.
52	Julian Licon	175	G	Jr.
60	Adan Gonzales	170	G	Sr.
63	W. G. Lasley	140	G	So.
64	Michael Meil	130	T	Fr.
65	Michael Gonzales	150	G	Jr.
66	Coby Seaton	145	G	Jr.
67	Rhea Chumley	170	G	Jr.
71	Trew James	200	T	Jr.
72	Colby Wheeler	205	T	Sr.
76	Kyle McAdams	175	G	Sr.
77	Aaron Griffith	210	T	Jr.
79	Julio Torres	200	T	Sr.
80	Kyle Ellison	150	E	So.
81	Adrian Aguilera	155	E	Sr.
83	Shana Galla	145	E	Sr.
85	Chandler Smith	165	E	Sr.
86	Ryan Wanner	130	E	Jr.
88	Lawrence Aguilera	220	E	Jr.
65	Jared Sims	160	G	So.
77	Rudy Gonzales	160	T	Fr.
86	Jackie Larance	90	E	Fr.
88	Ryan Davis	140	E	Fr.

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Asst. Band Director: Bobby Buhr
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Cheerleader Sponsor: Linda Young
Managers: Teddy Dretske, Ryan Swain & Clay Wheeler
Cheerleaders: Kaci Wright, Sr.; Stacy Reese, Sr.; Ashley Parsons, Jr.; Lea Shuping, Jr.; Kelli Wright, So.; Keely Naugle, So.
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MUSTANGS FAIL TO DEFEAT CANADIAN

Wheeler Mustangs traveled to Canadian Friday to take on the Wildcats with a share of the district title on the line. Unfortunately for the Mustangs, they ran into the Wildcat defense that shut down the offense. The Wildcat defense that shut down the Mustang offense, holding Wheeler to less than 100 yards total offense. The Stang defense almost completely throtled the Mustang offense, but just could not completely throttle the Canadian offense.

At the first break of the game as Canadian ran for their 35 to the Mustang ten on their first play. Kevin Flowers appeared to be heading into the end zone when he fumbled and Marcus recovered in the end zone for a touchback. On the first half the teams traded punts until with 1:15 left in the half and the Mustang punting from the 20 yard line. Marcus Hardcastle was unable to handle the punt and the ball was tackled on the one yard line. Flowers then scored on the next play to give Canadian a 7-0 lead at halftime. Just how much the defenses dominated is shown by the first half yardage totals: 60 for Canadian and 36 for Wheeler with only one first down.

In the third quarter, the Wildcats pretty well put the game away with a 10 play 59 yard drive with Jeremy Harper scoring on a six yard run. Cliff Fletcher then broke through the Wildcat line to block the extra point, leaving Canadian in front 13-0. Finally with the fourth quarter winding down, the Stangs drove 85 yards, mostly behind the passing of Chad Dunnam. Ashley Brownfield scored from the 1 with three minutes remaining in the game.

The Stangs then attempted to inside kick, but the ball took a Sunday hop right into Wildcat hands and Canadian was able to run out the clock.

The main problem the Mustang offense faced was the extreme quickness of the Canadian defense. With the Mustangs lacking a big play passing threat, the Wildcats committed all eleven defenders to stop the run, making it

impossible for the Mustang linemen to block everyone. When the Stangs went to the air in the fourth quarter, they were successful and moved the ball well. Hopefully, this will give the Stangs confidence they can pass if future opponents use the same tactics.

And their will be a future opponent as Wheeler will play Stratford next week in bi-district. The Stangs won a three way coin flip with panhandle and Clarendon for the district number two seed in the playoffs. Hopefully, the Stratford defense won't be quite as tough to crack as Canadian was and the Stangs can bring home a bi-district trophy.

Statistics:	W	C
Total Yards	89	202
Rushing	23	122
Passing	66	80
Comp-Att-Int	5-10-0	5-7-0
Punts	7-30	4-40
Fumbles	0	2

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Sec 21, Blk RE. UNIT DESIGN—Philcon Development Co., et al to Myrl V. Hunter, et al, 10-22-93, Sec 34, Blk M-1, H&GN Survey. ASSIGN—Tom L. Scott, Inc. to Upland Resources, Inc., 10-27-93, Sec 41, Blk A-3. NOVEMBER 3, 1993 D—LaVerda Guffey to Lee Hibler, et ux, 11-1-93, 10 acs N 20 acs E1/2 SE1/4 Sec 15, Blk A-4. DVL—LaVerda Guffey to Earl Carr, et ux, 11-1-93, 9.88 acs N20 acs E1/2 SE1/4 Sec 15, Blk A-4. DT—Earl Carr, et ux to LaVerda Guffey, 11-1-93, 9.88 acs N20 acs E1/2 SE1/4 Sec 15, Blk A-4. RDT—United States of America to Floyd D. Troxell, et ux, 11-3-93, E1/2 N1/2 SW1/4 Sec 51, Blk 17, H&GN Survey. CORR—Jerry Lee Hawkins, et ux to Mary Lea Cole, 11-2-93, Lot 7, Blk

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Care Center Comments By Cathy

Thanksgiving is right around the corner and then we have a count down to Christmas. We have already started planning for Christmas here at WCC. Once again this year we will have a contest between the 4 different halls. Last year A Hall won the best decorated hall. It will be fun to see who will win this year. With the new addition onto the lobby means lots more to decorate, so Mrs. Hyatt and I are going through all the Christmas decorations to try and figure out what needs to be thrown away and what we need to buy. I would like to welcome a new church to our home. The Lutheran Church of Shamrock. Rev. Andrew Simcak, Jr., will be preaching every 4th Sunday of the month. We have 2 new residents to welcome to the care center. Mattie Jackson and Vivian Hofman. Mattie is from Briscoe. Vivian is from Shamrock. Next time you're out at WCC come by and say hi to these two ladies. I would like to thank my volunteers for helping out in bingo. They were Opal Hefley, and Doreen Owen. Those serving juice to the residents were Mary Mitchell, Mary Dodd, Fannie Mae Bradstreet, Verna Fillingim, Marie Gudge and Birdie Hudson. We have several residents in the hospital. Margaret Oldham and Jessye Smith are in the Shamrock hospital. Margaret Oldham and Jessye Smith are in the Shamrock hospital and Icy Littrell, Jane Knoll, Bertha Wright and Dora McGuffin are in the Wheeler Hospital. We wish all these ladies a speedy recovery. Janice Sparlin came out to have Sunday School with the residents. Vena Hopkins, Nellie Lackey, Willie Morris, Joe Richardson and Iris Ingram enjoyed the Sunday school lesson brought by Janice. Fern Young, Rozena Zybach and Ila Collins came to have church with the residents on Thursday. Several

residents attended. We sang songs and then Rozena gave the devotional for us. The First Baptist Church of Wheeler had Sunday afternoon worship services with the residents. I don't think I can ever say thank you enough to our churches in the community who come out each week to minister to our residents. Just because they live in a nursing home their spiritual needs don't stop. We played bingo on Wednesday. We had 20 residents to play bingo. Willie Knoll was our blackout winner and on Sat. they had 18 residents to play. Maria and I are getting the next art project together for the residents to work on. We are making reindeers from clothes hangers. If you get a chance come out and see our reindeers, they are really cute. A small man can be just as exhausted as a great man. —Arthur Miller

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ALLISON NEWS

By Christine Gilmer

I Peter 3-12 & 13
For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil. And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good?
A bright sunshine Monday morning here in Allison but cold, but will prob-

ably be a nice day.
Tanner McWhorter spent last Friday night with Me-Ma Ruby Craig, on Saturday Billy and Rhonda McWhorter and Tyler visited and took Tanner back home when they went.
This past weekend Bob and Lou Cornell traveled to Watonga, Oklahoma to attend the Cheese festival.

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Sunday afternoon Bob and Lou went to White Deer to visit Tammy and Lewis Newman, Jr., Chance and Roland. Tammy and her mother in law Johnnie Whitehead and her mother Lou Cornell went to a Craft Show at White Deer, Sunday afternoon before Bob and Lou came home.

Guest in the home of Pastor and Mrs. Roy Jones over the weekend were Rev. Daniel Lewis and family. I think they were from Levelland. We had church services both Friday and Saturday night and Bro. Lewis also preached Sunday morning. We enjoyed also a gospel sing Sunday after all the preaching, and singing was very good.

I drove to Wheeler Sunday after Church and met Johnnie and Darrel Harrison at Maxey's and we had a good dinner and a short visit together. Was good to be with them. Was also nice to see Ruby Zybach and Jane Ann and Curtis Hall there.

The United Pentecostal Church has two pieced quilts for sale. They are hand quilted and fit a full size bed. They can be seen at the church. If anyone is interested they can call any of the U.P.C. ladies and they will be glad to show them.

Everyone is invited to share in a card or letter shower and reception for Bessie Giddens honoring her 80th birthday. Place: 4315 Mesa Circle, Amarillo, Texas 79109, Sunday, November 21, 1993, 3 P.M. until 5 P.M.

Vance and Caroline Boydston were in Pampa last Tuesday doing some shopping. Caroline spent from Wednesday to Saturday in the Shamrock General Hospital. Kyle Boydston from Canyon spent the weekend at home with Vance and Caroline.

Kevin and Melissa Fleming and Meagan from Lufkin are spending a few days with the Eddy and Wanda Walker family.

J. R. and Leota Black's weekend guest were Robert Williams, Jeffrey Black and sons Robert and Nathan and Tina Black from Amarillo and a friend John from Canyon.

Henry and Dora Lea Dupont from Muskogee, Oklahoma came last Friday and spent the weekend with Ona Black, Henry returned home Sunday afternoon and Dora Lea stayed over to be with her mother Ona for a while.

Gary and Julie Boydston, Greg and Amie's weekend guest was Misty Sargent from Amarillo.

Last Monday Opal and Juanita Boydston were in Shamrock taking care of business. Last Tuesday they were supper guest with Billy and Roma Brown.

On Thursday Opal and Juanita were in Elk City and did some shopping. Last Friday Opal and Juanita's dinner guest were Neal and Tia Boydston and Corinna and Mark Hendricks.

Roma and Billy Brown were in Pampa last Wednesday and took care of business. On Thursday they went to Clinton, Okla. and took care of business and also visited their son Merlyn Brown.

Peggy Chandler and Jennie Walker visited Gertie Cornell at the Care Center in Wheeler last Wednesday. Last weekend guest at Peggy's were Betty Sue and Melvin Stinnett of Buena Vista, Colorado. They left Sunday going to the coast and will spend the winter there.

Red and Anna Dukes went to Amarillo last Monday and brought Bessie Crenshaw back to their home in Shamrock after she had gall bladder surgery at St. Anthony's hospital in Amarillo. Last Tuesday Red and Anna were in Amarillo to visit Louis Grayson at High Plains Baptist Hospital. Louis is in Amarillo this Monday to start treatments for cancer. Red and Anna went to Chillicothe to watch the Ft. Elliott girls play volleyball last week. The Ft. Elliott girls won the game. They also visited Bessie Crenshaw at her home at Shamrock. Last Sunday Red and Anna and Minnie Bell Vinson visited Vetola Parker Sunday afternoon and they also attended Frank George's 90th birthday celebration at the school.

Glen and Nona Elmore's Sunday night guest after church were Clyde and Minnie Bell Vinson and Red and Anna Dukes.
Susie Lohberger and Suzanne Lohberger visited Mrs. Laverne Scribner last Sunday at Mobeetie.
Edna May and Homer Sanders attended graveside services at Mobeetie last Saturday afternoon for Roy Burk.
(Marginal Note) Deal with the faults of others as gently as with your own.
Guest in the home of Frank George over the weekend were Charlie Henderson and Evelyn Elliott from Elk City, Okla., Jr. and Frankie Miller from Wheeler, Leon and Nadine Lane of Allison, Charles and June Elliott from Pampa, Charles and Alene George from Pampa, Betty Dyer of Allison. They all gathered Friday night for a covered dish supper to celebrate their Dad's 90th birthday. Sunday afternoon Mr. George was honored with a reception at the school cafeteria hosted by his grandchildren with 98 of his friends and relatives in attendance.
Congratulations Mr. George, he's still just a spry gentleman.

ALLISON MENU

November 15 thru November 19
MONDAY: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, ice cream, milk.
TUESDAY: Cheeseburger macaroni, mixed vegetables, fried squash, hot rolls, banana pudding, milk.
WEDNESDAY: Western burgers, baked beans, corn on cob, jello, milk.
THURSDAY: Chicken Fajitas, lettuce, tomatoes, cheese, fruit & cookie, milk.
FRIDAY: Frito pie, carrot sticks, fruit, crackers, milk.

November 15-19, 1993
MONDAY: Breakfast: Hot biscuits w/ gravy, sausage or ham, jelly, juice, milk.
Lunch: Steak, corn, peas, fruit, rolls, milk, tea.
TUESDAY: Breakfast: Toast, eggs, jelly, juice, milk.
Lunch: Pizza, salad, French fries, cookies, milk, tea.
WEDNESDAY: Breakfast: Donuts, choice of cereal, juice, milk.
Lunch: Turkey & dressing, green beans, yams, pumpkin pie, hot rolls, milk, tea.
THURSDAY: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk.
Lunch: Chili mac, pinto beans, toss salad, fruit, rolls, milk, tea.
FRIDAY: Breakfast: Waffles w/ syrup, bacon or sausage, juice, milk.
Lunch: Pork ribs on bun, toss salad, French fries, ice cream, milk, tea.
Menu Subject To Change

WHEELER MENU

November 15-19, 1993
Monday: Breakfast: Juice, cereal/ oatmeal, toast/jelly, milk.
Lunch: Chili dogs, curly Q's, relish, cheese, pears, milk/tea, oatmeal cookies.
Tuesday: Breakfast: Juice, biscuits/ gravy, eggs/sausage, peanut butter, milk.
Lunch: Burrito, salad, chili beans, milk/tea, peaches.
Wednesday: Breakfast: Juice, cinnamon roll, peanut butter & jelly sandwich, apple, milk.
Lunch: BBQ beef on bun w/cheese, French fries, carrot sticks, milk/tea, pineapple.
Thursday: Breakfast: Juice, toast/ sausage, hash browns, peanut butter & jelly sandwiches, milk.
Lunch: Turkey & dressing, mashed potatoes w/gravy, green beans, hot roll/butter, milk/tea, pumpkin tarts.
Friday: Breakfast: Juice, cereal/ oatmeal, toast/jelly, milk.
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Thanks again.
The Mike Newland Family
Jan, Kimberly and Jarod

Ellison Mobeetie MENU

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About It The Truth

By Ab Gunter

Been watchin that Santa Anna fire thing in southern California and have heard the same thing over and over about how the folks could protect their

homes in this area, but over and over the folks will invariably plant shrubs right up close to their homes, makes them look more hommy I recon. Fifty years ago there wernt many folks that built up in those canyons and on Big Bear area. There wernt that many that lived in California and most of them didnt have the money nor the time to

be so far from their work. Most of the movie stars wanted to be nearer their work and have all the conveniences of town. Only a few lived sort of off to themselves. Will Rogers lived sort of out of town and his home had a bridal path, polo grounds and lots of visitin cowboys who would come out to rope and play polo, but folks like the Pickfords and Mae West wanted to be handy to the nice shops and the fancy resturants and such. Back then all of them needed publicity and exposure cause we didnt have the boob tube to advertise them and some of the biggest stars had a tough time trying to live beyond their means. I have seen W.C. Fields drive down the street many times in his old car with his stove pipe hat on. We all knew who he was and enjoyed seein him whizsin down the street.

Over the years many of these folks have moved into the hills and built some fancy diggins but there were the more common type folks that followed them to show they too could afford these nice things. Honest you can see the near do wells livin maybe on the same hill as the prominent stars and all of us like to live like the Joneses. Huh.

The area around the southern part of the tinsel state has many types of native small trees and brush that are all very flammable and it dont take much to have you a hell of a fire in a few minutes.

If you aint familiar with this fire fightin sort of thing it might not mean much to you, but to actually be a participant in this work you sort of shudder when you see these folks rite there trying to control the blaze. Me and Mama and our kids lived in northern Cal. and I had the opportunity to be a part of some of the fire fightin folks. One time in Marin Co. our area had a fire and Mamá wuz tryin to protect our meagor home with our water hose. A neighbor jerked the hose away from Mama to try and save his property. He shouldnt have done it. Mama jerked the hose away from him, called him what he wuz and kept our home safe. She and this old Englishman became close friends after he found she wernt no pushover.

Things got rough where we lived and we had to move to the northern border of the state for work. I worked for the State on hiway jobs an drove the old Best tractor, I mean old. It wuz built for the London Bridge I believe and the fuel wuz gasoline. It held 60 gallons and it wuz there at my right side bot waist high. A buddy and I were called to a fire in the Natl. Forest and when them forest service boys came by to get us they loaded our rigs on flat trailers and we had to ride our rigs as there wuz no room in the cabs of the trucks for us. We got to the fire area and unloaded and we headed for the big blaze and it wuz big. No chain saws back then and we had to doze our way through. I wuz workin in an area and seen this old sort of a dugout nearby and kept workin and when one

of the Rangers came by I asked him what the dugout wuz. He told me it wuz where they kept black powder and dynamite and be sore not to disturb it. I took his word and sort of snuck off from there.

I got paid a buck fifty for my efforts and we wuz supposed to get grub and rest. We found the boys at the rest camp had et our grub but when I finally got home I didnt realize it but the smoke and grime in my duds gave Mama posion oak. She kept it for many weeks.

Ab and Mama

CARD OF THANKS

Our sincere thanks to the Allison and Wheeler Fire Departments for fighting our hay fire last Saturday.

Thank you to the many friends and neighbors who worked throughout the night and to those who saved the unburned bales.

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Wheeler Church of Christ

Congregational Concerns:

On this coming weekend, this congregation will conduct a lectureship that will be entitled, "New Bible Discoveries Confirm Great Bible Miracles." Virgil Yochem, the director of the International Bible School at Sunset School of Preaching in Lubbock, will be the speaker. A copy of this lectureship is posted on the bulletin board in the lobby.

The ladies of the Second & Adams Church of Christ in Elk City will host an area wide Ladies' Devotional on Thursday, November 18th. After the devotional, a fellowship meal will be served. Information about this Ladies' Devotional is posted on the bulletin board in the lobby.

On Friday night, November 19th, the Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ in Pampa will host a Ladies' Night. Betty Muns will be the speaker and the title of her lesson will be "The Master's Brush Strokes". Information about this Ladies' Night is posted on the bulletin board in the lobby.

Ben Griffin is hospitalized in High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo, recovering from surgery. His condition is slowly improving. Icyale Littrell is hospitalized in the local hospital.

From the Minister's Desk:

Gene Shelburne, the minister of the Anna Street Church of Christ in Amarillo, writes an article for the Saturday morning edition of the *Amarillo Globe News*. This article is usually very perspective.

For example, Mr. Shelburne recently wrote a very perspective article for the Saturday morning edition that was entitled, "Many Questions In Life Are Left Unanswered". This article said: -- Four-year granddaughter Jillian right now is in the "why" stage. "Mama," she wanted to know last night, "Why did God make Mosquitoes?"

Mama was stumped. Since Jill and little sister Kim react allergically to mosquito bites, with each minuscule puncture wound swelling up into a huge, angry welt, Jill simply could not imagine why God would infest his world with these swarming little bloodsuckers.

"Why did God make mosquitoes, Grandpa?" my daughter queried at lunch the next day, making sure Jill was tuned into our conversation. "Undoubtedly," I popped off with the feigned wisdom of advanced years. "Obviously," (the more adverbs I could stack into the front end of my answer, the more time I could buy to come up with a halfway plausible hypothesis). "Without question, God wanted to provide a delicacy for purple martins."

Jillian didn't say anything, but I think she's already cagey enough to see through her grandpa's charade. Probably she was thinking, "At least Mom was honest enough to admit she didn't know."

The truth is that we preachers have often been short on that kind of honesty. With audacity not unlike that of John Milton, who announced in the opening lines of a three inch-thick poem that he intended "to explain the ways of God to Man," we pulpiteers have often dared to pontificate with preposterous certainty about matters nobody on earth understands.

Like Job's infamous friends, some of us seem driven by the need to "darken counsel by words without knowledge." "How unsearchable are His judgements," the Scriptures praise God, "and his ways past finding out." But some of us who claim to speak for the Almighty aren't about to admit that.

May God forgive my colleagues and me for the times we have dared to open our mouths to the perplexed or the grieving or the dying to tell them "why" God has chosen to treat them or their loved ones thus and so.

Some things in this world simply are not explainable. Like Mosquitoes.

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.
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